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**ON THE COVER**

Ahmed Yusuf IDP’97 at South High School in South Minneapolis, where he teaches the Somali language

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**ON THIS PAGE**

Christoph Geiss, professor of physics and environmental science, happened upon this rooster — perhaps a Bantam? — at an old fort in Nuwakot, Nepal, during the 2017 January Term course “Peoples and Cultures of Nepal,” which focused on the Tamang and Tibetan people who live near the Chinese border. Twelve students and five Trinity College professors, including instructor Michael Lestz, associate professor of history, made the trip. Lestz notes, “Visiting the highest mountain range in the world to appreciate the unique cultures that characterize this part of the world takes ‘experiential learning’ to a whole new level.” Trinity’s J-Term, which offers half-credit courses between the fall and spring semesters, expanded this year to include four new study-away options, including the trip to Nepal.

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SPRING 2017
The new Crescent Center for Arts and Neuroscience, set for completion during summer 2017 and for occupancy in fall 2017, was designed to bridge the fields of neuroscience and the arts and to incorporate gathering spaces that foster creativity and collaboration among all members of the Trinity College community.

The building, located near the southeast corner of campus, will feature a new home for the Neuroscience Program, an Arts Creativity Corridor, and student common spaces. The areas dedicated to neuroscience, the largest program among the sciences at Trinity, will supplement existing neuroscience facilities. Plans feature six faculty research laboratories, a neuro-computation teaching laboratory, and a seminar room. The Arts Creativity Corridor will include a digital media studio, a media and performance studio, film production space, and a student gallery to showcase the work of Trinity students. Student common spaces will provide areas for guest speakers and networking.

The Crescent Center for Arts and Neuroscience also will serve as a resource to strengthen our work with neighborhood partners through programming that furthers connections with Hartford while continuing to build academic excellence for the campus community.

For more information about the new center, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.
THE JANUARY START

Trinity College will soon offer an alternate entry point for first-year students, joining a growing number of colleges and universities that enroll new students in the spring semester as well as the fall.

The January program, known as J-Start, will offer a personalized, focused course of study that includes academic advising, career advising, and an immersive learning experience in Hartford. A specialized orientation experience and January Term course will lead into a first-year seminar offered for the cohort in the spring. As part of their orientation, students will create E-portfolios, which will serve as curated digital collections of their academic work throughout their time at Trinity.

While this program is not designed primarily as an accelerated program, students who begin in January may choose to complete their degrees in 3 ½ years through a combination of AP and transfer credits as well as credits earned through additional courses. Financial aid will be available for the students enrolling in January.

Students admitted as part of this program must meet the same enrollment standards as students admitted in the fall. “This offers a different timeline into Trinity; it’s not a different standard,” said Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success Angel B. Pérez. Students starting in January also will study the same curriculum and meet the same requirements for graduation. “This is a pilot program for 2018, so we are starting very small, with about 10 students,” Pérez said. “The idea would be to grow the cohort to about 50 students coming in every year.”

The idea for a January entry took root in the College’s Bicentennial Strategic Planning Commission. Dean of Academic Affairs and Professor of Mathematics Melanie Stein, who is leading the planning effort for the program, said, “This is a way for Trinity to generate revenue by enrolling more high-quality, engaged students. This opens a new market to us. We have already encountered students who want this kind of option, so we are responding.”

ENORMOUS ECONOMIC IMPACT

Trinity College’s total economic impact on the surrounding area in 2014 was $941,294,933, according to data compiled by the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges (CCIC). The CCIC gathered information on the economic impact of all of its member institutions, including Trinity.

To view an infographic with full details, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

Center for Caribbean Studies

Trinity College recently celebrated the launch of its new Center for Caribbean Studies, which embraces the Caribbean as an area for scholarly inquiry and builds on Trinity’s nearly two-decade-old study-away program in Trinidad. The center also focuses on the Caribbean character of the College’s home city of Hartford, which, outside of New York, has one of the largest Caribbean populations in the country, and places an emphasis on undergraduate research and internships as well as student-faculty scholarly projects within the liberal arts environment. Posse Scholar Elizabeth “Eli” Valenzuela ’17 was the first student to receive a research grant from the center; she spent two weeks in January doing research related to Hinduism on the island of Trinidad.

Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney said that Trinity is the ideal home for the Center for Caribbean Studies for three reasons. First, the College has faculty members who are “true Caribbean specialists — faculty members who do not just happen to teach a course related to the Caribbean but who have deep roots in and knowledge of the culture, music, history, politics, and literature of the Caribbean.” Second, Trinity has a special and unique relationship with The University of the West Indies (UWI) at St. Augustine in Trinidad. And third, Hartford is a city with very strong Caribbean roots, home to large Jamaican and Puerto Rican diaspora communities, among others.

Those on hand at the November 2016 opening celebration included Trinity’s Tim Cresswell, dean of the faculty and vice president for academic affairs and professor of American studies, and Leslie Desmangles, professor of religious studies and international studies and the inaugural director of the center. Heather Cateau of The UWI faculty of humanities and education also attended.

Starting on July 1, Pablo Delano, professor of fine arts, and Dario Euraque, professor of history and international studies, will take over as the center’s co-directors.
In late September 1980, Trinity College hired Joan Hedrick to take over an experimental American cultures class after the instructor fell ill. Following her unexpected arrival, she decided to stay. “I just felt so at home at Trinity,” says Hedrick. “I felt more comfortable here than I had at any other institution.” Hedrick, now Charles A. Dana Professor of History, spearheaded the formation of the Women, Gender, and Sexuality Program, an academic community that has helped make Trinity “home” to students ever since.

William R. Kenan, Jr. Professor in American Institutions and Values Robert Corber says Hedrick will be sorely missed upon her retirement in 2018. “Joan has tirelessly dedicated herself to the important task of mentoring young women at Trinity,” says Corber. In 1995, Hedrick was awarded the Pulitzer Prize; her biography *Harriet Beecher Stowe: A Life* was a 10-year project that she researched at the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center in Hartford. Hedrick, who earned an A.B. in English from Vassar College and a Ph.D. in American civilization from Brown University, is the author of two other books and more than a dozen articles. She has been featured in a PBS documentary about the abolition movement and has served on the boards of the Society for the Study of American Women Writers and the Harriet Beecher Stowe Society. Hedrick says she was ecstatic to have had what she called the most exceptional “WMGS 101: Women, Gender, and Sexuality” class to date in the fall of 2016, her last semester of classroom teaching. She credits Angel B. Pérez, Trinity’s vice president for enrollment and student success, and Venture Trinity, a pre-orientation program to promote women’s leadership that she helped found in 2013, with bringing and supporting these incoming students. “They were so diverse, so thoughtful, so willing to listen to one another and to learn. We had the most nuanced discussions about race and sexuality and gender and power that I’ve ever had with the students here at Trinity.”
RECENT PUBLICATIONS

The African Diaspora in the Educational Programs of Central America
Dario Euraque, Professor of History and International Studies, and Yesenia Martinez
Africa World Press, 2016; 131 pages

Policing the Planet: Why the Policing Crisis Led to Black Lives Matter
Edited by Christina Heatherton, Assistant Professor of American Studies, and Jordan T. Camp
Verso, 2016; 301 pages

The Transnational Politics of Higher Education: Contesting the Global/Transforming the Local
Edited by Isaac Kamola, Assistant Professor of Political Science; Meng-Hsuan Chou; and Tamson Pietsch
Routledge, 2016; 202 pages

Writing It Twice: Self-Translation and the Making of a World Literature in French
Sara Kippur, Associate Professor of Language and Culture Studies Northwestern University Press, 2015; 173 pages

Being Contemporary: French Literature, Culture, and Politics Today
Edited by Sara Kippur, Associate Professor of Language and Culture Studies, and Lia Brozgal
Liverpool University Press, 2016; 411 pages

Andean Truths: Transitional Justice, Ethnicity, and Cultural Production in Post-Shining Path Peru
Anne Lambright, Dean of Academic Affairs and Charles A. Dana Research Professor of Language and Culture Studies
Liverpool University Press, 2015; 212 pages

Ketogenic Diet and Metabolic Therapies: Expanded Roles in Health and Disease
Edited by Susan A. Masino, Vernon Roosa Professor of Applied Science
Oxford University Press, 2017; 408 pages

Homeostatic Control of Brain Function
Edited by Susan A. Masino, Vernon Roosa Professor of Applied Science, and Detlev Boison
Oxford University Press, 2016; 642 pages

Festive Devils of the Americas
Edited by Milla Cozart Riggio, James J. Goodwin Professor of English; Angela Marino; and Paolo Vignolo
Seagull Books, 2015; 404 pages

The Stories Clothes Tell: Voices of Working-Class Japan
Edited and translated by Rieko Wagener, Principal Lecturer in Language and Culture Studies and International Studies
Rowman and Littlefield, 2016; 182 pages

Our People Have No Land
James Wen, Professor of Economics and International Studies
Beijing: Dongfang (Oriental) Publishing House, 2014; 261 pages

Decoding Racial Ideology in Genomics
Johnny E. Williams, Associate Professor of Sociology
Lexington Books, 2016; 157 pages

Travels on the Green Highway: An Environmentalist’s Journey
Nathaniel Pryor Reed ’55, H’87
Reed Publishing Company, 2016; 301 pages

Women Under Siege
Lois Mathieu M’77
CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2016; 282 pages

The Memory Arts in Renaissance England: A Critical Anthology
Edited by William E. Engel ’80, Nick B. Williams Professor of English, Seanaee: The University of the South; Rory Loughnane; and Grant Williams
Cambridge University Press, 2016; 377 pages

The Art of the Bribe: Corruption Under Stalin, 1943–1953
James Heinen ’84
Yale University Press, 2016; 406 pages

Seven faculty members retiring

The 2016-17 academic year marks the retirement of seven Trinity College faculty members, listed below. For more on these esteemed individuals, please see page 77.

E. KATHLEEN ARCHER
Associate Professor of Biology

ELLISON BANKS FINDLY
Scott M. Johnson ’97
Distinguished Professor of Religion

JOAN MORRISON
Professor of Biology

ROBERT F. PELTIER
IDP’91, M’92
Principal Lecturer in the Allan K. Smith Center for Writing and Rhetoric

LIVIO PESTILLI
Director, Trinity College Rome Campus

MILLA COZART RIGGIO
James J. Goodwin Professor of English

JAMES G. WEN
Professor of Economics and International Studies

Dean Dean Dean Dean
Jim O’Loughlin ’88, P’20
Twelve Winters Press, 2017; 129 pages

Unleash Possible: A Marketing Playbook that Drives Sales
Samantha Stone ’93
Marketing Advisory Network, 2016; 224 pages

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Peter Espy ’00

Peter Espy ’00 is the first to admit that his Trinity College experience was far from typical. As a transfer student living off campus his sophomore year, Espy did not have the opportunity to live on campus until he was a junior. By the start of his senior year, he had already accepted a job at Credit Suisse in the firm’s Investment Banking Division and began splitting his time between Hartford and New York later that fall.

That said, Espy made the most of his time at Trinity, double majoring in art history and political science, serving as vice president of the Phi Kappa chapter of Alpha Delta Phi, working with several charitable organizations in the Hartford area, and even fitting in a summer semester abroad at the College’s Rome Campus.

After graduating, Espy initially stayed connected to the College by serving as a class agent, as a member of his fraternity’s Alumni Council, and later as a co-chair of his class’s 5-, 10-, and 15-year Reunion Committees and as a member of the National Alumni Association (NAA).

Espy has maintained his strong ties to the College through his service as a member of the Board of Trustees, where he is chair of the Awards for Excellence Committee and a member of the Alumni Relations and Finance Subcommittees; as president of the NAA and chairman of its Executive Committee; and as a volunteer with the Admissions Office and the Career Development Center (CDC). His terms on the board and on the NAA will end on June 30.

In an effort to help current Trinity students prepare for their futures in the working world, Espy often comes to campus to conduct mock interviews, to host informational and mentoring sessions, and to participate in roundtable discussions organized by the CDC. He also played a key role in creating Trinity’s Externship Program, which gives students the opportunity to spend a day or more shadowing highly accomplished Trinity graduates at their places of business.

Professionally, Espy spent 17 years with Credit Suisse Group, most recently as the chief of staff to the CEO of Credit Suisse (USA), before turning his attention to Event Driven, LLC, a New York City-based event consulting and production company that he founded last year and for which he serves as the creative director.

For this latest endeavor, Espy credits his course work in art history at Trinity with “fostering his love of and appreciation for the arts, broadly defined” and for “providing him with many of the skills and tools” needed for the design aspects of his current work. He also cites having gained valuable planning and production experience while on campus as both a member of the Student Government Association Spring Weekend Committee and the officer in his fraternity most responsible for organizing and executing its various events.

Espy, who lives in New York City with his daughter, Emilia, is active in his community, serving as a member of the Board of Directors for the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, the nation’s oldest child protective services agency, while also supporting the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), Children International, and the Spence-Chapin adoption agency.

Through all that Espy does, he looks back on his time at Trinity as integral to his success and encourages alumni to remain engaged with the College just as he has. “My Trinity education gave me the foundation I needed to do well in my chosen path,” he said, “and continuing to be involved with the life of the College is my way of making sure that today’s students have every possible advantage as they prepare for their futures. It is my hope that more Trinity alumni will join me back ‘neath the elms.”
Hartford Prints! is the only storefront in downtown Hartford painted cyan and magenta. The eye-catching window is located on the historic Pratt Street. Three Hartford-native sisters founded the business in 2009 and opened the store in 2013 with the goal of creating a retail brand with real purpose: to give back to the city that raised them. Hartford Prints! sells whimsical handmade cards, locally sourced home and bath goods, apparel, and accessories. Products feature the city skyline, phrases such as “small state big heart,” clever references to Hartford history, and artsy depictions of local geography. The shop also offers candle-making, calligraphy, and photography workshops with local artists. Hartford Prints! is an ideal place to buy gifts for Bantams with pride that runs deeper than the blue and gold and into the city that Trinity has called home for nearly 200 years. Follow @ReporterAroundHartford on Instagram for more photos.
EDITOR’S NOTE: Reporting on this story began in December 2016, well before U.S. President Donald Trump’s executive order of January 27, 2017, that established an indefinite ban on Syrian refugees. Court challenges to the administration’s order later lifted that ban and a second executive order’s ban, but as this issue went to press, developments were continuing to unfold. Therefore, the situation for Syrians seeking refuge in the United States may have changed significantly by the time you read this.
Trinity community joins efforts to resettle Syrian families

BY LORI FERGUSON
PHOTOS BY JOHN MARINELLI
On a chilly night early last December, members of a Syrian family from Damascus — a mother and her two sons, ages 19 and 10 — arrived in Hartford, at the end of one journey and the start of another.

Splintered by the violence in their homeland, the family had already endured much to get to this juncture. Of seven children, only these two remain with their mother. The other five have scattered to various parts of the world in search of refuge; her husband remains in Syria. The mother and three of her children fled their homeland for Egypt 3 1/2 years ago, when living conditions became too dangerous, but quickly realized that life in Egypt was untenable as well. One son fled for Germany with his own young family; the other two remained with their mother, and after registering with the United Nations, the three were offered the opportunity to migrate to a Western country. They jumped at the chance, confident that a life here was the best opportunity for them all.

Since landing on U.S. soil, they have wasted no time in beginning to acculturate; the entire family has been meeting with tutors twice a week to learn English, the younger son has dived enthusiastically into elementary school, and the elder son, who has culinary training, has been seeking employment and making plans to pursue his education.

