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ALONG THE WALK
After months of long days, late nights, and intensive interaction with fellow students, faculty, and administrators, five working groups of students shared their strategic recommendations for strengthening Trinity’s campus culture at a Campaign for Community event, “TrinColl2Action,” at Vernon Social on November 7, 2015. A crowd of more than 200 listened as the students identified some of the key challenges on campus and proposed solutions to address them.

The Campaign for Community is an ongoing initiative launched by President Joanne Berger-Sweeney last April. Each of the student working groups focused on specific issues: academic environment, community involvement, rape and sexual assault, school pride, and social environment. After each group’s presentation, audience members provided feedback on the students’ ideas via smartphone.

Berger-Sweeney commended the hard work of the students, staff, and faculty involved in what she described as Phase I of the Campaign for Community project, saying that she was “thrilled” by the students’ ideas. She pledged $25,000 from her Presidential Discretionary Fund to get some of the projects started, and she challenged the Student Government Association to provide additional funds. Berger-Sweeney said that Phase II for Campaign for Community participants will begin with them coming back together as a group to look at the feedback from the audience, and in the spring semester they will begin to decide how to put some of the ideas into action.

Berger-Sweeney said that the students involved “were analytical, gathered data, determined what problems needed to be addressed, and came up with actual recommendations and ways to gauge reaction to them. I strongly believe that if the ideas come from the students themselves, then they’re more likely to come to fruition.”
The National Science Foundation (NSF) recently awarded a $234,957 grant to Trinity College Professor of Chemistry Timothy Curran to examine a potential new method of creating protein shapes called beta-sheets, which may have implications for understanding amyloid diseases such as Alzheimer’s disease. Curran is the principal investigator of the project, “RUI: Investigations of a Novel, Bimetallic Ring System for Nucleating Beta-Sheets.”

The beta-sheet protein shape, Curran said, “is found in the protein plaques that form in the brains of Alzheimer’s patients, clogging the brain’s neurons.” With this grant-funded project, Curran plans to investigate how these beta-sheets form and how they might be broken up.

Curran and his undergraduate students have discovered a cyclic, air-stable molecule that includes the metals tungsten and iron, which can position two protein chains next to each other as found in beta-sheets. “We have a model chemical system that we think might be able to generate beta-sheets,” he said. “Long range, this could help combat diseases like Alzheimer’s.”

The grant also includes funds to support three students for three summers and allows them to travel with Curran to conferences. “This grant offers a great opportunity for students,” he said.

Curran, chair of Trinity’s Chemistry Department, spent the summer of 2015 working with Trinity students from all over the world. “They were from Trinidad, Great Britain, Indonesia, Vietnam, and Windsor, Connecticut,” he said.

Curran said that his students were partly responsible for leading him to the particular line of inquiry pursued by this project. “This one came about because Allison Lawrence ’10 in my lab made a discovery about this molecule that had a particular shape,” he said. “In our lab, we make molecules that no one has ever made before. A student who makes a new molecule in my lab is the first person in the history of the planet to make that molecule. It’s one of the ways they can be unique.”

Involving students in research has always been important to Curran, who hopes to inspire a new generation of scientists. “I wanted to work at a school like Trinity because I started in science by having people let me work in their labs in the summertime, and I wanted to do the same thing for other students,” he said. “I like seeing students succeed.”
Research by Trinity College Assistant Professor of Mathematics Per Sebastian Skardal on dynamical systems, with many possible biological and technological applications, was published in August 2015 in the online journal Science Advances.

Titled “Control of coupled oscillator networks with application to microgrid technologies,” the paper was written with co-author Alex Arenas, who served as Skardal’s postdoctoral research adviser at the Universitat Rovira i Virgili in Tarragona, Spain.

Skardal is an applied mathematician with a particular interest in dynamical systems — which he describes as systems that evolve in time — and their ties with complex networks. “I use the example with students these days of Facebook. Everyone goes on Facebook; it’s a social network, so you have these links connecting different people if they’re friends,” he said. “I study how different groups of people or objects interact and how those interactions lead to particular behaviors. I’m particularly interested in when something big happens in the network, when all the objects start behaving similarly, or when an epidemic grows into a big thing that affects a lot of people.”

A biological example can be found in cardiac pacemaker cells, which Skardal said have to synchronize so they can send signals to the rest of the heart. The power grid is an example of mechanical synchronization.

“An efficient power grid ... is a power grid where all of the sources and loads are synchronized ... so they have to move at the same rate,” he said. “And when one desynchronizes, that basically corresponds to a power failure in that region.”

Skardal hopes that this research could contribute to the continuing development of microgrids, smaller power grids that can operate in isolation from the larger power grid. He added, “What we really believe and hope for is that these ideas are actually much more general. For instance, when a heart is beating asynchronously, in a ventricular fibrillation sort of state, we could use these ideas to synchronize systems using as little control as possible.”

Skardal, who came to Trinity in July 2015, holds a B.A. from Boston College and an M.S. and a Ph.D. from the University of Colorado at Boulder.

BERGER-SWEENEY HONORED

Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney was recognized by Johns Hopkins University’s Alumni Association, which presented her with a Distinguished Alumna Award at its Alumni Day on September 18, 2015. According to the Johns Hopkins Alumni Association website, the award honors those “alumni who have typified the Johns Hopkins tradition of excellence and brought credit to the university by their personal accomplishment, professional achievement, or humanitarian service.” Berger-Sweeney earned a Ph.D. in neurotoxicology from the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health after earning an undergraduate degree in psychobiology from Wellesley College and an M.P.H. in environmental health sciences from the University of California, Berkeley. After her time at Johns Hopkins, she completed postdoctoral training at the National Institute of Health (INSERM) in Paris, France.

Jay Lenrow, president of the Johns Hopkins Alumni Council, with Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney
In March of her senior year at Trinity, Jan Larsson ’77, P’18 panicked. A computer coordinate major with a concentration in biology, Larsson had been accepted into the graduate program in biomedical engineering at Duke University but suddenly realized she didn’t want to be an engineer. She consulted her longtime adviser and mentor, Joseph Bronzino, who retired in 2010 as the Vernon D. Roosa Professor of Applied Science, Emeritus. He suggested she pursue health administration instead. Larsson reapplied and was accepted, earning her master’s degree from Duke in 1979. “The rigor of the math and computer courses at Trinity taught me to think critically, so making the transition into the business environment was easy.”

In many respects, this story reflects two things about Trinity that Larsson holds dear — the power of education and the importance of relationships — concepts that Larsson has sought to honor as a business leader as well as a supporter of the College.

The child of Swedish immigrants, Larsson was the first person in her immediate family to attend college. She visited Trinity, she says, out of respect and admiration for her high school math teacher, a graduate of the College, and when she walked onto campus, she felt she was home. That sense of connection continued for Larsson when she encountered Bronzino in a first-year seminar; he quickly became a role model. “I’m eternally grateful for Dr. Bronzino’s friendship,” she says. “His guidance was crucial — we’re still in touch.”

Today, Larsson serves as president and CEO of Versa Products Co., Inc., a privately held company started by her father and uncle in 1948. Versa valves are used by companies from Procter & Gamble to Caterpillar and are as easily found in North Sea oil rigs as in municipal water treatment plants. Larsson came to Versa in 1988 after a decade in health care administration, intent on addressing a few managerial issues and then returning to health care. Almost 30 years later, she’s still with the company. “The longer I stayed, the more I understood the business and loved the people.”

Larsson is equally dedicated to her alma mater, giving generously of her time and resources over the years. She chaired the first Trinity College Engineering Advisory Committee, formed by Professor of Engineering, Emeritus, David Ahlgren to secure accreditation for the College’s engineering program; served on the College’s Board of Fellows; and through Versa acts as the chief sponsor of Trinity’s International Robot Contest and the Dream Camp Engineering Internship Program. In 2008, she established the Larsson Family Scholarship Fund for Engineering, awarded each year to a rising junior or senior who has shown excellence in engineering as well as community service.

“Jan was my student as an undergraduate; she’s terrific — very capable and enthusiastic,” says Ahlgren. “She has consistently demonstrated an interest in science education and Trinity’s Engineering Department since graduating, and she also has a terrific social conscience. She’s deeply committed to passing the wealth of knowledge to the next generation and has been very generous in her support of educational initiatives at Trinity. She’s a great person and a great leader.”

Says Larsson, “I believe that Trinity is preparing people to be leaders in their fields, and as such our students have a responsibility to act with integrity and give back to the larger community. The more we can promote and recognize those who excel academically as well as in service to others, the better off we’ll be.”

“The world is getting smaller all the time,” Larsson concludes, “and it’s imperative that we understand it from many different perspectives. Trinity cultivated my critical thinking skills and opened my mind to new ideas. I graduated with the skills to do whatever I desired, and I’m happy to play a role in giving the next generation those same opportunities.”
AROUND HARTFORD

Since 2009, the Connecticut Science Center has been much more than just an eye-catching building along the Hartford skyline; it has become a catalyst for science education in Connecticut and a must-see for the curious, thanks to its cleverly designed exhibitions, its popular programming and events, and its overall appeal to all ages. The entertaining and informative exhibitions, designed in-house by Richard Thomas, director of exhibit development and design, cover topics from climate change to sports, from the deep sea to outer space. A rooftop garden on the modern glass and metal building overlooks the Connecticut River, and each floor features unique characteristics to match the mood of the content. Special offerings include showings in the state-of-the-art 3-D movie theater; periodic Liquid Lounge events for the 21-and-older crowd, which regularly draw 1,000-2,000 people; and countless science-related programs for kids and families throughout the year. Trinity students receive a 15 percent discount on admission with their Trinity ID. For more information, visit www.ctsciencecenter.org. Follow @ReporterAroundHartford on Instagram.
By the time Frank Kirkpatrick ’64 officially retires this spring, he will have spent 51 years ’neath the elms of Trinity College. Kirkpatrick came to campus as a first-year student in 1960, what he calls “an exciting time to be at Trinity,” as professors “cared deeply and taught rigorously about issues related to the civil rights movement among other social issues of the time.” After graduating Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in religion in 1964, he earned a joint M.A. in comparative religion from Union Theological Seminary and Columbia University and a Ph.D. in religious studies from Brown University. With competing job offers from Trinity and Connecticut College, he opted to return to his alma mater as an assistant professor of religion in 1969, the year that women first joined the student body. During his 47 years on Trinity’s faculty, Kirkpatrick has risen to full professor, served as department chair, and been named the Ellsworth Morton Tracy Lecturer in Religion and a Charles A. Dana Research Professor. In addition to his teaching, for which he was awarded the Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence, Kirkpatrick has directed the Individualized Degree Program (IDP) and the First-Year Program, served as secretary and interim dean of the faculty, and been part of numerous other College committees. He counts helping to form the Humanities Gateway Program (formerly Guided Studies), in which students intensively study the history of Western culture, and serving for 12 years as ombudsman for the faculty as his proudest contributions to the College. On what he values about Trinity, Kirkpatrick says, “This College is a group of people who have in various ways created a sense of community. We are not just a bunch of atoms bumping against each other.” College Chaplain Allison Read says Kirkpatrick has a reputation among alumni as one of Trinity’s outstanding teachers. “He has challenged students to sharpen and clarify their moral and ethical thinking around critical personal, political, and social issues,” she says. “During my time as College chaplain, he has been an invaluable conversation partner.” In a stellar illustration of the relationships that Kirkpatrick, also an ordained Episcopal priest, has formed with his students, he and his wife accompanied former student James Kowalski ’73, the Very Reverend and Dean of the Cathedral Church in New York City, on a Reformation tour of Germany in October. “Some students I’ve taught have become my best friends,” he says. As for the future, Kirkpatrick says, he looks forward to spending time with his grandchildren and to studying economics through a moral philosophical perspective.

TRINITY TREASURE

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EDITOR’S NOTE “Trinity Treasure” highlights a person, place, or thing on campus that is just what the name implies: a Trinity treasure. Do you have an idea for what to showcase? Please send your suggestions to sonya.adams@trincoll.edu.

Ellsworth Morton Tracy Lecturer
and Professor of Religion Frank Kirkpatrick ’64
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Hyam Plutzik ’32 (posthumously)
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When Heather Zusman ’16 worked at the Chuck Jones Center for Creativity in Costa Mesa, California, this summer, she may not have foreseen exactly how that would inspire her recent art project based on her study of Le Corbusier, a Swiss-French architect and designer. Nearly 20,000 “Magic Nuudles” later, Zusman has created seven chairs, which were on exhibit in October 2015 at The Mill, Trinity’s arts theme house.

At the Chuck Jones Center, Zusman worked with patients with Parkinson’s disease to explore alternative healing practices. There, she heard a presentation by a surgeon from Hoag Hospital in Newport Beach, California, who stressed the benefits of arts and crafts in slowing the progression of Parkinson’s disease. Zusman worked extensively with patients on various art projects utilizing Magic Nuudles, which are safe and biodegradable crafting materials made of cornstarch and food coloring; collaging; and Japanese paper cutting.

Zusman says that while she is not following in the footsteps of her father, a physician, and adhering to traditional medical approaches to healing, she is fascinated by unconventional approaches; she created her *Sitting with Nuudles* art project in that spirit.

The quantity of Nuudles used to create the work is believed to be the largest number ever utilized for a single project, according to Kevin Sewart, CEO of Captain Nuudles, which owns Magic Nuudles. Zusman used nearly 3,000 on one chair alone.

Zusman’s senior thesis project will focus on Le Corbusier’s interiors from Villa Savoye in Poissy, France; his apartment in Paris’s 16th arrondissement, Maison La Roche; as well as larger complexes such as the Unité d’habitation in Marseille, France. Zusman is majoring in art history and double minorin in architectural studies and studio art at Trinity. She plans to continue her studies and pursue a career in architecture upon graduating.
BY MAURA KING SCULLY

25 YEARS

of

NEUROSCIENCE

FROM UPSTART MAJOR TO LAUNCHPAD FOR SUCCESS
Kehoe had already noticed a burgeoning interest in the brain at the College. A researcher with a Ph.D. in what was then known as physiological psychology, she says, “I taught courses on drugs and behavior, and clinical neuroscience. Students loved them.” An increasing number sought her out each year, asking her to serve as their adviser for a student-designed interdisciplinary major that she called psychobiology.

Though it wasn’t planned, the dawn of “The Decade of the Brain” coincided with the College’s formalization of psychobiology into a full-fledged major called neuroscience. Trinity’s program became “one of the first neuroscience programs at a liberal arts college in the country,” says Kehoe, who is now director of research at the UCLA School of Nursing. The new major wasn’t without controversy, however. “There were naysayers who thought neuroscience was just the popular thing at the time. ‘Trinity is a liberal arts college,’ they said. ‘What are we doing with a neuroscience program?’ It was a fair question.”

The year was 1990. President George H. W. Bush had just declared 1990–1999 “The Decade of the Brain” to build public awareness of the growing benefits of brain research.

“All of a sudden people started talking about different regions of the brain — the hypothalamus, the hippocampus — the brain was no longer this black box,” explains Priscilla Kehoe, then a faculty member in Trinity’s Psychology Department.

TRINITY AS A TRENDSSETTER

Today, anyone wondering about neuroscience’s place at Trinity need look no further than the President’s Office: Joanne Berger-Sweeney is a neuroscientist. In fact, she kicked off the program’s yearlong 25th anniversary celebration in September with a talk, “Of Mice and Men and Girls and Autism: Insights from 15 Years of Studying the Neurobiology of Mouse Models of Autism Spectrum Disorders.”

“The fact that the program has been around 25 years shows its strength,” says Sarah Baskin, Charles A. Dana Research Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience and current director of the neuroscience program. “I think Trinity’s program was so successful so early because lots of different people were interested in it.” In addition to Kehoe, Trinity neuroscience pioneers included Professor of Psychology, Emeritus, William Mace; Professor of Psychology, Emeritus, Karl Haberlandt; Vernon D. Roosa Professor of Applied Science, Emeritus, Joseph Bronzino; and Professor of Biology,
Emeritus, John Simmons, as well as current faculty members Brownell Professor of Philosophy Dan Lloyd, Thomas S. Johnson Distinguished Professor of Biology Dan Blackburn, and Associate Professor of Chemistry and Neuroscience Bill Church.

With an early start and broad-based support, Trinity became a trendsetter. In 1996, Kehoe co-founded NEURON (Northeast Undergraduate Research Organization for Neuroscience), along with colleagues from Bates College and Connecticut College. NEURON held a regional conference, giving undergraduates a forum where they could present their research, which Trinity hosted for the first three years. (Today, more than 30 schools from all over the region attend the annual NEURON conference.) The early success of NEURON drew the attention of Project Kaleidoscope (PKAL), a national organization dedicated to advancing the study of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. PKAL invited Trinity to host a national conference to advise other small liberal arts colleges on starting neuroscience programs.

“Neuroscience at Trinity was a rich, full program right from the start,” says Raskin. “It speaks to Trinity’s support for interdisciplinary work.” She points out that neuroscience was (and still is) among the most interdisciplinary of all majors, blending biology, psychology, chemistry, engineering, and philosophy. Today, Raskin notes, “Trinity continues to be a leader, demonstrated by innovations like the fast-track master’s program.” Launched in 2013, the five-year B.A./M.A. program provides Trinity students with an opportunity uncommon at a liberal arts college to conduct additional research and to strengthen their applications to medical school or Ph.D. programs.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS
“The yearlong 25th anniversary observance is a chance to celebrate the success of this program. It also gives us an opportunity to celebrate the incredible accomplishments of our graduates,” Raskin says.

Those graduates include Arko Ghosh ’04, a group leader at the Institute of Neuroinformatics at the University of Zurich and ETH Zurich, whose groundbreaking research on smartphones was published in the January 2015 issue of Current Biology. “We found that extensive use of smartphone touchscreens is changing the relationship between our brains and our thumbs,” Ghosh says. He and his fellow investigators believe this is evidence that the “contemporary brain is continuously shaped by the use of personal digital technology.”

Another graduate is Elizabeth Chua ’01, assistant professor of psychology at both Brooklyn College and The Graduate Center, City University of New York. Another rising research star, she is using brain imaging, eye tracking, and brain stimulation to investigate how memories work, including memory distortions. “People think of memory as a recording of the past,” Chua says. “It’s not like that at all. Your brain reconstructs a memory, literally pulling it together from all these different pieces. You may mistake things.”

Deniz Vatansever ’10 is a Ph.D. candidate in clinical neurosciences at Queens’ College, University of Cambridge. He is currently involved in research on the default mode network, an area of the brain active during resting-state conditions. “We know that this area changes shape in people who are in a
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ARKO GHOSH ’04

coma. We’re trying to decipher what it does and its contribution to working memory,” he explains.

All three graduates credit Trinity’s neuroscience program with launching them on research careers. “Trinity was where I learned I love research — the thrill of testing a hypothesis in different ways,” says Vatansever. “Trinity also taught me how to write, which has been incredibly important.”

Chua notes that Professor Lloyd connected her with a collaborator of his who was doing early brain imaging work with functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI). “I had the advantage of working with fMRI data when it wasn’t common. That led to my getting a job at Brigham and Women’s Hospital/Massachusetts General Hospital and then doing my Ph.D. at Harvard.” Of the program’s 25th anniversary, Chua says, “It shows how far neuroscience has come as a field. It’s impressive that Trinity, as a small liberal arts college, has been a leader in promoting undergraduate research in neuroscience in the U.S.”

Says Ghosh, “It shows some amount of courage to offer a dynamic new major in a field that’s changing so rapidly. Neuroscience as a discipline and Trinity’s neuroscience program have matured together.”

From her perspective in California, Kehoe considers the 25th anniversary of neuroscience at Trinity quite an achievement. “It’s a testament to what a great school Trinity is,” she concludes. “I look at all of these graduates, the inroads they’re making into neuroscience, the knowledge they are advancing and will pass on, and I’m so glad we launched the program when we did.”

COMING UP

YOU’RE INVITED
A FULL-DAY EVENT CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF NEUROSCIENCE AT TRINITY COLLEGE
SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2016

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Director, Center for Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Institute of Living
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Performance by THE AMYGDALOIDS
Albums: Heavy Mental, Theory of My Mind, All in Our Minds, Anxious

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THE BANTAM NETWORK

NEW PROGRAM HELPS FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS FIND THEIR FOOTING

CLOUDLESS AND STILL, the afternoon of Thursday, September 3, settled upon Hartford like a warm blanket. Many of the more than 560 new students seated with their parents on the Main Quadrangle were grateful for the shade of Trinity’s storied elms.

The College was formally launching its 192nd academic year with the pomp of the traditional President’s Convocation, and the full cast of its leadership, resplendent in academic regalia, was on hand to welcome the new students. A few minutes into the ceremony, Maximillian Le Merle ’16, president of the Student Government Association, approached the lectern. Only three years older than the first-years, he was nonetheless burnished by the transformative experience of his undergraduate education, and he had some advice for the Class of 2019.>>
“Don’t be afraid to experiment,” he advised them, espousing the truest path to enlightenment offered by the liberal arts experience. “Explore outside your comfort zone. Get involved.”

Le Merle’s sage counsel could not have set the stage any better for the new program President Joanne Berger-Sweeney was about to introduce. As she faced the new class following her own formal address later in the ceremony, Berger-Sweeney invited them to open the special parcels, wrapped in brown packing paper and tied with ribbon, that they had received at first-year check-in only hours before Convocation began. Loud whoops went up from the students as they revealed the colorful T-shirts, in one of 10 distinctive hues, that would serve as their tickets to a highly anticipated new program.
DESIGNED TO ENSURE SUCCESS
The Bantam Network is the result of a student competition introduced by Berger-Sweeney in December 2014. Five teams of students — including Summit Scholars, President’s Fellows, and those nominated by the Dean of Students Office — were charged with designing mentoring networks that would strengthen the interaction of Trinity students with each other, the College, and the city of Hartford. After developing their individual concepts during the first six weeks of the spring 2015 semester, the teams presented them to a panel of judges; the winning team was announced at the President’s House in March.

“Although the Bantam Network was the winning concept, we incorporated ideas from other proposals into the network that was ultimately implemented this fall,” explains Molly Thoms ’17, a Summit Scholar who was the leader of the original Bantam Network team and who assisted in developing the concept after the March presentation and through the summer. “Its intent is to unite students from thematically different first-year seminars into residentially based groups called ‘Nests’ that build camaraderie and bring many of the terrific resources that the College has to offer directly to new students starting with their first semester on campus.”

Named for persons, places, or objects of significance in Trinity’s history, the Nests are made up of 45 to 70 students who are enrolled in quartets or quintets of Trinity’s first-year seminars and who live together in dedicated residences. This arrangement is designed to foster scholastic engagement outside the classroom, a greater sense of community within the living spaces, civic engagement with Hartford, and school pride.

In doing so, the Bantam Network aims to connect students to their peers, creating an immediate sense of belonging and supporting them with tools and a network of academic and residential mentors who will inspire them to cultivate knowledge and equip them to succeed, both during their undergraduate experience and after graduating.

“Each Nest is supported by a team of mentors who work together to create a range of activities — both on campus and in Hartford — to provide you with a sense of belonging,” Berger-Sweeney told the incoming class at Convocation. “Always remember, you belong here.”

Joe DiChristina, Trinity’s new dean of campus life and vice president for student affairs, has been engaged in the development of the new program from the moment he arrived on campus in July 2015. “The Bantam Network should come as no surprise to anyone who knows President Berger-Sweeney,” he says. “She’s a neuroscientist, interested in how people network and connect. When she was interviewed for the presidency, collaboration was one of the things she talked about. It is central to the success of the Bantam Network.”

BY STUDENTS, FOR STUDENTS
The Bantam Network was designed by students for students. And it is still being created, on a day-to-day basis, in response to students’ needs and desires. While new students are encouraged to seek out faculty members and upper-year students who can serve as mentors for them, the front line of institutional support through the Bantam Network is made up of five “Trinsition” Fellows, whose responsibility is to oversee two Nests each and to help the incoming students quickly and successfully transition to college life. Four of the five — Alex Conaway ’15, Chanel Erasmus ’15, Taniqua Huguley ’15, and Consuelo

BY THE NUMBERS

| TOTAL NESTS | 10 |
| DEAN (oversees 2 Nests) | 1 |
| TRINSITION FELLOW (pairs with 1 Dean to oversee same 2 Nests) | 1 |
| HEAD FACULTY MENTOR | 1 |
| ADDITIONAL FIRST-YEAR SEMINAR PROFESSORS | 3-4 |
| FIRST-YEAR SEMINAR STUDENT MENTORS | 4-5 |
| AFFILIATED RAS | 4-5 |
| AFFILIATED P.R.I.D.E. LEADERS | 4-5 |
| FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS | 45-70 |
Pedro ’15 — graduated from Trinity in May. The fifth, Meredith Friedman, is a 2011 alumna of Bates College.

DiChristina has gotten to know the Transition Fellows through their intensive training and weekly meetings, during which they discuss a wide range of Bantam Network issues. “When the Transition Fellows were hired, we spent a week talking with them about the big picture of Trinity as it relates to their jobs,” says DiChristina. “They were all prepared to run with the ball. At the core of the Bantam Network’s success is their energy. They spent hours meeting with all the students and their families as they arrived. And they have worked tirelessly since then. They love this place.”

A month into the Bantam Network’s existence, Pedro reports, “The weekly Nest events have helped to take away the awkwardness of the first weeks by providing structured social settings where new friendships can grow. The common spaces are always buzzing with activity. Students are doing homework, chatting, playing music, and cooking together instead of staying in their rooms.”

New students also have reached out to Pedro and the other Transition Fellows for advice on joining and starting clubs and introductions to upper-year student leaders. “I have witnessed a sense of initiative that was usually seen in sophomore students,” Pedro says.

Erasmus says she thinks she has “the most fulfilling job in the world,” adding, “I get to help students make some of the most important decisions of their college careers and to help them feel a part of a community from the day they walk on campus. In the first month of the Bantam Network, first-year students are already embracing the city of Hartford and everything the campus has to offer. They will become the leaders of this community and truly embrace what it means to go boldly and be engaged.”

New students confirm this assessment. “The Bantam Network has generated a lot of positive energy. There are lots of fun activities designed to develop a sense of community, and it works.”

Selina Ortiz ’19

Donald L. McLagan Scholar Casey Crowley ’19, of Cleveland, Ohio, gives the Transition Fellows high marks. “They have been very helpful,” she says. “What makes them especially helpful, I think, is the fact that they are not professors. I’ve found my professors very nice, but it can be intimidating to talk with professors about some things. The Transition Fellows are close to our age. They understand what we’re going through.”

Simran Sheth ’19, of Mumbai, India, echoes Crowley’s point. “The Transition Fellows have recently had an experience similar to ours. They are open to our ideas and questions and very devoted to the Bantam Network.”

To see a video on the Bantam Network, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.
Members of the Lockwood Nest enjoy a Sunday Night Dinner in Hamlin Hall in October. All 10 Nests took part in monthly dinner gatherings throughout the Fall 2015 semester.

PHOTOS: (LEFT) RITA LAW; (RIGHT) RICHARD BERGEN
Angel Pérez seeks new ways of identifying ‘best and brightest’

Trinity Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success Angel Pérez is shaking things up in the world of college admissions. Pérez, who came to the College in June 2015, believes that characteristics such as persistence and optimism, coupled with high school GPA (grade point average), are better predictors of student success than standardized test scores and that sometimes the students who will thrive the most in college aren’t so obvious.

“Colleges need to explore new ways of defining what constitutes ‘the best and the brightest,’ ” Pérez says.
Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success
Angel Pérez

PHOTO: JOHN MARINELLI
To that end, he was at the center of the College’s decision last fall to join the more than 800 colleges and universities that have made the submission of standardized test scores optional for undergraduate admission. “Research has proven that high school GPA is a stronger predictor of success in college than are standardized test scores,” he said in an October 5 letter announcing the decision. Many of Trinity’s top competitor schools already have made this move.

Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney agrees: “There are many indicators of long-term success in college and life beyond standardized test scores.” By going test optional, she hopes to expand the diversity and further raise the quality of Trinity’s applicant pool.

This is exactly what happened at Pitzer College, a liberal arts institution near Los Angeles, where Pérez served as head of admissions for eight years before coming to Trinity. In addition to other changes, the school dropped its requirements for the SAT and ACT in 2004 and since then has seen significant increases in applications, student diversity, and GPAs.

But becoming test optional is not enough, says Pérez. Through questionnaires for guidance counselors, student essay questions, and interviewing techniques, he and his staff are going deeper and evaluating personality traits and characteristics — such as creativity and curiosity — that research shows predict student success. These attributes will not replace grades or other factors in the application, says Pérez. “They will provide depth to the applicant’s file and give the committee other tangibles to consider.”

Pérez, who holds a B.S. from Skidmore College, an M.A. in education from Columbia University, and a Ph.D. in international education from Claremont Graduate University, has made the study of these indicators his current academic focus. “My goal is to understand what research shows about traits and characteristics young people exhibit that are linked to success later in life,” he says. At Trinity, he is using this research to inform best practices in the admission process.

Pérez also has implemented additional methods of reaching qualified potential students. Trinity’s admissions counselors are visiting high schools in parts of the country — including areas in Texas, California, and Washington state — that had gone largely untapped by the College in the past. Many of these locations have high concentrations of college-bound students.

To learn which applicants truly want to become Bantams, technological tools are being utilized to help keep track of a student’s authentic and meaningful engagement with the College. A reinstated supplemental essay asks applicants to explain why they want to come to Trinity or what they hope to gain from the experience of studying in the urban setting of Hartford.

Pérez recognizes the importance of building strong relationships with high school guidance counselors, who are seen as the gateway to connecting with students. As part of an effort to build those bonds, the College has stepped up its visits with counselors and has produced two newsletters for the counselors and plans to publish more. Events for high school counselors in various locations around the country also are in the works.

Pérez also hopes to have Trinity represent the world even more than it does today. “When you have a student from Iowa, a student from California, and a student from Kenya, you are going to have much richer conversations, both in the classroom and outside of it.”

FOR PÉREZ, THAT ENERGY COMES FROM THE PASSION HE HAS FOR “CREATING GREATER ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION” FOR ALL STUDENTS.
Mandi Haines, former senior associate director of admissions who oversaw the recruitment of international students, was eager for Pérez to come to campus after his appointment was announced. “Angel has a strong reputation in the admissions world, and I knew he would take us in bold, new directions.”

Anthony Berry, director of admissions and a 16-year veteran of the office, says it’s Pérez’s infectious energy that keeps the team going during stressful times. “He is overwhelmingly positive and optimistic.”