As the family completed the U.S. government’s exhaustive vetting process and awaited permission to enter the country, their co-sponsors — members of the Trinity College and Hartford’s Trinity Episcopal Church communities — feverishly prepared as well. The powerful partnership that has been forged between these co-sponsors — made possible through New Haven, Connecticut-based Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services (IRIS) — began to coalesce at the College in December 2015, says Trinity College Chaplain Allison Read. “The Syrian refugee crisis is the leading humanitarian crisis on the globe right now, and many individuals throughout our community are, and have been, highly motivated to help in resolving the issue by whatever means possible.”

Read realized that Trinity’s annual Christmas Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols offered the perfect opportunity to unite desire and resources. “Every year, an offering is taken up and given to an organization in need,” she explains, “and in 2015, it was clear to everyone involved that refugee resettlement was the cause we should support with our donations.”
Read believed that a partnership with IRIS — an organization that is highly respected throughout the state — was key, so she broached the subject with friend and IRIS board member Drew Smith ’65, a retired Episcopal bishop with decades of experience in resettlement activities. Smith encouraged Read to reach out to IRIS Executive Director Chris George.

IRIS is an advocate of the community co-sponsorship model of refugee resettlement, Read explains, and George is a passionate champion of the approach. Once the groundwork for the partnership was laid, Read and Smith polled members of the Trinity and church communities in search of volunteers. The response was overwhelmingly positive. Dozens of Trinity students, faculty, staff, and alumni, as well as members of the parish, eagerly expressed their desire to sponsor a family. A number of off-campus partners, including professors from Tunxis Community College and Goodwin College and a retired New York City teacher, also generously volunteered their time and expertise.

Over the next several months, members of the partnership completed IRIS’s rigorous application process, undergoing a feasibility study and training from the agency’s staff to ensure that they were prepared to handle the family members’ various needs. The U.S. government requires that a family be fully self-sufficient in six months, “a very ambitious timeline by any measure,” notes Read, so everyone in the partnership had to be ready to hit the ground running as soon as the family arrived.

“Sponsoring a refugee family is a tremendous undertaking,” says Smith, “so a strong partnership, with individuals who are fully committed to the process, is essential.” Members of the sponsorship team are responsible for virtually everything the refugee family may need, he notes. “We assist with everything that someone has to do to make a life when nothing is in place.” Community partners’ responsibilities run the gamut, from finding, renting, and furnishing the family’s apartment to setting up utilities, providing English tutoring, accompanying family members to the IRIS offices for acculturation meetings, and offering instruction in everything from using mass transit to shopping for groceries. “Essentially we teach them everything from scratch, and it has been a joy,” Smith enthuses.

Beth Iacampo, Trinity’s director of human resources, says it felt “good to be doing something to help people.” She collected names of individuals interested in helping with the initiative and assisted in furnishing the family’s apartment. “Seeing the smiles on their faces and witnessing how hard they’re working to learn English and acclimate to their new home is incredibly inspiring,” Iacampo says. “It’s also gratifying to see so many people from throughout the community invest their time, resources, and energy into making a new home for people we don’t even know.”

For Abigail Fisher Williamson, assistant professor of political science and public policy and law at Trinity, participation in a refugee resettlement initiative has offered a valuable opportunity to see academic theories put into practice. Williamson, whose research focuses on immigrant incorporation into the United States, in particular how local governments and societies respond to immigrants and how immigrants adjust to their new home, has been...
**STUDENT VOICES**

**Jane Bisson ’18**

My involvement with The Charleston House of Interfaith Cooperation opened the door for me to assist our community in welcoming a Syrian refugee family. My education at Trinity, in many different ways, has taught me that I am truly a global citizen, and I was excited by this opportunity to help, in any small way I could, in a situation that often feels very distant and foreign.

**Ahmed “Deemo” Eldmerdash ’20, Andrew Forrester ’61 Entrepreneurial Scholar**

We all live in this world together; we should not say I am Egyptian, I am Syrian, or I am American because we all should stand for each other when someone is in need. If we are Muslims, Christians, or whatever, we are all still humans, and that’s what really matters.

**Mohammed Albehadli ’20**

When I heard there was a family who speaks Arabic coming over to resettle here, I started remembering how hard it was for me to adjust to life in this country. I started reflecting on where I was when I first arrived. How did I feel? What challenges did I face? How did I overcome those challenges, and how did I adjust to life here? All of this made me realize that I have so much in common with this family to share, and I felt that if there is one person who must be there for them, it must be me! This is my way of paying it forward.

**Meghan Johansen ’17**

During my sophomore year, I had an opportunity through my “Immigrants and Refugees” class to participate in outreach in Hartford. I co-organized a Thanksgiving dinner to welcome a newly settled family to the community. I was overwhelmed and overjoyed by how many Trinity students participated and saw how touched the family was to be included. I have always sought opportunities to serve the community, and seeing the profound effect my work had on the community encouraged me to continue.

**Kirsten Mayer ’17, Summit Scholar**

Although I am a single person, one drop has the power to cause ripples. The Trinity community has enough drops to make a significant contribution to impact a family, and I could not be happier to be a part of such a great community.

**Susan Garvey IDP’17**

Before my Trinity years, I helped both a mother with three daughters from Sierra Leone get adjusted to life in Hartford and a grandmother from Liberia who settled in my town of Vernon, so I am aware of how hard the adjustment process can be. Yet this time it seems especially important to help out because of the degree of Islamophobia toward Muslims in general and Syrian refugees in particular. … I am so proud of Trinity for standing up for Syrian refugees and immigrants in general by choosing to sponsor this family. … I was proud to have a skill that came in handy. As an IDP student without a car, I commute daily to campus using CTtransit. With the Arabic translation help of an IDP student who graduated last year, Maryam Bitar, I was able to show the family how to navigate the buses to medical appointments, for shopping, and for other appointments.
working with another Syrian refugee family that arrived in the Hartford area in August 2016 under the sponsorship of St. James’s and St. John’s Episcopal Churches in West Hartford. “It’s been an incredible experience to work with the family; their attitude is tremendous,” says Williamson. “They arrived, a family of five with just four bags, having left many loved ones behind and having been in transition for an extended period of time. It has to be terribly difficult, but they are determined and so eager to learn English as quickly as possible and begin a new life here.

“My experience in field research with other immigrant communities offered me an idea of what to expect when interacting with the refugees, but the firsthand encounters I’ve had have been unbelievably gratifying,” Williamson continues. “As a scholar, I study and write about immigrant issues, but working directly with refugees has an immediate impact, whereas producing scholarship and changing policies happen on a much slower timeline. Now I’m eager to carry what I’ve learned back into the classroom.”

Associate Professor of International Studies Janet Bauer is similarly enthusiastic about Trinity’s co-sponsorship initiative. An active participant in immigrant and refugee affairs since the late 1990s, Bauer now serves on the City of Hartford’s newly formed Commission for Refugee and Immigrant Affairs and knows how critical nongovernmental support can be to refugees. “Nonprofits and faith-based groups play a vital role in filling the gap between what refugees need to successfully resettle and what government programs provide.”

Sponsoring a family and helping members manage the many adjustments to their new home is a far-ranging, long-term commitment, Bauer observes, and the response from members of the College community and the church has been great. “This is Trinity’s first time acting as a co-sponsor, but I’m hoping it will become a tradition. Having Trinity students involved gives youth in a refugee family an important connection to peers, something that older immigrant children often lose out on if they are too old to enroll in high school when they arrive here. These interactions also open up a whole new world to our students, allowing them to understand the real-world struggles that those displaced by persecution and war must confront in reestablishing their lives in the USA.”

Trinity alumna Maryam Bitar IDP’16, a native of Damascus, Syria, understands how difficult the transition to a new home can be and has worked tirelessly to help Trinity’s sponsor family find peace and comfort in their adopted land. Bitar assumed responsibility for organizing the volunteers who provide translation assistance to the family and is thrilled with the opportunity. “I volunteer with refugees all around Hartford, but when I heard that Trinity was going to sponsor a Syrian family, I was over the moon,” says Bitar. Trinity students, including a number of first-years, have given generously of their time, she says, and the experience has been incredibly heartwarming. “It’s gratifying to be able to help people and to have them let me help. I feel like I can give back — to Trinity and to the community — and that is very rewarding.”

Bitar’s response is reflective of an openhearted attitude that is pervasive throughout the Greater Hartford community, says Smith. “Everyone we have encountered in the process of getting the family settled has been welcoming, from those in federal and state agencies who have greeted family members with a warm ‘Welcome to the U.S. — we’re glad you’re here!’ to members of Hartford’s Muslim community who have sought to introduce the family to existing resources and support systems.”

Smith is also incredibly proud of the welcome his alma mater has extended. “The College community has been tremendous; faculty, staff, and students have acted of their own volition, working side by side with other members of the community to help our sponsor family build a new life here. The generosity of spirit has been overwhelming.”

To learn about a course that pairs Trinity students with refugee and immigrant families, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.
GETTING TO KNOW

DAN HITCHELL

Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer

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SONYA ADAMS

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JOHN MARINELLI
What about Trinity attracted you to the position? It was an amazing opportunity to come to one of the top liberal arts colleges in the country at an exciting time. Trinity has wonderful faculty, students, alumni, and executive leadership in President Berger-Sweeney that I admired. During the hiring process, I felt like I connected well with the team at Trinity. Then I had the opportunity to meet with Joanne, and I realized that there’s something special happening here.

How do you view your primary responsibilities? I am responsible for the College’s financial and physical assets, and I oversee the offices of accounting, budget, facilities, and human resources. It is my job to take the long view with respect to thinking about Trinity’s financial health and sustainability. What really makes it hit home for me are the three portraits hanging on the walls of my office, among them Samuel Seabury, the first Episcopal bishop of Connecticut, and Samuel Tudor, a prominent 19th-century entrepreneur and leader in Hartford’s business community. I am certain that Trinity had someone like a vice president of finance back in Tudor’s time, in 1862, and I am confident that in 2062, there will be someone like me. These portraits remind me that I am one in a long line of people with this responsibility.

What have been your priorities since you arrived in July? The first thing has been to try to get to know the campus and the culture here. I have been very happy … it’s a very welcoming institution. Beyond that, I am focused on various aspects of the budget, including budget planning and ensuring a balanced budget. Facilities have also been a big priority. I have been heavily involved in Constitution Plaza, in selling 200 and in leasing back space in 10 and 1. Also, we’re moving forward on the Crescent Center for Arts and Neuroscience, and I have been working closely with Tom Fussiello [assistant vice president for construction, facilities, and operations] on that. We also focused a great deal of effort on responding to the balcony collapse that happened at one of our off-campus properties last fall. That was a terrible incident for our community, and we have worked hard to understand its cause and to put into place practices to prevent such events from happening in the future.

What do you feel is your greatest strength? I have worked at a Division I school [Saint Louis], a very entrepreneurial school [Webster], and a very traditional liberal arts school [Ohio Wesleyan]. I have had the opportunity, through the good graces of others, to see a lot in higher ed. When something comes up here, I’m probably not seeing or experiencing it for the first time.

What do you see as your biggest challenges here, and how to you plan to face them? Trinity faces the same challenges as other schools in the liberal arts sector, yet I think we are better equipped to address those challenges than most. We have all the prerequisites...
for success — a smart, dedicated faculty, wonderful students, passionate alumni, talented administrators and staff — all groups that are concerned about the well-being and longevity of Trinity. Those are all the components you need, yet still the environment is very challenging. Our costs for recruiting students, primarily in financial aid, and our health care costs for our faculty and staff are growing faster than our ability to generate revenue to pay for these increases. We are a sector under stress. I think it is important to keep an open mind and to recognize that there has to be a different way to do whatever it is you want to do. Is there a better way to do it and still maintain your mission and your quality? Those two things can’t change, but there are a lot of other things that we can do differently to get the same result.

What is the importance of the College’s endowment? An endowment is one of the cornerstones of a school’s success. It is a physical expression of the commitment of alumni and friends of the institution. The growth of the endowment in both investment returns and in new gifts will be an important part of our success.

What do you see in Trinity’s financial future? I see an institution that is well on its way to completing the strategic plan that we are in the process of laying out now. I see an institution with an active and vibrant downtown campus and with a real connection to Hartford. The strategic plan is key. For many institutions working on a strategic plan, there’s one group over here working on the plan, and there’s another group over there working on the annual budget, with little or no interaction between the two groups. At Trinity, one will influence the other. The strategic plan has to take into account the resources that we’re currently generating and that we need to operate, and the budget has to take into account the items that are in the strategic plan that will facilitate our success and needs to fund those items. The strategic plan and the budget must be interactive and intertwined.

What is the one surprising thing that others may not know about you? I enjoy riding my motorcycle, a Yamaha FZ6R. Riding is a good way to relax and focus after a long week at work.
“I was working at the time. The program’s flexibility was the No. 1 attraction. It fits for anyone who has other responsibilities.”

Ahmed Yusuf IDP’97
THE POWER OF A COLLEGE EDUCATION

Trinity IDP paves paths for adult learners

BY ANDREW J. CONCATELLI
Learning has no age limit. That’s the philosophy of the Individualized Degree Program (IDP) at Trinity College. The self-paced path to earning a bachelor’s degree enrolls adults age 23 and older in courses alongside traditional-age students.

Tim Cresswell, dean of the faculty and vice president for academic affairs and professor of American studies, says that a liberal arts education provides a strong platform for lifelong learning for all of Trinity’s students. “IDP students are examples of lifelong learning in action,” he says. “Their presence enriches the community of learning that is Trinity College.”

All Trinity majors are available to IDP students, who have been valedictorians and salutatorians, Phi Beta Kappa members, and President’s Fellows. IDP students may attend Trinity full time, but most enroll part time as they work and raise families. Most of the IDP students come to the program with some college credits, often from community college, while others are recruited from local businesses or the military. Many are from the Greater Hartford area, and some are first-generation college students. IDP students are eligible for financial aid.

One goal of the program — which will celebrate its 45th anniversary in 2018 — is to offer adult students the same opportunities offered to traditional Trinity students, but in a modified way. For example, the IDP transitional seminar mirrors Trinity’s first-year seminars. G. Fox and Company Professor of Economics Diane C. Zannoni, who recently stepped down from her role as IDP director after seven years, says the program “really speaks to the resources and the needs” of adult students. “IDP creates a framework that is really responsive — there is a structure and support the whole way.”

IDP grew out of a 1971 proposal for the Alternate Degree Program, which offered a pathway to the bachelor’s degree based on demonstration of academic proficiency rather than credits for successfully completed courses or length of study. Over time, the focus of the program evolved to what the IDP is today — an undergraduate completion degree program for adult students. For Louise Fisher ’73, an early IDP director, the connection to the program she helped design was very personal. “I was an adult student at Trinity before there was an IDP,” she says. “I was just about the only adult student on campus; people thought I was a professor. … This program is something that was needed for the adult student. There’s no reason why students can’t go to college after the age of 22.”

Fisher says that Trinity faculty members have always been supportive of IDP. “Without the faculty support, this never would have succeeded,” she says. Faculty members serve on the IDP Council and as the students’ advisers.

Many current IDP students first learned about the program from Associate Director Roberta Rogers IDP’10, herself a program graduate. “I found a community here at a time when I didn’t really have one,” Rogers says. “My kids were really young, and my husband traveled for work. I felt

Above: Associate Professor of Physics David Branning and Stephen DeMonico IDP’17 work together to solve a problem.
Far right: Ahmed Yusuf IDP’97
something was missing, and this was it. I loved being around people who were interested in ideas and who encouraged me to explore and to find my passion.”

Rogers believes the success of IDP is thanks in part to the careful attention paid to the needs of the students. “Many other schools recruit adult students, but they don’t have a program for adult students,” she says. “This really is a traditional, selective, elite program for nontraditional students.”

The stories of the following three individuals provide insights into Trinity IDP and its vital role in educating adult learners.

FROM SOMALIA TO HARTFORD
Ahmed Yusuf IDP ’97 had never owned any books before he came to the United States as a young man; now he’s writing them.

Born in Somalia, Yusuf lived all over the States as he learned to speak English and pursued his education. He was in his late 20s when a counselor at a community college in Hartford told him about Trinity’s IDP. “I had a relative who graduated from Trinity College, so I was cognizant of the quality of the academics,” Yusuf says. “I was working at the time. The program’s flexibility was the No. 1 attraction. It fits for anyone who has other responsibilities.”

Yusuf designed an interdisciplinary major called human conflict and creative writing, which combined his interests in psychology and English. “I wanted to somehow make sense out of the senseless Somali war,” Yusuf says.

The personalized nature of IDP helped Yusuf form strong bonds at Trinity. “The faculty and staff were patient with me; they talked to me,” he says, naming the late Professor of English Fred Pfeil as a particularly strong influence. “He was one of the greatest human beings,” Yusuf says. “He was the one who introduced me to writing.”

Zannoni and the IDP staff also provided Yusuf with support. “When I lost my job, they were actually delivering groceries to my house. The emotional support was more than I expected,” he says. “I would not be who I am if it were not for the IDP.”

Yusuf now teaches the Somali language at South High School in South Minneapolis. He has authored

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Stephen DeMonico IDP’17
Mel Cavanaugh IDP ’11 leads a discussion in her Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy classroom.
a collection of short stories in Somali and a book about how Minneapolis has become home to a large Somali population. He also is working on an autobiographical play — which includes Pfeil and Zannoni as characters — a book about Somali-Americans’ generational divide, and a collection of short stories in English called Lion’s Binding Oath, which will be published in August 2017.

A GREAT GIFT
After earning his GED in 1997, Stephen DeMonico IDP’17 worked in information technology and customer support before being laid off in 2010. A postcard he received in the mail that same day from Gateway Community College in New Haven, Connecticut, inspired DeMonico to pursue higher education, where he found his passion for physics. “There’s a real sense of wonder for me in even the most basic physics experiments,” he says.

With his associate’s degree completed, DeMonico recalled a Trinity IDP information session and reached out to Rogers. “I felt that IDP recognized that I had a lot of potential,” he says. “I think they saw some of the same things in me that I saw in me.” The program turned out to be a great fit. “The faculty members make reasonable accommodations. They recognize other obligations in lives that exist outside of school. The real success of IDP is bridging those two worlds,” DeMonico adds.

With majors in physics and interdisciplinary computing coordinated with physics and a minor in models and data, DeMonico worked in the lab of Associate Professor of Physics David Branning to develop a working scientific instrument to identify coincidental events. “This device can be used in education settings to demonstrate quantum theory,” DeMonico says. Named the President’s Fellow in physics for 2015-16, he also was president of the Trinity College Physics Students Association. He is interested in working in a scientific setting, potentially in the growing field of embedded computing, following his graduation.

DeMonico believes that IDP is a benefit to both its students and the Trinity community. “IDP students have these very unique life experiences that add to the classroom. I think there’s a lot of value in that,” he says.

Through his role as an IDP student recruitment associate, DeMonico attended college fairs and gave campus tours, working to attract more students like himself. He says, “This has been a great gift, so I wanted to pay it forward.”

COMING FULL CIRCLE
Mel Cavanaugh IDP’11 had completed four years of a five-year architecture major at Arizona State University when she left school to work full time. “It’s possibly the one regret that I have in my life,” she says of not finishing her bachelor’s degree then. Cavanaugh was a 30-year-old single mother working at a sales job in Farmington, Connecticut, when she enrolled in Trinity’s IDP. “I was at a turning point in my life,” she says.

“Empowering” is how Cavanaugh describes her experience as an American studies major in IDP, noting that her Trinity professors helped her to become even more outspoken in her social activism. “Each semester I was gaining this confidence and this evolution in my life,” she says. “My world just kept opening up.” While at Trinity, Cavanaugh viewed IDP as a support network. “Professor Zannoni was always the net to catch you if you needed encouragement,” she says.

With an initial goal of working at a nonprofit organization to fight poverty, Cavanaugh considered law school and the Hartford Seminary, but her daughter and others suggested that she should become a teacher. “My daughter said, ‘Your education has changed your life. You’re a different person,’” says Cavanaugh, who earned a master’s in education from the University of Connecticut after graduating from Trinity IDP.

Cavanaugh soon learned that Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy (HMTCA) was preparing to open a high school. “As much as Trinity has changed my life, why wouldn’t I want to give back to this school and the Hartford community? It felt like the right thing to do,” she says. Cavanaugh has been at HMTCA for five years, teaching U.S. history, world history, sociology, and psychology to high school students. She also teaches in HMTCA’s summer writing academy and enjoys bringing students to Trinity’s campus to help encourage them.

“I didn’t experience the power of education until I was ready to experience it, and then my education completely changed my life,” Cavanaugh says. “I know how much my professors impacted me, and it’s coming full circle now that I have the ability to have an impact on young people’s lives.”

Editor’s note: As this issue went to press, the Office of the Dean of the Faculty was reviewing expressions of interest to find the next IDP faculty director.
Bright Minds

EXPLORING THE GLOBAL CONNECTION BETWEEN STUDY AWAY IN LATIN AMERICA AND FULBRIGHT GRANTS

BY ANDREW J. CONCATELLI
What is it about participation in Trinity College’s study-away program in Latin America that has led to 12 recent graduates receiving Fulbright grants in the last 10 years? While usually no more than 6 percent of Trinity students who study away do so in Latin America, that program has produced nearly 40 percent of the College’s 31 Fulbright winners since 2007.

Alumni, faculty, and staff have ideas about the correlation. They say the Latin America program — originally in Santiago, Chile, and now in Buenos Aires, Argentina — is designed in a way that encourages the development of a compassionate, global perspective and that the goals of the students who are attracted to Latin America naturally align with the mission of the Fulbright U.S. Student Program. The long list of its participants who have received one of the most selective and prestigious graduate fellowships to teach English or to conduct research around the world has become a point of pride for the relatively small study-away program. “Fulbright scholars are very rich evidence of the global commitment of our students and how the Buenos Aires study-away program is instrumental in fostering that commitment,” says Assistant Professor of Language and Culture Studies Rosario Hubert.

Trinity in Buenos Aires provides students at all levels of Spanish-language studies with strong academic, cultural, and co-curricular opportunities. All students take the Trinity core course, “Buenos Aires: The Urban Experience, Human Rights, and Cultural Production,” taught by Trinity Faculty-in-Residence Maria Silvina Persino; complete an academic internship or community-based volunteer project; live in a homestay with a family; and directly enroll in remaining courses at Argentine universities. While the program once had a focus on language immersion, a new beginner track taught in English increases access to more students.

“We usually have about 10 to 20 students study in Buenos Aires out of the 350 or so total who study away each year,” says Zachary Macinnes, study away outreach coordinator and adviser for Trinity in Buenos Aires. “The students who go to Latin America are looking for something a little more challenging, and they get a lot out of it. They may feel more comfortable about applying for a Fulbright to go to Mongolia for a year, for example, because they’ve done this program.”

Dean of Academic Affairs and Charles A. Dana Research Professor of Language and Culture Studies Anne Lambright, who was an adviser for students in the Santiago program and is now a faculty sponsor for the Buenos Aires program along with Hubert and Associate Professor of Educational Studies Andrea Dyrness, says she thinks that there “may be something intrinsic to the type of student who would choose to study” in Latin America. “The students may tend to be more intellectually curious or more open to different experiences, which I think are characteristics the Fulbright commissions look for.”

The Buenos Aires study-away program has a focus on human rights, and students are required to complete a one-credit internship that deeply involves them in the local community. “They work with human rights organizations and women’s rights organizations, or in disadvantaged communities, or with people with special needs,” Lambright says. “These experiences give the students an idea of the problems in the world and ways in which people are working to solve them. That gives them the curiosity to apply for a Fulbright grant, and it gives them a profile that is attractive to Fulbright.”

Many Trinity students who have gone on to receive Fulbright grants completed their time studying in Latin America with the desire to return to continue helping the communities they had come to know and love. “They have transformative experiences that make them want to go back,” Lambright says. “The students are driven, but not in a selfish way. They have a clear commitment to social justice and social change and are very aware that they have privileged positions, even if they didn’t come from privileged backgrounds. They translate that privilege to responsibility. Having an experience living and studying in Latin America really opens their eyes.”

Melody Mendoza Lins ’09 had the opportunity to intern at the Institute of
Women in Santiago. “I participated in a joint effort to create workshops aimed at educating Peruvian immigrant women about sexual and reproductive health, domestic violence, and their rights as workers,” Lins says. “It was incredibly fulfilling for me to witness how my contribution to education allowed the women to recognize the independence they have over their bodies and the importance of voicing their concerns.” Lins graduated from Rutgers Law School last year, recently passed the New York and New Jersey bar exams, and now works in the Appellate Division of the New Jersey Superior Court. “My experiences studying abroad definitely inspired and prepared me to embark on my Fulbright journey and have shaped my career and who I have become,” she says.

While most of Trinity’s Fulbright recipients have received English Teaching Assistantship grants, Jessica Cote ’12 won a research grant. “In Buenos Aires, I developed a solid sense of independence and self-confidence. These traits not only helped me to navigate the city and culture during my semester abroad but also later enabled me to design my Fulbright research project with only minimal guidance from mentors and then pitch my project idea to various research groups in Chile to obtain support from a host institution,” Cote says. “My time in Trinity’s study-away program helped me to identify my main personal motivator in scientific research: to contribute to the world’s knowledge of health and disease.” Her project investigated whether consumption of the Chilean maqui berry — a fruit used medicinally for generations by the native Mapuche people in Chile — could prevent or slow the onset of neurodegeneration. Cote is now a Ph.D. candidate in the Neuroscience Graduate Program at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

A demonstrated interest in a different culture and a passion for helping others are certainly among the qualities that are assessed in every Fulbright applicant, says Trinity Director of Fellowships Anne Lundberg, who helps students connect with graduate fellowship opportunities. “Fulbright evaluates applicants on characteristics including maturity, motivation, and personal stability,” Lundberg says. In addition to possessing strong communication skills in English and the proper language qualifications for the destination country, applicants must provide evidence of their ability to adapt well to another culture. “Those who have studied abroad have shown that through the successful completion of their program,” Lundberg says.

The application process involves a project proposal and personal statement that explain “what you are planning to do and what motivates you to do it,” Lundberg says, as well as three letters of recommendation. Another consideration is the impression the candidate will make abroad as a citizen representing the United States. “Fulbright grantees are considered by the U.S. government to be ‘cultural ambassadors’ for the United States, so you’re trying to make an argument for yourself about how you would represent the best of American culture and American values,” she says.

Lundberg believes that the large number of Fulbright grantees coming from the Latin America study-away programs casts a positive light not only on the individual students and the specific programs but also on Trinity as a whole. “Fulbright has developed a reputation and a prestige that reflects well on the kind of teaching that we’re doing and the opportunities that Trinity students have,” she says. “The faculty, staff, and administrators are very supportive and invested in helping students succeed.”

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ZACHARY MACINNES, STUDY AWAY OUTREACH COORDINATOR AND ADVISER FOR TRINITY IN BUENOS AIRES
Cynthia Koenig ’00 and her WaterWheel are making a difference in the developing world

BY MARY HOWARD
Cynthia Koenig ’00, founder and CEO of Wello, with a WaterWheel at a Gujurat, India, factory where the company made its first prototype.
Six hours a day. That’s the amount of time a woman or girl in the developing world spends fetching water for her family. The lost hours keep her from attending school and engaging in income-producing activities that could pull her and her family out of poverty. Often she is traveling long distances carrying water in a five-gallon jug on her head. That’s more than 40 pounds of pressure on her neck and spine.

These facts do not sit well with Cynthia Koenig ‘00, founder and CEO of Wello, a company based in New York City and Mumbai, India, that works to improve the developing world’s access to clean water.

Wello’s flagship product is the WaterWheel, a 13-gallon rolling drum that transports up to four times the amount of water possible with the traditional method of head loading. It also hygienically stores and dispenses water. And because the barrel is attached to an ergonomic handle, “it’s as easy to push as a baby stroller,” says Koenig. “By using a WaterWheel, a woman regains 36 hours in her week.” It also saves women from pain and injury caused by head loading.

Koenig first encountered the global water crisis shortly after graduating from Trinity College with a degree in anthropology. She was working with an ecotourism company and living in remote villages in Guatemala and Mexico. With wells typically a 20- to 30-minute walk away, Koenig struggled to get enough water. “It struck me: How can anyone hope to get ahead if they can’t meet their most basic needs?”

The experience stayed with Koenig and led her to the University of Michigan, where she earned M.B.A. and M.S. degrees through the Erb Institute, billed on the university’s website as a partnership between the Ross School of Business and the School of Natural Resources and Environment.

“I was intrigued with the idea of business as a solution to intractable social problems, like the global water crisis,” she says.

The inspiration for a rolling water device came to Koenig on an exploratory trip to India in 2010. “What was supposed to be a three-month trip became a full-time job,” she says. With a $100,000 Grand Challenges Canada prize, she launched an 18-month design process, relying on input from villagers in the desert region of Rajasthan, India. “Our early ideas were all over the place — from water-carrying balloons to ergonomic panniers for donkeys.” But what resonated most with the villagers was the idea of a rolling carrier.

Though initially founded as a nonprofit in 2011, Wello soon evolved into a hybrid social venture by incorporating for-profit companies in India and the United States. “Nonprofits are not designed for efficiency because of the continuous need to fundraise,” says Koenig. “A for-profit model was the best option to meet Wello’s goal of making our products widely available at an affordable price.”

While the nonprofit side of Wello raises awareness of the dangers of head loading, the for-profit side develops and sells products to consumers through third parties, such as aid agencies or government initiatives. “When people make choices in a market economy, they are deliberately choosing the solution that best meets their needs,” says Koenig.

This business model has proven successful. Since unveiling the WaterWheel in 2016, Wello has sold approximately 10,000 units, impacting more than 75,000 lives. In February 2017, the company licensed India sales and manufacturing of the WaterWheel to Mumbai-based Nilkamal, Asia’s largest manufacturer of molded plastic products. “We anticipate that by leveraging Nilkamal’s expertise in manufacturing and widespread pan-India distribution network, they will better serve the market of more than 250 million rural consumers across India, who lack reliable access to safe water,” says Koenig.

After spending much of the last five years in India, Koenig is now based in New York City, growing the business with
new products — like a filter that purifies water as it rolls in the WaterWheel — and expansion into Africa and other parts of the developing world.

Koenig never set out to be a social entrepreneur. Nor did she come to Trinity to study anthropology. “I didn’t even know what it was,” she says. But the study of human societies and cultures proved to be a practical choice. “It gave me multiple lenses — political, economic, cultural — with which to view the world,” she says. “I realized we are more similar than dissimilar.”

Koenig’s adviser, Professor of Anthropology James Trostle, was particularly influential in inspiring her “to get curious about the world and take risks,” she says. Trostle was impressed with Koenig for “the clarity of her focus on applied international development issues.” At his urging, she studied sustainable international development in Costa Rica and taught English in China after graduation. “Both experiences were instrumental in shaping my future,” she says. “I developed a love of travel and learning about new cultures, as well as the confidence to follow a nontraditional career path.”