These characteristics were what first impressed Berger-Sweeney. “I saw Angel’s energy, enthusiasm, and experience as excellent for Trinity,” she says.

For Pérez, that energy comes from the passion he has for “creating greater access to higher education” for all students. “The college admission deanship is ripe with opportunity to make a significant difference in the world,” he wrote in an essay titled “Becoming an Admissions Dean” (Inside Higher Ed, December 2013). The work is intense, with long hours and much travel. “I feel like I never stop,” he says. In his role at Trinity, he oversees admissions, financial aid, institutional research, career development, and retention.

But when the work feels overwhelming, Pérez thinks of his parents, who moved his family from Puerto Rico to the United States to seek better opportunities for their children. “They moved to this country without knowing English, with no money and no jobs. I know that even on my hardest day, I’m not working nearly as hard as they did to provide me with an opportunity to study in the U.S.”

At 17, Pérez wasn’t exactly an admission officer’s dream student. “By all traditional measures, I shouldn’t have made it through college,” he says. The price his family paid for the American dream was steep. They lived in the South Bronx during one of the most dangerous times in the borough’s history, says Pérez, who experienced crushing poverty and cruel violence and twice found himself in the back of a police cruiser. His high school was one of the poorest performing in New York City. By his own admission, his grades and SAT scores were not exemplary.

But a high school guidance counselor and a college admissions officer took an interest in him. “They saw things in me, like grit and an ability to overcome adversity,” he says. He enrolled at Skidmore through the Higher Educational Opportunity Program, a New York state program that provides financial and educational support to disadvantaged students. “It saved my life,” he says.

Pérez did well in college and landed his first job as an admissions counselor at Skidmore. Later he helped first-generation college students with the application process in New York City. Today he is a fierce advocate for change within college admissions. He said he feels traditional admissions tools often exclude students — like himself — who can make significant contributions to campuses and to the world.

“My own story led me to challenge conventional thought,” says Pérez.
Many children dream of being an astronaut one day, but few young adults land the opportunity to play a day-to-day role in assessing the safety of space equipment — especially in their first job out of college. For Yun Gong ’15, that dream has become a reality, thanks in large part to a spring student internship at United Technologies Corporation.

Alumni play key role in link between UTC, Trinity students

BY CAROL LATTER
Gong, whose family moved to New York from China when she was 10, loved the sciences from a very young age, an interest sparked by building toys, fans, and other “fun projects” with her father. She found her schools in Brooklyn very crowded, so when it came time to choose a college, she opted for a smaller liberal arts school that was strong in the sciences. Trinity turned out to be the perfect choice for her. “I liked the small class sizes, and the engineering professors are very accessible, so I could always get the help I needed,” she says.

Gong, part of the Association of Energy Engineers for two years and a member of the Robot Study Team for three years while working on her engineering degree, credits Trinity’s Career Development Center (CDC) and UTC Vice President and Chief Information Officer Nancy Davis ’79 for encouraging her to pursue the internship that led to her current position.

Davis and UTC colleague Pete Bradley ’87 returned to their alma mater in the fall of 2014 to talk with students about their careers and the importance of STEM education. After the session, they chatted with students about internship opportunities at UTC.

Severn Sandt, the CDC’s assistant director for strategic partnerships and outreach, introduced Gong to Davis, who discussed various positions with her. Gong was selected from a large field of candidates and spent four months at UTC, working on a variety of computer-based projects.

Sydney Doolittle ’17, of Milford, Connecticut, had a similar experience. In March 2015, Trinity held an informal on-campus reception for alumni and parents who work at UTC, part of an overarching strategy to strengthen and deepen ties with the global manufacturer. Sandt recalls, “In the course of it, Sydney got to talking with both Pete and Nancy, and they felt she would be a great candidate to do a summer internship with them. They invited her to apply to UTC’s Pratt & Whitney, and she was selected from a large group of applicants. She enjoyed her internship as well.”

Bradley, who majored in engineering at Trinity and now leads Pratt & Whitney’s High Performance Computing (HPC) operations, says working there involves “solving very complex problems with some of the world’s most powerful computers. Our latest jet engine offers double-digit improvements in fuel burn.
and emissions, something that’s made possible through computer simulations. We optimize the performance of the product virtually, before we build it in real life.”

He says while the internship presented Doolittle with a steep learning curve, she “did an extremely effective job of seeking out the right people for information, not letting any obstacle stop her, and getting the job done. She helped us improve our ability to turn around designs quickly, which is very important for us to be competitive.”

Doolittle says the three months she spent at Pratt & Whitney completely exceeded her expectations. “It was just such a great experience, and people were so welcoming and friendly. I was always busy, and I felt like I actually made an impact, working side by side with top engineers and improving the methods more than 400 Pratt & Whitney engineers use to develop jet engines,” she says.

“Pete was great,” Doolittle adds. “Anytime I had questions, he took the time and was so thorough in his explanations. It helped me learn so much.” Doolittle has been invited back for another internship.

Davis, who recently joined Trinity’s Board of Trustees, says that as an alumna and UTC executive, she is excited to have the chance to let Trinity students know about opportunities at her company. “Being able to participate in something that can benefit Trinity and my employer, which has a large presence in the Hartford area, is very important to me,” she says.

At the same time, “it’s not me or anyone else creating these roles for these students. I give credit to the students themselves. They have terrific qualifications — and we have terrific assignments — so it’s a very logical opportunity for both of us.”

She also gives credit to Trinity for its tireless efforts to identify internships for its students and to facilitate introductions, as well as for offering a unique educational blend: “I think there’s tremendous benefit in a student having the opportunity to study STEM within a liberal arts environment, and Trinity is excellent at both.”

Davis, who majored in computer coordinate with engineering at Trinity, recalls that she not only studied the sciences but also economics, psychology, and writing. “Having that background and bringing it to the business world is something that benefited me greatly,” she says. Like Gong, she landed a job with UTC straight out of college. Bradley did the same, starting with Pratt as a software developer and architect. Both Davis and Bradley also earned master’s degrees from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

J. Violet Gannon, director of Trinity’s CDC, says she and her staff start working with students in their first year to help them meet the needs of their future employers. “In the first year, we’re really dispelling the myths about what certain careers look like. In subsequent years, we look at the relationship between their major and the outcome they’re looking for.” Along the way, students learn to network, develop their brand, articulate their interests, and explain the value of a liberal arts education to potential employers.

The CDC also creates a variety of events that give Trinity students insight and access to outstanding companies, and this creates opportunities for these companies to find and hire top students.

“I think the beautiful thing about companies like UTC is that there are so many opportunities that hit on the students’ areas of interest: HR, marketing, engineering,” Gannon says. “We have students who are really talented in those domains, and we’re connecting them with opportunities to exercise and hone those skills. It’s a wonderful opportunity for them, especially since UTC is so close.”

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Carolyn Kimmick ’15 admits that she didn’t know exactly what she was getting into when she signed up for “COLL 199, The Trinity Portfolio Program” in the fall of her senior year. “I was interested in doing something a little different,” she says, “and had heard a lot of positive comments about Sue and Rachael.”
Now having graduated with a double major in Hispanic studies and international studies and well into her work as a financial research analyst, Kimmick says that the quarter-credit course — known as “the portfolio class” — was instrumental in helping her to understand and to communicate the totality of her college experience and to see herself as someone who could be a valuable asset to an employer. “I learned to communicate the value and applicability of everything I had experienced in my life, inside and outside of classes. Most important was learning to show how courses seemingly unrelated to my future career provided me with an advantage over others looking to do the same job.”

Guided by “Sue and Rachael” — instructional technologist Sue Denning and Rachael Barlow, social science research and data coordinator — students in the course develop online portfolios. These portfolios are individualized websites that connect and showcase their activities and accomplishments. The course culminates each time in a “launch party” to which students are required to invite one faculty member, coach, or other adviser, as well as two friends. “The launch party adds to the conversations that students have about the narratives they are constructing,” Barlow says.

The idea for a portfolio program was one of several proposals presented at a Mellon grant-funded faculty retreat held in the fall of 2011 to discuss how to enhance both academic and nonacademic life in preparation for Trinity’s 200th birthday in 2023. Developed by engineering professors Dave Ahlgren and John Mertens, the original concept was for an “advising portfolio” created in a course that would give selected students the opportunity to work closely with a faculty member in small-group settings over their four years at Trinity. The goal would be to build an electronic portfolio containing examples of students’ best academic work that could be sent to potential employers.

**BROADENED SCOPE**

Since its initial run led by Mertens in the spring and fall of 2013, the portfolio program has been developed into a course taught every semester by Barlow and Denning; about a dozen students are enrolled each time.

In addition, the concept of “a portfolio” has changed. With the idea that a portfolio should highlight the core liberal arts competencies of critical thinking, problem solving, and communication, Denning says, two insights developed. “The first was that to make a difference in students’ lives, the portfolio process should be reflective; students need to be thinking about why they are doing their work, what it means to them, and how it factors into their development.”

The second insight was that focusing a portfolio only on classroom work excludes a great deal of the learning that happens on a liberal arts campus.

“There is sociological evidence to support the idea that what students do outside of the classroom is as important as what they do in it,” notes Barlow. “Athletics, internships, Greek life, clubs and organizations, community service, travel abroad — students need to be able to think critically about and articulate how what they do outside of the classroom links to their academic lives.”

**IN AND BEYOND THE CLASSROOM**

Monica DiFiori ’16 describes those links becoming clear as she engaged in the portfolio process. A neuroscience major and Italian studies minor, DiFiori took the course as a sophomore and then again in the fall of her senior year (students may enroll up to four times during their Trinity careers). “As a sophomore,” she says, “I hadn’t really thought about my college career as a whole. Working through the course with Rachael and Sue, I began to see how I could build a story.” Now in the process of applying to medical school to pursue a career in sports medicine, DiFiori is developing her portfolio to reflect not only her academic accomplishments but her love of travel, her success as a varsity soccer player — she hopes to play on a semi-pro team while taking two gap years after graduation — and her passion for Italian food and culture. “Building a portfolio made me think more deeply, not only about what I was doing,” DiFiori says, “but about how I want to present myself to others, especially to medical schools and future employers.”

Jett McAlister, associate director of Trinity’s Career Development Center
(CDC), notes that a major focus for the CDC staff is helping students like Kimmick and DiFiori articulate to employers the value of their liberal arts experience. At the same time that creating the portfolios helps students discover for themselves how everything fits together, McAllister says, “looking at portfolios can show us in the CDC something we may not have known, allowing us to further individualize the coaching we give our students.”

**INCREASING INTEREST**
Currently, there are about 150 Trinity student portfolio sites, with many created through enrollment in the portfolio program course and the remaining developed independently or through other programs. Going forward, because of increased interest and the need to cap the number in the class, many additional students who create portfolios will not be enrolled in the course. Currently, portfolios are being built by students doing theses in economics, and the intent is to bring in other thesis programs. In addition, more first-year students are being encouraged to start portfolios. Portfolio sites are particularly encouraged for those in HPAP, the Health Professions Advising Program, to demonstrate core competencies desired by medical schools. And while the portfolio program course offers ongoing tech help, structure, and peer interaction, Barlow and Denning also run specific workshops for the associated programs and provide support to those working independently.

“The students who build portfolios are making the most of a liberal arts education,” Denning says. “Everyone has an interesting story; students who build portfolios learn how to tell it. They don’t have to win an award or be in a certain program to have pride in their accomplishments.”

Barlow adds, “I run Trinity’s senior exit interview project. One of the most common comments we hear is that seniors wish they had ‘done more’ outside the classroom earlier in college. They regret not getting ‘more involved.’ Our hope is that students who start on portfolios as first-years, particularly when they are in contact with juniors and seniors working on theirs, might be more likely to begin that involvement.”

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*For more information about the program, including a showcase of student portfolios, please visit portfolios.trincoll.edu or commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.*
Trinity partners with Hartford.Health.Works. to strengthen STEM education and economic and workforce development in Hartford

With the assistance of Trinity College faculty and staff, Hartford.Health.Works. (HHW) won first place in Hartford’s “Strong Cities, Strong Communities” (SC2) competition last May. This recognition also came with a $500,000 prize and the opportunity to make the vision — for Hartford to be a hub of entrepreneurialism and medical device manufacturing — become a reality.
Trinity is a lead educational partner and founding member of HHW, an exciting outgrowth of the Biomedical Engineering Alliance & Consortium (BEACON) spurred by the federal SC2 initiative. For the College, the partnership could not have been timelier. Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, who has made engagement with the community a cornerstone of her administration, has noted, “Trinity’s future is inextricably linked with Hartford’s future.” This serendipitous union will strengthen the College as well as the surrounding academic and medical institutions and has the potential to transform the city.

In 2011, President Barack Obama announced the SC2 initiative, an economic development challenge that granted select cities — including Hartford — funding and resources from the U.S. Economic Development Administration to seek creative and collaborative solutions to their toughest economic challenges. As a result, Hartford challenged its residents to create ideas that would make the state capital the city for entrepreneurs. HHW was the brainchild of BEACON and two of its members, Rising-Tide Health Care and MOVIA Robotics, and was created to leverage the region’s high density of biomedical engineering players into an economic development plan to expand educational opportunities, to attract new and existing businesses, and over the next decade, to create thousands of new jobs, thereby cutting Hartford’s unemployment rate in half and revitalizing the city.

Joseph Bronzino, Vernon D. Roosa Professor of Applied Science, Emeritus, established BEACON in 1997 as a way to foster collaboration among area colleges and universities with biomedical programs. “I looked around the Hartford area and found that there were four biomedical engineering programs, but they were all small,” recalls Bronzino. “However, if you combined them, you had 30 or 40 faculty members and quite a number of students.” Originally an academic consortium, the organization quickly became the trade association for biomedical engineering manufacturers and suppliers in Connecticut. BEACON connects industry professionals with academic programs, and over the years, many Trinity students have used it to secure research internships that subsequently led to employment at member companies.

Mark Borton, BEACON entrepreneur-in-residence and executive director of HHW, says, “In its simplest terms, HHW is a comprehensive plan of programs and facilities that meet the specific unmet needs of students, entrepreneurs, and Hartford residents.” The holistic approach includes a campus for multi-institutional medical device research and development, testing, and manufacturing; pathways to connect industry partners and clinicians with academia; an incubator and accelerator for business development; mentoring for new businesses; and education and training programs for those seeking careers in the biomedical industry. While the overall focus is biomedical, related opportunities in software development, finance, communications and marketing, and other fields are inherent with the influx of new and expanded businesses in Hartford.

Berger-Sweeney saw immediately that HHW could play a pivotal role in the renaissance of Hartford. “Our involvement with Hartford.Health. Works. will, among many things, enable us to leverage Trinity’s jewel of an engineering program and deepen our ties to the health care industry. We are eager to be at the forefront of advancing Hartford’s future, and, along with
our presence at 200 Constitution Plaza, this initiative provides excellent opportunities for Trinity to contribute to a thriving city.”

Adds Bronzino, “HHW will stimulate the development and commercialization of new medical devices for local, national, and international end users. And in that process, there will be opportunities for Trinity students to engage in research and development projects at research institutions, hospitals, and within the industry.”

Harry Blaise, an associate professor of engineering at Trinity, said that HHW is yet another way that Trinity works with the local community to the mutual benefit of both. Faculty will team with industry partners, the University of Hartford, and Capital and Asnuntuck community colleges to develop middle and high school biomedical engineering curricula and educational units. With the help of undergraduate teaching interns, they will train teachers and engage students in a “BME-4-STEM” summer science academy. “Trinity has been a long-standing partner in the Hartford community,” says Blaise. “HHW is a natural fit for us and is certainly in line with Trinity’s urban and global emphasis. As HHW works to strengthen the city’s workforce through the establishment of a medical device manufacturing hub in Hartford, Trinity will play a key role in helping to educate this workforce.”

Trinity’s ABET (Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology)-accredited Engineering Department already has a robust program in biomedical engineering. The College’s students will benefit from the new resources provided by HHW through expanded research opportunities and connections to corporations, including Medtronic, a leading health care products firm in Connecticut and an HHW founding member, for capstone projects and internships. Over the past five years, a number of Trinity undergraduates have performed research at Medtronic, and Bronzino envisions more such opportunities becoming available in the future, thanks to HHW. Says Blaise, “As medical device manufacturing expands in the city, there’s going to be an increased demand for a well-educated biomedical engineering workforce, and Trinity will be in a unique position to provide that education.”

Medical device manufacturing is one of the most in-demand industries in the country, according to Bronzino, so it makes sense for Trinity to position itself at the forefront of the field. “The first two decades of the 21st century have revolved around biomedical engineering and bioscience,” he says. “That’s the economic engine that drives the region and the country. That’s our industrial base in this country — we are a net exporter of medical devices to the world, and we want to keep it that way.”

Students around the country are getting the message, gravitating toward schools with strong bioengineering programs. According to U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment for biomedical engineers will grow by 62 percent between 2012 and 2022. “Biomedical engineering is an exciting field to get into right now,” says Blaise. “Its multidisciplinary approach to solving problems in medicine appeals to a lot of young students — they can be working with a physician one day and a physicist the next.”

Trinity College is actively working with HHW to seek additional partners within Hartford and from around the world. For more information, please contact Amy Brough, director of institutional support, at amy.brough@trincoll.edu.

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—Professor Harry Blaise
Kyle Pulek '16 became the first football player in Trinity history to earn All-NESCAC First Team honors in all four of his collegiate seasons.
FOOTBALL

The Trinity College football team, coached by Jeff Devanney, finished the 2015 season in second place in the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) with a 7-1 record. First-year RB Max Chipouras was named as the NESCAC Rookie of the Year and was one of 13 Bantams named to All-NESCAC teams. Senior captain C Matt Porter was selected for the New England Football Writers Division II/III New England All-Star Team, and senior DB Paul McCarthy made the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Division III Academic All-District Team. Porter, senior captain P Kyle Pulek, McCarthy, senior DE Lyle Baker, junior NT Matt D’Andrea, junior CB Yosa Nosamiefan, junior KR Darrien Myers, sophomore OT Chris Simmons, sophomore WR Bryan Vieira, and sophomore ILB Liam Kenneally graced the All-NESCAC First Team. Senior DE Preston Kelly, junior S Spencer Donahue, and Chipouras represented the Bantams on the All-Conference Second Team. Myers also was named to the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III North All-Star Team.

SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us on Saturday MARCH 5, 2016, to celebrate the history of women’s rowing at Trinity College and the 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN’S CREW as a varsity program. The events will include brunch and, if weather permits, a row at the Friends of Trinity Rowing Boathouse, as well as a reception, dinner, and celebration in Mather Hall.

For more information, please visit commons.trincol.edu/Reporter or contact Kevin MacDermott, interim director of rowing and head coach of men’s rowing, at (860) 297-5306.
ATHLETICS

WOMEN’S SOCCER
Trinity’s women’s soccer team, coached by Michael Smith in his 19th season, finished the 2015 campaign with an 11–6 overall record and fourth in the NESCAC with a 6–4 mark in league play. Junior back Sheena Landy represented the Bantams on the All-NESCAC Second Team.

MEN’S CROSS COUNTRY
Trinity’s men’s cross country team, coached by George Suitor, finished 11th in the NESCAC Championship Meet, as senior captain Patrick Hoagland came in 11th individually with a time of 25:30.66. Trinity totaled 286 points, while Williams won the team title with 36 points. The Bantams came in 15th place in the team standings at the NCAA Division III New England Regional Championships in Waterford, Connecticut. Hoagland finished his final race in 25:08 to earn 45th place in the NCAA Championship Meet and earned All-NESCAC Second Team and All-Regional accolades.

FIELD HOCKEY
The Bantam field hockey team, coached by Anne Parmenter in her 15th season, finished 2015 with an 8–8 overall record and tied for sixth place in the NESCAC with a 4-6 mark in league play. Sophomore forward Kelcie Finn represented the Bantams on both the All-NESCAC Second Team and the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Division III New England West All-Regional Second Team, while senior tri-captain goalkeeper Sophie Fitzpatrick was selected to play in the NFHCA Division III Senior All-Star Game.

VOLLEYBALL
The Trinity College volleyball team, coached by Jen Bowman in her 12th season, finished the 2015 season with an 8–14 overall record and tied Hamilton and Wesleyan for ninth place in the NESCAC with a 1–9 mark in league play. Senior co-captain Kate Giddens represented the Bantams on the All-NESCAC Second Team and the American Volleyball Coaches Association Northeast Region Honorable Mention. She also was selected to play in the New England Women’s Volleyball Association Division III Senior All-Star Game.

GOLF
The Bantam golf team finished second in both the NESCAC Championship Qualifying Tournament and the ECAC Division III Championship Tournament. Senior captain Jeff Durkin and first-year Will Rosenfield each tied for sixth with a two-day score of 153 in the NESCAC Qualifier at Middlebury to help Trinity, coached by Matt Greason in his third season, qualify for the NESCAC Championship Tournament in the spring due to its top-four finish. Durkin and Rosenfield were each named to the All-NESCAC First Team, while sophomore Nate Choukas and first-year Taylor Kay-Green both graced the All-NESCAC Second Team. Rosenfield also finished second overall at the ECAC Championships in Southwick, Massachusetts. Rosenfield shot a 69 on the first day and followed up with a 75 the following day to join Durkin, who shot 146, on the All-ECAC First Team, while Kay-Green tied for seventh to earn All-ECAC Second Team recognition.

MEN’S SOCCER
Trinity’s men’s soccer team, coached by Mike Pilger in his 12th season, finished the 2015 season with a 6–6–4 overall record and seventh in the NESCAC with a 3–5–2 mark in league play. Junior tri-captain midfielder Tobias Gimand represented the Bantams on the All-NESCAC First Team, while junior forward Cody Savonen repeated on the All-NESCAC Second Team. Gimand also was named to the ECAC Division III North All-Star Second Team.
WOMEN’S CROSS COUNTRY
Trinity’s women’s cross country team, coached by George Suitor, finished 10th in the NESCAC Championship Meet at Wesleyan and 23rd in the NCAA Division III New England Regional Championships in Waterford, Connecticut. Trinity totaled 278 points at the NESCAC Championships and 797 at the regional meet. Williams won both team titles with 30 and 44 points, respectively.

TRINITY NAMES THREE NEW COACHES
Trinity hired Keith Maurice as its new head women’s ice hockey coach in August 2015. Maurice, the sixth head coach in the history of the program, came to Hartford after several successful years as an assistant coach at The Ohio State University. Maurice takes the reins of a Bantam women’s ice hockey program that finished the year with an 18–7–2 mark, won its first NESCAC crown, played in the NCAA Quarterfinals, and entered the year as the No. 7-ranked team in the nation.

Trinity also announced the promotion of Renee Jones to the position of 2015–2016 interim head women’s rowing coach in August. Jones guided the Trinity novice eight to second place at the New England Rowing Championship (NERC) Regatta and a first-place finish at the ECAC National Invitational Regatta in her first season and led the novice boat to an undefeated campaign in 2014. Jones coached the third varsity to silver medals at both the ECAC and the NERC regattas and guided Trinity’s second varsity to third place in the 2015 NCAA Division III Championship Regatta last spring.

Bill DeLongis joined the College in the fall of 2015 as the Athletic Department’s strength and conditioning coach. DeLongis came to Trinity from Division I Stony Brook University in Long Island, where he was the assistant director for athletic performance and worked directly with the volleyball, women’s basketball, men’s lacrosse, and baseball teams and assisted with football.

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LONG-RANGE VISION

When Pat and Steve Peters ’68 wanted to help Trinity build its endowment, they chose a path that also allowed them to plan for retirement.

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The Peterses established a trust that would provide another source of income during their retirement years. Using highly appreciated stock, the trust allowed them to effectively diversify their portfolio without paying the capital gains tax on the sale of the stock. In addition, they qualified for a tax deduction in the year they established the trust. Now, four years into retirement and pleased with the returns, the Peterses added to their trust and qualified for an additional tax deduction.

“We were happy to support the College again in this way,” Steve says. “With some of our equities earning little in dividends, it made good sense to add to our trust, and we made a contribution that will count toward my 50th Reunion.”

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**CLASS NOTES**

**Trinity Fund Goal:** $250

**’35**

Trinity Fund Goal: $250

**’37**

Trinity Fund Goal: $1,000

**’38**

Trinity Fund Goal: $500

**’39**

Trinity Fund Goal: $50

Class Secretary: Henry Hayden, 627 Leyden Ln., Claremont, CA 91711-4236

News from your class secretary: I am still very active. Paint in my studio daily, still preach at our retirement community chapel on Sundays, and work out daily in our gym. I correspond with 325 former students and church parish members. From 1946-50 was Protestant chaplain at the University of New Mexico, and from 1950-56 was chaplain at the University of New Hampshire. My English major at Trinity enabled me to give a one-hour lecture to a senior citizen group here on “British and American Poetry,” and I quoted 16 poems from memory — learned in classes in ’36, ’37, ’38.

**’40**

Trinity Fund Goal: $3,000

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**’41**

Trinity Fund Goal: $2,000

Class Secretary: Richard T. Blaisdell, 31 Ridgewood Rd., Windsor, CT 06095-3026; richard.blaisdell.1941@trincoll.edu

**’42**

Trinity Fund Goal: $2,100

**’43**

Trinity Fund Goal: $500

**’44**

Trinity Fund Goal: $1,500

Class Agents: Richard E. Haskell, Merritt Johnquest

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**’45, ’46, ’47**

Trinity Fund Goal: $750 (1945); $1,000 (1946); $1,000 (1947) • Class Secretary: George A. Oberle ’45, 45 Ocean Ave., Apt. 3J, Monmouth Beach, NJ 07750-2401; george.oberle.1945@trincoll.edu

**’48**

Trinity Fund Goal: $10,000

Class Agent: Theodore D. Lockwood

**’49**

Trinity Fund Goal: $4,000

Class Agent: Robert Bowden

**’50**

Trinity Fund Goal: $45,000

Class Secretary: Robert Tansill, 104 Aspen Dr., Basking Ridge, NJ 07920-1977 • Class Agent: Robert M. Blum, Esq.

As we approach our 65th Reunion, there are events of historic interest which occurred during our lifetime, deserving our reflection. Only a few years after World War II ended with the United States as the most powerful nation on earth, another war broke out in Korea. In the summer of 1950, North Korean forces invaded South Korea. As soon as classes resumed in September, I recall that Keith Funston, Trinity’s president, urged us to finish college before going into the military. As I recall, most of us served in some capacity, some receiving commissions and some not. I think it was the last war where good guys were on one side of a front and the bad guys were on the other. But it was still a muddly, cold, and hot war where thousands of Americans died. It didn’t end until July of 1953 at Panmunjom. I returned home from Europe, where I was stationed at that time.

The war also ended for Stan Anderson, who was a young lieutenant in Korea with a team whose job it was to broadcast allied propaganda on huge loudspeakers to North Korean and Chinese troops — the enemy did the same thing. Stan’s team had to constantly move to prevent the enemy from zeroing in on their positions. Upon his discharge, Stan spent 12 years at the New York Stock Exchange followed by 23 years of preparing and publishing the Command Proxy Rule Book used by lawyers in dealing with Securities and Exchange Commission issues. He completed this task just last year. Now finally retired, Stan is recovering from a bout of pneumonia. He hopes to attend his 65th Reunion.

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Out of the dense fog appeared Bob Whitbread, who apprised us that he and Tony Angelastro attended the commemorative service for Red Ratcliffe. Bob said Tony was eloquent in his address to the large group present describing Red’s many achievements. Our class has lost many fine classmates in the past few years, and Red was one.

Additionally, Bob would like you to consider the idea for the next Reunion that many of our classmates might like to stay at the same hotel in Hartford (or environs) so we can commiserate on the issues. ‘Talk to Bob if you are in favor (or out of favor).

Another well-remembered member of our class appeared in the person of Dick Ellison. He and wife Martha have a home in Park City, Utah, just for skiing, and a home in Alexandria, Virginia, “for other things.” We’ll leave that one alone, Dick. He retired after 30 years as
co-founder of BoatUS. If you get stuck, call him ... he’ll pull you out.

And next on the “where did he go” list is Reed Housington. After 17 years of living in the hills of North Carolina on a golf course, Reed packed it in and moved to Fayetteville, North Carolina, to be near family. I’ll wager that Reed can still squeeze a tune out of that clarinet. He didn’t get the name “Pee Wee” for nothing.

Now, gentlemen, please write to me, or call (904) 834-7993 and give me some scoops about you. We’ll be forever indebted.

The Alumni Office reports: The Air National Guard’s NCO Academy recognized retired Colonel Edmund C. Morrissey with a lifetime achievement award, inducting him into its Hall of Fame. “That is our top award,” said retired Chief Master Sergeant Janice Richardson, association president, who oversees 106 chapters nationwide.

Trinity Fund Goal: $40,000

Class Secretary: Stanley R. McCandless, Jr., 3712 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX 77005-2824; stanley.mccandless.1953@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Richard T. Lyford, Jr., Joseph B. Wollenberger, Esq. Once again we try to connect with each other with just a short note regarding our activities over the past few months. Spring and summer are great times to visit family and schoolmates. So what is the news? Catch me at stannmaci@sbcglobal.net, (713) 669-1830, and 3712 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX, 77005. We have a new College president, new construction on campus, and a new downtown Hartford facility. Someone called a classmate or been back for a football game?

Bill Bernhard wrote: “My wife and I continue to travel and cruise several times a year. In between I fish or hunt. Living in a lifetime care community in Chestertown, Maryland, allows me time to pursue my hobbies. I continue my duties on Post S5 29th Divison Association honor guard with too-frequent 21-gun salutes; one today. Hope all is well with you. My best to my classmates.”

Roger Douglas wrote: “Just finished a new book called Letting Go: One Golfer’s Journey. It can be obtained from Amazon, and it is on golf. A little different than the average book on golf. It is written from the perspective of an average golfer. Still hitting away and playing lots of bridge as well as writing books.”

Howard Sloan wrote: “Really not much new here. We’ve been almost three years in our condo in Irvine, California, which is a wonderful planned city. We’ve settled down to a relaxed life of enjoying the grandkids, writing, swimming, and bridge, a game I first played between classes at Trin, only about 60 years ago! Stay healthy.”