By her own admission, Koenig’s success — launching a design and innovation company in a foreign country with no design or manufacturing experience — is an unlikely one. “But I didn’t need those skills at the start,” she says. “My background in anthropology and business was ideal for Wello’s discovery and design stages.” As the business matured, so did her skill set and her team.

Michael Gordon, Koenig’s mentor and a University of Michigan business professor, agrees that Koenig’s success is exceptional. “Very few social entrepreneurs have built a successful enterprise in a foreign country and then negotiated an exit strategy, like Cynthia did with Nilkamal.” And Gordon should know. He recently interviewed more than 100 social entrepreneurs for his soon-to-be-published book, What I Wish I Knew Then: Becoming a Social Entrepreneur.

“There were a lot of sleepless nights,” says Koenig on starting her business. With few models to follow and having to negotiate the bureaucracy of another culture, she learned to be patient and to trust her instincts. She urges other would-be social entrepreneurs to gain firsthand experience with the problems they are trying to solve.

When not working on solutions to the world’s water crisis, Koenig is climbing other mountains. Literally. Later this year, she will join an expedition to scale Mount Aconcagua, South America’s highest peak. 🩺
Newly completed facilities enhance Trinity experience for athletes and spectators alike.

BY RHEA HIRSHMAN

Fans enjoy a Bantam baseball game at Murren Family Field at DiBenedetto Stadium.
Sitting in a place of honor on a shelf in the office of Thomas DiBenedetto ’71, P’08, ’12, ’13, ’15, ’17 is one of his most cherished possessions: the game ball from the last football game he played at Trinity, a 24–14 win over rival Wesleyan in the fall of 1970, with DiBenedetto in the middle linebacker position.

Beating Wesleyan was thrilling. But what DiBenedetto says he remembers most about Trinity athletics is how hard he and his teammates worked, how much they depended on each other, and how they pushed each other to reach their full potential both on and off the field.

Now, more than four decades after taking home that prized football, DiBenedetto, chairman of Jefferson Waterman International, remains committed to Trinity athletics. Most recently, he is among a group of Trinity alumni, parents, and friends who have supported a completed $6.2-million project — the Fields of Excellence — to relocate and build new fields for Trinity’s programs in baseball, softball, and soccer; DiBenedetto’s name adorns the baseball stadium. Fundraising is ongoing for the fields, which were dedicated on April 1, as well as for a $4.5-million project that renovated Jessee/Miller Field, which was ready for play in fall 2016, and created new soccer fields, which will be used starting in the fall.

Another of the project’s key donors was Jim Murren ’83, who played varsity baseball at Trinity and today is a member of the College’s Board of Trustees and chairman and CEO of MGM Resorts International. The new baseball field bears Murren’s name. “My company specializes in ‘place making,’ creating environments and experiences for people to communicate, engage, and be inspired,” he says. “Open spaces such as these fields are vital to the college experience.”

In that spirit, says Mike Renwick, Trinity’s director of athletics, the planning for the fields focused both on creating state-of-the-art athletic facilities and enhancing the overall student experience. The fields — two natural grass (softball and soccer) and one turf — provide a superior playing experience for varsity teams. The turf baseball field will also allow greater opportunities for recreational and club use during the fall, and improved lighting provides greater flexibility in game scheduling. For spectators, there’s more comfortable seating and easier-to-read scoreboards, and a hardwired Internet connection allows for improved live streaming for those who cannot attend.

Athletics have long been an integral part of a Trinity education. Currently, about one-third of the student body is involved in varsity sports, while a significant number also play in intramural activities within the campus and/or club sports in competition with other schools.

“Athletics are part of the fabric of daily life at the College,” says Joseph “JP” Marra ’90, principal of Blue Elephant Capital Management, who played both soccer and baseball at Trinity and is another supporter of the Fields of Excellence project. “We are a small school, and the playing fields are right in the middle of campus. Athletes are not separated from the rest of campus life.”

Current athletes are pleased with the new fields. Economics major Johnny Stamatis ’19, an infielder on the varsity baseball team who has played ball since he was 4, says his teammates are grateful every time they set foot on the new fields. He is particularly enthusiastic about what the improvements will mean for recruiting.

“Anyone who tours the campus or comes to watch a game will be impressed with the quality of the athletic complex,” Stamatis says. “The new baseball field will increase interest among top high school players who want to play at the next level.”

For Rachael Smith ’18, an anthropology major and biology minor who is a pitcher and co-captain for varsity softball,
the relocation of the softball field means greater visibility for her sport. Like Stamatis, she has been involved with athletics for most of her life and, like many of her fellow student-athletes, is also engaged in numerous other campus activities, including mentoring first-year Trinity students and local schoolchildren and working as a lifeguard.

“Our student-athletes take advantage of the entirety of what the college experience is meant to be,” says Renwick, adding that Trinity’s membership in the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) puts the College in the company of 10 other highly selective schools that believe in athletic programs that support each school’s educational mission.

Smith notes that her grades tend to improve during softball season. “Our coaches understand that academics come first,” she says. “That being said, if you don’t budget your time to study for an exam, that doesn’t mean that you can skip practice. Being an athlete actually keeps me more on top of my academic work.”

DiBenedetto echoes those sentiments, noting that in his senior year, he was working on and off campus and doing a thesis, as well as playing football. Both DiBenedetto and Marra said they’ve carried the lessons of time management, teamwork, discipline, honorable competition, and accountability through their lives and careers.

Marra, who confesses to being “a little bit jealous” of the student-athletes now using the facilities his generosity helped build, explains his enthusiasm for the project this way: “What I look back on is the opportunity for growth and camaraderie and the culture of accountability within the team about what you accomplish in the classroom and how you act both on and off the field.”

And, as for why he supported the Fields of Excellence project, DiBenedetto, whose five sons have worn the blue and gold, says he has always cherished his liberal arts education. “Learning through the Socratic method teaches you to think on your feet and communicate clearly,” he says. “Athletics and academics both taught me mental preparation and focus. And the lessons about strategy that I learned on the field have been central to my career success.

If having better facilities can provide the entire Trinity community a better place to play sports and to develop their potential, I gain a lot of satisfaction from helping make those facilities a reality.”

For more information about the Fields of Excellence and how you can support the project, please contact Assistant Director of Leadership Giving Shannon Malloy at shannon.malloy@trincoll.edu or (860) 297-4232.
Men’s squash tri-captain Affeeq Ismail ’17 closed his collegiate career as the all-time winningest player in Trinity men’s squash history, with 77 wins and just 12 losses.
ATHLETICS

WOMEN’S SQUASH
Trinity’s women’s squash team, coached by Wendy Bartlett in her 33rd season, finished with a 16–3 record, won its 11th consecutive NESCAC title, and finished third in the CSA National Team Championships (Howe Cup) at Princeton University. The Bantams swept through the league tournament at Amherst College with 9–0 wins over Colby, Bates, and Williams and blanked Stanford 9–0 in the Howe Cup quarterfinals before falling to Penn in the semifinals. Trinity rallied to win 7–2 at Princeton to earn third place. Trinity junior Raneem Sharaf and first-year Vanessa Raj were named to the CSA All-American First Team, while fellow Bantam rookies Salma Alam El Din and Lakeesha Rarere graced the CSA All-American Second Team. Raj also was named as the NESCAC Women’s Squash Rookie of the Year and joined senior co-captain Anna Kimberley and Sharaf on the All-NESCAC First Team, while junior Omar Allaudin, and Craig each garnered All-NESCAC Second Team honors.

MEN’S SQUASH
The Trinity College men’s squash team completed another historic season in 2016–17, finishing with a 19–1 record, winning its 11th consecutive New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) Championship title, and capturing the College Squash Association (CSA) National Team Championship (Potter Trophy) title for the 16th time in the last 19 years. The Bantams, coached by Paul Assaiante in his 23rd season, defeated Pennsylvania 8–1 and St. Lawrence 7–2 in the Potter Trophy quarterfinals and semifinals, respectively, before winning at Harvard 5–4 in the CSA finals. Senior tri-captain Afteeq Ismail won a third consecutive CSA National Singles Championship B Division (Molloy) title. Junior tri-captain Rick Penders and sophomores Michael Craig and Thoboki Mohohlo were each named to the CSA All-American First Team, while Ismail graced the CSA All-American Second Team. Mohohlo also was selected as the NESCAC Men’s Squash Rookie of the Year and joined Penders and junior James Evans on the All-NESCAC First Team, while Ismail, junior Omar Allaudin, and Craig each garnered All-NESCAC Second Team honors.

MEN’S ICE HOCKEY
The Trinity men’s ice hockey team, led by Head Coach Matt Greason ’03 in his sixth season, finished with a 21–7–3 overall record and third in the NESCAC with an 11–5–2 league mark. The Bantams won their second consecutive NESCAC title with a 4–1 win against Tufts, a 4–2 victory against Williams at Hamilton, and a 3–2 win in overtime at Hamilton, qualifying for the NCAA Division III Championship Tournament for the third year in a row. Trinity downed

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Plattsburgh State 4–1 in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament and edged Endicott 2–1 in double overtime in the quarterfinals to reach the NCAA Division III Frozen Four in Utica, New York, for the second time in three seasons. Trinity defeated St. Norbert 3–2 in the semifinal round before falling 4–1 to Norwich in the finals to finish as the NCAA Division III national runner-up.

Trinity first-year defenseman Liam Feeney was named to 2016–17 United States College Hockey Online (USCHO.com) Division III Men’s Ice Hockey National All-Rookie Team, while senior forward Sean Orlando was selected for the New England Hockey Writers Division II/III New England All-Star Team. Junior forward Anthony Sabitsky received All-NESCAC First Team honors, and Orlando graced the All-NESCAC Second Team.

WOMEN’S ICE HOCKEY
Trinity’s women’s ice hockey team, led by Head Coach Keith Maurice in his second season, finished with a 9–13–3 overall record and in fourth place in the NESCAC with an 8–6–2 mark against the league. The Bantams lost to Amherst 2–0 in the NESCAC quarterfinals.

MEN’S BASKETBALL
The Bantam men’s basketball team, led by Head Coach James Cosgrove in his seventh season, finished with a 16–10 overall record and tied Wesleyan for fourth place in the NESCAC with a 6–4 mark against the league. Trinity downed the Cardinals on the road 51–49 in the NESCAC quarterfinals, courtesy of a last-second basket by senior co-captain center/forward Ed Ogundeko, before falling to Middlebury at Tufts 76–60 in the league semifinals.

Ogundeko was named to both the D3Hoops.com and the DIII News All-American Honorable Mentions, the D3Hoops.com All-Northeast Region First Team, the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Division III All-District Second Team, and the NESCAC All-Conference First Team. Ogundeko was selected for the Reese’s NABC Division III College All-Star Game played on March 18 prior to the NCAA Division III finals in Salem, Virginia, and scored 14 points with 12 boards to help the East All-Stars to a 139–116 victory.

MEN’S SWIMMING AND DIVING
Trinity’s men’s swimming and diving team posted a best-ever, seventh-place finish and its highest point total (617) at the NESCAC Championship Meet. The Bantams were 7–3 in dual meets this winter, after going 2–7–1
in 2015–16, and set 14 new team records. Trinity Head Coach Carlos Vega, in his third season, was named as the NESCAC Coach of the Year for the first time in his career; he also is the first Trinity coach to win the honor. Sophomore Nikola Kostic and first-year Liam Egan earned All-NESCAC honors thanks to their performances at the NESCAC Championships. Kostic was third in the 1,000-yard freestyle with a Trinity-record time of 9:32.41, and Egan was the 200-yard freestyle runner-up with a College-record time of 1:39.69.

WOMEN’S INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
Trinity’s women’s indoor track and field team, coached by George Suitor in his 25th season, finished 24th in the New England Division III Championships at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and 28th in the New England Open Championships at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center. Sophomore Anna Barnes placed fourth in the mile run with a time of 5:06.52, and first-year Katie Marlow-Benedick claimed eighth in the 200-meter run with a finals time of 26.27 to give the Bantams two All-New England honorees at the New England Division III Meet. Barnes followed up with a sixth-place time in the 800-meter run in the New England Open Championships to collect All-New England Open honors as well.

MEN’S INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
The Trinity men’s indoor track and field team, also coached by George Suitor, finished 22nd in the New England Division III Championships at Tufts University. Sophomore Jack McInnis placed fifth in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.63, and junior captain Kyle Larsson was seventh in the 600-meter run with a time of 1:23.46 to give the Bantams two All-New England honorees at the event.

ALL-SPORTSMANSHIP TEAM
Eight Trinity College winter athletes were named to the 2016 NESCAC All-Sportsmanship Team for their positive contributions to sportsmanship. Those honored were: men’s squash junior Omar Allaudin, men’s basketball senior co-captain Chris Turnbull, women’s basketball senior co-captain Kaitlin Lewis, men’s ice hockey senior T.J. Sherman, women’s ice hockey senior captain Allie Bravi, women’s squash senior co-captain Anna Kimberley, men’s swimming and diving senior Joseph Paine, and women’s swimming and diving first-year Audrey Ettinger.

The NESCAC All-Sportsmanship Team recognizes student-athletes from each varsity sport who have demonstrated outstanding dedication to sportsmanship. These student-athletes exhibit respect for themselves, teammates, coaches, opponents, and spectators. They display sportsmanship, not only as a participant in their sport but also as a spectator and in their everyday lives. Through their positive actions and example, these student-athletes inspire others to adhere to the quality of sportsmanship that the NESCAC and the NCAA endorse. Of the 85 individuals honored this winter, 11 were also recognized as All-NESCAC honorees in their respective sports.

The All-Sportsmanship Team was created by the NESCAC Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), which serves as the liaison between the student-athletes of NESCAC member institutions and conference administrators. The committee provides a voice to represent the concerns of all student-athletes and to discuss issues impacting student-athlete welfare. The NESCAC SAAC represents all students who participate in intercollegiate athletics and promotes and celebrates student-athletes’ achievements.
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Over the last couple of weeks, I have tried to locate as many of my classmates as possible. I found many to be fit and “with it” guys who are still able to articulate political and social issues and appreciate the values and quality of life. At the same time, others struggle with words and ideas as aging clouds their minds. As we close in on our late 80s and 90s, we will just have to see what happens. We can see the changes and enjoy all the interesting things around us, including our bond with friends at Trinity. Life is worth living as long as we can appreciate it.

Stan Anderson called me to say that Bill Hardy had died. Stan had remained a good friend of Bill, and they often traveled together. Bill and I were roommates and skied together while at Trinity. He was an usher at my wedding as I was at his. He is survived by his lovely wife, Leslie.

I recently talked to Dave Edwards, interrupting a family gathering. Dave was planning a trip to California. He remains one of the leaders of our class along with Jerry Hansen. They both continue to be great supporters of Trinity and good friends. Speaking of Jerry, he continues to populate Trinity with generations of Hansens. This remarkable family has gone into medicine, the law — just about every worthwhile profession. It would be interesting to find out all of the families who sent generations of family members to Trinity and how they turned out.

Do our readers remember Fred Kirschner? He was in just about every organization at Trinity and was a class leader. He went into the meat-packaging business; his major in economics enhanced his business. He has retired and is living in a small town in Nebraska enjoying life.

Talked to a caregiver for Steve Presser, who is a retired Episcopal priest. Steve is in failing health, but Connie is taking good care of him.

Had a conversation with Dr. Mike Daly, who is alive and well and living in Minnesota. Mike seems in good health with five children and 15 grandchildren. He hasn’t been back to Trinity in more than 50 years, but he has fond memories of our alma mater. I really enjoyed our talk after all those years.

Got ahold of John Friday after New England’s big snow — over two feet. We ended with a lengthy discussion of our president (Trump) without dissent — I will say no more.

My final discussion was with Mort Rosenberg, who in record time got his master’s and Ph.D. As history buffs, we both thought Thompson and George Cooper were some of the finest historians ever; I would add Shaw. Mort taught at several universities and spent the last 22 years teaching American and European history. He also taught in Europe and owns a residence in London. I think it would be a great idea for one of our Reporters to really do a bio of a truly interesting scholar.

Jim Bulmer wrote: “Hi, Dick. Just received the latest Trinity Reporter and was pleased to read about several classmates. Unfortunately, there’s more in the obit section these days. As for me, life has been kind. Retired from Sports Illustrated as an ad salesman in December of 1986. In June of 1992, Phyllis and I moved to our home in Vermont full time where we added some major space. Spent two years finishing off the interior. Quite a project. Joined the board of the local senior center in 1994 and served six years, the last four as president. Then it was on to the Lucy Mackenzie Humane Society, where I served on the board for seven years, the last five as president. During that time, we raised $2 million and built a new shelter. For those of you unfamiliar with obtaining new construction permits in Vermont, trust me, it’s a nightmare. Finally, when I retired from Lucy Mac, I retired, period. Let the younger folks pick up the ball. As for travel, we’ve done our share and have enjoyed it immensely. We’ve done river trips on the Danube, the Nile, and of all places on the Amazon at its far western end. Play golf here in Woodstock and still manage to break 100 occasionally.

Year and a half ago, we adopted a yellow Lab rescue dog, Kevin, who has turned into a most valued member of the family. He’s all of 9 years old going on 2. We love him a bunch. Lots of snow this winter, but seems to be warming up fairly quickly. 50-plus degrees today. As for family, I’m afraid they all went west. Our daughter, one granddaughter, and grandson live in Ashland, Oregon, and other granddaughter is an architect practicing in San Francisco. Our son lives outside of Boise, Idaho, with his son. As you might guess, visits when they occur are busy, happy affairs. Hope this is of interest and helpful. Best to all in the
I spoke with Charles Barboni for the first time last evening. Charlie was three years older than most of our class and now is in his 90s. He was at Trinity when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor and he joined the Army. He went through OCS and ended up in Europe. After the war, he returned to Trinity and graduated in 1951 and as a reserve officer was called up in the Korean War. He remained in the Army until he retired as a major. He studied engineering at Rensselaer and was quickly picked up by ITT in New York, where he had a distinguished business career traveling widely. He is retired in Delaware, Ohio.

Had a conversation with Jim deKay. As many of you know, Jim is an author and has written naval books over the years. Jim has told me how different it is to think out a story line for a book. He is a very interesting person to talk with. I hope he can get one more book done.

Phil Trowbridge, re the Goralski Fund; the Goralski Scholarship was awarded to Josh Brito ’20 from Wayland, Massachusetts. Josh is a computer science major and is on the football team, which was undefeated and became the NESCAC champions. Phil will meet Josh at the Scholars Reception on April 6 at the College. Phil also is interested in our 65th Reunion in June and is looking forward to exchanging a few stories with those of you (and I hope there are many) who will attend.

Now, on a sad note, our dear friend and classmate Edwin Shapiro died at age 86 on January 25. Ed led an accomplished life, having served as town justice for the town of Ossining, New York, from 1980 until his retirement in 2011, having won election seven times. After graduating from Trinity in 1952, Ed received his law degree from Harvard in 1955. Ed was an icon on the Trinity campus.

A note from Art Raybold disclosed he is at it again … suing on behalf of the Citizens’ Oversight of San Diego, for which he is a fundraiser for the California Public Utilities Commission, for allowing Con Ed and San Diego Gas & Electric to charge its customers $3.5 million for decommissioning the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. Come on now Art, don’t you have anything better to do in your retirement? Well, yes, Art does. He is a fundraiser for VOIEF (Veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, a very worthwhile cause about which you may wish to consult with Art).

Also, from out of the deep, I heard from Jacques Hopkins, who resides in Adamsville, Rhode Island (population 3,000 ... never heard of it). Jacques became an avid reader after he suffered a broken pelvis while engaging in a European bike trip. Now he gets his exercise listening to Swiss classical music. I’ll take that any day over biking.

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Thanks for your continued support. You guys are still amazing. Our ranks dwindle and just a brief note anytime will keep us up-to-date. The next deadline to get your information to me is June 21, 2017. My e-mail address, as always, is stanmac1@sbcglobal.net. Call me anytime at (713) 669-1830, or send me a note via snail mail at 3712 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX 77005.

Phil Mallon wrote: ‘Aging, but it ain’t over’till the fat lady sings’ ... neuropaathy and balance issues, but still swim laps ‘daily.’ Attended 50th reunion of first (1966) graduating class of Boca Raton High School, where I taught and coached etc. from 1963 till 1994, only former faculty member present, grateful to have had a job that I liked! Currently take two courses at a Florida university, also participate once weekly in a dialogue discussion group at local Socrates Café.

Love learning and meeting people, and no tests, no grades. Death of oldest granddaughter recently hurts badly ... not supposed to happen! Eileen and I (63 years married) still awed and enchanted by our oceanfront living in Highland Beach, Florida, and by each other! Would welcome an e-mail from Trinity friends of yore. Thanks to you, Stan, and to Dick and Joe for your efforts on our behalf over the years.”

Alan Moses wrote: “Thanks for your notes during our ‘vacation’ in the crummiest motel in Aiken, South Carolina! But it was safe and glad to return home on Tuesday. Fortunately, the power had just been turned back on but no phone, Internet, or cable until yesterday afternoon. We were very fortunate that we had no major damage to the house; tree on the porch and garage but no penetration. We did have considerable damage to our new dock. Pat’s boat floated away to the marsh up the creek, but she was able to retrieve it, and it still works. There’s lots of cleanup and little things to do. You can’t believe how many trees are down. We are just thankful we had no major damage, and with lots of rest periods, will get the mess cleaned up. But it is depressing to see what is left of trailer parks and less sturdy homes around here. Hurricanes are fun.”


Joe Wollenberger wrote: “My later-life partner, Ettie Delawie, and I are headed for a cruise in late March out of Miami which includes two days in Cuba. We never expected to be there in our travels. Lots of rain here in San Diego. We needed it badly. My multitude of doctors tell me I have many problems, but they are all under control. Who can ask for anything more?”

Jack Campbell wrote: “Nothing new to comment upon.”

Dick Lyford told me about his recent vacation. He and Diana were on a cruise to the Caribbean when she suffered a stroke and the cruise line off-loaded them at a small seaside port in Costa Rica. Fortunately, Dick was able to get in touch with his daughter in Denver. She got the details of the incident by a very expensive phone call to the ship. Dick got some translation help from a local cleaning woman, and arrangements were made to fly them back to Denver commercially. The good news is that Diana has no paralysis and is back playing bridge as we speak. Don’t turn down the insurance for your trip.”
Dick Libby was asked by his son to meet him in Lima, Peru. After a day in the city, they flew to Cusco for two days and then went to Machu Picchu. “We spent a glorious day there, climbing all over. We hiked out to the Inca Bridge, where, according to the log, I was the oldest person to register for the past year or so. It was an inspiring trip and a confidence builder as well as a challenge at almost any age.”

Richard Marshall writes that he and his wife, Kathy, have also been reaching new heights. They recently toured the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, and Zion Canyon. Last year they toured Sweden and Norway. Back at ground level, they have been playing a lot of golf in Bonita Springs, Florida, in the winter and in Oxford, Connecticut, in the summer. “Life is good,” he says.

Dick Hirsch reports that he is still writing a weekly column in Buffalo called Bifo Tales, a task he has been enjoying for more than 33 years. He selected and published 100 of his favorite columns in a 278-page hardcover anthology being sold for $26.95 and titled A New Bathhtub for the White House and Other Intriguing Tales. That title refers to one of the essays regarding the decline of tubs in favor of showers. “When William Howard Taft was elected president of the United States, he weighed over 350 pounds and could not fit in the tub. A new tub had to be installed for him.” Dick says that he has never lost his enthusiasm for finding and publishing such stories. He started his newspaper career at The Trinity Tripod, eventually becoming editor-in-chief.

We missed Susan and David Hoag, who have attended our Florida minis in the past. David has had some serious back operations recently, so he occasionally needs to cut back on travel. He continues to perform pulpit fill-in activity for pastor friends to give them relief from full preaching schedules. When able, David and Susan enjoy traveling, especially to France. It was great to have Lou and Bev Magelander with us, as they have been faced with some health issues. If it had not rained, Lou, Bob, Wade, and Lara Montford were going to put on a tennis clinic at Lou’s club (darn!). John and Gale D’Lury also stayed at the Oak Harbor complex for their Florida getaway. They try to time their arrival to attend the annual Trinity Vero Beach winter gathering so they can chat with President Joanne Berger-Sweeney. They give their high marks as to her early accomplishments and the all-inclusive community tone that has become a happy part of campus life. Would you believe Eugenia and Charlie Eberle gave serious consideration to coming from New Mexico to Vero Beach because they had such a good time last year? For those who can, put it on your calendar for the third week in February 2018 to be in Florida.

Barbara and Bob Welsh paid a long overdue visit to Beki and Hank Scheinberg, who have been close friends since Trinity days. A long Connecticut-to-LA trip, but it was a wonderful emotional reconnection.

Nathaniel Reed has published a new book, Travels on the Green Highway. An Environmentalist’s Journey. Nat writes, “It is a book that demonstrates the incredible value of a small group of dedicated men who combine their talents to work with a willing Congress to achieve … a lasting series of decisions.” Nathaniel’s wife, Alita, has shown abounding determination to defeat ongoing health challenges. Having recently recovered from back surgery, she was then hit by a stroke, but her doctors and strong PT care have brought her back, preparing to travel this spring to their oldest grandchild’s college graduation from Goucher College.

From the Alumni Office: Bruce Whitman has received an award from the Congressional Medal of Honor Society for dynamic leadership as co-chairman and prior chairman of the Medal of Honor Foundation. The award was presented held during the Circle of Honor Dinner held at the New York Stock Exchange on March 23, 2017.

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three East Coast daughters and families. Two weeks later, David returned to “babysit” John while John’s wife, Susan, was away on a Greek and Adriatic cruise to Venice with their two daughters.

David Hoare was also anticipating a full house for Thanksgiving at his home in New York state, with 15 guests — family and friends — and a 26-pound turkey. David is on the search committee for a new minister for his church.

Charlie Stehle and I talked recently, and he told me his son Causten ’88 had just moved to Wilmington, North Carolina, from White Plains, New York, and loves the variety in the town plus the excellent beaches nearby. Causten is a consultant to several New York book publishers and finds he can work anywhere in this age of the computer connection. Charlie’s grandson just started his freshman year at West Chester University in southeastern Pennsylvania. In addition, he continues to work on his book, now nearing completion, about the Lakota Sioux Indians in the 19th century and his ancestor Col. Maynadie.

I talked with Dave Renkert on his way to Hartford for the Trinity-Tufts game. He was in fine form, combining this trip with a chance to go to his high school (The Gunnery in Washington, Connecticut), to visit with one of his cousins who lives near Avon, and, of course, to go to the game. Dave still regularly goes to his office (insurance) in Canton, Ohio, but mostly to stay connected and offer encouragement. We both lamented the sorry state of the fraternity scene on our campus (particularly at our house).

Ken Weisburger wrote me with an update on his life since I saw him last June at our Reunion. He was having back problems at that time and was facing another operation to correct the problem, evidently with limited success. Otherwise, he seemed the same, upbeat, resilient kind of guy I have always loved and admired.

My final contact was with Skip Beardsell, who called me from his home in Clinton, New York. Skip has been remarkably active (for an 82-year-old) as a full-time volunteer with the EMT service in his town. That means he is on call 24/7, going to accidents, fires, or medical emergencies, and must apply first aid and get the victim to a hospital ASAP. He told me he holds the record for the most elderly full-time EMT in his county and had been out on 225 emergency calls up through the end of August. He started all of this five years ago and loves it and feels he is giving back significantly. Indeed, he is. Skip and wife Libby still go to Martha’s Vineyard every summer, where his children join them for a few weeks of beach and boating and sun (and good seafood). And they had a week in Palm Springs last April, loved the area, hiked in the canyons, and took a trip to NYC for fun.

As for me, I continue to teach at VMI in my town (Lexington, Virginia), where I am the second oldest on the faculty, and when not in the classroom, I continue to paint landscapes of the lovely countryside around us (the Shenandoah Valley). My wife, Sunny, and I took a Viking River Cruise on the rivers around Bordeaux, France, in September, and I can recommend it highly. They do a good job.

Finally, I regret to inform you all that George Stone died in December. Donations, to Trinity College or to St. Jude Research Children’s Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, would be welcomed in his honor.

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Jerry Channell and Mary are aging gracefully in Texas, but they doubt that they will be able to join us in June.

Stephan von Molnar’s wife, Jean, passed away a year ago. His health has improved of late thanks to physical therapy and a cane. He holds the title emeritus professor at Florida State University and receives an NSF grant. The Baron looks forward to joining us for Reunion.

Ron Foster still lives in Southern California and remains active in the financial world. We can provide him with a booth on the quad on June 9 where he can peddle securities.

Jim Bradley traveled with Patty Maloney on a tour of Krakow, Budapest, Vienna, Prague, and Berlin. They took a side trip to Auschwitz-Birkenau, where unspeakable and lethal harm was inflicted upon Jews and other so-called “undesirables.”

Frank Bulkley will most likely be unable to join us in June. He and his wife of 62 years, “Sal,” (not a typo) sold their boat so that he could battle bladder cancer. Frank hopes to make our 65th.

Dave Murray is still enjoying The Villages, flying, pickleball, dabbling in the practice of law, and playing golf. He also traveled to Greece during the past year.

Ron LaBella and Dee, Bryan Bunch, Steve Letcher, Jack Daniels, and Stu Ferguson are hoping to be with us in June.

Finally, I decided to retire as general counsel of Bartlett Tree at the end of 2016 after a run of some 46 years. I remain on the board of the company, plus an officer and director of two affiliates of the company. Carroll and I plan to leave Darien and split our time between our house on the slopes of the Bromley Mountain Ski Area in Vermont and our condo in Sarasota.

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Trinity Fund Goal: $30,000  

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Mike Zob is on the move. He’s giving up his beachside domicile in Massachusetts and moving into Boston. He is also selling his Key West winter retreat primarily because maintaining two residences has become more complicated than comfortable. He is back on the bike and in the gym and still does some part-time work with the Road Scholar program. He restates what a pleasure he has in his grandchildren. On world affairs, he says, “Not sure I will live long enough to see us come out of the current mess in which we find ourselves and dread the Supreme Court appointments I see on the horizon.”

“Cape Cod weather is a disaster, and Fort Walton Beach is drowning,” wrote Jim Studley. He sees Art Polstein often and enjoys the annual Trinity gathering on the Cape. He cites the fact that Jerry Hansen keeps him informed about Trinity happenings. Of Jerry, Jim says, “He is a great Trin man.”

Some great advice for us all from Alan Krupp’s website. It says, “Identifying now as a biker, golfer, kayaker, and writer.” Alan and partner Skippy divide their time between Auburndale, Massachusetts, and Merritt Island, Florida. He says that his failing eyesight is an issue but does not preclude the physical activities. He said, “I can see where I am going, where the ball goes, and where the kayak cruises, even if my brain doesn’t remember it.” He is still living in Lasell Village, where it is understood that residents are culturally and physically involved — 450 hours a year of educational activities, with no tests or term papers!