We were chastised on our last submission for being over the word-count limit of 1,000, thanks to Tex and Jack. I want to thank you who continue to participate and those who participate with a bit ofnews occasionally. I pushed back, but who knows, I would think they would give a few octogenarians a bit of slack. But, “He who controls the bottom line controls the content.” (Stan McCandless)

Sal and I just returned this last weekend from the Austin Book Festival, featuring Margaret Atwood, Dennis Ross, and a whole lot of others. Too bad Dennis is not involved now in the Middle East. He probably knows more about that part of the world than anyone. Spent almost $30 on his book. Wednesday we leave for Chicago, a family memorial service and reunion of sorts over the weekend. Therefore I am submitting this report a day early. Our next deadline is February 24, 2016, plenty of time for me to rant and rave and have you push our word-count limit to 1,000. My best to all of you, Stan.

Trinity Fund Goal: $40,000

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Trinity Fund Goal: $40,000

Class Secretary: E. Wade Close, Jr., 65 Shoreline Drive, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928-7139; wade.close.1955@trincoll.edu; fax: (412) 820-7772 • Class Agents: Gordon R. Maitland, Jr., Robert L. Mullaney

We continue to hear clear positive comments about our 60th Reunion Weekend at Trinity this past June. It was happy time for our returnees. Although they missed the festivities, we are glad to report Don Mountford, Hank Scheinberg, Bob Welsh, and Dave Roberts all are indicating an improved personal health turnaround. Don is boasting about weight loss and inches off his middle. We look forward to the Florida mini-reunion for verification. All of us who attended the 60th benefited from the efforts put forth by Bill LaPorte, as his influence ensured our class dinner was held at the Smith House.

Craig Mehlida arranged for our hotel accommodations, which gave many of us the opportunity to extend our interactions with early breakfasts to late-night gatherings. Craig has recently informed us that his son Brad was included in an October WSJ article as one of the four leading jazz pianists in the United States. The columnist noted Brad’s “rhythmic diversity” within his 40 recorded solo concerts “highlighted by complex improvisations.”

Speaking of our February get-together in Florida, we expect a good turnout from Lyn and “Lucky” Callen, Bev and Lou Magelanner, and Gale and John D’Luhy leading the way with the event being proposed for the Vero Beach vicinity. We know “for sure” attendees will include Don and Linda Mountford, Carol and Wade Close, Betty and Joe Reineeman, Jean and Bob Freeman, John Gleason, Marilyn and Gerry Crowell, Barbara and Irwin Meiselman, and Sue and David Hoag. Also I talked to Nathaniel Reed about the Vero area, and he immediately thought of a terrific local boat excursion that would make our mini-reunion a huge success. There are many more possible classmates living in Florida or “snowbirds” who will be contacted in an effort to have them join us. Unfortunately Sheila and Tom Bolger have changed their plans and will not to return to Florida after experiencing a major highway collision on their return trip to Wisconsin last spring. Fortunately no one was seriously hurt. It has become more prevalent that our classmates are traveling less to avoid air-flight distress and/or long car trips.

We were saddened to learn of the loss of Paul Hines, who died in April 2015. We enjoyed having Paul as part of our Florida class reunion gatherings. Also, shortly after our Reunion Weekend, we heard from Charlie Eberle that Dick Blye died this past June 4.

Please keep me posted of your news. Hope to see many of you in Florida in February 2016.

The Alumni Office reports: Robert Pingpank and Richard Nolan celebrated their 60th anniversary as a couple on September 14, 2015.

I called Dave Renkert in October to get an update on his life and activities and found him full of enthusiasm regarding Trinity. He had just returned from a trip to Hartford, where he had watched the Williams-Trinity game (which we won 24-0). He arrived on a beautiful day, found the campus looking great, and had a wonderful time, even managing to visit a cousin in Avon. Dave is still working at his family’s insurance business in Akron but doesn’t put in long days anymore and manages to stay in good physical shape by working out each week. His other passion is fly-fishing (which we share), mostly on the good streams in eastern Pennsylvania.

John Limpitlaw wrote a long letter in October to tell me, among other things, that their eldest grandson, Alex, graduated (with honors) from Brown in the spring. In winter, John enjoys visiting with Mike Wallace ’57 at his second home in Naples, Florida. He hopes to make it to our Reunion next June, as do I. He had the annual pleasure of a visit from Dave Taylor in Wellfleet on the Cape this summer. Dave rents the same house each year on Gull Pond (near John), and this was the 20th year of this arrangement. Dave was able to visit with two of his daughters in Connecticut before going to the Cape, where he loved playing with his grandkids. They also coordinated with another Trinity alumnus, Bill Gardiner ’55, on a regular basis. Hugh Zimmerman called me from the Chicago area to fill me in on his life. He is retired from practicing law (more than 35 years), where he worked on anti-trust cases, wills, and estate law and lived in Kenilworth. He has since moved to a smaller home west of the city, in
Wheaton. He has three sons from his first marriage, one of which went to Trinity (Class of ’86), and another by his second marriage. His family total is an impressive 11 grandchildren.

After many years of extensive travel, he and his wife now live it right at home. Dave Taylor reached out to George Stone, who has had some health problems. George then reported to me directly that he has had several operations but is now fully recovered and praised his doctor highly. It appears that Robert Baker recently went through much the same medical problem and a similar procedure and happily he, too, is also in remission and feeling well — wonderful news for both of you.

Jim Tewksbury called me a few weeks ago from his new home in Santa Rosa, California (about 50 minutes from San Francisco). He and wife Joan moved out there from Westport, Massachusetts, about a year ago, and they love it. Their three sons are nearby, which is important at our age. It sounds like an active lifestyle — hiking and traveling in the Northwest. The couple bought a comfortable but small house in a retirement community (called Springlake Village); he plays tennis regularly and feels great at 82 years of age.

Finally I visited the campus myself in early September when my wife and I met our granddaughter Alice at the Hartford airport. The College gave her a tour, an interview, and a very thorough briefing on the College as it is today. I was very impressed with the expanded campus (mostly out toward New Britain Avenue) as well as the wide variety of activities and opportunities available to the students. I found it all very impressive and uplifting and plan to be back for Reunion next June. I hope you will all come, if possible.

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Trinity Fund Goal: $15,000

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Ron Foster

sent what he calls some “dribble.” He is still active and traveling in California, to test the local bars with fellow ADs Don Finkbeiner and wife June, Russ Clark, and John Wood. Absent were Bobo Babington, Dick Hall, and Laird Mortimer, who promised to return next year and for the 2017 Reunion. Ron then returned home to California for a double knee replacement using the new “less invasive TKR” surgical technique. He reports no pain, minor muscle discomfort, rapid recovery, and a return to 18 holes of golf eight weeks later.

Jerry Channell reports that not much has changed in “gun toting” land. He says that Texas needs rain — lots and lots of water. His hearing is very bad now, so he doesn’t do much. Mary is fine. They just “pass for day to day.” How about some running? He says that it will be interesting to see the results of the November election. He says that he knows “what Texas is going to do!” and he sends his best to all of us.

Stephan von Molnar aka the Baron sadly reports that Jean, his beloved wife of 60 years, died on July 6, 2015. He is grateful that they had such a long time together. He retired from teaching three years ago but is now an emeritus professor. The Baron continues to work on his NSF-funded award, which still has two years to go. He hopes to come to the 60th Reunion, but plans continue to be in flux. Steve and I had some epic Ping-Pong games — he beat me 87 times out of 100.

Don and Betty Ellwood joined Mike Wallace and others at Mike’s monthly Trinity luncheon in Naples, Florida, last March. They then journeyed to Paris in April and toured Normandy, where they found viewing the cemetery very emotional. Almost 10,000 Americans (average age 22) are buried there. They then took a high-speed train to Monaco. They spent the summer at their home on Lake Sunapee, New Hampshire, and flew to Vancouver in September for a Royal Caribbean Jewel of the Seas cruise down the West Coast to Los Angeles. The Ellwoods hope to get to the November 14 game with Henry Wilus and Jack Moran ’60.

Don Stokes and Karen enjoyed a September-October Tauck riverboat cruise on the Danube. They spent two days in Prague before boarding the ship in Regensburg, Germany. The ship made several stops, including Vienna and Bratislava and ending in Budapest. The trip was wonderful but exhausting, up early, much walking, and no downtime. Gee, sounds like being in the Naval Academy. Due to a lack of rain, the river was quite low, which required busing on two occasions, but that was not a big problem.

Dave Murray returned to his place in The Villages, Florida, in early October. He is still single and loving it. He says it’s hell to attend funerals every week. I suggest that Dave try some wakes. His golf game has never been better, and he just passed the physical and biennial flight review, so he has two more years in the sky. I assume that he means that he is going up in an airplane. Dave is proud to watch Trinity grads Jesse Watters ’01 on The O’Reilly Factor and George Will ’62.

Ward Curran has had some health problems, primarily with staph aureus. In September, Ward was in a rehab facility following an operation. He expected to be home in mid-October and looks forward to attending the homecoming game, weather and health permitting. Ward spoke to the Class of 1955 at its 60th in June.

Stu Ferguson and Sally enjoyed my comments about hockey and ponies on our end of the second floor of the New Dorm. Just to clarify that — the second floor was perfect as an alleyway for shooting ponies that would travel maybe 45 feet and clunk against our door. Some hit doorways en route to our room and bounced all over the place. It’s incredible that no one was hurt.

On September 15, 2015, Neil Day issued his report on giving by our classmates during fiscal 2015 through June 15, 2015. Fifty of our classmates with degrees made gifts to the Annual Fund (AF) and/or to the Class of 1957 Scholarship Fund (57SF) or other funds. The participation was 40 percent, down from 48 percent in fiscal 2014. Gifts to the AF totaled $13,792. Gifts to other funds totaled $8,170, including $2,990 to the 57SF. In fiscal 2014, gifts to the AF were $14,022, and gifts to other funds were $9,410, including $1,975 to the 57SF. Neil noted that our ‘55 results are broadly consistent with recent years but with increased support of the 57SF.

Jim Kenefick continues to bang his gavel daily in the Superior Court in New Haven. Judge Jim is a leader in hard knocks.

Carroll and I look forward to a trip with a group from our church in Darien to the Holy Land in Israel in January 2016. It is part of the 50th anniversary celebration of our church.

I regret to inform you that Robbins Winslow’s wife, Marilyn, passed away in the Avow Hospice in Naples, Florida, on August 1, 2015.

I also regret to inform you that John A. Ross of Selingsgrove, Pennsylvania, passed away on October 7, 2015. John had retired from St. Lawrence University, where he served as a professor focusing on physiological psychology and animal behavior. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn. They were college sweethearts, marrying on July 26, 1958. He also is survived by his daughter, Pamela; his son, Kent; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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Trinity Fund Goal: $35,000

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Thanks to Frank Kury for his great work as our class secretary. Frank wrote that 2015 was a medically challenging year for him. His deteriorating vision makes even the computer keyboard a difficulty, and he had a triple bypass. He is recovering well and expects to be back to normal in 2016. In fact, in October, he was feeling so well that he and his wife hosted a beer and pizza party to watch the first of the Democratic presidential debates.

On the Cape, Jim Studley reports that he and wife Corky are “still alive.” Last summer, they hosted their annual Trinity consumption on the Cape. Attending were Phil Simmons, Art Polstein, and a lot of other Trinity types, including former Alumni Director Jerry Hansen ’51. To quote Jim, “The get-together was excellent, we were briefed on fraternities and sororities, the new president is ‘right on,’ and I’ll start giving again.”

President Gary Bogli was packing suitcases for a late summer family trip to Prague; Malaga, Spain; and Dresden, Germany. His plans are to reconnect with an AF5 student he met in 1958. He expected to return in time for homecoming
and meeting up with Art Polstein. Responding to the theme of travel, Bordie Painter wrote that he had been to Vancouver and Victoria, British Columbia, last summer on a Road Scholar (formerly Elderhostel) trip. In early November, he and Anne had plans for another Road Scholar adventure to Portugal for nine days. Bordie was especially pleased by the exchange rate while in Canada. It afforded Canadian dollars for 76 cents. He continues to urge Road Scholar travel, which offers good value, simpatico groups, and excellent leaders and lectures. He points out that many Italy-themed trips are endorsed by the College.

Pete Addison says that he and Claire are still in South Carolina. Their travel is constrained by the fact that they sold their RV because, he says, “too old to keep it up and too expensive to run it!” He says, “To show you how smart we are, we immediately bought a 20-foot pontoon boat to use on the lake.” They enjoy the boat but miss the RV. Last summer, joined by a couple of old friends, they drove the Gulf Coast to New Orleans. Hot, humid, and lots of fun. Their eldest grandkid is a frosh at Clemson, and their other three are involved in sports, acting, and singing in the state champion choir. He concluded his remarks with, “I am turning 80 and feeling it. If anyone is coming through our neck of the woods, do drop in as we have room.”

As for travel, Shirley and I have enjoyed several Viking River Trips in Europe, last year two in France. We are planning an 80th birthday celebration cruise from Venice to Barcelona next spring. As for why our travel is somewhat limited these days, read on. Unrelated to travel or work, the phone rang in the middle of October when Charlie Sticks ’56 called. My initial reaction was that team captain Charlie was organizing another of the periodic reunions of the ’53 and ’54 undefeated football teams. Not so. “I’m traveling through Florida, and you are on my ‘bucket list’ of teammates and friends to see,” he said. A couple of delightful hours of reminisce about football and baseball followed. My wife just let us talk while she sat and listened in tears of joy for a friendship born in sports that had lasted more than a half century. No one will be surprised that our memories are such that, as good as those teams were in the ’50s, we are even better now.

Pete Lowenstein wrote me that he has “nothing much to report, unless you want me to talk about our attempt at golf last spring.” I discouraged him. Peter and Connie spend much of the winter in Delray Beach. Pete is still practicing law in the city.

Further, like Pete, and in the category of “What? You are 80 years old and you are still working. Are you nuts?” Dean Uphoff is still working part time as a pathologist at Hartford Hospital. Flexible hours and days allow Dean and his wife to travel. Most recently an ocean cruise from Barcelona to Southampton, UK, and East Anglia. Driving England’s back roads proved an experience. He went to Montreal and

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Quebec for a professional neuropathologists meeting. Plans include Rome to Barcelona, but Algeria and Tunisia have been canceled due to terrorist activity. They are also planning to go to South Africa, Australia/New Zealand, and the West Coast of Florida. Dean says, “We just need more time and money.”

Peter Smith reported: “We have had a great summer at Twin Lakes, Salisbury, as our children — Erik ’86 and Annika ’88 — visited our cottage with their daughters; each have two. And Agneta and I played tennis nearly every day, plus lots of gardening and swimming. We will visit Annika in Mill Valley, California, for Thanksgiving. Sweden for Christmas as our son now runs a company there, and then to St. Martin in January where my brother, Class of ’56, has a home. Hope to see you at Trinity’s homecoming vs. Wesleyan... can’t believe they beat us last year! Still remember our senior year when our team beat them in our final game!”

As for Jack and Shirley Thompson, “although I retired from headmastering in 2007 at 72, I have unretired recently and I am presently the head of school of ELEV8 Sports Institute in Delray Beach, Florida. The program grew out of the original Bucky Dent Baseball Training Program. ELEV8 trains young men for scholarship admission to American colleges or universities. The majority of the students are international, and many are bound for professional careers in their sport. Our curriculum is provided virtually and is highly individualized for students who range from early high school through postgraduate. I head the academic wing of ELEV8. As you might well imagine, it is a very different school from those that we all attended. On the occasional dull day, I get to sit around and talk baseball with the coaches, most of whom played in the major leagues.”

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Greetings Class of Trinity ’59

Following a brief visit last September, I can certify that our classmate Brendan Shea and wife Pat are indeed alive and well and living in Landings, a suburb of Savannah, Georgia. The first time I had seen him since graduation was at our 55th Reunion at Trinity last year. If you haven’t been to Savannah recently, it is truly a great place, albeit a bit on the warm side in September. Brendan spent most of his professional career in the insurance business living in Connecticut. Pat was the politician, also in Connecticut. They enjoy Savannah immensely and are very active not only on the golf circuit but also in multiple volunteer work projects with the local communities. They moved in 12 years ago and cherish “organized retirement,” coupled with their three children and seven grandchildren.

Our son just returned from a year in Kabul, where he served in the embassy. As to grandchildren, we have one granddaughter (Paige), who is now 20 months old. Son and family get two months leave following his Afghanistan assignment, and they will then head for his next assignment in the U.S. Embassy in Vienna. I was recently reminded of our classmate (deceased some three, four years ago) Francis Selwyn “Zeke” Gay, now resting at Arlington National Cemetery. Zeke spent a year in South Vietnam flying the very light O-2 aircraft at very low altitudes controlling air strikes against Vietnamese guerrilla and regular forces. This was hazardous duty, and losses of forward air controllers (FACs), especially when one considers these were both day and night operations, were considerable. In any case, his widow, Barbara V. Gay, is an accomplished poet who loves all dimensions of poetry (reading, writing, hearing, speaking) and has focused her interest on an audience composed of military families and the hardships they face and willingly undergo. Her examples consist not only of Zeke but also their son and daughter, both of whom followed Zeke’s example and were or are military aviators. Their daughter was an accomplished U.S. Navy P-3 pilot flying clandestine missions in South America, Europe, and Afghanistan. Their son, Selwyn, was in Special Operations, flying AC-130 Specter gunships in Afghanistan and receiving special recognition for multiple missions against Taliban and Al-Qaeda forces. Their daughter has now retired from the Navy; their son is still on active duty in the U.S. Air Force.

Bob Spielman is still living in Nevada, and until he gets a new sailplane (you will remember he bailed out of his original sailplane when the wing came off), he spends the fall season hunting quail and chukar. His son Michael spent more than 15 years in the U.S. Marine Corps, three years flying Harriers, 10 years as a T-45 instructor pilot, one year at Pendleton as a forward air controller, and several years as a T-22 Osprey pilot.

Thanks to Stephen Donovan, director of alumni relations, we now know Trinity has three undergrads on campus who served in Iraq, Afghanistan, or one of the Middle East conflicts. None of these veterans were sons or daughters of Trinity graduates. Best regards to you all, Jon

The Alumni Office reports: Bart Hewitt is a professional tenor/baritone, having sung in the world-renowned Washington Bach Consort, the
Cantate Chamber Singers, and other local choral groups. Among other interests, Bart is a prolific music composer and has just completed the final song in his latest multifaceted work called *The Lamentations of Canarius*. The 20-song cappella series is based on pun-based jokes about canaries and is scored for three tenors or for tenor 1, tenor 2, and baritone. The collection has received rave reviews among pun enthusiasts here in the Washington, D.C., area and (with luck) will soon be published. Right now, though, the songs are free, and he will gladly mail copies of them to anyone who wishes to have them. Bart can be reached at barthewitt@verizon.net.

My old freshman roommate, Charlie Classen, wife Marion, daughter Aimee, and grandchildren Harry and Finn Sanders, along with a group of friends, went kayaking on the Main Salmon River in Idaho in August, lucking out with great weather for the five-day trip, which included two nights of camping and two more in lodges. The pictures Charlie sent testify to the foaming rapids and majestic scenery they encountered. They’ve been taking these trips since 1973, with Orange Torpedo Trips, the first company to explore the rivers of the West in inflatable rafts. If you’re thinking of a white-water excursion, contact Charlie for some beautiful pictures of their outing.

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Dave Gates and wife Nancy just returned from three weeks in Japan, which they visit every five years. They lived there for six years in the ’70s and then another three in the ’80s; Dave traveled to Japan a couple of times a year until he retired from Exxon in 2000. One of their daughters has a condo in Roppongi near where the family used to live, so Dave and Nancy were able to wander around their old neighborhood on this visit. Dave continues to work as an independent contractor, mainly for IHS, a global consulting company, which acquired the company he had been working for, PFC Energy. Dave keeps promising himself that he’ll retire when the energy business ceases to be interesting, but thus far that hasn’t happened. Let’s see what Iran’s return to the global energy market does to keep Dave’s attention!

Our classmates are venturing to the far reaches of Russia; Ross Hall and wife Nancy rode the Trans-Siberian Railway last summer, routing from Beijing to Moscow via Ulaanbaatar.
in Mongolia. Ross wrote that he had worked to retain his fluency from Professor Leavitt’s Russian classes at Trinity, augmented with railroad terminology for conversing with train crews. The high point came by Lake Baikal, where a Russian engineer declared, “Mi zhelyezodorozhniye bratya!” (“We are railroad brothers”) after Ross told him that he was a seasonal conductor for Mass Coastal Railroad. Another testimony to our alma mater, “Spasibo,” Ross concludes. (Spasibo is one of two words of Russian I retain — the other is “Dankuyu” [Russianized English?] — from a trip to Russia in the 1970s with a group of high school students from the International School of Brussels; although some of the kids saw spies in trench coats lurking in every doorway, we had a fine time except for the food back then. We, too, had a transportation issue: one of the boys loved trolley cars and went off by himself to peek through a fence at the Leningrad parking and repair depot. He was spotted by an elderly woman who reported him to the police. When he was brought to the police station, unable to communicate with the policeman, the station commander instantly recognized that this was no spy and laughingly released our future engineer.)

On a more serious note, Dyan Brashich is pleased that his July 21, 2015, column, “Greece — The Right or Wrong Way,” in the Litchfield County Times, anticipated the conclusions reached a month later in The New York Times (“Europe Should Restructure Greek Debt,” August 18, 2015) on possible ways to handle the Greek debt crisis. Now how should Europe handle the Syrian refugee crisis?

Also from The New York Times, its September 27, 2015, Sunday Dining section (p. 8) reviewed Trinity Restaurant, the successor to Timothy’s, down below our rocky bluff. If you are planning a visit to our school, check the review (“Trinity Restaurant, Italian Fare With a Family Touch”).

Finally, a sad note: retired Professor John Bard McNulty died on September 4, 2015, at 99 years of age. Those of us who took his Chaucer course will fondly remember his peeling away the layers around the key characters — for example, the Knight and his Squire, contrasting the hardened warrior with his rusted chain mail and the youthful companion, his tunic pricked with flower patterns — maturity coupled with youth — and then the deeper insight: they are going on the pilgrimage to Canterbury but perhaps not as a reaffirmation of their faith. The list of the Knight’s battles include no locations in the Holy Land but instead in Eastern Europe, where gold might well have been a higher motivation than God. How fortunate we were to have enjoyed so many inspiring professors!

Greetings to all. By the time you all get this, we will be long past celebrating Homecoming 2015, and hopefully many of us were there for the game and for the 50th class gathering, meeting, and dinner that accompanies this glad fall event. I can tell you that at this juncture, it appears that this 50th gathering will be the best attended of them all as many of us try to return and make it a sort of mini-reunion!

Now, from the mailbag:

From Bob Bordogna. “Eli Karson and Dan Strammielli ’64 stayed overnight with Elaine and me on a recent trip. Eli was driving his van from Tucson back to Connecticut, and he convinced Dan to join him on the road trip. We talked late into the night and morning about old schoolmates. I showed them a few pictures from Tom and Linda Calabrese’s latest trip west out west, and they were all impressed by Tom’s photography skills. When dawn arrived, we went to Eggs Gone Wild (a local restaurant) for breakfast. I hadn’t seen Dan in 52 years, but I would have recognized him anywhere.”

Jon Tiefenbrun writes that he and wife Susan will host Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia in Nice, France, in July 2016. Justice Scalia will teach constitutional law for two weeks at the Thomas Jefferson School of Law summer program, which is directed by Susan. The program is open to all students who will have finished one year of law school and earns up to four ABA-approved credits. This is the 22nd year of the program and the fifth time that Justice Scalia has participated. Visit www.TJSL.edu for more information on this special offering.

From Ihor Zachary. “I have always enjoyed reading about the accomplishments and travels of our classmates, so I decided to add some of my own. Just a few months ago, my wife and I experienced a wonderful trip through the British Isles. Among the places visited was Dublin, Ireland, and of course we couldn’t pass up the opportunity to visit Trinity College of Dublin. It has a beautiful campus (almost as nice as ours in Hartford) and the wonderful exhibit of the Book of Kells. It was the highlight of Dublin. To all, stay healthy!”

From Lloyd Reynolds. “Lee and I are looking forward to joining many ’63ers at homecoming this year. We also expect to visit Trinity on October 3-4 for the christening of ‘The Wicks,’ a new eight-oared shell named in honor of the late fellow ‘Founder,’ roommate, oarsman, and classmate David O. Wicks, Jr. He passed shortly after our 50th Founders Reunion in 2011. This is a most fitting and appropriate memorial for his leadership and continuing loyalty to that legacy started in 1961. The event on Sunday is the Head of the Riverfront Regatta and will attract many other crews from the Northeast. Stay well, Lloyd”

On a personal note, Tom and Linda Calabrese stopped at our home in Lake City, Minnesota, for a couple of nights as they passed through the great Midwest on their trip to the West Coast and beyond. Karen and I toured them around both sides of the Mississippi River so that they could experience the beauty of the great Upper Midwest as well as the haunts that we so enjoy. We ate everywhere we went and sent them on their way well fed in case the trip west got lean. They worshipped with us on Sunday before leaving, and their prayers left us with a warm blessing. A couple weeks later, we had a nice evening with Tom and Diane Brackett and a meal at the historic St. James Hotel in Red Wing. David has now fully retired and fills his days with volunteer work with various Twin Cities’ charities as well as getting in some great hunting and fishing adventures. Yes, he is still “staying upright.” And lastly, I had the great honor and treat to partake in sharing with Emmett Miller in a taping of a segment of his Web-radio program. He was kind to give me a platform to share some thoughts from my book, Getting to the Promised Land without Spending 40 Years in a Wilderness.

To all: thank you for your prayers over the past months as I recovered from an open-heart procedure at the Mayo Clinic to repair a faulty mitral valve in my heart. You all mean the world to me. Blessings, Michael
When he was 17, he captained a boat that carried the first three white men he had ever seen. One of the men was Eric Lasher ‘57. By the end of the journey, the men spoke with Ousman’s father and persuaded him that Ousman should study in the United States. He agreed, and after a year at Cornell Academy in Massachusetts, Ousman was accepted to eight colleges and universities (including Yale, Stanford, and Trinity). Largely because of Eric Lasher, Ousman came to Trinity and graduated four years later (Secretary’s note: after setting numerous school records in soccer and leading the team to the national finals). Ousman went on to Columbia University’s School of International Affairs and then returned to The Gambia as it was becoming independent in 1967. During the next 35 years, his positions for the Gambian government included posts in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (The Gambia); acting high commissioner (London); first ambassador in Saudi Arabia; and ambassador to the United States, which included being ambassador to the United Nations. Along with honors from Nigeria, Vietnam, China, South Korea, and The Gambia, Ousman was honored by Trinity with a doctor of laws degree in 1977. After leaving international service, he was a consultant for several years to the World Bank in West Africa. In his semi-retirement, Ousman moved to Bethesda, Maryland, and is writing his memoirs, which would be published by a firm owned by Eric Lasher. Ousman has been married to Ramou, also a diplomat, for 49 years. They have two sons, two daughters, and five grandchildren.

Skip Schumacher wrote that he read about the Reunion and looked at all the pictures, and he and his wife were saddened that they had to miss it for medical reasons. He had spent quite a bit of time putting together a presentation on his experiences as a POW back in 1968 and had PowerPoint slides and a Trinity professor lined up to share the podium. Skip added, “I think it would have been of some interest, particularly for anyone interested in ancient history.” (Secretary’s note: There was a lot of interest, and the segment would have been a sellout! The time is still fresh in many minds and memories.)

John (and Debby) Losee report that their son Owen was married to Lily Haskins ’10 on September 19, 2015. Both of Lily’s parents also went to Trinity in the ’70s, so there is a lot to talk about at family gatherings.

Roland Carlson reports: “Sorry for the delay in responding to your request for information. We just got back home from traveling west out west to visit our son and his family in Denver and our daughter and her family in Moscow, Idaho. It was great to see our new granddaughter, our daughter’s first child. We hadn’t seen her since she was born in January. She is already 9 months old and is almost ready to start crawling and talking. Since attending the 50th Reunion at Trinity, my wife and I, who are now both ‘rewired’ (we don’t use the term retired), are focusing on traveling and other activities that interest us. In my case, that is threefold. First,
the year where we live on our 50-foot Hylas, between the Chesapeake and Downeast, and I am a trustee of SEA, Sea Education Association in Woods Hole, a great organization for college students headed into making [a career in] biology, merchant marine, oceanography, etc. So Rhodie and I get to spend more time with each other and thoroughly enjoy retirement.”

**Tom Chappell**, our newest board member, dropped me a note. “We are celebrating Kate’s 70th with a tour of Vienna, Salzburg, and Venice next week for two weeks. The new Ramblers Way farm sustainable apparel company grows into its sixth year as we pioneer bringing made-in-America fine specialty clothing. I have enjoyed my first meeting as a new trustee of Trinity and am looking forward to helping create a Trinity that stands out in the next 10 years as a leader.”

Good news from **Bob Stepto**: “Michele and I are the enthralled grandparents of Kai Hawkins Stepto, born April 24 in New York City! He and his parents, Rafe and Cate Stepto, are doing very well — splendidly in fact. On another note, there will be a conference at Yale on October 30, honoring my 40 years as a professor there. Twelve of my former students will be presenting their new work. Right now, Michele and I are again in Paris!”

Professor **Peter Koehn** “stopped by my office the other day” to bring me up-to-date. His new book in the Routledge Advances in Climate Change Research series should be out this December around the time of the 21st Session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (Paris 2015). The title is *China Confronts Climate Change: A Bottom-up Perspective*. In addition to this and many other climate-related activities, he launched (three years ago) and directs the University of Montana’s Global Public Health program. “We are the only university that offers a Peace Corps Prep Certificate in Health.” Last August, he and his wife, Phyllis Bo-Yuen, took their twin boys on East Coast college visits that included Trinity. “Phyllis and I were impressed by today’s Trinity, but our boys seem headed in other directions.”

No note is complete without **Dennis Dix** making an unforgettable contribution. “The Avonites attempted to travel to Lisbon, but our board’s four-masted clipper ship this spring. While waiting at Bradley Airport for their connection in Philadelphia to Lisbon, they were told that the plane to Philly was never assigned a captain, and the flight was canceled with the announcement that no international connections were possible. US Airways, the pilotless carrier, rerouted them via Air Canada to Toronto to Heathrow (London) to Lisbon with only a few hours delay. At Heathrow, they were told that TAP (the Portuguese national airline connection to Lisbon) was in the middle of a 10-day pilots’ strike. TAP flew anyway (no one knows who actually flew the plane), and the couple struggled to their Lisbon hotel only to find that it was closed due to construction issues. On a pre-sail tour to Fatima, their van started out with a serious vibration, which resulted in a flat tire an hour later. After long consultations with Mercedes as to how to free the spare from under the minibus, the driver, Dennis, and a passenger managed to change the tire. On the next day of embarkation, the Avonites barely reported to the pier, only to find that the Star Flyer was in dry dock and would not sail until the next day. The alleged five-star hotel Star Clippers put them in was a two-star motel room in the States. The first room smelled so badly, the Avonites demanded another room. They were given the same tiny, decrepit room as before, only it didn’t stink.”