A correction: In the winter issue, we referred to Dave Renard’s 40-year marriage to his late wife, Annette. In fact, they were married for 50 years.

Gary Bogli says he had a busy year. Indeed! January in four Florida locations and 5,000 driven miles, including the women’s Final Four won by the UConn Lady Huskies. They visited with Frank Popowics ’57 and then spent a week on Cape Cod with family. A surprise 80th birthday party recently and some family skiing in January. He laments the fact that a Connecticut drought closed his favorite fishing streams. As our class president, he charges us all to start planning now for our 60th Reunion in 2018. Our 60th? Good grief!

The Thompsons continue on in South Florida. Yours truly keeps busy with biking, long walks with Shirley, and the presidency of
our residential HOA board. In addition, I serve as a trustee of the Gulf Stream School. Around here in Palm Beach, we have a new president who comes to the “Winter White House” almost weekly. Even though Ringling Brothers dumped its elephants and folded their tents, we have the “Trump Circus,” and there are myriad elephants in tow.

In addition, I serve on our residential HOA board. In May, after 57 years of marriage, Pete and Marlene are living in Gainesville, Virginia. They have four sons and 12 grandchildren. Pete is still active in pursuing his favorite historical figure, George Washington. He had an article on Washington published in the December issue of American History Magazine. Pete has become an expert on the Hamilton-Burr duel in comparing the recent play with the reality of the subject. Along this line, he is giving a talk on the subject of Colonial Williamsburg at the end of March.

Last January, yours truly and Emilee relocated to Bethesda, Maryland. This was prompted by two items, a gentleman knocking on our front door near Greenville, Delaware, who wanted to buy our house and the prospect of our son and family moving to Washington, D.C., in the not-too-distant future. So far, things have gone well.

Doug Frost says he is still active with MICA (Maryland Institute College of Art). Also, Bill Abeles, after 57 years of employment, has finally retired in Hagerstown, Maryland. Interestingly, Bill was also a high school classmate of both Pete Henriques and Doug Frost. Bill has seven grandchildren ranging in age from 15 to 28. The grandchildren’s geographic locations range from New York to Montana; Boston; Lexington, Virginia; and Hagerstown, Maryland.

As noted by a number of classmates, the major event during this year for Trinity’s Class of 1959 was attaining 80 years of age. This was first recognized and transmitted to me by Shep Scheinberg. Others who recognized the importance of such included Charlie Beristain, Charlie Nichols, Arnold Lieber, Art Judge, Curt Case, Dixon Harris, George Graham, Doug Frost, Bill Abeles, Paul Kardon, Paul Campion, Jon Widing, Tim Horne, Ted Taylor, Bobbie Brian, Bob Harnish, and several others whose names have slipped by.

Greetings, Trinity ’59 classmates!

Robert D. Coykendall, William H. Pfeffer

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At this time of year (February), I look forward to hearing from our classmates about what has been happening in their lives and to learn about their summer plans.

Bud Anderson offers information about the annual AD/fraternity party hosted last fall by Bill Scully ’61 in Florida. Bud and Gina drove from South Carolina with Ray and Roberta Beech. They stayed with George Graham ’59 and met up with the usual Trinity grads ... Jim Price ’59, Doug Tansill ’61, Joe Colen ’61, Jud Roberts, and Dick Stockton. In February, Bud ran across more alumni, i.e., Doug Anderson ’62 and Joe Barnard ’65, while in Nuevo Vallarta, Mexico.

Bud Bergmann checked in with updated material, saying last November he had worked on a few of the buildings on his 95-acre farm in South Newfane, Vermont, by moving from the carriage house to the stable building. He hopes to rehab another building in the spring. All children are well. Susannah and husband Dave live north of Baltimore and own a construction company. A few years ago, Susannah had won a “chef of the year” award for the D.C. area. Joslyn, stonemason husband Greg, and son Max live in Falls Church, Virginia. Joslyn is homeschooling Max and learning Hebrew as she plans to convert to Judaism. Last year they spent a month in Israel. Son Jonathan and wife Trang, with their two children, live near Tulane University in New Orleans, where Jonathan owns a real estate company and Trang is a nurse. Her family was one of the last groups to be airlifted off the American Embassy at the end of the Vietnam War. Sarah, Bud’s youngest, lives in Seattle, holds a position with the Henry Art Gallery of the University of Washington and is engaged in other activities, such as her Pollinator Pathway work, which creates linked parks so that bees can move across communities. She has won noted awards and given TED talks based on this work.

“A lot has happened since I last connected,” Joe Broder recently e-mailed. Joe has retired from his law practice, built a lakefront house in East Haddam, Connecticut, and with wife Andi splits time between East Haddam and their place in West Palm Beach, Florida. He reports they have two grandchildren, 9 and 7, who are the delight of their lives. They have been to Australia, East Africa, Russia, China, Thailand, Croatia, Mexico, Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, and Belize. This year in the middle of February, they visited Tokyo, Macau, and Singapore. To make life more exciting and to fill in the travel gaps, they frequent Las Vegas.

“Life is good,” says Ernie Haddad. In retirement, Ern has maintained a busy schedule, including a healthy amount of pro bono professional and social activities in Boston. A hectic travel schedule is on their agenda, including Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Peru, as well as domestic travel to New York, spring training with son Barton to see the Red Sox in Fort Myers, and Southern California to visit son Scott ’90 and family. Then he and Nan visit Cuba for 12 days in April, and to round out the early summer, a New England trip with grandkids. The summer will be spent relaxing at Nan’s home on Squam Lake. Sounds like Golden Pond to me. Yes, life is good!

It was a busy summer last year for Bob and Faith Johnson as they moved from their home of 40 years to a lovely townhouse community a mile away. Bob says he will miss the one-acre lawn; however, oldest son Greg ’80, who moved into the old house, has assured him that he can come over anytime and cut the lawn just to keep his skill level sharp. Bob and Faith plan a road trip to Mount Rushmore this summer, which will be a scratch-off item from their bucket list. They also plan to visit granddaughter Lindsay, who will be a freshman at Michigan State.

A note from Bob Lockwood says he has moved to Brennans Moor, Water Mill, Long Island, New York. He is working on his 10th novel, Murdering Matisse, a fictional account of an Islamic jihadist attack on the Matisse Chapel in Vence, France. He is planning to attend the ADP conference with his son and reports in the winter he plays a little golf on Hutchinson Island with Vinny Stempel ’61.

Now, to the world of nonfiction, author David E. Hoffman, in his national bestseller The Billion Dollar Spy, gives credit to Barry Royden, “who authored an internal CIA monograph on the operation in the 1990s and was an early enthusiast for the book and a source of great insight.”

Looks like Ken and Judy Lyons will be on the road this summer due to construction on their condo. They plan to see Jules Worthington, Barry Royden, and Jim Gavin on their travels to Martha’s Vineyard, Washington, D.C., and Santa Fe.

I think my old freshman roommate, Charlie (“Chuck”) Middleton, thinks he might become bored if he retires as he reports, “Believe it or not, I have submitted my letter of intention to retire. I am willing to give them up to another six months. In other words, the end point could be next December. Good news is that I will not be bored in retirement.” Good luck, Chuck.

Tony Phillips, who is professor emeritus, Department of Painting, at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, was chosen by his Yale drawing teacher, Philip Pearlstein, to show with him at the Arts Council of Princeton exhibit in January, Philip Pearlstein: A Legacy
of Influence. Congratulations, Tony!

When Marv and Sarah Peterson arrived to ski at Big Sky on January 3, the temperature read minus 25 degrees and stayed that way all week. Too cold for Marv, but Sarah did venture out a few times. Once again, Margy and I missed the Petersons as we were at Big Sky over Christmas with our family. Bad planning over Christmas with our family. Bad planning missed the Petersons as we were at Big Sky over Christmas with our family. Bad planning.

Many, many thanks to all contributors. You make my job as your secretary a pleasure. Remember, keep the Class of 1960 spirit alive!

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Rich and varied reports reassure us that ’61ers are still active and creative.

Bert Draesel, a retired minister and longtime composer, has been mixing with show biz royalty. He’s written the music for Brush Strokes, a septuagenarian love story produced on Valentine’s Day at NYC’s York Theatre Company. Broadway, Film, and cabaret star Karen Akers headed the cast. Bert details his rich and varied musical and theological career at www.bertdraesel.com.

Lucien “Red Dog” Layne has broken decades of silence with a wide-ranging summary of his post-Trinity years and updates on several St. Anthony Hall fraternity brothers: “After graduation, Connie Gage and I joined the Marine Corps Reserve and headed off for Parris Island. This was quite a change from Trinity, but we lucked out with two very good drill instructors. Connie married a Swedish lass and lives in Geneva, Switzerland, and Vero Beach, Florida. He worked for many years selling nylon products for DuPont. After working in NYC as a security analyst, I moved to Denver in the early 1970s, where I started selling radio time. For the last 15 years, I have been selling in the promotional products business. Getting new customers by using the phone is a thing of the past. I am trying to learn the ins and outs of social media like LinkedIn and Facebook. I met my wife, Christine, in Vail, where we were both spring skiing. Chris owns a women’s consignment shop in Cherry Creek, selling upscale apparel. By good fortune, we live near three parks and the Denver Tennis Club, where we are members. Judge James Robart, who is challenging Trump’s rulings on immigration, was a classmate of Chris at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Washington. He is doing his school proud. P.S. Bill Ellyson practices law in Richmond, Virginia. Joe Humphreys also is a lawyer in Virginia, where he has a farm

that Scott and Macy Hill live on with their kids. I have been in touch via e-mail with Guy Dove, who splits his time between Vero Beach and Virginia.”

And Guy himself reports that he and wife Valerie enjoyed a Vero dinner with the Doug Tansills and Andy Forrester.

Ron Polstein writes from Victoria, British Columbia, “My wife, Juliania, and I continue to enjoy a somewhat quieter, peaceful lifestyle on the West Coast. Like many others, we have downsized during the past year, moving from a multilevel home to a one-level home. No physical problems necessitated this move. It just seemed like good planning for the future.”

George Tattersfield writes that he and his “best buddy,” a 90-pound Labrador retriever and therapy dog named Dickens, visit memory-care places about four times a week, “spending about an hour in each place just spreading love. We have been visiting one place for about 2 1/2 years, and I would estimate that all of the staff and 50 percent of the residents know Dickens by name and don’t know my name. He is a wonderful comfort for the patients who have fond memories of their own dogs. At first I found this to be a bit unnerving since I am the same age or even older. Now I accept it for what it is and feel good about bringing a bit of joy to folks who are on the downward slope with no hope of going back up. I find this very rewarding. Keep calm and carry on.”

Curt Turner has “added a pacemaker and subtracted a parathyroid gland” since he last checked in. Happy about the Patriots’ Super Bowl win and hopeful about the Red Sox, he asks, “What’s not to like, unless one dwells on politics?”

Your humble scribe and spouse, back from a fascinating trip to Nepal and India, would be happy to share information about our outstanding tour company.

Jordan Cram ’17, our Class of 1961 Scholar again this year, has taken full advantage of Trinity. In a letter of appreciation for our donations, the economics major notes that he has an economics tutor and teaching assistant, an elementary school mentor, and a frequent dance performer and has studied at Trinity’s Rome campus.

A reminder that our Scholarship Fund committee members are Bill Kahl, Peter Kreisel, and Vin Stempien.

Greetings, Class of 1962,

I open on a sad note: Tom Johnson wrote to share the news that in the summer of 2015, he and Ann suffered the death of their son Tom; another son, Scott, died in the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center. Warm memories of the young men comfort Tom and Ann, as do their daughter, Margaret, her husband, and their three children, who live near Tom’s seasonal home in Montclair, New Jersey. Also central in the parents’ lives are their son Tom’s two surviving children, 11-year-old Bella and 9-year-old Jasper. A busy work life helps: Tom is a corporate director at Banco Santander USA, with units as a commercial bank, an auto finance company, and a large private bank. Tom is still chairman of the Institute of International Education, which manages the Fulbright Scholar Program for the U.S. State Department; IIE also manages the Scholar Rescue Fund, which saves university scholars who are in jeopardy for speaking what they think is the truth in the dangerous places of the world. I personally feel very nervous when so knowledgeable a man as Tom adds, “I pray we will not need to rescue U.S. scholars for speaking their minds in the days ahead.”

Tom actively helps guide the 9/11 recovery efforts and urges us to visit the 9/11 Memorial and Museum, which had more than 4 million visitors in 2016.

Tom, Dave Strawbridge, and Fred Pryor, as well as Tom’s brother-in-law Scott Reynolds ’63, visited Don Carroll shortly before he passed away in the fall, bringing warm memories to him. Tom also sees Bill Richardson and Rod Day from time to time and occasionally plays golf with Peter Bundy.

Let me encourage you all to follow Tom’s lead and contact a classmate or two from our Trinity days, and then send me an update to share with the rest of the class! As we approach the 55th Reunion, you can help rev up spirit to make that a great success!

For those of you interested in good books to read, Bill Polk had recommended several books in a note he sent last year: Kent Haruf’s Our Souls at Night, Evan Osnos’s Age of Ambition: Chasing Fortune and Faith in the New China, Paul Kalanithi’s When Breath Becomes Air, and Ashley Hay’s The Railwayman’s Wife. Other suggestions or comments?

Don Pine shares news of his family. Daughters Nicola, Caitlin, and Alanya all live in Minneapolis. Nicola and wife Susan’s 9-year-old son, Felix, loves computers and the program Minecraft. Alanya and husband Robby’s 3-year-old, Ben, charms everyone and loves the outdoors. Don’s son Adam and wife Rebecca live in Duluth. Their 4-year-old, Dominic, is inseparable from his toy cars, and on visits to Don awakes early with the cry, “Gramps, are you ready to play cars with
me?” In July, Don and wife Sharon and their children’s families gathered in Minnesota; Felix caught the biggest fish, and the grandchildren played together constantly as the adults battled at Scrabble. The Pines traveled to France and Germany in the fall, visiting the Normandy beaches, hearing both sides’ perspectives on World War II. The Germans were very open about this dark period in their history; friendly interactions characterized the visit. Like many of us, the Pines are trying to downsize while coping with computers, cell phones, and the new technology. Fortunately, their garden delights them!

The passing seasons remind us of life’s cycle. In January, the College notified us of the death of Professor Michael Campo ’48, retired chair of the Department of Modern Languages. I remind a number of you of your roles as extras at the Bushnell opera productions, thanks to the efforts of Professor Campo to introduce us to Italian culture. Later Trinity students were able to enjoy the College’s Rome campus, also because of Dr. Campo’s efforts.

Here a mild winter is ending, and the Trinity campus starts greening in preparation for our return. Plan to attend! I’m looking forward to more news from you. Your reporter, Paul

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Greetings, Class of ‘63. This update of our class activities follows what has been for us an upsurge of memos informing us all of the deaths of several of our friends and companions from our days on campus so long ago. It has been a rough 12 months for us. You will find some of the obits of our departed classmates in the necrology section of this current Reporter. Because we have started reporting these passages (as we learn of them) through the e-mail lists that Tom Calabrese and the College Alumni Office maintain, I shall not be writing about these classmates other than to mention that such notices caused many of you to start communicating with one another through this broad medium. For instance, Errol Berman, Bill Hallin, Wally Burinskas, Jim Davison, Lee Chirgwin, Alan Elwell, Susan Stevenson W ’63, Bill Howland, Richard Birney-Smith, Dick Gooden, Tim Lenichek, Tom Fraser, Pete Sherin, Sandy Creighton, Bob Borgodna, Stan Marcus, and Emmett Miller were all moved to share some of their memories of the classmates who left us. This experience prompts me to add this thought: if you have not received the notices of deaths and remembrances through e-mails, it might be because Tom and the Alumni Office do not have your e-mail address. Write Tom at tomcall13@gmail.com, and get your contact information to him so that future notices will include you as well as the rest of the class.