Yours truly, along with Jane, had lunch with **Dan Waterman** and his wife, Deborah, at the Woodstock Inn in Woodstock, Vermont. Dan has retired from his long career in internal medicine in Washington, D.C., and moved to the quiet of Jericho, Vermont. Deborah is almost retired. Dan is offering his expertise in medicine as a part-time professor teaching physical diagnosis to medical students at the University of Vermont College of Medicine. He is also called upon by his son to help pick blueberries at his son’s nearby blueberry farm. Among other sacrifices you may not know you are right behind the Tassinari in the gravid sweepstakes. They now have nine.

**Chris Doyle** is wondering how members of the Class of 1967 feel about the College’s “calamitous drop in national ratings during the tenure of former President Jones.” You can reach Chris with your opinions about Jim Jones at ChrisDoyle3453@verizon.net.

Judge **Ray Reynolds Graves** recently discussed the place of fraternities and sororities with Mark S. Schlissel, M.D., Ph.D., president of the University of Michigan. Dr. Schlissel and Ray agree that “Greek life is a positive aspect of the college experience, but more steps must be taken to encourage self-policing of student conduct.”

**Rob and Suzanne Boas** hosted a reception at their home on Cape Cod for about 50 Trinity alumni/spouses/offspring in August. Jerry Hansen, Trinity’s former director of alumni relations, was there along with fellow Class of ‘67ers Bob Moss and Len Goldstein.

**Rick Ludwig** has been busy driving around the country — Atlanta, the Blue Ridge Mountains, New Haven (for pizza), and “finally an awesome trip to northwest British Columbia to Langara Island for salmon fishing with the family, including my son’s new bride. Three hundred-plus pounds of fish came home with us. And my son’s bride never fished before and caught the first one!”

**Jesse Brewer** traveled to Hopkins Village, Belize, and reports that “almost all the fish are gone everywhere that large populations have access to the water. The fishing is great in the marine reserves out on the cayes, but near to shore it is spotty at best, even where there are endless expanses of ideal habitat. Everyone get ready to become a vegetarian. Not a promising outlook, especially considering the importance of DHA in neuron cell walls and that seafood is our main source of DHA. ‘Idiocracy’ here we come.”

**Rich Ratzan** retired from emergency medicine last August but is still working per diem a little longer, “NOT a lot longer.” He and

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his wife, Susan, have four children and four grandchildren. Rich and his son Noah spent two weeks traveling in northern Spain, and then he and Susan spent 10 days in Morocco. “Happy and no complaints! Hope this describes everyone reading this as well.”

John Ray and his teammates are still tearing up the Northern Virginia Senior Softball league. They captured the conference title last summer. John plays short field and third base. He and wife Loretta took a Road Scholar trip to the Monterey area, where they were impressed by the depth of the drought in California.

Bob Tuttle writes that he’s making up for “all the days spent in the physics lab by going back to school to take courses in Harlem Renaissance poets and censorship in the media.”

George “Chip” Whitehead was honored with the Point of Light Award for his work finding young leaders from minority communities. In 2005, Chip founded the Youth Leadership Academy in Salisbury, Maryland. The academy’s goal is to “make sure that nontraditional candidates (for leadership training) don’t fall through the cracks.”

Joe Brand writes, “I have Parkinson’s disease. I’ve had it for maybe 15-20 years, but it only began to affect my life about eight years ago. This disease was really getting me down, as it not only forced me to retire from a satisfying career in neurobiology, it was also robbing me of the simple things in life. I had serious balance problems and fell often. Three years ago, my neurologist recommended I look into a neurosurgical procedure known as deep-brain stimulation (DBS). I had this procedure on May 6, 2013 (Freud’s birthday). Electrodes are placed in specific areas of the brain that are known to be active in this disease. Results? I can only describe the results as miraculous. This is not a cure for me ... well, I got my life back. If anyone wants to know more, just e-mail me at brand@monell.org.”

Joe’s letter demonstrates that we are an amazing class filled with amazing classmates. Keep our 50th Reunion in mind.

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your secretary was inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers in October, joining classmate Jim Bartolini as a fellow.

Keep those e-mails coming — it remains my objective to hear from all classmates before our 50th Reunion.

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Michael Beautyman wrote from Umag, Croatia, in late September 2015 (just as the crest of the great refugee migration was surging through the Balkans) to report that he was playing for the U.S. team in the International Tennis Federation Super-Seniors World Team Championships. “We defeated Sweden, Turkey, and Denmark and now face France in the semifinals,” Michael reported. I checked back with Michael just before deadline, and he answered this to my question if he had seen anything of the migration: “No, we did not see anything of the migration, even though we traveled from Venice through Slovenia to Croatia and back. We were close to the Mediterranean the whole time, which may be why. We heard at one point that the border might be closing, but it did not, at least where we were. I have had a tougher time checking into Motel 6 than crossing those borders.” In the end, the U.S. team lost in the finals to Spain, who are red clay specialists. “We had some great matches along the way,” Michael recounted. “The format is two singles matches, followed by a doubles match if needed to break a tie. I won the singles matches that I played, and Brian Cheney from Arizona and I won the deciding doubles against Sweden and again against France in the semis. It is exciting when the umpire says, ‘Game, set, and match to the United States.’”

No other voices from 1969 for the winter 2016 Class Notes.

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Your secretary and Ernie Mattei, as co-chairs of our 50th Reunion, plan to meet with the College alumni staff assigned to 50th Reunion planning at homecoming this November 2015. We are looking forward to the challenge and are hoping that as many of you as possible will sign up for committee work now to get things moving. The 50th Reunion will be the most significant undertaking in all of our Reunion experiences, and it has to be well planned to be a success.

I loved the article in the fall 2015 Reporter titled “When In Rome ...” The article notes that the Trinity Rome campus was founded our graduation year by Professor Michael Campo from the Class of 1948. Mike Campo, raised...
What do you do in your roles at the Brown Institute for Brain Science and the Norman Prince Neurosciences Institute? I help build interdisciplinary research programs, focused on diseases and disorders of the nervous system, that engage scientists on the Brown campus and clinicians and clinical researchers in the hospitals affiliated with Brown’s Alpert Medical School. We are creating pathways to transform basic science discoveries into benefits for patients. It is a long process that requires lots of talented people, patience, perseverance, and financial and institutional support.

What do you enjoy most about your field? Neuroscience is an exploding field. Advances in our understanding of the brain and nervous system over the past 40 years have been truly astounding thanks to the development of amazing new technologies. Researchers can now manipulate genes in experimental animals to mimic human diseases, and they have tools to image functional activity in the brains of people while they think, speak, or perform other behaviors. It is even possible to use brain signals from paralyzed patients to control devices like a robotic arm. With these types of tools, neuroscientists are rapidly getting to the point where they will be able to understand the brain and its diseases with enough depth to develop effective therapies for conditions that have been largely untreatable, like Alzheimer’s disease, ALS, brain tumors, and paralysis. To be part of this effort is exciting and inspiring.

What are the biggest challenges you face? The biggest impediment that I see to rapid advancement in neuroscience, and other life sciences, is the reduction in federal support for biomedical research, which has declined almost 50 percent over the past 10 years (in inflation-adjusted dollars). Scientists now spend almost half of their time writing grants, and young, highly trained researchers have trouble finding jobs. If the United States wants to remain at the forefront of biomedical research, make the key discoveries, and develop the next generations of therapies, the government will have to increase its investment in research. It is very frustrating.

Trinity’s neuroscience program is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. What would you tell today’s neuroscience graduates about your field? I am proud that Trinity had the foresight to develop a neuroscience major before most of its peer institutions, and its growth on campus is impressive. For new graduates seeking neuroscience-related careers, my advice is: “Jump on and hang onto your hats!” The discoveries that will be made during their careers will be mind-boggling!

Was there a professor during your time at Trinity who was particularly influential? If so, who was it, and why? Although I was a biology major, the professor who most influenced my career choice was a psychologist, George Higgins. He taught a very popular course on abnormal psychology. He was an inspiring lecturer, and the topic was fascinating. He got me interested in the science of the brain and was key to one of my most memorable college experiences. I was part of a small group that did an independent study under Professor Higgins designing a sex-education course that we taught in an adult-education program in Hartford. We had a lot of fun and built a great course. However, teaching it to adults and dealing with their reactions to some topics was a real eye-opener for us inexperienced, naïve college students. Believe me, people’s reactions to everything from birth control to LGBT issues were very different in 1970.

How did your experience at Trinity help prepare you for what you do now? Trinity provided me with a broad education and a solid base in science. I was continually challenged to think logically and to write clearly. I began to develop scientific interests at Trinity that were refined during graduate school and grew into a terrific career. That's exactly what a liberal arts college should do.
in Hartford, devoted his entire life to not only Trinity but also to bringing Trinity into a greater global reality, using as his vehicle the history and culture of Italy. During spring vacation of our sophomore year, I was most fortunate to have had the opportunity to join Mike Campo's "exploratory mission" throughout northern Italy to ascertain the best location for a Trinity College campus in Italy. Joining us were a number of students and members of the faculty. We all would agree that our lives were changed as a result of the experience, including classmate Randy Friedman and past president Borden Painter '58, who dedicated a good portion of his historical research and teaching thereafter to modern Italian history. Classmate Carlo Forzani became an instructor at the program in Dante's The Divine Comedy. To expose someone who had never been outside of New York and New England to the art, culture, music, food, ambiance, and sights of modern, Renaissance, and ancient Rome and its environs produces a profound effect that can only be described as stimulating, growing, and downright mind-altering.

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Tom Weiner sent in the following. “On Friday, September 25, a performance of The Draft, a play based on Tom Weiner’s 2011 book, Called to Serve: Stories of Men and Women Confronted by the Vietnam War Draft, took place at Trinity’s Performance Lab. The play, written by prize-winning playwright Peter Snoad and directed by Diego Arciniegas, had its premiere in Boston, where it ran for two weeks, followed by performances at Westfield State University, Trinity, and Northampton’s Academy of Music. Diane Clancy, whose story was in the book, is compellingly portrayed in the play. She was in the first group of women to attend the College in 1970. Tom introduced the Trinity performance, and in attendance were a number of members of the Class of ’71, including Norden Gilbert (his partner, Ben, announced their engagement and wedding plans for next July during the talkback), Ron Cretaro, and Ed Karam, as well as Rusty Moody ’70 and David Bargmam ’73. Vijay Prashad, George and Martha Kelner Chair in South Asian History and Professor of International Studies, helped to secure sponsorship of the play by the History Department, the Theater and Dance Department, and the International Studies Department. It was a memorable evening as the theater was filled. Also in the audience were Paul Colin and his wife, Peggy Rajski, who have signed Tom to be a consultant in a documentary they are producing about those who were able to avoid service in the war, tentatively titled Out of the Fire. It is Tom’s hope that the video that was made of one of the Boston performances could be shown at next June’s 45th Reunion of the Class of ’71.

Diane Clancy celebrated her first anniversary of marriage to Susan Elkin. “They have been together more than 17 years.”

As the Class of ’71 prepares for its 45th Reunion, it remains very active in and out of the workplace. From Fred Goodhue: “I retired from teaching high school in 2010 but have kept busy with part-time work, home, and hobbies. I still play in an originals indie rock band and just released this past June a CD of my brother’s and my songs, most written more than 50 years ago. Lynn and I celebrated our 46th wedding anniversary this past month, and we both find happiness in our two daughters, sons-in-law, and three grandchildren.”

It has been a good year for Steven Charleston. “In 2015, I had three books published: The Four Vision Quests of Jesus (Morehouse), Coming Full Circle: Constructing Native Christian Theology (Fortress Press, co-edited with Elaine Robinson), and Arrows of Light (Red Moon Publications). I am currently working on my second novel, The Tao of Mars, and a theology of Native America, Our Land/Our God.”

Attorney Edward W. Osipowicz, Jr., retired from the day-to-day practice of law in southeastern Connecticut in 1999 and has resided since in Satellite Beach, Florida. He resides with his partner, Thai artist Sarawut Pokhaw, whose artwork will soon be available online.

Ron Smith writes: “My wife, Laurie, and I are planning to attend the 45th Reunion next June. This will be the first time I have been back to Trinity since graduation. I just turned 70 in September, so getting back to Trinity is on my bucket list. Trinity has always been special to me, and since my wife, Laurie, has never been to the campus, I can’t wait for her to experience it for the first time.”

Harper Follansbee adds: “Just got my first piece of flash fiction published in the New Flash Fiction Review, an online journal located at the following Web address: http://newflashfiction.com/fall2015/ . I like the story and the magazine!”

From Christopher Johnstone: “I shall not be making the trip from New Zealand to the United States for the Reunion, but I appreciate your encouragement to do so to all the Class of ’71, of which I was only briefly a member (graduating from Bennington instead in 1971). I am the fundraising manager for the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra after a lengthy art museum career in the UK, Australia, and New Zealand (director, Auckland Art Gallery 1988-1995). My last two books are Landscape Paintings of New Zealand: A Journey from North to South (2006 and 2013) and The Painted Garden in New Zealand Art (2008).”

Paul Smyth reports: “My wife, Denise, and I are happy to report that our daughter, Kendra Smyth, is engaged to be married. Denise and I decided on the name Kendra for our daughter after seeing that name in the ‘recent births’ section of The Reporter in the summer of 1986! Also, Denise and I have recently moved to Mount Vernon, Virginia, from Alexandria, where we enjoy kayaking on Little Hunting Creek.”

Lee (Bev) Barstow asks: “Was it really 45 years ago? Hard to believe. I look forward to catching up with old friends at our Reunion in June, hopefully along with my better half, Cynthia. As for notes, I was a proud papa watching my daughter Emily cross the Trinity graduation stage last May, where she was hand-ed her diploma affectionately by Philip Khoury. I continue to enjoy my day job as director of advancement reporting and systems at Amherst College, and I love my part-time role as pastor of the Leverett Congregational Church, UCC.”

Bonnie Coralee Figgatt writes: “I’ve been studying botanical drawing for several years, and having retired last spring from being an academic librarian, my art has become more centrally my work. My husband, Tom, and our 20-something daughter, son, and daughter-in-law are all thriving. Looking forward to reuniting with Trinity classmates in June.”
teaching for the last five years on the faculty of The New School for Drama, where he was named the department head of the M.F.A. acting program.

Steve Gyllenhaal has much to report: his new son, Luke, turned 1. Steve reports that he has been staying very busy professionally. He has been directing a show, Rectify, for Sundance, did a new TV show for Showtime called Billions, and just finished a movie known as So B. It with Alfie Woodard, John Heard, Cloris Leachman, and others. He’s also produced a feature-length documentary that his wife, Kathleen, wrote and directed, called In Utero. Steve’s two adult kids are also doing very well in their careers. Steve says that life couldn’t be better and he owes it to his time at Trinity!

We are always looking for updates, news, accomplishments, retirements, or reports of visits or encounters with other classmates. Please let us know what you have been up to so that we can share it with our classmates.

**’73**

Trinity Fund Goal: $115,000

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Michael Mitchell reports: “All good here. Sue and I just returned from two weeks in France, and I am looking forward to closing out a good year for my consulting business. At our C&O Canal Trust annual fundraiser two weeks ago here in Potomac, Maryland, the C&O Canal National Historical Park superintendent and I announced the selection of the seventh canal lockhouse for addition to our Canal Quarters program. This program affords folks the opportunity to stay overnight in historic lockhouses up and down the canal. Each lockhouse interprets a different period of the canal’s history. By the way, Trinity alum and local weatherman Topper Shutt ’81 was the emcee for our event in September. He did a terrific job for the trust that evening. His wife, Alison, also a Trinity alum, attended that evening as well. (See www.canaltrust.org.)”

**Ben Bock** writes: “To sum it up, I retired a couple of years ago from my vice president job at Transamericana and have been traveling the world (107 countries so far). Also catching up on reading all the books I’d always promised myself to read someday. Retirement rocks!”

**John Gatsos** reports his son Sam (’F2) is rowing the Berkshire School four as stroke at the fall 2015 Head of the Charles Regatta. John is looking forward to seeing classmate **Ric Ricci** (head men’s rowing coach at Connecticut College) at the HOC. Ric has been a helpful resource to the Friends of Berkshire Rowing as well as sharing advice about college rowing programs.

“When all else fails, write what your heart tells you. You can’t depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus” — Mark Twain

**’74**

Trinity Fund Goal: $350,000

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Once again it has been wonderful to hear from so many of our classmates, and I look forward to hearing from more of you. To me it seems like just yesterday we were waiting in line to matriculate in the Chapel. I sat in the pew with the football player on the end. I have always considered that my spot in the Chapel. Do you remember where you sat? My husband, Steve, and I have a wonderful 27-year-old daughter, Hadley, who has an M.S. in biochemistry from Duke University and is working in pharmaceutical compliance while she completes her M.B.A. at the university where I have worked for 31 years, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. By the way, I got her name from a Trinity woman who was younger than we were. I cannot remember her last name, but I suspect many of you do because she was gorgeous.

Unlike me, others of our classmates are beginning to have grandchildren, so expect a lot of gushing over them in the near future. **Rob Robinson** is one of these lucky ones. He writes: “My last visit to Trinity was back in 2009, for our 35th Reunion. I couldn’t make the 40th last year. This past August, I celebrated my 30th anniversary with J.P. Morgan Bank here in Michigan. I am an executive director and senior trust officer in the J.P. Morgan Private Bank. My wife, Kiki, and I finally became grandparents recently. Olivia Briggs Robinson arrived on September 25, and we are thrilled to have added this beautiful little girl to our family.”

Similarly **Susan Baillet** writes: “Our daughter Alison, an attorney, and her husband, a teacher, had their first child in March, so we have a beautiful grandson, and our son Sam just began his first year teaching philosophy at Macalester College in St. Paul.” She and her husband, Herman Asarnow ’72, just celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary; they both retired from the University of Portland (Oregon) in 2014 after 30-plus years of teaching there; he taught English literature, and she taught psychology.

Yet a third classmate reports on the arrival of a grandchild. **Lloyd Wolf** says: “I now have a new adopted granddaughter, Adele Chaya Miller. She’s a bright and lovely baby. She is going to be a Trinity woman who was younger than we were. If you haven’t checked out Lloyd’s photographs, you should. Doug Sanderson agrees and writes: “I am in touch occasionally with Lloyd Wolf, who lives not far away from me in northern Virginia and continues to take and publish/present wonderful photographs. Lloyd’s one of the few of us whom we’d probably all still recognize — still has the very long hair”

By the way, I owe apologies to Doug, whose message I inadvertently omitted last time from this column. Here is the rest of his update: “I’ve not been to any recent Reunions, but I’m in touch often with **Harry Heller**, who’s a Philly-area resident (M.D., retired), and with **David Bornn** of the U.S. Virgin Islands (attorney, not retired). I saw them a couple of years ago, along with **Lynne Shelnitz Suher** just for fun. I’ve been married 33-plus years, still going strong there (so far as I know), and continue to ‘lawyer’ in Fairfax, Loudoun, and other northern Virginia jurisdictions. Mine’s a family law and commercial real estate transactional law practice — I call it my bipolar law practice, which I run among a firm of 24 lawyers, called McCandlish Lillard (www.mccandlishlawyers.com). I’m also trained in collaborative divorce law, which is a great alternative to divorce litigation. My wife, Audrey, is retired and very busy. Both our kids are out of college: one’s just received a master’s in sports industry management from Georgetown, the other graduated from UVA in commerce and is now working in NYC. No near-term plans to retire.” His firm bio and photograph can be found at http://mccandlishlawyers.com/attorney/douglas-j-sanderson/.

**Cathy Harris Shraga** writes that she just held her “first meeting as chair of the Board of Directors at The Madeira School in McLean, Virginia, and after a long summer of jitters preparation, it went well. It should be an interesting three-year term. This year will also involve a lot of travel, including time in Bermuda, Barbados, Antigua, and Alta, Utah.” She says she feels “lucky to be in the sweet spot of retirement” but that she doesn’t “seem to have enough time for all the things she wants to do.” I suspect that sounds familiar to many of us.

I have heard from several people who wanted to get in touch with **Chad Mooney** after they read about his battle with cancer in an earlier issue of The Reporter, and he has apparently heard from many others as well. He thanks all for their support in his battle to survive. Let’s all send him some good vibes right now!

**’75**

Trinity Fund Goal: $90,000

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We had good news from Rockville, Maryland, where **Camilla McRory’s** elder law firm announced that one of its lawyers had just been
admitted as an attorney of the state Court of Appeals. Since we have all passed our 60th and are staring at Medicare eligibility and trying to decipher Social Security at some point, Camilla’s expertise may be timely!

One of your scribes, Chris Mooney, has joined the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association and will attend its meeting at Homecoming Weekend. “There’s a lot to work on, and I’m excited about the chance to get up to speed. But I still found time to fly-fish in Montana and wander around Italy this past summer, become a proud granddad, and report to you from a new home on Anna Maria Sound in northwest Bradenton, Florida.”

The Alumni Office reports: Bill Yelenak and his wife, Joyce Laughlan Yelenak ’74, celebrated their milestone 40th wedding anniversary on June 20, 2015, on campus. They started with a ceremony at the Chapel with a string trio and then enjoyed dinner in Hamlin Hall. Their alumni friends had a great time getting back to Trinity. The following alumni joined them: Peter Anderson ’70, Joan Davies Jefferys ’74, Deborah MacArthur Crakes ’74, Joe Garamella ’74, Tony Mazzarella ’77, Jin Wu ’71, and Chris Flood ’99.

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Geoff Booty and wife Helen (Platt) have had a busy and exciting year. They spent last winter in Naples, Florida. Doing so, together with the never-ending winter snow in New England, convinced them to live in Florida, essentially full time, and to summer in New England. So, they sold their house in Andover and bought a condo in Naples in the same building in which they had been renting. In June, their son Christopher was married. It was perfect weather and a great day all around. They love Florida and look forward to many months of beaching, golfing, and playing tennis. Geoff has not retired. He is still running his information systems development business from his condo and makes trips back up north several times a year to meet with his clients.

Michael O’Brien and wife Julie became grandparents for the first time on August 27 when his son Chris and wife Sarah had a baby girl, Evangeline Marit O’Brien.

Michael Gilman became a senior vice president for institutional equity sales at Imperial Capital, LLC. He is responsible for advising West Coast money managers on his company’s equity research. The firm initially focused on the high-yield debt side and is very good at analyzing the whole capital structure. Mike attended two Trinity events in Los Angeles, the NESCAC Welcome to the City event and a Trinity football event where he was able to watch on streaming video the Trinity-Williams game.

Rebecca Dunn Reinmann reported that life is good in Wilmington, North Carolina. In March, she will have been running the Cooperative Fund of New England (www.coopfund.coop) for 30 years. Her sons are fully launched, homeowners and married. Son Anson works for Cisco, and son Owen runs a middle school tech lab outside Lynchburg, Virginia. She and her husband vacationed in Italy this past fall.

Eric Corwin wrote to say that he had a mini-reunion of four Trinity alumni in Chicago at the end of August. Those in attendance included Roger Bowie, Nathan Corwin ’15, and Jay Jang ’15, who had flown in from Korea. They had a great time together.

Rick Schweikert wrote about his ongoing fight against cancer for the past few years. He shared with me his experiences, which have created an ongoing lifelong journey with its own lessons, ups, and downs, which he would not otherwise trade away. So, whatever burden you have, Rick says to stay positive, keep up the fight, and love yourself, your family, and friends. To me, Rick epitomizes true courage as expressed by John Petit-Senn: “True courage is like a kite; a contrary wind raises it higher.”

On June 13, 2015, Terry Michel Gunz hosted a wedding in Bedford, New York, for her daughter, Lillian Michel Gunz ’07, to Nicholas Gregory Joseph from Alexandria, Virginia. BJ Megargel and Amanda Brown Megargel ’78 were in attendance.

Carol Weir reported that she and a group of her Trinity friends gathered this past October in Lake Placid, New York, for their own second annual mini-reunion. She and husband Kevin shared a fun time with David Rountree and Carter, Liz Boles Gutterson and Eric, Greer Candler, Nancy Motley Walton and Bruce, Rob and Betsy Meyers, and Hobie Porter and Pam.

Reynolds Onderdonk, who lives in Bloomfield, Connecticut, teaches history at Windsor Locks High School. He still does the Alien Rock program on WRTC. He has three children, Anson and Owen, who are grown; an 11-year-old daughter, Lily; and a grandchild, Roland. He visited with Maryann Crea a couple years ago when he was with his sons in North Carolina. He keeps in touch with Michelle Roubal ’86, Andy Taylor ’75, Phil Bradford ’77, and Anne Levine ’77.

Jonathan Porter wrote to simply say that he will be attending our Class Reunion, June 10-12, 2016.

As for me, Scott Lewis, your class secretary, this is my second-to-last class report. My daughter Jennie ’12 continues her employment in NYC with Tiffany & Co. My daughter Emily is a senior at Union College. And my wife, Heidi, a retired attorney who tutors the SAT and ACT, is now a certified yoga instructor. I am still practicing law and mountain biking every chance I get. This past fall, my buddies and I camped in Massachusetts and rode the trails in F. Gilbert and Borderland state forests and the trails known as Vietnam. Three full days of constant riding was fun and challenging.

Remember, our 40th Reunion is this coming June. The Reunion Committee is composed of Michael S. Gilman, Terry Michel Gunz, Elaine Feldman Patterson, Hobart “Hobie” Porter, David A. Rountree, Harold A. Smullen, Jr., Phil Bieuch, Karen Jeffers, Andy Williams, Lisa Heilbronn, our class president, and me. We all hope to see you there.
program (it is a half year early, but still worth the trip). I stay active working in advertising in New York and taking biking/hiking trips with friends and family around the globe. I went skiing with (Peter) Braman in Whistler last January, biking with (Ken) Grillo in California last May, hiking with my family in Scotland (and some whisky tasting) in September, and got together with (Drew) Tamoney and (Rob) Buffum in Boston this past summer. We are getting older, but it doesn’t look like any of us are starting to slow down!

Mark Henrickson, Ph.D., associate professor in the School of Social Work at Massey University in New Zealand, sends this along: “You asked, so here it is. I’ve been thriving in New Zealand since 2001, and I’ve been in my current role as associate professor of social work for the last 13 years. I research and write on psychosocial aspects of HIV and on sexual minorities. I’ve taken up a number of HIV-related consultancies in South Asia and the Pacific for various international NGOs, including U.N. agencies. I’m also on the executive team of the international social work educator association. All of that means I’ve been in a lot of airports around the world and more to come in 2018. We’ve got a guest room and plenty of garden vegetables for anyone passing through Auckland, and if we’re not home, we’ll leave the key in the flowerpot. All the best to you, and thanks for doing this task.” (Secretary’s note: It’s my pleasure.)

Andy Friedman writes: “After practicing tax law for 30 years at Covington & Burling in Washington, I formed The Washington Update and started speaking on how developments in D.C. affect the markets, investments, and taxes. The topic has turned out to have great importance to the financial services industry. The speaking has kept me hopping, as there is no shortage of new material. (I refer to my topic as ‘the gift that keeps on giving.’) As for home life, my wife, Susan, (also a defrocked tax lawyer) and I have two daughters, ages 15 and 12. You can catch up with me at www.TheWashingtonUpdate.com.”

From Stuart Lovejoy: “The younger of my two sons who goes to Trinity (Stuart ‘13 and Carter ’15) just graduated last May. I am grateful — and surprised — that both are gainfully employed, so the Trinity reputation and network still thrives. Still love going to football games, as well as tennis and squash matches; the campus has never looked better. Crescent Street is a huge improvement. Hope you are well, Craig. I remember playing squash with you way back when.” (Secretary’s note: Yes, I miss those days, to be sure.)

The Alumni Office reports: Ralph Clement Darling III, M.D., was elected vice president of the Society for Vascular Surgery. His practice is centered in Albany, New York, where he oversees one of the largest vascular care networks in the country, encompassing more than 15 hospitals and 19 vascular surgeons.

‘78

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Put Ernest Hemingway’s stories and Trinity’s “History 101” together and you get Eric Samuelson running with the bulls through the streets of Pamplona. “They were coming up right behind you. It was scary as hell,” said Eric, who came within an arm’s length of a bull running him over. Eric’s trip was inspired by a chat with high school buddy Jay McCann about Hemingway. Eric spent time in Toledo, where he said the medieval streets brought back “History 101” memories.

Diane Molleson also was in Europe: “I went to France this past summer, where I reunited with about 60 French relatives and met the ones who weren’t born the last time my family was in France 16 years ago. My late mother was French, and I seem to have more relatives there than in the United States. I stopped off for a few days in New York City and saw Stapley Wonham Emberling and Cindy Flanagan Goss. We spent a lovely afternoon at the new Whitney Museum in Chelsea, just steps from the High Line.”

Cindy Flanagan Goss reported a busy summer with Diane and Stapley in NYC and other classmates: “As for Trinity friendships, several visits have been highlights. I was lucky to spend time with Barrie Andrian, Stapley Wonham Emberling, and Mark Frase ‘80, hosting various visits at our lake house here in Guilford (Connecticut), as well as a New York City rendezvous with Diane Molleson and several days sailing along the coast of Maine with Susan Tannanbaum and her husband. Cindy’s husband, Tyr Goss, retired, and she said, “That has me thinking about my next chapter. I am sure many classmates are facing empty nests and similar shifts that prompt the question, what’s next? I have been writing and managing communications for nonprofits, but as my work winds down, I plan to spend more time on personal writing projects, including researching five generations of women on the Dutch side of my family. Looking for their stories has been prompted by two things: I am intrigued that millions of us are searching for our ancestors, and I now know I won’t really understand my story until I know the stories of the people who came before me.”

Class president Holly Singer says: “The last weekend of August brought together a small Trinity group from the Class of ’79 that has in some form been reconnecting for a long time! Lynne (Bagdis) Wilson’s lakefront home in Rhode Island was the lovely setting for our annual summer gathering of classmates and some of their family members. This year’s reunion included Holly Singer, Lynne Bachofner, Jane (Terry) Abraham, Deborah Cushman, Lynne (Bagdis) Wilson, and Sarah (Wright) Neal. Somehow the weather was perfect for us to enjoy outdoor activities including water sports and a gorgeous sunset on the lake as we had a great time reminiscing and discussing what’s new in our lives!”