Meanwhile, I did hear from several of you in response to my request for news for the magazine. From Tom Fraser: “Life is good when you like cars and racing!” A picture accompanied Tom’s note, showing him with Hélio Castroneves, three-time Indy winner, as the two of them attended a Roger Penske celebration in Charlotte.

From Lloyd Reynolds: “Every day is a blessing for those of us still vertical. Enjoy our wonderful memories; we have had fabulous times together with you all! Lee and I are having another wonderful winter here in Cape Canaveral. Keep in touch and stay well!”

From Henry Whitney: “You now have my e-mail address: marketteck@yahoo.com. I am off to the farm, which is 30 miles from the beach, and it is summer down here.” (Remem- ber, guys, Henry is back home in Argentina.)

From Henry May: “I drive 50 miles north to Trinity from our home in Essex, Connecticut, several times to watch sports and cheer on our teams. A great football season at 9–0. I watch all sports in all three seasons and often go to Trinity away games at nearby Wesleyan and Connecticut College. I enjoy talking with the players’ parents. They all love Trinity. Our son went to Amherst, his wife to Williams, and a daughter to Connecticut College, so I am true NESCAU fan.”

And from Scott Reynolds: “Peggy and I will be traveling to Naples, Florida, later this winter and on the way will be visiting with Tom alumni from Theta Xi fraternity. Tom Johnson, Fred Pryor, and Dave Strawbridge. We will be working on a project suggested by Jim Tozer to have two plaques placed to mark where the fraternity house once stood in two different locations on Vernon Street (ironically, one of the buildings is now the location of Campus Safety). This will be similar to the plaque Alpha Chi Rho placed further up the street marking its old house location. Hopefully, this project will be completed before the coming June Reunion when we hope that Theta Xis from all classes will come to celebrate the project.”

To the Class of 1963, blessings and peace and health to you all. Do try to keep in touch with one another! Michael Schuleenberg, masschulenberg@hotmail.com

Trinity Fund Goal: $100,000
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Jim Twerdahl continues to work but enjoys a slower pace and longer vacations. Instead of running companies, he now has a consulting practice assisting middle-market companies on growth, organizational, and exit strategies. He also helps early-stage companies raise capital and develop their management teams. He chairs a group of Young Presidents’ Organization members who mentor members of the Entrepreneurs’ Organization. He says the bar is always open for classmate who find themselves in Southern California.

Tom Cone plans to retire from teaching biology at Phillips Academy after 51 years. His students who have attended Trinity have always come back stating that they love the school. He will move from Andover, Massachusetts, to the Chapel Hill area of North Carolina after his retirement.

In December 2016, Mike Grossman taught his last class in the Ph.D. program in economics at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York and plans to retire in August 2017. He has taught at the Gradu- ate Center for 45 years and will continue to serve as the New York Office director, Health Economics Program director, and research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research, the latter affiliation he has had for more than 50 years. He and wife Ilene celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 11, 2016.

Arnie Wood writes that after reaching 75, he is making way for the young blood at Martingale in Boston after nearly 30 years. He is faculty chair of the Harvard Kennedy School’s Investment Decisions and Behavioral Finance program that started 24 years ago. Two books in the making: one on behavioral and social fallibilities of investment committees, the second on how passbook savings account mentality risks financial shortcomings in retirement. His advice — don’t try to write a book — the risk is eternal frustration! In the last 50 years, he has done extensive traveling, especially walking trips; produced three children; and has five grandchildren and a marriage of 53 years to a woman who can still play touch football better than any Alpha Chi Rho jock!

Bert Feingold’s two children are now middle-aged parents with children ranging in age from 10 to 17 years. The California grandchildren excel in swimming and soccer, while the two in Scottsdale are black-belt karate experts with national and international competitions. Bert and Betty spend lots of time traveling, including a riverboat cruise on the Rhine River. They celebrated their 50th anniversary in June 2016 and took their two children and four grandchildren on a flight to Tokyo and cruise along the northern half of Japan.

Jan and I celebrated our 50th wedding anni- versary in April 2016 and took our three grown
children, five grandchildren, and the woman who introduced us 53 years ago on an Alaska cruise. It was great fun for us to see our three boys interact without distractions for a week.

'Trinity Fund Goal: $75,000
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In late January, John Ellwood and Phil Parsons drove from their homes on the western side of Florida to spend time on the East Coast with Cindy and Merrill Yavinsky, plus Nancy and Tom Garson. In addition to other activities, the Crow Brothers watched the Super Bowl together. Previously, John Ellwood had written that his wife, Babs, passed away on December 11. He added that "her 10-year battle with Alzheimer’s was over, and she is in a better place now." Note: John and Babs began dating while he was at Trinity. In our class yearbook, they are pictured together after all these years. And nice work, Ron, with your Lunch Pals.

Bob Scurfield, from whom we just heard in our last class notes, followed up with this demographic data: “My wife, Carol, and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary on January 26. We gathered with our eight children, their spouses, and our 28 grandchildren.” Congratulations, Bob!

This time Jeff Witherwax chimed in: “OK, here goes. I will have been retired for 15 years at the end of this month. Finding things to do was never an issue. Jane (47 years married last September) and I spend most of our time at our home in Stuart, Florida, and our summers in Connecticut. We are deeply involved in golf, as we live in a gated golf community in Florida and spend our summers officiating golf events in Connecticut when we are not traveling. Our son Rob ’98 is married to Cate ’98, and we have two grandchildren. ‘Time will tell if the Trinity connection will continue.’

Another tale, well told by our intrepid traveler, Dennis Dix - “Celebrated 47 good years outside of 50 of matrimonial bliss December 25 – January 7 (yes, they flew out on Christmas day, poor planning) with a Caribbean cruise. There were many adventures, including caving in the Cockpit Caves and bamboo rafting in Jamaica, purchasing Cuban cigars and getting them through customs, reading more books than we brought (the ship has a pretty good library of books that people leave behind), and climbing the ratlines to the crow’s nest. Captain Uri, an affable Ukrainian we had sailed with many times, seemed to have taken a Dale Carnegie course as he was almost ebullient in socializing with the passengers where previously he tolerated the paying freight with courtesy but disdain. As veterans of many cruises, the Dixes enjoyed his newly developed sense of humor at the captain's table." Keep the stories coming, Dennis.

Your class president, Brian Grimes, shared some news. He had been in touch with David Bremer's widow, Betsy. “A few weeks ago, I did see Cap’n Ben (Tribken) in Falmouth with his new companion, Max, who is a miniature long-haired dachshund. Ben is all over the dog, who in turn is very protective of Ben. Last Sunday, Kathy and I joined Joe and Antoinette to go to a UConn women’s basketball game. Wow! Joe and Antoinette Hourihan, as I am writing this, are en route to Rio to take a cruise to Buenos Aires. Good for them. Am doing some correspondence with Tim Sniffen, re Paul Diesel’s widow and children.” Thank you both, Brian and Ben, for all the time you spend connecting with our classmates. We all appreciate it.

Rod Van Sciver sent this brief update of his doings. “Nancy and I just returned from a month in Kenya. We spent the first week cruising the Seychelle Islands with another couple. It was my first experience with a catamaran, which is a very comfortable floating condo and sails like one. All went well until a group of Italians tried to moor next to us without proper ground tackle. We became best friends throughout the night. Our Kenya education project push this year is to help our first graduates find jobs in a very challenging commercial environment.”

In closing, I wish to remember Ford Barrett, who passed quickly last winter after being diagnosed with cancer. Dan Waterman wrote that he would miss “his kind, and humble, and Southern gentlemanly demeanor.” He was a loyal Trinity warrior and relentless Trinity ambassador. Further, he appreciated art, architecture, and history with enthusiasm like no other. Who knew that New Britain had a world-class art museum? Who knew Butrint was a must-see destination? Who once played golf with Sandra Day O’Connor at the Chevy Chase Country Club because she had been close personal friends of the late Justice Powell, who had been friends with the Barrett family (per Dan Waterman)? Ford, of course. Ford helped many of us to be better, happier people. Ford, you will be deeply missed.

As Brian observed, “So many of the social barriers we put up in our youth were just never that important. Ultimately, we are/were all good friends.”

Until next time, remain well.

'Trinity Fund Goal: $60,000
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Well, only four more years until our 55th Reunion. Don’t forget to put it on your calendar. Of course, there will be lots of other things you will forget, like where you are and why you got up out of your living room chair.

Ah, the joys of receding hair, memory, and balance.

Where to start, Scott Sutherland sent me a selfie with his brother, Paul, while sitting in the stands at Harvard watching Trinity defeat Harvard 5–4 in the National Collegiate Squash Championships. Ironically, I intended to be there as well but was sidelined by this year’s version of the flu. Nevertheless, I was able to live stream it on my Apple TV with the AirPlay app of my iPhone. Huh? It was very exciting to watch, even on TV. Go Bantams!

Got a nice note from Ron Diner. “I have been at Raymond James as president of Raymond James Tax Credit Funds for 33 years. Last year I moved on to become director of strategic community partnerships at RJ, where I founded Lunch Pals, a lunchtime mentoring program for elementary and middle school kids who need a pal over lunch. I am a Lunch Pals mentor, 125 more at RJ are mentors, and I now have over 50 other companies and organizations as Lunch Pals partners, and we have over 625 kids matched up. I recently spoke to Ellis Ratner and to Richard Rothbard out in California. Ellis and Richard and I plan to get together in NYC later in March. Besides all of that, I am busy cycling and enjoying my five grandchildren.”

Interesting how the spinoff of the 50th Reunion continues to draw classmates together after all these years. And nice work, Ron, with your Lunch Pals.

Bob Scurfield, from whom we just heard in our last class notes, followed up with this demographic data: “My wife, Carol, and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary on January 26. We gathered with our eight children, their spouses, and our 28 grandchildren.” Congratulations, Bob!

This time Jeff Witherwax chimed in: “OK, here goes. I will have been retired for 15 years at the end of this month. Finding things to do was never an issue. Jane (47 years married last September) and I spend most of our time at our home in Stuart, Florida, and our summers in Connecticut. We are deeply involved in golf, as we live in a gated golf community in Florida and spend our summers officiating golf events in Connecticut when we are not traveling. Our son Rob ’98 is married to Cate ’98, and we have two grandchildren. ‘Time will tell if the Trinity connection will continue.’

Another tale, well told by our intrepid traveler, Dennis Dix - “Celebrated 47 good years outside of 50 of matrimonial bliss December 25 – January 7 (yes, they flew out on Christmas day, poor planning) with a Caribbean cruise. There were many adventures, including caving in the Cockpit Caves and bamboo rafting in Jamaica, purchasing Cuban cigars and getting them through customs, reading more books than we brought (the ship has a pretty good library of books that people leave behind), and climbing the ratlines to the crow’s nest. Captain Uri, an affable Ukrainian we had sailed with many times, seemed to have taken a Dale Carnegie course as he was almost ebullient in socializing with the passengers where previously he tolerated the paying freight with courtesy but disdain. As veterans of many cruises, the Dixes enjoyed his newly developed sense of humor at the captain’s table.” Keep the stories coming, Dennis.

Your class president, Brian Grimes, shared some news. He had been in touch with David Bremer’s widow, Betsy. “A few weeks ago, I did see Cap’n Ben (Tribken) in Falmouth with his new companion, Max, who is a miniature long-haired dachshund. Ben is all over the dog, who in turn is very protective of Ben. Last Sunday, Kathy and I joined Joe and Antoinette to go to a UConn women’s basketball game. Wow! Joe and Antoinette Hourihan, as I am writing this, are en route to Rio to take a cruise to Buenos Aires. Good for them. Am doing some correspondence with Tim Sniffen, re Paul Diesel’s widow and children.” Thank you both, Brian and Ben, for all the time you spend connecting with our classmates. We all appreciate it.

Rod Van Sciver sent this brief update of his doings. “Nancy and I just returned from a month in Kenya. We spent the first week cruising the Seychelle Islands with another couple. It was my first experience with a catamaran, which is a very comfortable floating condo and sails like one. All went well until a group of Italians tried to moor next to us without proper ground tackle. We became best friends throughout the night. Our Kenya education project push this year is to help our first graduates find jobs in a very challenging commercial environment.”

In closing, I wish to remember Ford Barrett, who passed quickly last winter after being diagnosed with cancer. Dan Waterman wrote that he would miss “his kind, and humble, and Southern gentlemanly demeanor.” He was a loyal Trinity warrior and relentless Trinity ambassador. Further, he appreciated art, architecture, and history with enthusiasm like no other. Who knew that New Britain had a world-class art museum? Who knew Butrint was a must-see destination? Who once played golf with Sandra Day O’Connor at the Chevy Chase Country Club because she had been close personal friends of the late Justice Powell, who had been friends with the Barrett family (per Dan Waterman)? Ford, of course. Ford helped many of us to be better, happier people. Ford, you will be deeply missed.

As Brian observed, “So many of the social barriers we put up in our youth were just never that important. Ultimately, we are/were all good friends.”

Until next time, remain well.

'Trinity Fund Goal: $200,000
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Trin men of the exalted Class of 1967, depending on the U.S. mail, you may either get this issue of The Reporter as you are packing your bags for Reunion or you will have already been to our 50th Reunion. What is a class secretary to do? Wing it.

Brad Moses retired from the ad game and lives on Amelia Island.

Dan Haden retired from the architecture game and took time from his busy schedule to design our class pin. It’s very cool, and you will get yours at Reunion. (Or you have already gotten it and are so impressed you’ve decided not to sell it on eBay.)

I’m not sure if Strother Scott is retired or not. But he has done an incredible job as webmaster between attending UVA basketball games, driving all sorts of farm machinery, sailing hither and yon (I always wanted to
use that expression in the class notes), and beekeeping. A true renaissance man.

Jeff Fox will probably never retire because he’s having too much fun consulting. He’s also been an incredible class president, and I’m sure he’ll agree to another term or two.

Right now we are expecting more than 100 of our class to put in an appearance during the Reunion. But there is always room for more, so if you get this before June 8–11, come on up to Hartford.

And by the way, how about some e-mails to let your class secretary know what you are up to? Otherwise, as I’ve said before, I’ll have to make stuff up.

From the Alumni Office: Charley Kurz writes that the Kurz family took a two-week cruise in Myanmar, the former Burma, along the Irrawaddy River over the Christmas and New Year’s holidays. “Several months prior to departing from the USA, the Trinity Advance- ment Office gave me the names of several students from Myanmar, and so began the initial connection with Mon Mon Myo Thant ‘13. Once we arrived in Myanmar, my wife, son, daughter Katie ’98, and I had the opportunity to meet Mon Mon, who now lives and works in Yangon, the former Rangoon. Mon Mon was kind enough to show us many of the scenic sights in Yangon, including one of many Buddhist temples and the main market in Yangon; we also enjoyed a tasty lunch at a traditional Burmese restaurant. I recommend that any Trinity families visiting Yangon contact Mon Mon in advance for Myanmar travel advice or suggestions of places to see in Yangon.”

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Trinity Fund Goal: $1,200,000
Class Secretary: Daniel L. Goldberg, 53 Beacon St., #1, Boston, MA 02108-3531; daniel.goldberg.1968@trincoll.edu

From this working stiff to all of you happily retired classmates: the Class of ’68 still needs a class agent. This position is of particular importance as we are only one year away from our 50th Reunion. I look forward to a cascade of volunteers.