Pamela P. Bussey writes: “When I am not acting as an arbitrator or mediator at Bussey Arbitration and Mediation Services, LLC, I enjoy photography and creating one-of-a-kind art pieces. Most recently, a photo I took while in India was chosen to be part of a digital photographic display at the Louvre Museum in Paris, France. Additionally, all of the photographs that were part of the digital display were then compiled into a book!”

Jack Kassel reports: “For 25 years living in Montclair, New Jersey, I still have my own import/plastics business; I travel to China twice a year. Our daughters are now 25 and 21; the younger is a senior at McGill in Montreal, and the older moved to LA last year. My wife, Anita, and I decided to follow her for the winter, so we rented a furnished bungalow in Venice, California, for 10 weeks; I drove out there with our two dogs and audiobooks to keep me company. We missed the horrific winter in New Jersey and enjoyed a gorgeous season in LA. Fell into the category ‘best thing we’ve ever done.’ We are considering a repeat, but El Niño threatens a wet winter in LA, which has us hesitating. Otherwise, playing tennis and squash regularly (thank you, Trinity, for giving me class credits for learning squash) and taking advantage of our proximity to NYC for food and entertainment. I see Laura McCanless about once a year as our birthdays are within the same week.”

Lisa Gillette said she’s still a meeting planner for a business association based in D.C., working remotely from Jackson Hole, Wyoming, “livin’ the dream. This summer, I took my third trip to Africa (‘You either get the point of Africa or you don’t.’ What draws me back year after year is that it’s like seeing the world with the lid off’ — A. A. Gill), traveling to Kenya and Rwanda. In Rwanda, I visited cousins. The similarity of humans and gorillas, at least in leisurely Sunday morning-like behavior, was striking. No doubt in my mind we are related.”

Jim Cropsey caught up with his freshman roommate Fred Buffum, whose son Derick is a senior on Trinity’s squash team. Fred said he enjoys scuba diving with his family off the Massachusetts coast. He leaves for the clear, warm waters of the tropics whenever the murky Massachusetts waters turn frigid. Fred still plays the guitar, and his wife, Andrea ’81, keeps him in the basement when he’s practicing. His band has
been playing gigs at local clubs for the last five years. You may hear him north and west of Boston some evening. Fred continues to play tennis and sometimes meets with Jeff Bacon. He has been known to play the senior circuit once in a while, too. Off the courts, he’s holding down that job in computer software engineering. And he’s considering joining the Cowboy Action Shooting movement.

Vivian D’Amato Asche checked in. “I just saw your e-mail re Class Notes. It has been many years since I’ve sent in anything for Class Notes, but these past several months have been an exciting time for our family, so I’d like to share our news. We are a family of dog lovers (as well as a Trinity family) and have always wanted to develop a business helping dogs in need. Finally, we did just that. My husband (E. Craig Asche ’77), my son (Alex Asche ’14), and I launched Paws For A Cause. We offer a line of dog products and donate 10 percent of sales (the bulk of our profits) to dog shelters. We manufacture/ source our products 100 percent in the United States. Our website is paws-cause.com. We’ve had a great/rewarding start to the business and were very happy to be able to make our first shelter contributions at the end of 2014, to two wonderful organizations in New England: Dakin Humane Society in Massachusetts and Our Companions in Connecticut. We are starting to expand and will be adding shelters in other regions, with Charleston, South Carolina, most likely next. It’s taken a few decades, but Craig and I are finally able to pursue our passion! Lucky for Alex — he’s gotten to do this straight out of college!”

Chris and Gina Mosca are proud to announce a new addition to the family, 36 years after graduation. Oscar Mosca, a black and grey 4-month-old rescue terrier from Alabama, has found a new home in Augusta, Maine.

Ken Crowe and nephew Troy Hattler visited Trinity this summer. Troy thought the quad was great. A Harvard-Westlake School junior in California, Troy was an all-star goalie at Amherst College Lacrosse Camp.

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those in the kitchen.

Kate Youngdahl Stauss spent this summer at Oxford University finishing her master’s in English, which is a degree through Middlebury College’s Bread Loaf School of English. She explains that it was one of the most rewarding and exciting experiences of her life. Kate’s recent studies brought her back to England, where in 1979 she had studied while at Trinity. Congratulations to Kate on this academic achievement.

David Koeppel, like many of us, has a child attending Trinity. David’s son Noah ’18 is hopefully rooming on campus with Robert Malhame’s lacrosse playing nephew, Charlie ’18. Hopefully your class scribe will be able to report about all of us returning for homecoming this fall. Please share with me what you’d like your classmaters to read about you or others in the next Reporter. Feel free to e-mail me at bantsam80@earthlink.net.

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Jack Slattery writes: “I am still living in Bangkok, Thailand, have two children (both born here and are bilingual — I am not, sadly — daughter Emma, 13, and son Ned, 10. Both attend St. Andrews International School (British curriculum — ugh!) and participate in the swimming, baseball, basketball, and rugby teams, and in various band/musical groups. I am in fairly regular contact with Andy Boyland, Justin Maccarone, John O’Connell, Bill Luby, Paul Romano, Bob Grant, Tom McGowan ’80, and Bob Baldwin ’80 but not nearly as good contact as I should be, or would like to be, with Shifty Schifman, who is only just up the road in Hong Kong. Shame on me. I get back to States infrequently. The summer of 2014 was a big seven-week Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, D.C. ‘get to experience (part of) America’ trip for the kids. Considering/hoping to move back to the States at some point soon-ish to give the kids some U.S. education and lifestyle. If anyone ever passes through Thailand, or the SEA region in general, please feel free to contact me for coffee, a meal, beer call, or even just to ask for some travel/tourism advice. My contact details are: mobile: +6681 802 6630; Skype: jslatts; and e-mail: JacksSlattery77@gmail.com."

On October 15, 2015, Paula Lin made her motion picture debut in the comedy film Mint on Card. The premiere was in her home state of Connecticut and will expand locally and to neighboring states. Paula also appeared in the Mark Ronson Production music video “I Can’t Lose” despite a swollen eye from falling on her brow a few days earlier! “All’s well that ends well, I am so happy to say! Couldn’t even tell...” Mark Ronson is an internationally renowned music producer and performer, such as for Bruno Mars’s “Uptown Funk.” What an honor and memorable gig! Paula hopes to do more TV commercials such as the latest one for a major state health care organization.

Lisa Bourget Frisbie writes: “It is hard to believe that my oldest child graduated in May from Trinity. A shout-out to the Class of 2015 and Harrison! It was nice to see that Trinity does graduation weekend right. The ceremony brought back memories of our graduation on the quad, and the ‘tent city’ on the soccer fields allowed for classmates and family to eat, drink, linger, and say their ‘goodbyes.’ I am happy to report that Harrison tapped into Trin’s robust and supportive alumni network, which helped him land a job in San Francisco after only three weeks of job hunting. I am enjoying my ROI on his liberal arts Trinity education — never doubted it.”

Sue Walsh Ober and Nancy Lucas continue their tradition of reuniting twice a year for each other’s birthdays and most recently spent the day in NYC walking the High Line, brunching at Bubby’s, and touring the new Whitney. Coincidentally, Nan learned (a day late, alas) that they had missed a new work by up-and-coming artist Jared Madere, nephew of Curtis Kolodney, prominently displayed in the lobby. For Nan and Sue, a great excuse to revisit! For everyone else, check it out if you’re in the area!

Tabitha Zane writes, “After 15 years in Raleigh and 13 years at the same company, I decided to shake up my life. I accepted a position as vice president, investor relations with Top-Build in Daytona Beach. I am looking forward to wearing shorts and flip-flops most of the year.” Please join our Class of 1981 Facebook group!!

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Nick Noble and Chuck Tiernan recently celebrated their birthdays. Those two along with John Alexandrov, William Bullard, Bob Flaherty, Denise Jones, Mark Leavitt, Doug Stone, and Elizabeth Thrasher-Broidy are by all accounts on Facebook doing well.

Danny Meyer continues to make the news and has a tip for us... well, actually not a tip really. He is promoting the elimination of tipping in his restaurant businesses. Danny is promoting “hospitality included,” which eliminates tipping and raises workers’ salaries through higher prices with the goal of more equitably paying those in the food-service business, particularly

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Carl Rapp reported back in the spring that his family is doing well and shared some tidbits about all things Rapp: “School year just ended for our two girls, and both will be together in their upper school in September. Crew season also just ended (by the grace of all things holy), so I have a reprieve from needing to tow anything to the Schuylkill River by 5:30 a.m. on
weekends. My wife is now working for the National Foundation for Celiac Awareness as she starts to prepare for the day four years hence when our daughters are no longer extracting every ounce of her life energy on a daily basis. I took the family to see the Trinity women’s lax team in the NCAA DIII Final Four held recently in Philadelphia. I also had a chance to meet President Joanne Berger-Sweeney during her swing through Philadelphia this past winter and bumped into classmate Lisa Nolan Birmingham at the event. I am still working for the Timken Company. This past year I also accepted a turn as board chair of my alma mater, St. John’s High School, back in Central Massachusetts. St. John’s continues to send fine young men to Trinity on a regular basis.

Leila Gordon shares this update on her life, post-TRinity: “After college, I got a M.B.A. at night at Villanova while working in Philadelphia as an investment manager for high-net-worth individuals at PNC. I moved to another bank, then to Scudder, Stevens and Clark, which was bought out by Zurich Group in 1997. I am now president and owner of Gordon Business Solutions, LLC, providing outsourced finance management and controller work to small businesses, nonprofits, and high-net-worth individuals, as well as foundation management. Having my own business allowed me to go to every tennis match, ice hockey game, baseball game, and soccer game my two boys played in when they were growing up. So life has been busy but is good! I finally got back to Trinity last fall and this spring because my younger son enrolled as a freshman and is looking forward to his next year as a sophomore. He loved Trinity at first sight and got in Early Decision. He is a tennis player, and while injured last year, hopes to be able to play this coming year. My older son is now a senior at Syracuse Newhouse School of Public Communications. I do keep in touch with Trinity friends through Facebook or locally here and would love to hear from all of you, so feel free to friend me.”

Alice Ronconi is “celebrating the end of tuition payments and being an ‘empty nester.’ Our youngest son graduated from Marquette University cum laude with a B.A. in theater arts and minor in dance. He’s employed as an actor with CLIMB Theatre in Minneapolis. Massimo (my husband) and I are enjoying the house to ourselves but look forward to the holidays when both sons will be ‘home’ with us. We play tennis every morning and are still working but planning out how we can both be retired before 60. If anyone happens to come to Vegas, I’d love to meet up.”

Kurt Freund is spending a lot of time around the waters of Martha’s Vineyard running his business, Fishsticks Charters. “I specialize in light tackle and fly-fishing aboard my 26-foot Jones Brothers Cape Fisherman. In the off-season, I’m a carpenter.” Kurt has his contractor’s license and says business is very good.

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Class of 1983 members Tim Clarke, David Guild, Ben Howe, Todd Beati, and Al Strickler enjoy a trip on Boston Harbor.
year at College of Charleston, and Tyler a freshman at Canterbury this fall. Our (commercial real estate) firm acquired DTZ in January ’15 and then merged with Cushman & Wakefield in September, so working through the second integration this year. Enjoyed spending our annual summer camp at Janet and Ben Howe’s home on Martha’s Vineyard with Al and Leslie Strickler and Tim and Kate Clarke in June. One of the highlights for my youngest son, Tyler, 14, was driving Ben’s jeep on the South Beach dunes. After witnessing how well he did, my own keys are kept well hidden. We followed that up with a Fairfield Beach bonfire hosted by the Carlases joined by John and Lisa Swain and then a trip to the Swains’ beach cottage in Branford, Connecticut. Looks like I am hosting the next event, so all are invited to drop in at Stratton this winter ... see Glenn and Susan Ratcliffe there often. Shared a great dinner with James and Kristen Dooley in New York and heard lots of stories about having a first baby after 50. I catch up with Tom Lee occasionally and am reminded that we are due for a beer ... Tom? Look forward to homecoming!”

Marissa Ocasio was too busy to update us as she has been attending music festivals, but she has been a great contributor in the past, so I’ll let her off the hook.

Lauren Griffin Niclas writes: “My husband and I just got home from our first Parents Weekend at Trinity, and while it was sad to say goodbye to our daughter, Cristina, I also left with a wonderful feeling of pride that she is now walking where I walked oh so many years ago. It was great to be back on campus, not just as an alum but also now as a parent. We had a fun weekend, including a Saturday afternoon sitting in the bleachers watching the Bantams gloriously win against Bowdoin. As it turns out, my daughter has become good friends with the daughter of Matt Smith ’82 and Ellin Carpenter Smith ’82, so while watching the game, Matt and I enjoyed catching up and reminiscing about our days ‘neath the elms. I plan to be back up there for homecoming and will hopefully reconnect with some other old friends then.”

Glenn Ratcliffe chimes in, “We’re blessed and living the good life these days. Both our sons have graduated and are now gainfully employed in NYC and Boston. My dad, Lyndon ’52, passed in May. Trinity was very gracious to remember him and his many contributions. I’m looking forward to seeing everyone at homecoming! Reclaimed my 40-plus title and lost in our Open final. Solid season and no injuries! Paddle just starting up. In dated news, I was able to see Ben Howe, Todd Beati, David Guild, James Hagar, and Tim Clarke in Boston in June. My oldest daughter is in sophomore at TCU (a fun football team to watch), son is a junior in boarding school, and youngest daughter an eighth-grader. Everyone doing well. Will have celebrated 25 years with the love of my life (Leslie) by the time you are reading this.”

MaryBeth Callan Serdechny writes, “In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month this October, I have some news to share. I haven’t had a chance to tell all my Trinity friends yet, but I was diagnosed with breast cancer this past May. The thickness that all the doctors thought was a deep bruise from our teen’s accidental elbow turned out to be invasive ductal carcinoma Stage 1b. I’m lucky, since it’s the most common and treatable kind. Though not fun, I’ve gotten through 14 out of 15 chemotherapy treatments so far, with lumpectomy surgery and radiation to follow. I’ve got a straight, sassy wig for my alter ego. And a great guy, Jim Serdechny, to take care of me ‘in sickness and in health.’ So, I’m sharing this to encourage folks — women and men — to know their bodies, to get your mammograms and ultrasounds, and to act quickly if things don’t seem right. Cancer has touched so many in our Trinity family. But, lives can be saved! Hope all is well with you and yours! Take care.”

Will Washburn. Also present were Jim Frankel ’83 and Bill Detwiler ’85. All are in NYC except Mark, who lives in Austin, Texas. All are doing well. No real gossip I guess, but it was great to see everybody.”

Now out in paperback and on Kindle, Stephen Cook’s Reading Deuteronomy: A Literary and Theological Commentary. All 10 Amazon reviewers gave it five stars!

Just recently, your secretary, Cathy Marona Shrestha, Laura Ledbetter Baird, Allison Limptlaw Light, and Susan Manlove Partridge (farthest traveled, from Moscow) gathered for a wonderful weekend at the home of hostess extraordinaire Cathy Harvey McDonald. We cherish these annual get-togethers and always raise a glass to Janice Anderson, who organized our first weekend three years ago.

Lorraine Saunders White writes that “all is good in the Saunders/White world. Living in Pelham for 10 years now, been working at United Healthcare for 19 years, and still have young kids compared to all my friends! My identical twin boys, Will and Henry, just started middle school, and my daughter, Maddie, just started high school. Our weekends continue to be ruled by sports. You name it — lacrosse tops the list, but so do soccer, tennis, and skiing in the winter. My husband, Hank, and I are all over the place with them on weekends, but as everyone, it will be gone before you know it so we try to embrace the traffic jams, the jamborees, and the overnights in hotels! I am in touch with a bunch of my college roomies near and far: Dale Sindell in Spain, Linda Kapnek Brown in California, Amy Snyder Forman in Massachusetts, and Katie Van Wagenen Sperry in Connecticut. Just had breakfast in Grand Central Station with none other than Nancy Katz Aresu, and, of course, love being with my brother and sister-in-law, Michele Rosner Saunders, in the summers in Weekapaug, Rhode Island. Hope to see you all at the next Reunion — you know, our 10th or maybe 15th? Ha-ha.”

Two parents of current Trinity students checked in: Gregory Norsigian reports that “my family has been enjoying a lot of Trinity time since our son Krikor ‘Gregory’ Norsigian entered the Class of 2019. He’s a single in Wheaton just below my old room. He’ll have a great view of the life science quad when U2 plays again at Spring Weekend. The campus has been transformed into a resort for young adults: Adirondack chairs, fire pits, multiple dining options, and luxury townhouses. I hope he finds the library while he is there.”

From Tony Craft: “My wife and I became grandparents this summer. My son Chris and his girlfriend had a baby boy on June 5. Hopefully he will be a third generation Trinity student for my family. My youngest is currently a junior at Trinity pursuing degrees in neuroscience and philosophy.”

Lorie Miller Kennedy “really doesn’t have much to report. I suspect I have become an honorary Texan having lived here for over
How did you get started in photography? A couple of years after my now 10-year-old daughter Ruby was born, I decided I wanted to learn basic digital photography and took an introductory class at a local community college. At first I did a lot of macro-photography, fascinated by the delicate beauty and detail of plants and insects. A couple years later, I expanded into landscape photography, and then in 2011, I discovered bird photography, and I suddenly felt seized with a great passion. I now photograph all wildlife but tend to have more photos of birds as they are the most common subjects I find.

What made you realize that photography would be your life’s work? When I realized that it combined so many of my interests and strengths, from my compassion for animals, to my fascination with science and natural history, to an aesthetic sense I felt but never realized until I stumbled upon photography. I’m also driven by a sense of urgency to make some kind of impact for the animals and their habitat that I care so much about, either through the talks that I give, or the workshops that I teach, or the magazine assignments I get. I’ve evolved into a “conservation photographer.” For me, this means that it’s not enough to just take pretty pictures; in fact, the work really begins after I have clicked the shutter. Whose hands do I need to get my work into for it to make a difference for that animal or the landscape it needs to live in? This is what I am always thinking about.

What are the biggest challenges of your work? It’s very hard to succeed as a wildlife photographer. Stock photography is dead, and it’s impossible to keep a bricks-and-mortar store afloat. Magazines and newspapers are folding, photography jobs are drying up. You have to diversify and be willing to write, speak, teach, and lead tours to exotic locales. And hopefully sell a few fine art prints along the way to people who want a beautiful image of a bird or other animal on their walls. Physically it can be very taxing as well; my gear is heavy and cumbersome, and I often work in challenging, uncomfortable conditions. It’s far from glamorous, but I can’t imagine loving anything more.

What are your favorite locations to take photos? Florida is one of my favorite places, as the birds there are practically tame. I love to photograph anywhere along the ocean, as I have a big passion for shorebirds, and really, along the edge of any body of water, such as marshes, ponds, or lakes. I also just came back from leading a photo safari in Africa for the first time, and I am hooked. The range of species, the spectacular life-and-death struggles playing out, there’s nothing like it for a photographer.

How did your time at Trinity affect your career choice? I don’t know that it affected my career choice, but my time at Trinity being steeped in the liberal arts has truly served me well in all my endeavors and professions. I think that I am able to think critically, speak and write well, and be conversant and flexible in all kinds of environments, and I strongly believe Trinity was a huge influence in this way.

Was there a professor who was particularly influential? I would have to say Professor Mark Schenker. He taught “The Victorian Age” during my last semester. He had a profound effect on me on a personal level. I ran into some difficulty writing a paper, and he met with me and helped me over a huge hurdle I was encountering. He really helped me to trust my own capabilities much more than I had.

To view Groo’s photographs, visit her website at www.melissagroo.com or visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.
Ending on a sad note, let’s remember Larry Passarelli. As reported in the last Reporter, he passed away last May, leaving wife Kelly, with whom he was in dental practice, and sons Bradley and Michael. As we mourn his passing, let’s keep in the mind how lucky we are to be as busy and even stressed out as we often are with careers, educational sagas, and all the rest.

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Greetings, everyone.

I am writing you today — appropriately it would seem on October 21 — the day Marty McFly went back to the future and had a glimpse of three decades ahead. And so here we are on the cusp of the 30th anniversary of our graduation. Day to day Trinity seems like a lifetime ago, but when I hear from old classmates, it feels like only yesterday. So thanks and congrats on good things, deeds, and blessings to Mark with his generous gift, Sam and his growing (up) family and ties to Trinity, and Connecticu. Karen (living the life with a dash of English/Trin), Regina/ Tony, Doreen, and Tom — as always we have some special and wondrous news to share. And hang on — it includes a grandchild.

From Mark Glancy: “I rarely write, but finally have some news, which is also helpful to the Trinity community. My husband and I founded a scholarship at the Mensa Foundation. Here’s the blurb we are using: The Mark J. Glancy and John G. Gray LGBT Scholarship is a perpetual, annual, competitive $1,000 scholarship open to any LGBT undergraduate or graduate student. The scholarship application process occurs annually on September 15 and closes each January 15 through the Mensa Foundation. Applicants submit an essay of not more than 550 words explaining their career, academic, and/or vocational goals and how they plan to achieve those goals and must state that they identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender. Each winner must submit proof of registration in a degree program during the following academic year as well as proof of U.S. citizenship. See https://www.facebook.com/LGBTScholarship.”

From Sam Slaymaker: “Now that my son Trip is a sophomore at Trinity and our younger son, Virgil, is at Salisbury School, my wife, Laura, and I have been visiting Connecticu on a far more regular basis. Ed Hackett’s home in West Hartford has become a central base of operations and home away from home for both of our boys. Ed has been great about taking in Virgil as a guest on those occasions when his vacation breaks begin or end a few days before his brother, thus enabling both of our sons to take the train to and from Lancaster together. Visits to Connecticu have also allowed me to keep in touch with classmates Michael and Maria Petropoulos, Grant Bond, and Dave Ericson.”

From Karen Hubbard Jones: “Thank you for your e-mail. Thirty years! Wow. Greetings to the Class of ’86! I am still in London and still married to my handsome Englishman. We live very near Paddington Station; if anyone is passing through, you are welcome. I am still teaching social studies and divinity and have just moved to a gorgeous family-run prep school in Knightsbridge called Hill House. Our son is now 18, and I am pleased to report he has applied to Trinity College (Oxford). Looking forward to another generation of blue and gold. Xxx much love.”

From Regina Craft: “Good day. I hope you are doing well. I do have a couple of updates. Tony ’84 and I have a new addition to our family. We became grandparents this past spring. Jayce Anthony was born on June 21, 2015.”

And this in from my fellow Eltonian: Doreen Rice ’86, left, marks the day of her ordination to the transitional deaconate of the Episcopal Diocese of Kansas. Front row with Rice: Deacons Arland Wallace, Rob Schwaller, and Steve Carter; back row: Bishop Dean E. Wolfe and Canon Torey Lightcap.

Mark J. Glancy ’86, second from left, and husband John G. Gray, right, join Mr. Mensa 2011 Nguyen “Win” Pham and Mensa Foundation President Dave Remine as they present a check to the Mensa Foundation at American Mensa’s annual gathering in Louisville, Kentucky, in July 2015. The money will fund a scholarship open to any LGBT undergraduate or graduate student.
Crimmins, who had a bit of a scare earlier this year: “My procedure was back in March, and I’m happy to report I’m cancer free. Many thanks for all the support I’ve received from Trinity friends everywhere!” Good to hear, Tom!”

“Finally, it’s coming. Reunion Weekend is June 10-12, 2016.” Thanks to Karin Bennett Micheletti for the shout-out.

“The 25th was loads of fun and it would be great to get a big group to come,” writes Co-President Olive Cobb Waxter.

I totally agree. Hope to see everyone there. P.S. In just under the wire: The Nutmeg State has two reasons to celebrate. Claudia Baio and Peg Hargrave Berry have won their respective elections in November 2015. Claudia won a hard-fought battle against the incumbent and is now the honorable mayor of Rocky Hill, and Peg won re-election to the Canton School Board. Congrats to the ladies. Good luck in your service. Not to be outdone and the week after his mother’s victory, Claudia’s son Robert became a Eagle Scout.

Lincoln Purdy while he was on business for a few days. The following day, Lincoln planned to meet up with John Self (also in town for business) for breakfast. “We spent a lot of the night talking about our kids’ (Linc’s son, mother, daughter, both seniors) college application process. Alas, ‘Trinity’s not on the radar for either of them!”

Karen Hargrave Berry wrote this brief update: “Still livin’ the dream in Harvard. Son No. 1 is in college (Georgia Tech), and son No. 2 is a senior in high school. Recently had a wonderful 50th birthday reunion with Melissa Bronzino Regan, Maureen Neylon, Jennifer Nahas, Kathleen Lawlor Morrissey, Liz Krikorian Aynilian, Nancy Golding Purdy, Kimberly DiTallo Gentile, and Melissa Farley Tyler (all ’87ers who lived in Jarvis our freshman year).” We met up on Martha’s Vineyard for a weekend of reconnecting, including a Trinity-themed Yankee Swap. Kudos to Melissa Regan, who did the planning. It was fabulous!”

Finally, I’ve saved the best for last with news from Kathy Wholean Gray, who has thrown down the gauntlet for tantalizing news: “Okay, so well, I turned 50. I know, right. I do not know how that happened. And please let’s keep this on the down low because I tend to lie about my age. It’s okay though because many people don’t even believe me those rare times that I admit I am 50. And no, I have not had any Botox or surgery (yet), but if anyone wants to fund such an endeavor, I am quickly changing my ‘anti-surgery aging naturally’ views, especially since I really hate exercising and just do not want to do it anymore. But back to 50. It’s not so bad because, really, there has just been one party after another this year, and the gifts are alright! (For instance, Foo Fighters concert at Fenway and make out with Dave Grohl!) That was a great gift! DG will probably deny make out — but he’s married. They all deny it! I have three beautiful children.

Two boys age 25 and 21 and my princess is age 18. Seriously, I thought I was a teenager, but my teenage daughter is doing me in! My current job, post-domestic engineer, raising said turned-out-just-fine two boys and female hellion: program director of literacy volunteers of Kent County. (We train tutors to teach adults to read.) My office is in the Coventry Public Library in Rhode Island, which is a complete hoot because many who know me often tell me that I am the loudest person they have ever met. Patrons often complain about the racket coming from my cubicle, and my superiors reprimand me, but I just say, ‘Hey, I’m no librarian and I never took Shush 101, so get over it. I am doing God’s work here!’ So between you, me, and the fence post, I don’t make oodles of money, so I would like to take this opportunity to state that as my kids are grown, if you know of any good career opportunities, I am ready to chuck it all and try something new!” Sounds like the Kathy we remember. Hope she finds that next act but continues to spread the gospel of the semicolon and the Oxford comma.

I’d like to close by mentioning two things. First is a small favor. I’d like to ask each member of our class to scan and share as many photos from your Trinity years as possible. You can post them to our Facebook class page or send them directly to me via e-mail. What I’m looking for are pix of day-to-day life in the ’80s. The second thing I want to mention is the purpose of these photos — I’d like to create an art installation for our 30th Reunion made up of photos of our Trinity days. Imagine a large room with ’80s props, music videos on monitors, period clothing on mannequins … everything to make it into a deeply immersive, emotional experience that takes us right back to the ’80s. If it’s successful, I’m hoping this will be something unforgetable, as well as a model for future classes and reunions. I thank you in advance for your help compiling these photos. I believe that if we collaborate on this one task, we can capture the essence of what made those years in Hartford so special for us.

The Alumni Office reports: S. Peter Voudouris, an attorney with Tucker Ellis LLP in Cleveland, Ohio, has been named to the list of “The Best Lawyers in America” for 2016. He was recognized in the areas of personal injury litigation-defendants and product liability litigation-defendants.

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I put out a call to classmates and received the following responses:

Ashby Manson is a painter who has found an interesting niche in California. “I’ve been a painter working for the animation studios for the last 20 years. Recent work has been for Warner Bros. on Wabbit (Bugs Bunny shorts), as well as Jonny Quest and, currently, a Scooby Doo video. Also teach at a local animation school.” He also added that Cathy Nemser and family visited while on a grand tour of California.

From Cary Lyford: “I understand Melissa Bronzino Regan had a mini Trinity reunion in Cape Cod in September. She had seven to eight classmates attend. Also, I have a son who is a sophomore at Trinity, fourth generation, and he is friends with fellow Trinity sophomore Chloe, who is the daughter of my roommate from my freshman year. Maro Gyftopoulos Desjardins. Maro lives in Houston, as does another Trinity Class of ’87, Patty Chen.”

Bill Eriterl offers this quick update covering the past 25-30 years: “...married 26 years, four kids (b/b/b/g), still living in Simsbury. I work in development for an ambulatory surgery center manager, trying to pull together deals to manage more surgery centers. Oldest son was graduated from Richmond in May and is gainfully (!) employed in New York City real estate. Second has disappeared into Vanderbilt and never calls his mother. Twins are high school seniors, stressing about life hereafter. Trail running, soccer, and broomball make me feel old but keep me young. Also, all the color seems to have left my hair, but I am pleased to still have it. Life is good.”

From Chicago, Maureen Neylon shares news that she just had dinner downtown with
with Jen Elwell O’Donnell and Dorothy Sales in Greenport, Long Island. While sampling the local wines at a lovely vineyard on the ocean, we started compiling our “bucket lists.” It proved to be quite a fun task, not that we are nearly old enough to really have to work on our lists! We even managed to cross one thing off of Jen’s list (but sadly it wasn’t the item that involved the Gronk). (Side note to Jen’s husband, Dave O’Donnell ’85: it was not even remotely salacious.)

While enjoying the beachfront in Far Rockaway, New York City, Nancy commiserated with Aileen Doherty, Class of 1986’s secretary, about how hard it is to gather information from our fellow Trinity classmates for our respective columns. Hint, hint.

Lisa “Laker” Lake and her wife, Dr. Annie Collier, welcomed their fourth child — Declan Thomas Collier-Lake. He was born on September 15. Big sister Maeve, 4, and twin sisters Evelyn and Amelia, 2, are very excited about their baby brother. Many of the Class of 1988 have sent their kids off to college (makes us feel really old!), so a classmate having a newborn helps ease the pain of getting old!

Mary Ambrogio Cashman writes, “Sherry Reilly Cordani, Anne Mongillo McRavey, and I recently had a freshman year reunion in Avon, Connecticut, over lunch. Anne recently moved back to Connecticut after living in California and to her surprise found herself living on the same street as her high school/college friend Sherry.”

Paul Schlickmann writes, “It was a great first summer living in the town of West Hartford. Enjoyed some time with fellow classmate Tim Steele and Trinity’s men’s basketball head coach Jamie Cosgrove at a backyard barbecue at our home. Still trying to catch up with the ever-elusive Dean Andrews and Bill Markowitz ’86, also West Hartford residents. Also caught up with fellow MBB teammates Joe Reilly ’91, Matt Allen ’92, Matt Vaughan ’92, Matt McGowan ’92, and Dennis McCoy ’92 for an annual mini-reunion at the Rocky Hill Wood-n-Tap. Entering my sixth year as athletic director at CCSU and loving being a dad for my 2-year-old daughter, McKenna Grace.”

Lisa Ferro writes, “Happy fall to everyone. I’m living outside of Washington, D.C., and working as a manager for Acumen Solutions, a global consultant firm specializing in cloud technology — great firm and fun projects. My twin girls are in eighth grade, and I can’t believe high school is right around the corner for them. Cooking is a passion, and between that, my daughters, and my job, I stay happily busy. My goal is to hit one of the D.C. ‘Trin events this year!”

Dede DePatie Consoli writes, “Just letting you know that we are thrilled to have our eldest daughter Olivia join Trinity’s Class of 2019 after graduating from St. George’s School. It’s fun to be on the parent side while on campus. What a rich curriculum they have while enjoying themselves as much as we did! There is a lot to be impressed with.”

Trinity Fund Goal: $75,000
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Hello, ’89ers!

We’ve heard from one of our classmates who has been quiet for a while, so I want to go straight to it.

Chantal Bade writes, “Hello. Back in Connecticut after a 15-year sojourn in northern Vermont. Suffered a rather serious health hiccup that is requiring a change of... everything. Basically I’m on an employment sabbatical (um, unemployed) during my recovery and soul searching. I didn’t actually miss the 2014 gathering. I was in Hartford, but unfortunately at St. Francis Hospital. Am physically doing great now, trying to get my life back in order and find a way to go on safari for my 50th! Also trying to figure out how to get to Africa for a safari on my 50th since my illness has drained my accounts and a lot of my enthusiasm, except my desire for travel! Miss all you guys. Sorry I’ve been so horrible at keeping in touch. I’ve been silent, but in my thoughts we’ve had great conversations. Namaste.”

Our esteemed class president continues his reign of impressiveness. Roger Wellington updates us that he’s “looking forward to Doug Macdonald’s presentation in November as part of the neuroscience series at Trinity.”

Liesel Odenweller ’88 still lives in Venice and sings opera across Europe. She updates us: “There are a lot of very exciting things happening here, especially the rehearsals happening right now for A Venetian Affair, the show I hope to take on tour in the United States, which we will present here in Venice on October 16, 18, 23, and 25, and which we have been invited to perform at the New Year’s Festival in Gstaad, Switzerland, in December 2016! In between rehearsals, we are already planning for the beginning of the restoration of the Church of San Giovanni Evangelista in November and the 2015–2016 season! Once again, we plan 60 concerts and hope that this year we can include a Messiah and another major work.”

In recent months, I have seen and talked to a few of our classmates. Mike Vanderbilt, Bob Markee, Seth Lipton, and I traveled to Milford, Connecticut, to game with Bob Vincellette. Mike is married with a son in grade school in NYC. Bob M. lives in New York City and does IT consulting work with a few nonprofits. Seth works at a NYC law firm and also enjoys an active gaming life, as well as taking advantage of the many artistic and performance opportunities in the city with his lovely wife. Bob V. works in a real estate agency and in his spare time writes fiction and is developing a gaming system.

My own life is settling down a bit. I’ve been at my current job (head of HR in the United States and Canada for a German Internet/telecom called 1&1) for about a year and a half. I travel to Germany for work every few months and have been fortunate to reunite with one of my girlfriends from when I lived in Berlin. Tomorrow we’re traveling to Stockholm, and I’m excited to finally meet the Swedish chef! (Okay, just checking if you’re still with me.)

As always, you may send your updates to me via Facebook or e-mail me at julielowery@yahoo.com. Let us know how you are and what you’re up to! Best, Julie

Trinity Fund Goal: $50,000
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Hi, classmates! So here it is, the official passing of the baton to me as class secretary. I hope my column can stand up to Sara Moorin Lang’s. Very big shoes to fill!

In Sara’s last installment, she mentioned dozens of names from Reunion. Some folks, like Melissa Gold Jelinek, kindly wrote to me reiterating what fun they had reconnecting with friends like Dave Hupper, Marney Faesy Hupper, and Tim Callahan and showing the campus to their children, in Melissa’s case, her daughter Sophie. I also had the pleasure of seeing pals like Gina Tarallo Ribaudo, Gabin Rubin, Ron Goodman, Susan Monaco, Dave Kilborn, and Jennifer Schultz Gilbart. It was really wonderful connecting with everyone, and I hope even more people will make it to the next one!

My KKG sister and best buddy Jennifer Horesta Schaefer ’91 and husband Tom Schaefer are still living and working in central Massachusetts. Their daughter Julia is now a junior in high school, and Cameron is a freshman. Cameron has been following in dad’s footsteps (and often being coached by him) as a football player. The Schaefer’s recently golfed at a charitable event held annually by Todd Levine’s family. Among the other players were Rick Houlihan and Darren Toth.

Cheryl (Giamusso) MacLean writes, “After several years of administrative work at the University of Maryland, I have started two new language-related jobs. The first is as a test developer at a second-language testing company in Rockville, Maryland, working on a variety of English language assessment and accessibility projects. The second is as an adjunct instructor of ESL at Howard Community College. Both have been very interesting and fulfilling so far! Aside from work, I indulge in my photography habit and show my work in local exhibits. I also enjoy exploring all that the D.C./Baltimore area has to offer with my husband and 10-year-old daughter.”

Beth Capaldi writes, “I’m still working in the Biology Department and Animal Behavior Program at Bucknell, where I’ve been since
August 2000. I’m going to be teaching for a semester at Bucknell University’s summer program in London; I'd love to reconnect with Trinity folks who are there or nearby! Also, this is a bit embarrassing, but I recently watched the movie Jaws for the first time (I know, it’s ridiculous, but I spend a lot of time on the ocean and never needed to add any fright to my seafaring experiences) and now finally understand why it played at Cinestudio every semester we were there.

One of my favorite notes came from Teresa Scalzo, as she addressed me by my old Trinity handle of “Sheba” and signed her note “Mama T.” She is back to work full time now. Gina Ribaudo is planning to visit Tress in Virginia with Jen, Susan, and maybe Lisa Tomlinson. Lisa writes, “I’m a busy working mom (vice president at Bank of America) and running around from kid activity to kid activity! My son Andrew is a senior and looking at colleges, Nick just started high school, and Olivia is in fifth grade. We are busy with sports, dance, and band! Recently had breakfast with the lovely Jennifer Schultzgie Gilbart, who is nonstop with her two baseball-playing boys.”

Lindsay McNair writes to update after a long absence from The Reporter: “I’ve been living in Boston since finishing UConn medical school in ’95. I trained as a general surgeon but decided I liked research better than patient care and spent many years designing and conducting clinical trials, first working for a couple of biotech/pharma companies and then running my own consulting practice. Along the way I got two master’s degrees, in public health and in bioethics. I’m now the chief medical officer for the WIRB-Copernicus Group, a company that does the ethical and regulatory oversight of human research studies, and I run the consulting division. I still live in Boston (although I’m rarely there) and teach in the medical school at Boston University.”

Meg Watters writes, “I’m the project archaeologist for the Parker’s Revenge Archaeological Project at the Minute Man National Historical Park. We are working on mapping the location and action of the Parker’s Revenge battle from the first day of the Revolutionary War. Pretty cool project and amazing that we’ve found nine musket balls (and a button!) from what was most likely a Revenge battle from the first day of the American Revolution, April 19, 1775. www.friendsofminuteman.org/parkers_revenge.htm”

Michael Poe sends a fantastic “small world” story. He was in Malmö, Sweden, at a random supermarket when he struck up a conversation with a woman who turned out to be Collette Logan. Michael writes, “It was the most amazingly random meeting in my life. Having just moved to Sweden, to run into a Trinity alumnus was really unbelievable. We have met or bumped into each other a few times since then, and it’s great to know that even in far, distant lands, there is someone close who has shared my experience.”

Well said, Michael. Ties from our Trinity days grow more precious with time, as they link us to our younger selves and remind us of different versions of the person we are. As for me, I am still living in Croton-on-Hudson, New York, raising my ninth-grade daughter and sixth-grade son. We have recently added a French bulldog puppy, and, while she is adorable, I must admit I am definitely over the potty-training days. But basically all is well. Life ebbs and flows for one and all, and I am glad to be able to ride along and hear how all of your stories are evolving. Best to everyone in the Class of ’90 and your families.

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Trinity Fund Goal: $100,000
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Hi! Here is the news from our classmates!

- **Ann Newman Selvetti**: “Life in Suffield, Connecticut, continues to be great. I am in my 11th year at Suffield Academy in the college counseling office. It is a great confluence for my personal and professional life — raising my family in the same great town where I grew up, and certainly working with teenagers and the college process is never dull. My son is in the process of applying to Suffield, and my husband and I are slowly adjusting to parenting our own teen. I look forward to seeing everyone in June at our 25th Reunion! Please make sure to join our Facebook group if you haven’t already.”

- **Lawrence Kolin** is pleased with Trinity’s decision in favor of student freedom of association, rescinding the coed mandate for Greek organizations. He looks forward to celebrating on Vernon Street at Reunion next summer. Lawrence was featured during the American Bar Association’s Mediation Week 2015 and also was named to the National Law Journal’s “Litigation Trailblazers & Pioneers” for his work as a court-appointed neutral resolving complex cases involving e-discovery.

- **Kara Russell**: “Four ’91 grads are meeting in D.C. this weekend to run the Marine Corps Marathon together. John Claud, Brian Schulz, Mark Russell, and Scott Mattoon were roommates at Trinity and are all hoping to finish the 26.2-mile course and prove they aren’t as old as their graduation year suggests. I’m married to Mark and am also a Class of ’91 grad, but I’m electing to stay home and receive updates via text messages.”

- **Maria (Nevares) Manley**: “I’m proud to report that our son Henry is a freshman at Trinity. He is also on the golf team and loves every minute of camp Trin Trin.”

- **Russ Kauff**: “Now in my fourth season as director of the Sugarbush Ski & Ride School, I’m looking forward to an ever-increasing number of Bantam families here at the resort. Between Ren Whiting, Melissa and Dylan Remley, and Mike Piper from our class, Alex Paisas ’90, Chris Patton ’94, Rob Stempnien ’93, and all their kids spending a lot of time with us, there seems to be a constant Trinity presence here for which I’m grateful. I’ve been named to the educational staff of the Professional Ski Instructors of America, which will have me on the road a bit around the East training instructors, and it’ll be a great way for me to leverage my broader exposure into improving our already great school here. With our 25th on the horizon, it’s all good fodder to get psyched for our return to Hartford.”

Ren Whiting: “After getting married to my lovely wife, Cara, in 2013, we had a son Parker. Parker is an active little guy who is loving his older brother, Jack. Jack is now a middle schooler and enjoying soccer, cross country, and skiing. We live in Wellesley, Massachusetts, and I’m working in technology at Fidelity Investments. I’ve recently gotten together with Frank Monaco and Bill Brick in NYC and this past summer saw Ed Andrade and Dylan and Missy Remley up at our family summer house on Lake Winnipesaukee. All are doing great. This winter we are really looking forward to spending our weekends up at Sugarbush mountain, where we will take to the slopes with Russ Kauff and the Remleys. My goal for the winter: get 1-year-old Parker carving some turns!”

Rick Stockton: “I made a quick trip up to the Cape this summer from Summit, New Jersey, to see John Gregory, who was back in the states for a couple of weeks from Sydney. We had a great night of catching up and, not surprisingly, a lot of laughs. It’s amazing how quickly you can snap back into Trinity mode after 24 years. It seems like we moved out of High Rise a couple of months ago. I’m looking forward to No. 25 back in Hartford.”

It was so fun to see Maria Manley when she
came to D.C. to demonstrate paddle tennis at the Citi Open this summer. For the rest of you, see you at Reunion! Heather

’92

Trinity Fund Goal: $55,000
Class Secretary: Allison Picott, 31 Central St., Concord, MA 01742-3014; allison.picott.1992@trincoll.edu

Hard to believe, but the Class of 1992 is less than two years away from celebrating its 25th Reunion. It’s always great hearing from classmates but especially from those who haven’t been mentioned in the Class Notes in a long time, if ever.

Matt Evans checked in from Philadelphia: “After Trinity, I began my career teaching elementary school and coaching soccer and ice hockey. After several years in independent education, I found myself in a New England boarding school as an admission director. I started a family and continued in education as a division head and assistant head of school. I now am the assistant head of school at St. Peter’s in Philadelphia, and I live in Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, with my wife and our two children, ages 4 and 10. We are glad to be back in the area near family, and while we miss New England, it is nice to wear my Flyers jersey without being harassed. Looking forward to our 25th!”

Kim Simmons wrote in from Maine: “I’ve been thinking about our college days quite a bit, as I now have a junior in high school looking at colleges for herself. I also work in the field of women and gender studies and am saddened by the lack of progress on campus rape issues, although heartened by the attention and activism happening now. It brings back memories of the work we did for the 20th anniversary of women at Trinity! I continue to work on social justice issues as a volunteer, activist, and educator, most recently leading a project titled ‘Choose Civility’ for the Portland Public Library and serving on the board of Boys to Men. Craig Bramley is managing partner at Berman & Simmons law firm. He ended his competitive ultimate Frisbee circuit a few years ago but loves to play ultimate with his kids and has taken up hiking. Our 11-year-old attends Friends School of Haverford, ages 4 and 10. We are glad to be back in Pennsylvania, with my wife and our two children, ages 4 and 10. We are glad to be back in the area near family, and while we miss New England, it is nice to wear my Flyers jersey without being harassed. Looking forward to our 25th!”

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’93

Trinity Fund Goal: $75,000
Class Secretary: James M. Hazelson, 1238 S. Holt Ave., Apt. #2, Los Angeles, CA 90035-5100; james.hazelson.1993@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Gregory M. Creamer, Elissa A. Raether Kovas Hey classmates, I hope you all enjoyed your summer! Thanks to those who sent in updates.

Cam Hopkins checked in with us. He is still teaching eighth-grade English outside of Philly in Wayne, Pennsylvania. This year marks his 10th anniversary as head coach of Conestoga High School’s boys’ varsity squash team, one of the top public school squash teams in the country. He has the pleasure of coaching his oldest son, Walker, on the squad this year as he begins his high school career. He’s looking forward to four great years. He also mentioned that he is still coaching lacrosse and is coming up on his 18th wedding anniversary!

“We had such a busy year that we figured it would be a good time to report in,” says Dana Meachen Rau and husband Chris. She “graduated from Vermont College of Fine Arts this summer with my M.F.A. in writing for children and young adults and celebrated the release of my 340th book in the fall (check out www.danameachenrau.com if you’re curious!). The majority of my time is still spent freelance writing, but I’m venturing into teaching as well. Chris is vice principal at Windsor High School (Secretary’s note: Windsor High School is my alma mater!). And both of our kids are in high school now. Chris and I sometimes look at each other in disbelief that we’re not the same 18-year-olds that first met in the Jones dorm back in the fall of 1989.” Don’t I know it.

From Jonathan Heuser: “Greetings. I hope that you are well, had a good summer, and are enjoying writing the Class Notes. My wife, Nicola, and I welcomed our son, Sebastian Dallas Trowbridge Heuser, on April 26. We are delighted to have joined this elite club of Trinity parents and welcome advice from our more experienced colleagues on how best to cultivate the next generation of potential Bantams. Sebastian is a big, healthy, and busy little fellow, eager to embrace life, and delights us anew each day. We couldn’t be more fortunate.” Thanks, Jonathan, and enjoy every minute of that little guy; they grow up way too fast.

Alan Remley is keeping us posted and tells us, “I feel like I give you the same boring stuff every time I write. Life is good; I have no complaints. I was on a hunt up in British Columbia.” He sent me a picture, and I told him he looks younger than he looked at Trinity. His response: “Not to brag (okay a little), yes, I do get told a lot that I look really young, and I still routinely get carded when buying booze.” He also reports: “Amazing summer weather here in Montana; saw the Remleys West (as opposed to the Remleys East Class of ’91 and ’99) enjoying lots of white-water river rafting, hiking, biking, camping, swimming, fishing, frog catching, turtle catching, bug catching, and every other outdoor 8-year-old kid activity you can possibly think of. Fall is here, and the weather is still amazing, as we get our skis tuned up and ready to slice the Montana Cold Smoke. All is good in this fabulous playground we call home.”

All is well with me. The summer was wonderful. I plan on heading back east for the holidays and seeing the same old guys, Rob Stempnien, Pres Stewart, and Jon DeLuca. Clearly from their lack of updates, life is boring and they wait around all year to see me in December!

’94

Trinity Fund Goal: $50,000
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Jon DeLuca checked in from Colorado, where he and Beth Carter Lyford celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary this past August. Andy also mentioned that he sees Ned Rollhaus fairly often out in Denver. Ted O’Connor is living on the South Shore in Massachusetts, where he works as a retiree health care consultant with Borislow Insurance. He is the proud dad of two girls, Scout, 4, and Campbell, 2. Ted writes, “It is wonderful to catch up with classmates on Facebook and look forward to seeing everyone for our 25th!”

Karen Isgur writes that she has taken on a new job. “In addition to still being a reflexologist and owning my own business, Foot-Joy Reflexology, I am now working for a marketing strategy company. Lisa Baker and Associates. I am able to do both jobs from my home, which is fabulous given that Sara is now 4½, and so much fun to be around. For my new role, I am doing a lot of different things for the LBA clients, including writing website and brochure copy, creating radio ads, developing marketing strategies, creating sponsorship opportunities, and planning events. Putting my Trinity College English major to good practice!”

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’95

Trinity Fund Goal: $50,000

Hello, Trinitarians.
I’m writing you from a scorching autumn in Connecticut. The leaves are down, the days are short, but damn if it isn’t 75 degrees out.

And that burst of summer in November is certainly why I have so few updates from our classmates. Or perhaps they’re all still sleeping off our 20th Reunion.

Evan Zall wrote to say he and Amy (Kunen) Zall are having a great time with their boys, Noah, 9, and Simon, 6. Evan runs an integrated marketing agency (Ebizen Zall Group), and Amy recently is the executive producer on her first independent feature film, *Annabelle Hooper and the Ghosts of Nantucket*. Evan writes: “The movie is written as Nancy Drew meets *The Goonies* with a little National Treasure thrown in and stars Bailee Madison (Parental Guidance, *Just Go With It*) and Robert Capron (Diary of a Wimpy Kid, *The Way Way Back*). It’s scheduled to be finished over the winter, so look for the Zall family in the background of the beach scene sometime in 2016!”

I was in San Francisco in October and spent time with Katherine (Mitchell) and Alex Ladd. Katherine is with Deloitte, and Alex is running his own consulting firm, called MindStream Analytics. The most remarkable thing about being around them is that they have produced two children who look like exact clones of them, Mitchell as mini-Katherine and Mason as mini-Alex. They also named their dog Bacon, which is either the best or worst dog name ever. (Is it cruel to shout “Bacon” in a dog run and expect only one pup to toddle to you?)

We also met up with Heather Dunbar for dinner. Dunbar is doing great. Having finished her graduate work at the Harvard School of Design in 2013, she headed west — with a brief detour in Toronto — and landed in Sausalito. She now works for GLS Architecture & Landscape in San Francisco. In the course of the evening, I was told the most salacious stories about people like Tucker MacLean, Doug Connelly, Marc Izzo, and Kate (Rehoe) Dallas. I mean these were good ones. Alas, Dunbar kept pouring the wine, and the stories evaporated. Perhaps those four will write in next time!

Kelly Collis ’96, right, meets with pop star Rachel Platten ’03 as Collis’s radio station, 94.7 Fresh FM, recently hosted the musician and artist. Doing some amazing work rescuing animals in South Carolina and finding permanent homes for these animals in the D.C. area: “In May, I banded together with a small group of fellow veteran animal rescuers to establish DC PAWS Rescue. The group of us had worked together for years for D.C.’s largest dog rescue and decided to split off and focus our efforts on a rural area where animals have zero hope. At this time, we focus almost exclusively on rescuing animals from Pickens County, South Carolina, animal control, which is a ‘closed’ facility, meaning it is not set up to facilitate adoptions to the public. Any animals not claimed (about 99 percent) are euthanized, and owner surrenders are immediately euthanized. We’re a foster-based rescue, so we pull the dogs and cats from the animal control facility, provide basic vetting, vaccines, and spay/neuter, and then transport them to the Greater Washington, D.C., area and place them in foster homes until they are adopted. Given the demand for dogs in the D.C. area, this works quite well. We’re off to a great start and have already adopted out close to 100 animals, and we hope to increase our rescue and adoption rates as we grow and become more of a known quantity in the D.C. area. It’s hard, often gut-wrenching work, but knowing that we are the only hope for these animals is what keeps me going. Slowly but surely, we’re making a difference. Aside from that, I am still lobbying for Amazon, and my husband is still an active duty colonel in the Army, currently stationed in Virginia. It’s a lot, but it’s very fulfilling. Our website is www.dcpawrescue.org in case you’d like to check it out. Any alums in the D.C.-Maryland-Virginia area looking to adopt, please send them my way!”

Alexander Zaitchik is still working as a freelance journalist and is currently based in Havana. Mark Thacker will be moving to Palo Alto, California, after spending the last eight years in Atlanta.

Kelly Collis is a newlywed! She married Patrick Bauer ’98 recently. Trinity alums in attendance included Hilary Spivack, Sara Jaffe, Mick Nardelli ’97, and Pat McGrann ’98 (well, he made the trip from London the weekend before the wedding). Kelly is still hosting a morning show for CBS Radio in D.C. The show was featured in the *Washingtonian* Magazine. Also, her radio show recently hosted fellow Trinity alumn Rachel Platten ’03 for a concert at the radio station.

As for me, it has been very quiet this summer and fall. I saw Alexa Zevitas, Beth Piro, and Laurie Key recently. I usually run into (or run with) Mariah Titlow Tinger ’00. They all are doing well! Also, I saw Kara Rycecz’s name in the race results for the Falmouth Road Race. She came in second in her division! I think that is about it for now. Looking forward to catching up at Reunion!

Greetings! Thank you to those of you who wrote with updates; it’s great to hear from you and helps make my job a lot easier! There are great things happening for the Class of ’97. Here in Arlington, Massachusetts, my hubby, Ben Zwirn ’98, and I are busy with our three boys, who are now 5, 7, and 10. Where does the time go?

Heartfelt congratulations go out to Mick Nardelli, who was married to Jackie Ludden on November 8 in Washington, D.C., in front of friends and family totaling more than 300, with classmates Crossan Barnes and Martin Schnabel being part of the bridal party. The wedding featured food from eight of the best restaurants in the city, including Blue 44, the restaurant owned by Mick and his brother, as well as beer by Sam Adams, one of Mick’s longstanding clients! Mick remains a lobbyist with Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, and Jackie owns a public relations and events company focusing on chefs and restaurants. Best wishes for a lifetime of happiness to Mick and Jackie!

In August, Angus Jennings accepted the position of town manager (and town treasurer) in Hampden, Maine. He and wife Kristen and daughter Carolann sold their home in Concord, Massachusetts, and moved north! This move realized their long-held goal of moving closer to family in Maine and living in the state’s beautiful surroundings. During a period of transition, Angus is continuing work through his LLC on urban planning consulting assignments in Massachusetts and has been traveling between states regularly for work and to stay close with friends and family. Overall, he and his family are excited about the move and the new professional challenges associated with overseeing the town’s operations.

Colin Woodward and wife Sydney have also been busy with a job-related move. In August, they moved from Little Rock to Colonial Beach, Virginia. Colin took a new job at Stratford Hall, the birthplace of Robert E. Lee, where he is editor of the Lee Family Digital Archive. Colin and Sydney’s second daughter, the adorable and loud Nola June, was born in May. Their first daughter, Ella, will be turning 3 in December.
Jessica Benjamin Dobson wrote that she had the chance to catch up with Tamara Wiley Kennedy, Jill Crowley Kelsey, and Kelly Conte Martin in Boston to celebrate Michelle Buckley’s birthday. “It was great to get some time to catch up without all the kids, even though it was way too quick! Tammy and Kelly both live in Massachusetts, and Michelle recently moved back to Connecticut. I came down for the night from New Hampshire, and Jill made the trip from Sag Harbor. We had a great night, and Michelle was definitely surprised!”

They aren’t the only classmates who’ve had a chance to reconnect lately. Writing from Johannesburg, South Africa, Tshepi Maesela let me know that she recently had the opportunity to catch up with LaTanya Langley, who was there for work.

Tanya Jones writes, “All is well in NYC. I am still working as an executive producer of branded video content. It’s an exciting time for video. I’m constantly trying to find new ways to tell stories, inspire, and motivate users to share and engage. I continue to coach and create partnerships around workshops and retreats in and around NYC and abroad. I will certainly hit up all of you with an invite. I had a good catch up with our class president, Professor Shaakirrah Sanders, recently. She is doing well in Idaho and is due to visit New York for a conference in June. I had the pleasure of spending time with her this past summer in Cape Cod with a few other Trinity grads. It’s becoming an annual tradition, and I’m loving it. I keep in touch with the usual suspects, Natasha Haidous, Lisa Schramm Buckley, Kate McCabe, Rachel Carr Devlin, and Paul Lordan. Everyone is doing well. I met up with Kim Roberts in New York and had a great dinner catching up. Looking forward to seeing her at her wedding in 2016.”

Rhitu (Siddharth) Rose let me know that she has moved back to Syria as special assistant/humanitarian coordinator to the most senior U.N. official in Syria (the humanitarian and resident coordinator in Syria). She is working on projects where 13.5 million people are in need of humanitarian assistance in Syria alone. Thank you for the important work you are doing, Rhitu.

With that, I’ll let our class president close: “Fall has been quite lovely here in Boise. I can hardly believe that I have started my fifth year at the University of Idaho College of Law. Where has all of the time gone? Speaking of time, I can’t believe we are less than two years away from our 20th class Reunion. I am super excited to see you all! I have recently had a double dose of ’97 love in Idaho. First, I met up with Mr. Paul Lordan in Portland, Oregon. After tearing it up in Portland, he accompanied me to Boise for a quick visit. We had a blast (Boise will never quite be the same). Next, I received an e-mail from Ms. Emily (Miller) Burns. She lives in Boise with her husband and works at Boise State University. We recently enjoyed cocktails and caught up on the past 18 years. It was great to see her. In other class news, I’ve recently chatted with Tanya Jones, received a voice mail that I have yet to return from Rhitu (Siddharth) Rose, and owe Alice (McCortney) Auth a telephone call. Finally, I hope all of you Facebookers join the new Trinity College Class of 1997 20th Reunion page that I (literally) just created. Happy hollies and blessings in the New Year! Your class prezzy, Shaakirrah R. Sanders”

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Congratulations go out to Ryan Moore and his wife, Laura. They welcomed their first child, Sebastian Bodhi Moore, on October 5, 2015. The family is healthy and happy. Jeff Cross writes, “I appeared in the Mark Wahlberg-Seth MacFarlane movie Ted 2. I was outside the courthouse as both a reporter covering Ted’s personhood trial and one of the well-wishers cheering the success of his appeal at the end and was on Ted’s right in the Boston Globe photo of him leaving the courthouse after being declared property. I also lost an entire Saturday at Gillette Stadium getting a photo of myself with the New England Patriots’ fourth Super Bowl trophy and worked seaborne crowd control at the starting line of the 2015 Marble-head (Massachusetts) to Halifax (Nova Scotia) Ocean Race sailing regatta.”

On Sunday, September 27, Anna Norland was inducted into the college player category of the Connecticut Field Hockey Hall of Fame. Way to go, Anna! I was lucky enough to spend some time with Katie Pilcher Knowles this summer. Sitting on the couch, with a beer in hand, watching the Sox on the TV, it was almost as if no time had passed and we were back in college. Then we were snapped back to reality when we had to stop what we were doing to yell at our children to stop talking and go to sleep. That’s all for this issue of The Reporter. As always, please send any news or updates to jessicalvincent@yahoo.com. Thank you!

The Alumni Office reports: Charles Leatherbee has been promoted to executive vice president and regional manager for commercial development operations at Skanska in Boston.

Greetings, fellow ’99ers! This Reporter issue damn near wrote itself, and I couldn’t be more thrilled! Fall in Boston has been both beautiful and busy, and I feel like July turned immediately into October before I knew it. It was great to hear from so many this time around, and I am happy to share the following interesting news from our classmates:

Oh, baby! They are still arrivin’, so we keep on multiplyin’! Our newest arrival is Tully Michael Edward Katrancha, born on September 28 to Julianna (Bogdanski) Katrancha and husband Jedd. Everyone is healthy and doing well, and the first-time parents are proud and excited! Congratulations, Katranchas!

Kristin Nabers is also adding to her family in Decatur, Georgia. She writes: “The biggest news for me lately has been the arrival of my second baby, Oliver, in June. He is actually a super chill baby. I’m finding that the cliché about second babies being easier is definitely true in my case (thank goodness). His big sister, Matilda, is 2, and is over the moon for him.” Kristin connected with Jamie Griffith recently. “Jamie started a job as an assistant professor in philosophy in Bratislava, so I was lucky to catch up with him when he was here for a conference recently. The move sounds like a great adventure, but his tales of European bureaucracy make the DMV sound positively delightful in comparison.” Thanks for writing, Kristin, and welcome to baby Oliver! Oh, I had to look up Bratislava, I hope it comes in handy in some form of trivia now that I know where it is.

Emily (Beales) McDowell was at a recent conference for college admissions in San Diego and ran into many Bantams, including “fellow ’99er Mo Zelaya. Michael Pina ’92, who trained me to be a tour guide, and Francis (Spike) Gummere ’61, whom I have known since I was in high school! I also had the chance to connect with the new dean of admissions, Angel Pérez. Next week, I will be heading to campus to have dinner with the large group of students from the school at which I work who are now Trinity students. It’s an exciting time to be a Bantam!” For such a small school, the wide reach never ceases to amaze me! The presence in academia seems to be particularly strong and continues with fellow alumn Amie Margolis, who writes: “In July I began working at the Buckingham Browne & Nichols school in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in the Office of External Affairs. My son, Aidan, and I recently moved to Watertown. I see Jocelyn Bartlett Frank ‘98 on a fairly regular basis as well as Adrienne Ober ’98 and some of the other Trinity folks in the Boston area.” The Boston connection is also strong — and awesome!

Kerry McKevitt continues to work for the Spanish Navy and writes: “My students are
QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH
SCOTT ROUSSEAU ’99

How did you come to own a sea salt company? While earning my M.B.A. from Babson, I was seeking out a small-company acquisition. I looked at many different businesses in a wide range of industries and spent the better part of two years searching and analyzing different opportunities. I met with business owners to learn from them, and I met with business brokers to uncover additional opportunities. I almost gave up because I couldn’t find exactly what I was looking for. Feeling a bit dejected, I decided to pivot my search from established businesses for sale to start-ups for sale. Beyond the Shaker was a start-up, and it hit every criterion that I was looking for in a small business. I immediately engaged the owners and flew out to Michigan, where the business was located, to meet with them and to learn the daily operations. When I returned home, we finished negotiations, completed the necessary paperwork, and shortly afterward I packed up their small warehouse and moved the business to Massachusetts.

What should the everyday consumer know about salt? Toss the table salt! Table salt is mass produced and refined, but don’t let the word “refined” fool you. Refined salt contains additives and chemicals to prevent it from caking or clumping. It also has a higher sodium content, and all the wonderful, natural minerals are stripped during the refining process. Not to mention the taste; you may think salt is salt, but it’s not. If you compare table salt with Fleur de Sel or Cyprus Flake, it’s likely you’ll toss the shaker and embrace a world of salt that you didn’t even know existed.

What is your favorite salt to use when you cook? Why? That’s tough because there are so many different applications depending on what you’re cooking, what you’re in the mood for, etc. I will say that I use Jalapeno Fiesta on almost everything since I love spicy foods. I also love to use smoked salts; it’s a really fun and easy way to change the flavor profile of something you might eat often like roasted veggies. These salts we primarily use as “finishing salts” – just a little sprinkle atop your dinner before you eat. When we “pre-salt” our food (before cooking), it’s exclusively Himalayan Pink since it’s pure with high salinity, which means a little bit goes a long way, and you can keep your sodium intake low.

Was there a Trinity professor who was particularly influential? If so, who was it, and why? For me there were many, and it’s difficult to remember all of their names since I graduated in ’99. Off the top of my head, Ron Thomas made me a better student, and Hugh Ogden helped with poetry and creativity.

How did your experiences at Trinity prepare you for what you do today? As a liberal arts student, taking classes in English, science, economics, theater, etc., I constantly had to change focus and wear a different hat. One moment I would be reading a Shakespearean sonnet, and the next I would be reading a textbook for physics or economics. I think that prepared me to wear many hats today. In a typical day, I will analyze my accounting reports, work on new label designs, answer calls from prospects and customers, and work on new marketing materials. Obviously I don’t get all this done every single day, but I’m constantly jumping from one project to another and need to change focus pretty quickly.

What do you enjoy most about your work? I love playing with amazing ingredients every day. It’s incredibly fun and rewarding to mix herbs and spices from around the world with beautiful crystals of sea salt, creating a new salt blend that is unique to Beyond the Shaker. I also enjoy seeing meaningful growth. When I took over the business, the majority of the revenue was via e-commerce. I decided to spend my time focusing on the wholesale side, and that is the primary driver of revenue today. We successfully completed some large purchase orders with T J Maxx, and we are part of the Whole Foods family. As exciting as that might be, future growth is always on my mind, and that’s what keeps me up at night.

definitely keeping me on my toes. On January 6, 2014, the Spanish Ministry of Defense awarded me the Cruz del Mérito Naval con Distintivo Blanco for my work at the military school where I teach. Later that month, there was a military ceremony at the base, and the commanding officer gave me the medal. It was quite the experience. Besides that, I sailed from Ferrol to Oporto and stopped off in different Galician and Portuguese ports during the three-week trip in the summer of 2014. Hopefully, I will be able to repeat the experience next summer, but we shall
Hey, classmates! I hope everyone had happy holidays and that you’re staying warm and cozy through the winter. The news is short and sweet this month, but I’m pleased to share updates from two newcomers to my column, Steve McFarland and Brooke Belanger. Steve writes that he “finished his Ph.D. at the CUNY Graduate Center last year and moved to Florida this summer to start a job teaching geography at the University of Tampa,” where he will be continuing his research on organized labor movements in the United States. Congratulations, Steve! Brooke is still living in Concord, New Hampshire, with her two daughters, Charlotte, 5, and Evelyn, 3. She recently left her job as a New Hampshire public defender to join the New Hampshire attorney general’s office but continues to teach criminal law as an adjunct professor at the University of New Hampshire School of Law. Brooke reports that “life with two little ones and (two) full-time jobs is hectic but wonderful. In the last few years, we have tried to embrace the long New Hampshire winters (snow just fell today, and it is only mid-October!) by spending as much time outside as we can. As soon as the snow comes, we hit the slopes to ski as a family (my youngest is a daredevil).” Sounds lovely! Have fun in the snow!

To wrap, I’d like to send a quick shout-out to Sara Merin, who has decided to run her way out of her “but walking IS exercise” rut by training for 5K races. She’s completed two so far — the second in under 30 minutes — and is looking forward to a third in November. Very impressive, Sara! Keep up the good runs!

So that’s it for this issue. I expect to hear from more of you in the spring! In the meantime, I wish you all a wonderful start to 2016! May it be full of surprises and new possibilities! Till next time...

This side of the Atlantic, Closer to home, J.R. Romano reports that he was recently selected as the new chairman of the Connecticut Republican Party. J.R. brings new energy to a party sorely in need of a boost. Republicans hold no statewide offices in Connecticut, nor does the party control any of the state’s seats in Congress. J.R. was elected to the two-year post on the second ballot. He edged out two other candidates, state Sen. Joe Markley, 58, of Southington, and John Pavia, 52, of Easton, a business executive and the party’s former fundraising chairman.

Really close to my home, Sara Fleming reports that she recently had a baby boy in July (Theo) and he joins his big brother Silas, who is 3. She’s still in the MetroWest ‘burbs of Boston and still commuting into the city every day. She still runs around with the Trinity crew (Amy Cox Siemel, Elizabeth Chua, Jennie Nokkes, Melanie Breznial, Melissa Baker, and Cristina Lundy), who are all scattered around the East Coast with one outlier in Colorado (Amy!). They make an effort to get together at least once every year — this year was Philly. This past March, this squad spent a snowy weekend talking in front of a fireplace and rambling around their quirky Airbnb.

In other baby news, Willy Krents and wife Ali welcomed Theodore (Theo) Eliot Krents to the world on October 6. Mother and son are doing well, and Theo will certainly look up to his big sister.

Adam Karp ’02 and Alison Britton-Armes ’02 welcomed their impatient and strong-willed little boy, Edward Laughton Karp, on July 18 at 10:53 p.m. Mom, dad, and baby are all doing well.

Well, that wraps up this edition of “How Old Do You Feel Now?” I hope all is well with you, and I look forward to hearing from more of you soon. Reminder: this June we’ll have our 15th Reunion (yikes). It’s going to be a great weekend! Enjoy the winter, and stayed tuned for more updates.

CLASS NOTES

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Happy winter to the Class of 2001! Our classmates have been extremely productive, so let’s get right into it.

Alexandra (Holden) Terhalle writes in from England, where in August she and her family (husband and two children) recently moved from Germany. They are living roughly 45 minutes south of London in the same town my mother grew up in … small world. Everyone is welcome to visit.

This side of the Atlantic, Susanna Kise checks in to say how excited she is to almost be finished with a master’s in accountancy degree (hopefully in August 2016). She continues to be very involved with the Junior League of Houston, where she holds a leadership position. Her brother Jeff ’85 is recently engaged, much to the dismay of ladies all over. Travels this year have included Maui, Berlin, Vienna, Southern Germany, Charleston, and various trips to Maine, Philadelphia, and Los Angeles. Over the year, she has been able to catch up with Cassi Hallam, Alice and Colin Vautour, Mike and Mimi Leone ’04, Michael Carucci, Carla Boecklin, Shannon McGill, Angela Flores, Chelsea Theerman Adams, Katie Bennet ’02, Bill Jenkins ’03, Tony Panza, and Aroop Sanadkayala, among others. If anyone is ever passing through Houston, please feel free to give Susanna a holler!

In other fantastic news, Trip Todd also tied the knot this year. He writes: “I was married to Julia (McLaughlin) Todd at the Flagler Memorial Chapel at the Millbrook School on September 19, 2015. Trinity folks in attendance were Amanda (Todd) Lynch ’02, Dan Shafer and Vanessa (Ruff) Shafer, Chris Ayala ’00, Will Stengel, Chris Flood, Pat Sheehy ’00, Dave Elwell ’04, Laura Anderson McGrath ’04, Tara Maciog ’05, and Emily McLean ’05.” Congratulations and best wishes for great health and happiness, Trip!

In other fantastic news, Ericka Lenz is killing it from a legal standpoint! She was recently admitted to the Virginia State Bar, which is the fourth jurisdiction where she is admitted to practice law (along with Connecticut, New York, and the District of Columbia). She writes: “I am currently working on commercial litigation matters at Roth Doner Jaguar PLC in Tysons Corner, Virginia. It is a good setup because I work part time close to home and also have time to take care of my 3-year-old daughter.” A great setup indeed. Congratulations, Ericka!

That’s all for now folks. Holler at me next time. I’ll be begging for more news soon! All the best, Alyssa

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Nick and Brooke Barquin are living in D.C. with their two children and see plenty of Bantams regularly. Far from the party barn or AD basement, more recent sightings of Samantha Stauffer and Claire Rosebush have occurred at nursery school drop-off and soccer practice. We’re not at 300 Summit anymore!

Nathaniel Curtis and Kate Hutchinson are happy to report that they now have a lovely baby boy, Theodore David, born on August 19, 2015. They are still living in Boston and are in the process of buying a lovely bungalow in Jamaica Plain. Nate has been involved in several planning projects in the area, including the current work on the Mass Turnpike in Allston. In October, Kate celebrated three years working at EMC and is looking forward to another year as an alumni ambassador for the Trinity Admissions Office.

Kara Klenk married Jared Logan in Fairlee, Vermont, on June 6, 2015.

After 13 years in the New York metro area working for Morgan Stanley, Will Canning, wife Tracy, and two children, Sabina, 3, and William, 1, have moved back to his hometown, Mystic, Connecticut. Will explains he is very excited to transition to a new career as a financial adviser, with two other Trinity alumni: his father, Bill Canning ’69 and brother Peter Canning ’05. Their office is in New London, Connecticut, and they would love to hear from any alumni in the area!

Please continue to update me on your activities! You can reach me at kristinsprincipin@gmail.com. As always, I look forward to your e-mails! Kristin

Matt Glaz ’04 and Christine Patterson were married in June 2015 at the St. Francis Chapel in Niantic, Connecticut, and celebrated with a reception at the Guilford Yacht Club. Those in attendance included Devin Malay ’05, Cole Trautmann ’05, Mark Randall ’07, Paul Hounds ’07, Joe Clark ’07, Matt Glaz ’04, Christine Glaz, Tom Soyster ’06, Jamie Creed ’04, Morgen Carillo ’05, Tom Lenahan ’78, and Jared Carillo ’04.

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Jesse Hansen was married on May 30, 2015, in Pinehurst, North Carolina. She celebrated with three of her best friends, Caroline (Robertson) Evans ’05, Kristen (Geiger) Cochran, and Kelly (Rice) Decker.

Elizabeth Mooney and husband Kyle Garvey ’05 welcomed their first child, Elizabeth Rose Garvey, on July 28, 2015. Elizabeth is enjoying her time off with the baby before she returns to work as a litigation associate at WilmerHale in Boston.

Andrew Horowitz married Abigail Salisbury on October 11 in Pittsburgh.

Reid Offringa continues to delight me with tales of his life. Reid is now living in Silicon Valley and reports that all of the bars are sports bars; the sunshine is confusing and scary. Nick Callahan got married in October of last year and is finishing up his last year of residency in oral and maxillofacial surgery at Kings County Hospital Center in Brooklyn, New York. Nick has accepted a position at the University of Maryland for a two-year fellowship in head and neck oncology and microvascular reconstruction starting in July 2016. I’m excited to have another Bantam in Baltimore; we can hang out with
Jackie (McKenna) Secor and her beautiful daughter Fiona, whom I love to pieces. Patrick Cournot ’07 has launched a French-styled wine bar in New York’s East Village, partnering with friends Nick Fusco and parents Colleen and Pierre ’74. Ruffian is less pretentious than Mather Hall and offers even better food at 125 East 7th Street. I’m pumped to visit and try out Ruffian.


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Hey, Class of ’07! As always, I hope this issue of The Reporter finds everyone happy, healthy, and safe! It’s very exciting to continue to hear from those of you who have written in and to get some new submissions as well! Here goes! Unfortunately, despite the information I gave for the last Reporter notes, I did not move to California. There was a snag in my plans, so in New York I remain. I continue to work at an agency helping those with developmental disabilities as the senior behavior analyst and have recently been promoted, with title now being the assistant state supervisor of the agency helping those with developmental disabilities.

Nate Johnson is the brewer at Prohibition Liquor and Wine in Waterbury, Vermont. Any Trinity alum in the area of Waterbury should stop in for a wide variety of ales and lagers, including the Bantam Double IPA.

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Danielle Grossman ’08 and Patrick Flynn were married at Castle Hill Inn in Newport, Rhode Island, on April 25, 2015. Trinity friends joining them for the celebration included Samuel Grossman ’12, Sarah Kohn ’11, Meg Barry ’09, Peter Jackson ’08, Charlie Callahan ’08, Kate Callahan ’08, Bracknell Baker ’04, Hadley Sullivan ’08, Terrance Sullivan ’08, Lillian Hancock ’08, Mary Elizabeth Clune ’08, Emily Harmon ’11, and Brendan Timmins ’06.

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The wonderful opportunity to travel around the country for conferences, including a much-anticipated trip to New Orleans in January 2016. Prior to that trip, I will be making my way out west to visit Robert Taylor. He recently moved to Los Angeles from Boston to take a position as a financial consultant. I also will be visiting Ashley McNamara, who continues to live in and love Chicago!

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Jane Shiverick graduated from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth and is now back to the “real world”: living in Denver, Colorado, and working in brand management at WhiteWave Foods. She is loving life out west and is excited about all the skiing she will be getting in this winter!

Alessandra Echeverria lives in Atlanta with her dachshund–Catahoula mix Frank and is now the manager of operations and communications for the COCHON 555 Tour. Her company just finished a five-stop Heritage BBQ tour, where Allie was able to travel to San Francisco, Toronto, Chicago, D.C., and Austin to celebrate heritage breed pork.

Lauren Murray was married to Michael Bear in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in April 2015. Fellow Bantams there included Brittany English, Kate (Prendergast) Baumgartner, Stephanie Keith, and Aliza Turek-Herman.
Lauren and Michael are both living and working in Boston, Massachusetts.

**’09**

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Matthew Wrzesienwsky and his wife are closing on a townhouse and are moving to Larchmont, New York. He also started a new role with Alliance Bernstein and is currently the product manager for the firm’s municipal portfolios.

Stephen Sullivan recently moved to Valley Village, California, just north of Los Angeles. He is working at Medtronic and is beginning Lean Six Sigma manufacturing training.

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Kate Gibson Carey and husband Hugh L. Carey II welcomed future Bantam Margaret “Maggie” Rhorer Carey to the world on May 14, 2015. She looks forward to joining the Class of 2026! Congratulations to the Gibson and Carey families!

On June 27, 2015, Erin Mulvey and Theodore Bascom ’11 were married in Greensboro, Vermont. They celebrated with a host of Trinity attendees, including Trevor Stern ’11, Tom Tarca ’82, TJ Tarca ’11, John Meagher ’01, Douglas Basile ’10, Max Alderman ’11, Ryan Piacentini ’09, Zac Trudeau ’09, Kelly Coyne ’11, Jillian Fraker ’10, Ray Moonney ’10, Ellie Spaulding ’11, Caitlin Prendergast ’10, Jake Gaffey ’11, Colin Murphy ’10, Kris Tedeschi ’08, Jessica Sims ’10, Meghan Ryan ’10, Steve Garner ’11, Loretta Cremnims ’11, Melissa Weickler ’10, Emile Wiggins ’10, Eliza Whytezel ’10, Laura Anderson Graia ’10, Lindsey Beggan ’10, Abigail Tedeschi ’10, Emma Santangelo ’10, Ryan Moriarty ’10, Samantha Moriarty ’10, Rachel Estepa ’10, Rachel Talentino ’09, and Sarah Remes ’10.

Erin Mulvey ’10 and Theodore Bascom ’11 were married on June 27, 2015, in Greensboro, Vermont. They trip with Bank of America to Frankfurt, Germany, and came back with presents for all his friends. Additionally, Chris is leading his club hockey team in points this fall. Hal Ebbott reports that he and Adam Dawson recently competed in and won the New York City Hopscotch Championships.

Thank you to all who contributed! Colin Touhey will be joining me as class secretary, and we will both submit class notes for upcoming editions of The Reporter. Please continue to send updates to chtouhey@gmail.com and courteney.coyne@gmail.com.

/REUNION / JUNE 10-12, 2016 /  
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Hello, Class of 2011! I hope this note finds you all well.

While studying abroad her junior year of college in Cape Town, South Africa, Payden Sra became interested in the country’s diverse ecosystem and worked as a research intern studying migration patterns of southern right whales and great white sharks. Since graduating, she moved to Washington state to continue her work with animals with the Navy Marine

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Elizabeth Dalton ’11 is engaged to Richard Baca. Their wedding is set for October 1, 2016.

Mammal Program. She recently moved back to the East Coast and is currently a marine mammal trainer for the New York Aquarium. She loves all Brooklyn has to offer and reconnecting with old friends from Trinity.

After working for Quiksilver and Roxy for three years in Huntington Beach, California, Amelia Fletcher followed her heart to Boston, Massachusetts, in May 2014. Amelia currently works at a branded diamond company, Hearts On Fire. She got engaged in June 2015, and she and her fiancé now live in the South End just a few blocks away from Loretta Cremnims and Max Alderman.

Mark La Voie just started a new job at Prosek Partners in Manhattan, doing financial communications for alternative asset managers. He works with fellow Trinity alumni Megan Ingersoll ’13 and Andy Merrill ’85.

Elizabeth Dalton got engaged to Richard Baca, whom she started dating during their 1L year at George Mason Law School. They live in Alexandria, Virginia, with their French bulldog, Abby. Both plan to graduate from law school in May and take the Virginia Bar exam in July. They will be married on October 1, 2016.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our five-year Reunion this June!

/REUNION / JUNE 10-12, 2016 /  
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Greetings, Class of 2012!

I hope this finds you well and enjoying the winter season. I have several exciting updates to report on behalf of several of our classmates.

First, please join me in congratulating two members of the Class of 2012 on their recent marriages to other Trinity College alumni. Lizey Korengold married Stephen Bernstorf ’10 on October 3, 2015, in Washington, D.C. Shannon Smith married Andrew Page ’11 next week in a ceremony celebrated on September 26, 2015, at the Trinity Chapel. The Reverend Allison Read, College chaplain and Shannon’s first-year adviser, officiated the wedding. The Chapel
Singers performed the music for the ceremony under the direction of John Rose. Many members of the Classes of 2011 and 2012 were in attendance, including best man Gregory Moniz ’11, who was Andrew’s roommate for all four years at Trinity, and Andrea Wise ’11, who served as chief brideswoman. Several of our classmates have made exciting career moves in recent months. Annalise Welte began working as a senior library associate at the Thomas J. Watson Library in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

What do you do in your role at Glenn Horowitz? My day-to-day varies a lot, but my main role is to support the director, Lauren Miller Walsh, in setting up exhibitions and handling sales. The days before an exhibition opens, we are usually busy preparing a catalog and installing the show. On less busy days, I can be found updating our inventory database, looking for publicity opportunities, and working on research for the next exhibition. As soon as one show is up, we start on the next!

What drew you to this sort of work? I interned for Glenn Horowitz Bookseller after my sophomore year at Trinity, and I never really left. After my first summer as an intern, I continued to work part time with the company as a research assistant, and when I graduated, I was fortunate enough to be able to join the full-time staff. While still at Trinity, I sought out opportunities to become more involved with the book world, so naturally I turned to the Watkinson Library. The Watkinson’s head curator, Richard Ring, took me under his wing and taught me a great deal about the trade over weekly meetings.

What are your favorite parts of your job? The great thing about working for Glenn is the range and quality of materials we work with. We are a bookseller in name, but in practice we deal in research archives and artwork, too. Every exhibition and archive we work on is an opportunity to dive into a completely different world of research. Last May, we had an exhibition of “Constructivist Design for the Soviet Cinema” from the 1910s and ’20s, and just a few months later we exhibited materials focusing on New York City during the “Downtown Decade,” 1975-1985. Needless to say, we certainly never get bored.

How did your time at Trinity affect your career choice? I never thought I would be a religion major; I arrived at Trinity ready to go into psychology, and I completely switched gears my sophomore year when I took my first class in religion. While I didn’t pursue religion as a career per se, studying religion had a big impact on the way I approach research and analysis. Studying any religion requires at least an awareness of linguistics, archeology, geopolitics, and about 4,000 years of human history. It trained me to take a multidisciplinary approach to research, allowing me to learn those lessons while studying something I was fascinated by.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Why? “The History of the Book and the Bible,” with Professor Elinik. The class really connected many of the subjects I had been studying over the past few years. That semester I was working with Glenn part time, I was a creative fellow with the Watkinson Library studying bookbinding, and I was starting my thesis. I felt like my whole world was about books and religion, so having a seminar dedicated to connecting the two subjects was great.

Was there a Trinity professor who was particularly influential? If so, who was it, and why? My adviser, Professor Seth Sanders; after I took his “Introduction to the Hebrew Bible” course, I promptly became a religion major and started concentrating in biblical criticism. My academic career was really shaped by Professor Sanders. Before my junior year, he helped me find a Biblical Hebrew tutor in New York for the summer, and when I returned to campus in the fall, he supervised my Biblical Hebrew studies through an independent study. Under his direction, I completed a yearlong thesis, an analysis into the authorship of Genesis and Exodus, which we have plans to expand into an interactive online resource for undergraduate Bible students.

Rebecca Weintraub is currently working at Finsbury, a global strategic communications firm, while also pursuing her master’s in public administration at Baruch College in New York City. Ever the traveler, Bo Hershey recently
Shannon Smith ’12 and Andrew Page ’11 were married on September 26, 2015, at the Trinity College Chapel. Bantams in attendance included Chau Pham ’12, Anna Cline ’12, Maggie Lipton ’12, Courtney Duffy ’12, Andrew Page ’11, Alex Aldredge ’11, Shannon Smith ’12, Andrea Wise ’11, Meredith McLaughlin ’11, Jillian Bargar ’11, Chelsea Hanse ’11, Greg Moniz ’11, and Margaret Nolan ’13, kneeling.

returned from Taiwan, where he learned the risks of wearing his Trinity gear in public. He got into an argument with some former Harvard squash players who hadn’t quite gotten past losing to Trinity during their Harvard days. In true Trinity fashion, all bad feelings were later settled over drinks.

As for myself, I’ve been spending a lot of time reading the entertaining food blogs that Emily Lee writes for the Food Network. They are fantastic, and I encourage you all to check them out on the Food Network website!

I hope you will join me in congratulating our classmates on their numerous milestones, both personal and professional. Thank you to everyone who wrote in with updates, and I sincerely hope to hear from more of you in the coming months. Feel free to get in touch with me through e-mail at james.armillay@gmail.com, or look me up on Facebook or LinkedIn. In the meantime, stay warm, 2012!

Emmy No. 2

Rachael Burke ’15 was a senior at Trinity College when she was part of a team with The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon that earned an Emmy in 2014 for Outstanding Interactive Program. In 2015, Burke and The Tonight Show team were recognized again for their social media practices, this time in the category of Social TV Experience. Burke assists in all aspects of social media for the show, helping to create original content for Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, Snapchat, YouTube, Vine, and more. Outside of the show, she acts in an improv group, #DMTO. At Trinity, Burke majored in film and television writing and production, while minoring in writing, rhetoric, and media arts. As a student, she interned on The Tonight Show and the Late Show with David Letterman before being hired by

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After spending a year at The Atlantic magazine in Washington, D.C., Serena Elavia has accepted a position at the Fox Business Network in New York, where she writes for the website on millennial politics and finance. She is looking to do some on-camera work and expand her skills as a video journalist.

The class secretary position for the Class of 2014 is currently vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary for the Class of 2014, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at (860) 297-2403 or julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu.

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On the heels of our May graduation, I am glad to report that the Class of 2015 is off to a rather impressive start.

Liz Aybar-Ventura is working in Manhattan as a communications assistant and community liaison for New York state legislature member Daniel O’Donnell, who wrote and sponsored the state’s Marriage Equality Act in 2011.

Hans Wiener, also working in New York, is employed by PitchBook, a specialist in private equity and venture capital transaction data. Hans says that he is in the Business Development Department, selling to “enterprise level groups.”

Cary Jones is also working in finance. He currently resides in Princeton, New Jersey, and is working for BlackRock.

After graduation, Karla Mardueno went south to Washington, D.C., where she interned for First Lady Michelle Obama. She recently moved back to her hometown, Chicago, and is now employed by Kirkland & Ellis, a law firm.

On an entrepreneurial note, some of my fellow North Campus residents, Drew Meagher, RJ Ugolik, Rob Gau, Mac Morse, and Stefan Harnes are busy building Mugatunes, a music discovery company they founded while students at Trinity. Drew tells me that they are doing quite well at this stage, and they recently moved into their headquarters in Boston. I know that Long Walk residents enjoyed their music during Spring Weekend and Senior Week, and I am looking forward to following their future successes.

Best of luck to everyone! Please keep me updated at peter16@icloud.com.

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At Trinity, Burke also co-created and hosted a Trinity College Web series, Trinitea. For more on Burke, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

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Class Secretary: Lillie N. Lavado ’10, 1223 N. Miro St., Apt. B, New Orleans, LA 70119-3547; lillie.lavado.2010@trincoll.edu

IMPORTANT! Reminder about Class Notes Photos

Now that The Trinity Reporter has opened Class Notes to general interest Trinity-related photos in addition to wedding photos, we want to be certain that everyone understands the guidelines for submission. Please send ONLY high-resolution photos (generally with a file size of at least 1 MB). Low-resolution photos, while fine for websites, will not reproduce well in a printed publication. Also, please keep in mind that we can’t promise to publish all photos that we receive as some issues may have more space than others, but please know that we will do our best. We reserve the right to decide what is published based on available space, photo quality, and photo content. We invite you to e-mail high-resolution photos and complete caption information to sonya.adams@trincoll.edu.
1937 A. HARRY SANDERS, 100, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, died on June 29, 2015. Sanders earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he participated in Glee Club, choir, and track and served as business manager of the Iky. He went on to work for the Underwood Corporation as a plant chemist before joining North & Judell and then Royal Typewriter. Sanders later worked at Enthone, where he rose to executive vice president and national sales manager. He served as a deacon and board member of the First Church of Christ in Hartford and as chairman of the Center Church Camp Asto Wamah committee. The University of New Haven awarded him with an honorary master of arts degree in business and humanities in 1992. A loyal alumnus to the College, Sanders served as a class secretary for many years.

Sanders is survived by sons Donald (Shirley), Steven, and Anthony (Karen); seven grandchildren; and sister Grace Chamberlain. Sanders was predeceased by his wife of 73 years, Sabrina; son Gregory; and brother Arthur Sanders, who also attended Trinity.

1939 JOHN BARD MCNULTY, 99, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on September 4, 2015. Please see the Former Faculty section of “In Memory.”

1939 RICHARD H. CLOW, 97, of Vashon, Washington, died on April 27, 2014.

Clow earned a B.S. in history and economics at Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi, the Jesters, and the Political Science Club. He also served as assistant manager of the baseball team. Clow went on to earn an M.B.A. from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and to study engineering at the University of Rochester. From 1942 to 1946, Clow served in the New York Guard. He worked at Taylor Instrument Company and Grant Oil Tool Company and then returned to academia to earn an M.A. in liberal studies from Immaculate Heart College in Los Angeles. He then worked for 20 years for EG&G, a U.S. Department of Energy contractor.

Clow was predeceased by his wife, Shirley, and his brother, Frank W. Clow ‘41.

1940 WALLACE H. HOWE, 99, of Watertown, Connecticut, died on September 1, 2015.

Howe graduated with a B.S. in economics and history from Trinity, where he was president of the Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in the Social Sciences and vice president of the Commons Club. He also played freshman football and junior varsity baseball and was a member of the Student Senate, the History Club, and the Political Science Club. Howe served in the U.S. Army after graduating and later earned degrees from Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University and the Robert Morris Banking School at Indiana University and was designated a commercial lender by the American Bankers Association. He spent his career in banking, eventually retiring in 1981 as senior vice president and chairman of the Credit Policy Committee at Colonial Bank and Trust, where he worked for nearly 30 years. Howe also served as a director of area companies, including Highland Manufacturing and Mattatuck Manufacturing and was president and former director of the Connecticut Valley Chapter of Robert Morris Associates. He served as secretary of the Watertown Fire District, finance officer of the Watertown Civil Defense, and treasurer of the Watertown Economic and Development Committee.

Howe is survived by his wife of 67 years, Shirley; children Wallace Howe, Jr., Douglas Howe (Pamela), Bradford Howe (Dawn), and Beverly Krake (Leiland); and four grandchildren.

1941, M.A. 1948 WILLIAM E. HOWARD, 96, of Bend, Oregon, died on April 26, 2015.

Howard earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and the Jesters and was on the staff of the Iky. In 1948, he earned an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity, and 20 years later, an M.A. from Stanford University. Howard spent the majority of his career at the Kent School, first as assistant to the headmaster and then as a math teacher. He retired as senior master in 1982 and moved to Santa Rosa, California.


Casolino earned a B.A. in history and economics. He went on to graduate from Ford School of International Affairs at Columbia University with an M.A. from Harvard University. He worked as an industrial engineer at Ford Motor Co., Sikorsky Aircraft, and Armstrong Rubber Co. He also taught classes at Connecticut State Technical College.

Casolino is survived by his wife of 62 years, Edna; children David Casolino (Janecke), Thomas Casolino, Elizabeth D’Amato (Francesco), and Andrew Casolino (Kathy); and eight grandchildren. He was predeceased by his brother, Julius.

1944 EVERETT J. ANDERSON, 92, of Falmouth, Massachusetts, died on August 28, 2015.

Anderson was a World War II veteran who attended the Army Specialized Training Program for Electrical Engineering at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. After the war, he earned a B.S. in physics from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and played basketball. Anderson went on to earn a B.E. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and then an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. He worked as an industrial engineer at Ford Motor Co., Sikorsky Aircraft, and Armstrong Rubber Co. He also taught classes at Connecticut State Technical College.

Casolino spent a long career in electronic engineering and also worked for the U.S. Coast Guard Research and Development Center.

Anderson is survived by children Brian Anderson and Beth Linnon and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 65 years, Virginia.


Gately served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He then came to Trinity, where he earned a B.A. and was a member of the Trinity Club, the College Senate, and the Political Science Club, as well as president of the Jesters and the Newman Club. Gately also attended the U.S. Naval War College, where he received a certificate in international law, and Georgetown University School of Law, where he earned a bachelor of laws degree. He then rejoined the Navy to serve in the Korean War. His military experience included more than 10 years as an FBI agent. He went on to serve as a special agent in charge of the fraud and arson bureau of the American Insurance Association in Atlanta, Georgia, and in 1968, he joined Travelers Insurance Companies, where he later established a special investigation unit for fraud and arson cases.

Gately is survived by children Glenn E. Gately (Diane), Kathleen D’Auria (Ken), and Barbara Robinson (Andrew) and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Anna Jean, and daughter Roberta.

1947 RUSSELL B. HOLMES, 91, of Washington, D.C., died on December 18, 2014.

Holmes spent three years in the U.S. Navy Reserve and entered Trinity through the V-12 program in 1943. He also was trained at Cornell University Midshipman School. He was released from active duty in 1946 as a lieutenant and a year later graduated with a B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. Holmes went on to complete an intensive French language program at Middlebury College before earning advanced degrees from Johns Hopkins, Brown University, and the University of Paris in France. He spent his career as an intelligence officer for the Office of Strategic Services and the CIA, working on both foreign and domestic affairs. After retiring in 1979, Holmes focused on archiving CIA documents related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, and his work, titled the “Russell B. Holmes Work File,” is among the most frequently cited sources related to the assassination.

Holmes is survived by his wife of 64 years, Flora, and his daughter, Jennifer Starr Holmes.


Before coming to Trinity, Linardos served in the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign of World War II. He was awarded a Purple Heart, a Bronze Star, and numerous other medals for his service. After graduating from Trinity with a B.A., Linardos went on to hold executive sales positions at Morton Salt Company. He later founded Stacey Foods, Inc. After retiring, Linardos co-founded BioPur Inc., said to be the first renewable biodiesel fuel plant of its kind in Connecticut. He also was a member of the American Legion.

Linardos is survived by daughter Patty Linardos Tyrrell (Jack), son George Linardos, Jr., three grandchildren, and a sister, Aphrodite Domian.


Lemieux transferred to the College from Worcester Polytechnic Institute. He earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Boosters Club and the track and cross-country teams, serving as captain of the latter during his senior year. He spent more than 40 years working at Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Lemieux is survived by children David Lemieux (Alicia), Linda Brown (Greg), Edward Lemieux, Jr., Richard Lemieux (Sallie), Jeanne Seyfried (Don), and James Lemieux, and six grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 62 years, Phyllis, and brother Dick Lemieux.

1948 MUNRO H. PROCTOR, M.D., 89, of Palo Alto, California, died on September 14, 2015.

After serving as a medic in the U.S. Army during World War II, Proctor earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and played tennis. He went on to graduate from
Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. Proctor then moved to Concord, New Hampshire, where he co-founded the Concord Clinic, practiced cardiology, and served as president of the medical staff at Concord Hospital. He traveled for Project HOPE, working to extend medical care to those in need. After his retirement from clinical practice in 1989, he joined the World Health Organization in Geneva, serving on a traveling team of physicians interested in countries with diverse health care needs. In 1992, Proctor earned an M.P.H. from Boston University School of Public Health and began working in Cameroon for two to four months every year for 15 years as a volunteer physician. He then shifted his focus to prevention and fundraising and co-initiated a microcredit program now being run by endPoverty to provide small loans to more than 20,000 women to use for schooling and health care. He also served as an associate professor of medicine at Boston University.

Proctor is survived by his partner, Patty Irish; children Susan ’80, Geoffrey (Nadja), and Ann ’85 (David O’Keeffe); five grandchildren; and brother Joseph Proctor, Jr. (Margaret). He was predeceased by his sister, Nancy Maske.

1948 ROBERT V. TYLER, 90, of East Longmeadow, Massachusetts, died on August 27, 2014.

Tyler served in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of staff sergeant and earning the Purple Heart, the Silver Star, and the Bronze Star Medal, among many military honors. He went on to earn a B.S. in economics and physical sciences at Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and Mu Sigma Upsilon and served as president of the sophomore class and vice president of the senior class. He also took part in swimming. Tyler worked for Mass Mutual for 39 years in the Agent Training Department and retired in 1989.

Tyler is survived by his wife of 67 years, Carrie; children Robert Tyler, Jr. (Marie) and Carol Tyler; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Several of Tyler’s relatives attended Trinity, including brothers David Tyler, Jr. ’43 and John Tyler ’44.


Fishman enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II before coming to Trinity, where he earned a B.S. in 1949 and an M.A. in 1951. He went on to teach high school chemistry and biology and in 1959 earned a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Hartford. Fishman spent the next 33 years working for companies including United Technologies, SOLAR, Westinghouse, United Nuclear, and GE Gas Turbine. He retired as the division metallurgist for GE’s International Service Shops. He also held two U.S. patents.

Fishman is survived by children Paul and Renee (David Hughes), brother Robert, and his companion, Janet Bisner Valentino. Fishman was predeceased by his wife, Marilyn, and sister Frances Sheriff.


King served in the U.S. Army during World War II, spending 18 months in Italy as a radio repairman. He then came to Trinity, where he earned a B.S. in chemistry and was a member of Delta Phi, the Glee Club, and the choir. King went on to receive an M.Ed. in science education from Cornell University and an M.A. in earth science from Franklin & Marshall College. He spent his career teaching science, first at The Phelps School in Pennsylvania and then at Cincinnati Country Day School in Ohio. After a stint at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, King took a temporary position at Franklin & Marshall. He went on to teach at York Junior College, which later became York College of Pennsylvania, where he spent 31 years until his retirement in 1985 and was known by some students as “Doc Rock.”

King is survived by his son, Albert C. King, and sisters Wyllian Yockey and Marcia Wilke (Norman). He was predeceased by his wife, Margaretta.

1950 FRANKLrn ELEN, 87, of Woodbridge, Connecticut, died on October 6, 2015.

Elenen earned a B.A. in educational studies from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. He also ran track and played baseball and football, serving as co-captain of the latter team during his senior year. Elenen worked for many years in the insurance industry, starting at Penrose Insurance Company. He retired as president of his own firm, International Insurance Risk Management Consultants, in Dallas, Texas.

Elenen is survived by daughters Susan Elenen, Terri Elenen, Nancy Shai, Sarah Elenen, and Rachel Hanna; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and sister Claudia Fischer. He was predeceased by his wives, Marjorie, Patricia, Evelyn, and Gail, as well as brothers Roy Jr. and Bill.

1950 JUSTIN S. MACCARONE, SR., 87, of Simsbury, Connecticut, died on October 5, 2015.

Maccarone attended Trinity on a Jacob L. and Lewis Fox Scholarship and earned a B.A. in English. While at Trinity, he served as president of the Broombell Club, as vice president of the Newman Club, and as a member of the Political Science Club and the Senate. After graduation, he served in the U.S. Army in the Korean War. He went on to earn a master’s in school counseling from the University of Connecticut and a sixth-year degree in education. He worked as a teacher and guidance counselor in the Simsbury, Connecticut, school system for more than 30 years. He was active in the community, including serving as president and commissioner of the Simsbury Little League.

Maccarone is survived by his wife of 58 years, Lucia M ’55; children Michele Maccarone Brophy (Kevin), Justin Maccarone, Jr., ’81 (Marie), Lisa Maccarone, and Christopher Maccarone (Lai); eight grandchildren, including Michael Maccarone ’19; brother Armand Maccarone (Lorraine); sister-in-law Teresa Masaro (Carmen); and brother-in-law William De Dominicis (Janice).

He was predeceased by brother Ralph Maccarone (Jane) and sister-in-law Gloria.


Kane served in the U.S. Navy before coming to Trinity, where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in psychology. Kane was a member of the Newnan, Brownell, and Political Science Clubs, was in Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences, won the Freshman Math Prize, and was the director of rules for the Intercollegiate Legislature. He earned a master’s degree from the University of Hartford and a sixth-year certificate from Clark University. In 1961, he became a teacher at Simsbury High School. Kane taught math there for 31 years, eventually rising to department head. He continued tutoring after his retirement and was a charter member of the Simsbury Volunteer Ambulance Association and the Connecticut Education Association, as well as a member of the Hartford Historical Society.

Kane is survived by his wife of 62 years, Edith; children Roxanne Kane, Kathy Kane (Bill Lukowski), and Steven Kane (Patricia); four grandchildren; and caregiver Rosilyn Days.

1955 EDGAR J. LINDENMEYER, 82, of Summerville, South Carolina, died on August 10, 2015.

Lindenmeyer, an Illinois Scholar, received a B.A. in educational studies from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the Sophomore Dining Club. He also played football and ran track. A recipient of the Distinguished Air Force ROTC Student Award, Lindenmeyer went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force as a navigator during the Vietnam War. He retired from the Air Force as a lieutenant colonel with 28 years of service. He also earned a master’s degree in education from Southern Illinois University.

Lindenmeyer is survived by his wife, Patricia; children Janet Clifton (Robert), John Lindenmeyer, Jeff Lindenmeyer, Jim Lindenmeyer (Tammy), and Steve Lindenmeyer (Marie); 11 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and sister Barbara Farrow (Bob). He was predeceased by sons Mark and Doug Lindenmeyer.

1955 MASON P. SOUTHWORTH, 81, of Montara, California, died on August 28, 2015.

Southworth graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, also studying at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as part of the “3-2” program. He was a member of Sigma Xi, Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu, and Sigma Pi honor societies. He went on to work at the American Radio League, as assistant technical editor of QST magazine, and as associate editor of Control Engineering magazine. In 1964, he joined IBM and served in various communications roles there for more than 25 years.

Southworth is survived by his daughter, Pamela Southworth (David Elkinson). He was predeceased by his wife, Frederica.

1956 PAUL S. MACLEOD, 81, of Vero Beach, Florida, died on September 5, 2015.

MacLeod earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the Interdormitory Council. He also played basketball and ran track. His work experience included time in sales at Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp, and LTV Steel Corp.

MacLeod is survived by wife of 58 years, Nancy; children Mark, Scott, Craig, and Susan and their spouses; nine grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and sister-in-law Virginia.

1957 JOHN A. ROSS, 80, of Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, died on October 7, 2015.

At Trinity, Ross was treasurer and house manager of Pi Kappa Alpha and a member of the

Kulas earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he played football and ran track. He also was a member of the Brownell Club, the Newman Club, and the Engineering Society. Kulas went on to earn an M.A. at the University of Hartford and then worked at Southern New England Telephone Company and AT&T for 29 years, serving as the district research manager.

Kulas is survived by his wife of 56 years, Nancy; daughters Barb Donaldson and Laurie Kronenberg (David); and six grandchildren.


Himelstein earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of the fencing team, the Chemistry Club, and the Philosophy Club. He also participated in the Hillel Society. He went on to medical school at SUNY Purchase and completed his internship and residency at Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. He practiced ophthalmology in Connecticut, Florida, and North Carolina and retired in 2009. Himelstein also served in the U.S. Army Reserves. In addition, he was a travel agent with his wife, Ruth, at her travel agency.

Himelstein is survived by children Bradley Himelstein (Jennifer) and Denise Stelmat (Tim), daughter-in-law Tish Copeland, brother Ronald Himelstein (Jennifer) and Denise Stelmat (Tim), and six grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Ruth, and son Mead Himelstein.


Schmitt earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and the club football team. He went on to work as a regional manager for SEW-Eurodrive, a German-based electrical motor manufacturer, for more than 20 years.

Schmitt is survived by children Daphne Boswell (Charles) and Robert Schmitt (Allison), companion Bonnie Seemann, three grandchildren, and brother Boynton Schmitt. He was predeceased by his wife of 48 years, Roberta.


Before coming to Trinity, Ross attended the University of Vermont and served as a first lieutenant in the Air Force. He graduated from Trinity with a B.A. in economics and went to work at Traveler’s Insurance Co., GTE (later Verizon), and the U.S. Postal Service in Wallingford, Connecticut.

Ross is survived by his wife, Patricia; daughters Allison Ross and Kimberly Ross; two grandsons; sister Lucy Ross Beckwith; and brother Robert Ross.


Lindert earned a B.S. in biology and later an M.A. in education from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and took part in swimming. Lindert spent his career as a biology teacher and athletic coach at Lewis Mills High School in Burlington, Connecticut, where he started working in 1967. He coached track, tennis, swimming, and girls’ soccer. He is remembered especially for having transformed the soccer team, which he nurtured from a small club team to consecutive Berkshire League champions. For this work he earned a coach of the year award and was inducted into the Connecticut Girls’ Soccer Coaches Association Hall of Fame. He also spent 25 years as nature director for Renbrook Summer Adventure Camp.

Lindert is survived by children Sarah, Jessica, and Jennifer (Brian); three grandchildren; siblings Ann (Bob), Thomas (Susan), and John (Wendy); and his best friend and companion, Nina Patricia Fournier ’79, MA ’91.

1966 BRUCE D. WHITE, M.D., 71, of Mahopac, New York, died on August 24, 2015.

White earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn an M.D. degree from Case Western Reserve University Medical School. White practiced in Massachusetts, New York, and Texas, gaining distinction as an emergency room specialist.

White is survived by his brother, Gary White.


Wood earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he sang in the Chapel Choir and took part in fencing. He also was a member of Psi Upsilon and the Young Republicans. He went on to teach at The Perkiomen School and Trinity-Pawling School and then moved to the business world, working as a stockbroker, a management consultant, and then an investment adviser with Wood, Young and Company before retiring as vice president in 2005. He also served as an adjunct professor at Lehigh University.

Wood is survived by his wife of nearly 35 years, Linda, and daughter Sara Louise Wood. He was predeceased by his twin brother, Roderick Wood.


Leight earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and worked for WRTC-FM. He also served as treasurer of the Economics Club and as a staff member of The Trinity Tripod. During his first year at Trinity, he played several sports, including football, basketball, and golf. His work experience included time as a consulting actuary.

Leight is survived by his wife, Galina; son James; sister Deborah; daughter-in-law Elise; and stepdaughter Alyona.

1982 PETER F. MARTIN, 55, of Lowell, Massachusetts, died on July 11, 2015.

Martin earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he played varsity football and baseball. He received many honors in both sports, including being named an All-American in baseball. Martin also was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. He later returned to school, completing Harvard University’s Advanced Management Program in 2002.

During his career, he worked for Procter & Gamble, E. & J. Gallo Winery, Brach’s, Welch’s, The Beacon Group, and Xentix.

Martin is survived by his wife of 34 years, Lainey; children Peter Martin (Andrea), Kara Koch (Jason), James Martin, and Robert Martin (Brittany Descoteaux); two grandchildren; and five siblings and their spouses: Rodger and Linda Martin, Kathy and Forrest Whitaker, Brian and Elise Martin, Elizabeth and Kerry McNamara, and David and Melissa Martin. He was predeceased by his brother, James Martin.


Hatch earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of St. Anthony Hall, a founding member of the Monday Night Club, and a writer for The Trinity Tripod. After a stint working for the Idaho Mountain Express newspaper, he entered Tulane University Law School. He completed law school at Fordham University and joined the New York City firm of Haythe & Curley, where he specialized in financing transactions and mergers and acquisitions. He later worked in the New York office of Torys LLP. Hatch left the practice of law in 2009 to care for his ailing mother, who died later that year. He returned to New Orleans, working as a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and as a counselor for youths living with HIV/AIDS.

Hatch is survived by his sister, Diana Huntingt Hatch; two aunts; and an uncle.

IDP


Davenport earned a B.A. in theater and dance from Trinity. She also earned a B.A. at Central Connecticut State University.

Davenport is survived by her parents, Robert and Monique Graveline, and siblings Denise Graveline, Michele Malkauskas (Walter), and Joseph Graveline.
Kochanowsky earned a B.S. from Teachers College of Connecticut and later an M.A. in education from Trinity. He taught math and science for four years in New Britain public schools before enlisting in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He completed a course in communications and cryptography at Yale University and went on to serve as an officer; he was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Medal with one Bronze Service Star and the Good Conduct Medal for service to his country. Kochanowsky graduated from Harvard School of Dental Medicine in 1957 and went on to practice dentistry in New Britain for 30 years. He was president of the New Britain Dental Society and the Greater New Britain Community Council.

Kochanowsky is survived by his wife of 69 years, Jenny; children David (Laura Breslaw), Douglas ’75, and Jane (Nick Morrow); four grandchildren; and two great-grandsons.

MA. 1952 ALMA JONES COLLINS of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on August 12, 2015.
Collins was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Connecticut College for Women. She earned an M.A. in English from Trinity and completed a sixth year at Boston University and the University of Connecticut for national certification as a secondary school counselor. A member of Delta Kappa Gamma, an international honor society for women educators, Collins had a 25-year career as a teacher and counselor at Hall and Conard high schools in West Hartford. She was the author of the book Danielle at the Wadsworth and wrote art-related articles for numerous national magazines, including Architectural Digest and House Beautiful.

As president of Arts Universal Research Associates, Collins represented many artists and worked with international firms in promotional work. Collins is survived by relatives Ruth Ann Kuhn, Sally Kealy, Sean and Susan Kealy and family, Timothy and Kristin Kealy and family, Sister Eleanor Spring, Paul and Connie Bueker and family, Kathryn Spring, Henry and Carol Spring and family, and Gregory and Mary McMahon and their daughter. She was predeceased by her husband, Daniel, and sister Audrey Jones Burton.

MA. 1959 EARL J. SMITH, JR., 87, of Sandy Hook, Connecticut, died on October 22, 2015.
Smith attended St. Thomas Seminary and served as a chaplain’s assistant in Germany during the Korean Conflict. He earned a B.A. from St. Mary’s University in Maryland in 1950 before coming to Trinity, where he earned an M.A. in educational studies. He then taught English and Latin at the high school in Newtown, Connecticut, eventually retiring as assistant principal in 1991. He went on to become president of the Association of Retired Teachers and the Northern Fairfield County Retired Teachers Association. He served as chairman of the Newtown Democratic Town Committee and in 2011 was a Jefferson Jackson Bailey honoree at the annual Connecticut Democratic Party gathering. He also was a past president of the Rotary Club of Newtown.

Smith is survived by his wife of 50 years, Vera, and children Judith, Earl (Kathleen), and Joseph.

Brown earned a B.A. from Saint Joseph College in 1951 before earning an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity. She also earned an M.A. from the University of New Haven. Brown’s work experience included time as a faculty member at Teikyo Post University.

MA. 1964 THOMAS L. DONNELLY, 88, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on June 17, 2015.
Donnelly earned a B.A. from Yale University in 1947 and later an M.A. in history from Trinity. Donnelly worked as a travel agent with Foley Travel of Hartford, was manager of International Travel Services of Farmington, and was director of cruises with Kenney Travel of West Hartford. He also was the author of several plays and books, including Ambush: Confessions of a Christian Convert.

Donnelly is survived by two nephews and three nieces. He was predeceased by brothers Albert Donnelly (Gisselle LeGallo) and Robert Donnelly.

Ahern earned a B.A. from Georgetown University and then served in the U.S. Navy at the Great Lakes Training Center. He later worked for Traveler’s Insurance Co. in Hartford and earned an M.A. in political science at Trinity. Ahern went on to a 30-year teaching career at Housatonic Community College, where he was a professor of social science until his retirement in 1997. He also completed many courses at the London School of Economics. Ahern was a dedicated supporter of the College.

Ahern is survived by siblings Sarah Opdycke and David. He was predeceased by brother Terry.

MA. 1995 MARGARET GRANVILLE MAIR, 82, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on July 13, 2015.
Mair earned a B.A. from Smith College in 1976. She earned two master’s degrees: one in American studies from Trinity and another in library science from Syracuse University. Prior to taking a position with the University of Hartford, Mair worked as an independent archival consultant. Institutions for which she worked included the Mark Twain House, the Wadsworth Atheneum, and the Connecticut Historical Society. She also worked as a librarian for Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co. and for a time at Trinity.

Mair is survived by her brother, Edward Mair.

NONGRADUATES

V-12 RICHARD D. OTIS, M.D., 90, of Waquoit, Massachusetts, died on August 15, 2015.
Otis attended Trinity in 1943 as part of the U.S. Navy V-12 training program. As a naval officer, he enrolled at Yale University Medical School, where he earned an M.D. degree in 1945. He went on to rise to the position of chief of anatomic pathology at Hartford Hospital before his 1986 retirement. During his career, he served as a faculty member in pathology at both Yale and the University of Connecticut and as the director of the Hartford Hospital School of Cytotechnology.

Otis is survived by sons James Otis (Eva), Richard Otis, Jr. (Anthony), Christopher Otis ( Roxanne), and John Otis (Mindy); two grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and sister Cynthia Anne Otis. He was predeceased by his wife of 64 years, Mary.

1944 JOHN C. DAWKINS, 95, of Bennington, Vermont, died on October 13, 2015.
Dawkins attended Trinity before joining the U.S. Navy during World War II. He went on to earn a bachelor’s degree from Yale University in 1946. Dawkins was a stockbroker on Wall Street for many years, and he and his brother Richard were the founding partners of the brokerage house Faulkner, Dawkins and Sullivan, which was later acquired by financier Sandy Weill.

Dawkins is survived by 19 nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife, Jean; sons Bob and Bill; and siblings Thomas Dawkins, Richard Dawkins, Joan Dawkins Costin, and Christine Dawkins Randall.

At Trinity, McIlvaine was awarded the ROTC Chicago Tribune Award in 1963. He later graduated from the American College of Financial Services with a Chartered Life Underwriter (CLU) designation. He spent the first part of his career in multiple insurance agencies before working in the finance sector of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange. Though he was never called to serve abroad, McIlvaine spent 39 years in the National Guard and served as a bodyguard to Richard Nixon when he visited Philadelphia in the 1970s.

McIlvaine is survived by his wife of 45 years, Susan; son C. Lee McIlvaine IV; a sister; and a granddaughter. He was predeceased by son Edward.

After attending Trinity, Nichols graduated from Georgetown University with a B.A. in history and English. Nichols also received a master’s in international management from what became the Thunderbird School of Global Management at Arizona State University. He spent the first part of his career in advertising on Madison Avenue before founding The Nichols Company, a manufacturer and distributor of a hand-weight training system called The Running Ball. Nichols then went on to earn an M.S. from Central Connecticut State University in 1987 before spending the next 25 years as a teacher and coach. He retired from Oliver Wolcott Technical School in Torrington, Connecticut, in 2009.

Nichols is survived by his wife of 32 years, Pam; siblings Mary Hession, Marjorie Skoglund, Mark, and John; and godson Brett. He was predeceased by brother Neil.

Hamblin attended Trinity before graduating from Kirkland College, where she received a degree in botany and classics. She later earned a master’s degree in botany from Oregon State University and a Ph.D. from Cornell University. Hamblin then completed postdoctoral work in Chicago and France before returning to Ithaca to work as a research scientist in plant breeding. She was recruited to work on a grant for the NextGen Cassava program, a $25 million dollar proposal funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.
Foundation to research genomic selection to improve cassava, a food staple for millions of people in sub-Saharan Africa. Hamblin is survived by her husband, John Lis; parents Edward and Becky Hamblin; and sisters Penelope Hamblin and Rebecca Hamblin.

**FORMER FACULTY**

**LEROY DUNN**, 90, of Wilmington, North Carolina, died on August 4, 2015. Dunn joined the U.S. Marine Corps when he was 17. He served in the Pacific during World War II before attending American University, where he completed a B.Sc. in less than three years. Dunn went on to work at the Federal Reserve before going to Paris to study opera, which was a lifelong passion. In 1952, he returned to academia by accepting a fellowship to study at the London School of Economics. There he completed a Ph.D. with a dissertation on estate taxation. He came to Trinity in 1957 after teaching at Brown University. He taught at the College for 36 years, retiring in 1993 as professor of economics, emeritus. During his time at Trinity, Dunn served as the faculty advisor of the Hillel Society and the International Association of Students in Commercial Science and Economics. He also worked with the U.S. Senate, doing research about energy issues during the oil embargo of the 1970s.

Dunn is survived by his wife, Gabriele; children Rebecca Dunn Reinmann '76 (Paul), Louise Dunn Gendelman (Joel), David '80 (Tamarandanieta), and Jonathan; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandson.


After graduating from Shanghai American School, McNulty came to the United States to continue his education. He earned a B.S. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of the Jesters. He went on to earn an M.A. from Columbia University in 1939 and then a Ph.D. from Yale University in 1944, the same year he returned to Trinity to teach English. McNulty remained at the College for more than 40 years, teaching courses on the history of the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. He also worked with the London School of Economics, emeritus. During his time at Trinity, McNulty was a former president and trustee of The Connecticut Historical Society, and a member of The Acorn Club, a Hartford-based historical society. He was the first chairman of the Glastonbury Heritage Commission and a former president of the Historical Society of Glastonbury and the South Glastonbury Public Library.

McNulty is survived by children Henry McNulty (Anne) and Sarah Pettingell (James), three grandchildren, two great-granddaughters, and a cousin. His wife, Marjorie Grant McNulty, predeceased him in 2002.


Shults earned an A.B. from Oberlin College, where he played varsity basketball and baseball all four years and later was inducted into the Oberlin Heisman Club Hall of Fame. Following college, he was signed by the Boston Red Sox and played shortstop for the Augusta Millionaires in Augusta, Maine.

He also served in the U.S. Marine Corps and spent two years playing basketball and baseball for the Marines at Parris Island, South Carolina. In 1954, he was named Parris Island Marine of the Year. He then played another year for the Marines at Quantico, Virginia. Following his time in the service, Shults earned a master’s degree from Bowling Green State University. In 1957, he came to Trinity, where he served as a professor of physical education for 37 years and coached soccer, basketball, baseball, golf, tennis, and squash before retiring in 1994 as professor of physical education, emeritus.

Shults is survived by his wife of 62 years, Lee; children William Shults (Linda) and Cathie Shults Jefferson (Roy); four grandchildren; and brother Frederick Shults and his family. Shults was predeceased by his son, Stephen.

**DEATH NOTICES**

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1942 FOWLER F. WHITE
1947 GEORGE M. KAYSER, JR.
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/4/ Family Weekend
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/5/ Trinity Club of Hartford
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/6/ Women’s Leadership Council
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/7/ Homecoming
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y passion as an administrator stems from my passion as a scientist. I am here at Trinity College because of what my education and my career, specifically my liberal arts training in science, sparked in me — a desire to make a difference in the world and to give back.

A liberal arts college is a wonderful place to carry out a scientific career. As a neuroscience professor at a liberal arts college, I could focus on scientific questions that motivated me and on the quality (rather than quantity) of work that I produced. Also, my colleagues in related scientific fields were just doors away and eager to collaborate, and I had lots of brilliant, dedicated undergraduates eager to work in my lab. As I reflect on my own experiences as an undergraduate in the sciences at a liberal arts college, I remember the opportunity of working closely with a faculty member and the excitement of having my first taste of the joys and frustrations of real experiments. Not surprisingly, I feel a deep connection to Trinity’s neuroscience program, which was among the first in the country at a liberal arts college and which this year celebrates its 25th anniversary (see story on page 10).

Trinity College has seen an increasing number of students choosing neuroscience as a major. A decade ago, about 1.7 percent of Trinity graduates pursued a neuroscience major. This past May, for the Class of 2015, that figure jumped to 5.2 percent, compared with 4.6 percent of graduates with a mathematics major, 3.1 percent with biology, 3.1 percent with engineering, 1.1 percent with chemistry, and 0.6 percent with physics. In other words, neuroscience is the largest STEM major at Trinity.

Neuroscience is an interdisciplinary science. Here at Trinity, neuroscience includes philosophy, psychology, chemistry, biology, and other disciplines. Regardless of the department, we can come together to collaborate, to study critical questions about the mind, brain, and nervous system. This breadth is unusual in a neuroscience program at a liberal arts college.

In my own research lab prior to coming to Trinity, I learned that the ability to collaborate — to consider many points of view and varied vantage points in an effort to conquer the world’s largest challenges — is just one of an enormous set of skills that successful scientists must possess. Now that I am an administrator, I realize that many of those same skills will help our graduates become successful in whatever line of work they choose to pursue.

What are those skills?

In addition to collaboration, successful scientists must focus broadly and use a variety of techniques to answer BIG questions that lead to truly meaningful discoveries. Relentless pursuit of foundational principles means that one question always leads to another, even as important discoveries are made along the way.

Successful scientists must learn to analyze and then articulate findings by writing and speaking well; both are key facets of a liberal arts education. They must be persistent, never giving up on even a seemingly impossible question. They must work hard, and they must never be satisfied — once one problem is solved, they must move on to the next.

It is important to note that successful scientists are not in it alone. Besides valuing their support network, they must take advantage of excellent mentors and relish working with others and within their institution. Building strong connections and a vibrant network are critical in neuroscience, as in virtually any profession. And strong networks are what we help create here at Trinity.

As the College’s neuroscience program moves into the next 25 years and beyond, fundraising is well under way for the construction of the Neurosciences Laboratory Wing, a $3.5 million, 4,425-square-foot space adjacent to the Albert C. Jacobs Life Sciences Center that will provide state-of-the-art facilities for faculty members and students in the neurosciences. Features of the wing will include computer workstations for cognitive analysis of fMRI (functional magnetic resonance imaging) scans, a laboratory, and a neuroscience seminar room.

I am truly excited about the possibilities for the new wing because I know firsthand that great facilities provide the space where great learning can take place. As I mentioned, my passion for neuroscience and resolving complex questions brought me into higher education administration, and it is that passion that will keep me connected to the sciences and liberal arts forever.
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