The Homecoming football victory over Amherst was all the more sweet since your secretary watched the game with the heart of our ‘68 backfield: Larry Roberts and Doug Morrill. They reminded me that our class never beat Amherst in either football or lacrosse in our four years, so this victory was particularly delicious. Joining the Homecoming festivities at Jesse/Miller Field were Ben Jaffee, Rich Weingarten, Ralph White, and George McClelland. Some of us visited a local watering hole to celebrate the victory and tell lies to each other. Ralph has been retired for a decade from various educational positions and lives in the Hartford area. Doug is retired from teaching and has relocated to North Carolina. Larry is retired to the family homestead on the water in Connecticut. Ben lives in Boston and is down to three days a week practicing as a legal services immigration lawyer. Rich is continuing his work educating folks internationally about mental health. George is “between adventures,” having started a number of highly successful businesses.

Homecoming Weekend also provided good timing for a Reunion Planning Committee meeting. In person and on-the-phone attendees included co-chairs Larry Roberts and Paul Jones; our designated Reunion book guru, Gerry Pryor; program chairs Kim Miles and your secretary; and committee members Joe Saginor, George Barrows, Chris McCrudden, Doug Morrill, Bill Spigener, and Richard Pullman. We welcome expanding those involved in planning. We are already considering such interesting sessions as Trinity Story Hour, where class volunteers will share some untold remembrances of events at Trinity, and What’s Next — Plans for the Final Innings. Your input, suggestions, and insights are welcome, and for those who would like to get involved or join a committee, please contact Larry Roberts, Paul Jones, or me.

And, while still crowing about our class impact (from the grandstands) on football victories, thanks to the attendance of Larry Roberts and Bruce Greene at the final football game of the season against Wesleyan, Trinity capped its undefeated season. (Can I take credit for the Patriots’ amazing comeback Super Bowl victory due to my presence at that game?)

Paul Holinger continues to issue newsletters dealing with his specialty — infant and child development. You can check it out at paulholinger.com and, among other things, read about encouraging curiosity in infants and children.

Jim Behrend reports that he and wife Pat had a terrific visit with Bill and Anna Dickey for a few days in San Diego before Bill and Anna embarked on a cruise to the Hawaiian islands. Not surprisingly, a lot of their time together was spent reminiscing about Trinity and Pi Kappa Alpha.

Your secretary ran into some colleagues of Jim Bartolini this past winter, and Jim has since confirmed their report that he is mostly retired and spending time in sunny Florida. Jim spent his career as a lawyer in Hartford, developing a significant reputation in the medical malpractice field.

A number of us joined the more than 100,000 marchers at the Women’s March in Boston, including John Vail, Ben Jaffee, George Fosque, and Stu Edelman.

Finally, a reminder that our 50th Reunion is a little over a year away, from June 8–10, 2018. The Reunion Committee is working hard to plan a great event, but we need all of you to actively join in. Begin by going to the class website, www.trinity1968.org, logging in, reviewing all the details, and getting involved. More than 40 classmates have already indicated they will or may attend. Our goal is to get more than 100 classmates to Reunion, so join with us and let us know what your plans are. Please also think about making a substantial contribution to the Class of 1968 Scholarship, which we are establishing as our 50th Reunion Class Gift. Our class has given generously over the years, but this is a special opportunity for us to give back to the College for what it has done for us and to make an indelible mark on the lives of future generations of Trinity students. More information about the 1968 Class Gift Scholarship will follow, but if you designate this year’s gift to the Class of ‘68 Scholarship Fund, it will get us under way.

Trinity Fund Goal: $150,000
Class Secretary: Alden R. Gordon, Fine Arts Department, Halden 09, Trinity College, 300 Summit St., Hartford, CT 06106-3100; alden.gordon@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Nathaniel S. Prentice

Michael Michigami writes: “Nat Prentice and I continue to build the team and momentum for our 50th Reunion. We had a small mini-reunion at Homecoming, where we cheered on the Bantams to an undefeated season. In addition to Nat and me, we greeted Jim Jones, David Beatty. Jim Sturdevant (who flew from San Francisco to be with his daughter), Barry Sheckley, Alan Mendelson, George McClelland ’68 and wife Jacqui, and Bill Cordner. We enjoyed a few beers at our intimate tailgate before the game and at halftime. I was also fortunate enough to reconect recently with Michael Beautyman and Peter Berger. Michael continues to compete internationally in the tennis world, and I caught him in between tournaments. He was off to South America the following week. Peter’s psychology practice keeps him busy in Scottsdale, Arizona, and he is looking forward to seeing our class in another two years. Speaking of two years! Putting together our Reunion is an enormous task that cannot be accomplished in the last months before we meet in June 2019. We are

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asking for your suggestions as to what events and activities might make our Reunion special. More importantly, we need everyone to reach out to your social and athletic classmates, make plans to attend, and be sure that we have as much current contact information as possible. If you would like to volunteer to help with our Reunion or have suggestions, please contact Nat Prentice at natprentice@mac.com or Michael Michigami at michael@mmbas.com.

Nat Prentice added: “While visiting a childhood friend of mine who builds and refurbishes wooden sailboats on Martha’s Vineyard this fall, I was able to spend time with our classmates Michael Loberg (his wife, Melinda, and their daughter, Andrea, too) and Brock Callen, all of whom are doing very well. It was great to see them. Michael is as busy as ever working locally with the Vineyard Medical Clinic and a group that is developing a nitrogen reduction technology. He travels a lot in connection with his serving on three corporate boards, one of which takes him to Copenhagen regularly. Melinda, a Vineyard regular before she met Michael, is a dedicated public servant serving as chairman of the Board of Selectmen in the Town of Tisbury (incorporated in 1671). Andrea (who was just visiting) is an M.D. associated with the University of Chicago, specializing in OB/GYN. Her brother, Brad ’00, also lives in Chicago. Brock and his family are avid and experienced sailors. He has served as the executive director of Sail Martha’s Vineyard for many years. Sail MV is a nonprofit organization that gets island kids (approximately 400 kids are introduced to sailing every summer) out on the water for free.”

More news from the Cape: Fred Uehlein continues the countdown to our 50th. “Diana and I continue to be blessed with good health and five great grandchildren spread between Rye, New York, and Bozeman, Montana. Diana has retired from her property company in London, England. However, her project dedicated to helping children develop imagination and creativity, The Institute of Imagination, in London is thriving. I am semiretired, continuing to be an activist investor in the disability space, and have recently taken great pleasure in going on the national board of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of America. This is an extremely worthwhile charity giving significant direct assistance to those afflicted by this horrible disease and their families. I would love to hear from anyone who is touched by this disease and can help me help MSAA better touch the lives of those afflicted (wfuehlein@irgfocus.com). We continue to live in Osterville on Cape Cod, a little in Wellesley, Massachusetts, and more and more in Bonita Bay, Bonita Springs, Florida. We would welcome seeing any of my classmates when they pass through the area.”

Hank Davis visited with John Penny-packer Gregg in Philadelphia last June. Michael Beautyman invites classmates who visit West Palm Beach to look him up. Scott Duncan visited campus in February to show his niece around and to meet his friend and former adviser in engineering, Dr. Joe Bronzino.

On the admissions front: Witt Barlow and wife Maria have twins, whom I met during their college admissions visit. As of this writing, Sam Barlow is admitted in the Early Decision round and will be a member of the Class of 2021, and Suze Barlow has applied, and we will see what happens.

Larry Ach reports: “My wife, Susan, and I are continuing our ‘bucket list’ vacation schedule. We just returned from a walking tour in Southeast Asia (Vietnam, Cambodia, and Bangkok, Thailand). A beautiful and fascinating part of the world. I confess that walking around parts of Hanoi and some of the endless rice paddies in the countryside brought back some very unpleasant memories of 50 years ago, but everyone seems to have moved on.”

Stephen Horenstein, who is usually at the Jerusalem Academy of Music and Dance and the Jerusalem Institute of Contemporary Music, reports that after his three-week musical tour of India presenting The Lab Orchestra LIVE! he feels turned inside out. “What warmth of the people can do for the soul!” Stephen remarked. “While performing to 10,000 at the Hampl Antiquities site, for the first time in my career, young people flooded the stage asking me for selfies and autographs.” In February 2017, Stephen was en route to the California Institute of the Arts for a month as artist-in-residence.

Trinity Fund Goal: $100,000
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We lost an extremely loyal classmate in John William Pye on June 29, 2016. My memory is that John attended virtually all of our five-year Reunions, including the most recent one. He struggled significantly with health issues during the past 20 years, especially as a result of a liver transplant in 2005 and the loss of vision in his right eye. Nevertheless, he dedicated himself to his obligations as a trustee of the Watkinson Library from 1999 to 2016. He was a bookseller, bibliographer, and collector. The head curator of the Watkinson Library, Richard J. Ring, kindly wrote the following for these notes at my request: “He put together significant collections of the works of Edwin A. Robinson (American poet, 1869–1935) and the 19th-century literary publishers Ticknor and Fields (he published a scholarly bibliography of its ‘100 most significant books’). John’s career as a bookseller began with Thomas Boss Books and Bromer Booksellers, both Boston firms, and subsequently he went into business for himself, specializing in Egyptology. John was a very generous donor to the Watkinson, and every year as a trustee, he gave stamps, books, prints, ephemera, and other works on paper. Most notable were his gifts of the manuscripts of E. A. Robinson and manuscripts and books produced by (or related to) three 19th-century Boston publishers — Ticknor and Fields, Roberts Brothers, and Whittemore, Niles & Hall. The market would put a price on his cumulative donations well into six figures, but the care, labor, and thought that went into forming these collections, and the cultural and intellectual value they add to the College, is priceless.” Rather than his own personal benefit, John thought primarily of benefiting Trinity and the Watkinson Library in his last years. He died in extremely modest means, after giving so much of value to Trinity. I cannot think of a more dedicated alumnus than John Pye; he should be praised.

Beloved John J. McCook Professor of Modern Languages, Emeritus, Michael Campo ’48, died on January 20, 2017. Many of us remember that Michael formulated his ideas for starting the Trinity in Rome campus during our time at Trinity. He organized the exploratory trip throughout Northern Italy during the spring of 1968, attended by me, our classmate Randy Friedman, and a number of other students and professors at the time, including Professor Borden Painter ’58. The trip opened our eyes to the wonders of the culture of Italy and ancient Rome. The Rome Campus became a signature educational achievement for Mike in the ensuing years. Past president Borden Painter spoke eloquently at the memorial service for Mike Campo at the College Chapel, which I attended, about how he changed the lives of those with whom he worked. He credited Mike with establishing an international reputation for Italian studies at Trinity. Mike will be missed by all of us who knew him.

He received the highest honor conferred by the Italian government when he received the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic in 1984. He also received the highest honor from Trinity, The Eigenbrodt Cup, in 2008.

It was great to hear from Charlie Foss at Christmas. He has four Trinity grads in his family, three in addition to himself, i.e., his wife, his son, and his daughter-in-law’s father. As he cruised the canals of France, he contemplated how truly fortunate he is to have such wonderful family and connections with Trinity. It was really great to share these memories with Charlie.
Classmate Charley Taylor is extremely good to write to keep us in touch and to keep the news of our classmates flowing. He saw Ryan Kuhn in August 2016 and John Chapin in September. He traveled to San Francisco and discovered spectacular restaurants from John Chapin’s son Seth. He actually saw Chapin in his restaurant in Hanover, New Hampshire, called The Canoe Club. He was truly charmed by John and enjoyed it to the greatest extent. Charley was also most fortunate to meet with Bonnie Raitt backstage after a performance in St. Louis. He had arranged for her to have a tour of the National Blues Museum earlier on the day of the show. He said the museum is “really cool and would be interesting for any music lover.”

We also need to see the Museum of Transportation, of which he is a proud director. Thank you again, Charley, for keeping us “in touch with the news.”

Edward W. Osipowicz, Jr. ’71 and Sarawut Pokhaw were married on October 9, 2016, in Chester, Connecticut.

Crosby, Hilary Donald Crosby, and John Stevenson got together in Hartford on January 21 to watch Trinity men’s ice hockey defeat Connecticut College 5–0.

Alan Marchisotto writes, “Your e-mail arrived while I was trekking in Bhutan prior to traveling to Mumbai for some business meetings. Bhutan is a one-of-a-kind experience — ancient Buddhist culture, modern environmental sensibility, and spectacular scenery. I am still working full time as VP/GC at Moran Holdings, which has interests in the marine transportation, environmental remediation, and mining areas. Outside of Moran, I serve as non-executive chairman of the Steamship Trust, a Bermuda-based marine reinsurer, and as a trustee of Wells College, of which my wife and sister are graduates. No particular interest in retirement. Have given up squash, but my tennis and golf games remain steady on the upper end of mediocre.”

Lastly, many classmates gathered for Homecoming on November 5. Joining together for a victory over Amherst were: Bill Belisle, Tom DiBenedetto, Warren Kalbacker, Howie Greenblatt, John Stevenson, Matt Crosby, Peter Miller, David Sample, Philip Khoury, Bill Reynolds, Jeff Sturgess, and Clif McFeely. As we watched the game and reminisced about our days at Trinity, we realized that the fall of 2017 will be the 50th anniversary of our undefeated freshman football season. We all agreed that it would be great to bring together as many of the team as possible at a home game for an “anniversary celebration.” As the season approaches, we will select a game and hope many teammates as well as other classmates can return for a fun-get-together.

Judge Andy Cuellar reports that he is starting his seventh year on the bench. He is assigned to the Hayward branch of the Alameda County Superior Court and reports that, after practicing law for 26 years, he couldn’t be happier with the change.

Paul Meyendorff, retired from St. Vladimir’s Orthodox Theological Seminary, has moved with spouse Peggy to South Burlington, Vermont. He continues to edit the seminary’s academic journal and to carry out his ecumenical work, including participation in several national and international bilateral dialogues between Orthodox and Roman Catholics. He travels regularly to Europe, Asia, and Africa, as well as domestically, in connection with this work and continues to spend summers at a lakeside cottage in Quebec.

Many of us, especially those who worked at WRTC-FM, recall Doug Cooper and his successful pursuit of recorded interviews with luminaries from the arts, politics, and science of that era. The list of celebrity interviews that he was able to arrange and record is extensive and includes such well-knowns as newscaster Walter Cronkite, pop artist Andy Warhol, jazz musician Dave Brubeck, artists Salvador Dalí and Norman Rockwell, tennis great Arthur Ashe, and Charles Schulz, the originator of the Peanuts comic strip. (Your secretary, who roomed with Doug during our senior year, had the privilege of attending, as “technician,” “recorded interviews with Salvador Dalí and jazz pianist Dave Brubeck.) Well, Doug’s collection has been donated to public radio flagship station WNYC in New York. It has been cataloged and digitized and may be downloaded at no cost by anyone who is interested. The material apparently has historical and academic value and also provides unique and sometimes quirky insights into some of the most influential characters of the times. The material is labeled The Douglas P. Cooper Distinguished Contemporaries Collection and can be accessed at www.wnyc.org/articles/douglas-cooper. Congratulations, Doug!

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Trinity Fund Goal: $100,000
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Greetings, Trinity ’73 classmates! Hopefully this issue of The Trinity Reporter finds you all well and recovered from winter. Just as a quick heads-up, the College is preparing to celebrate its 195th anniversary in 2018, and as a class we are preparing to celebrate our 45th (that cannot be correct) Reunion that same year. So after the shock of that math wears off, perhaps we can make ourselves feel better.
**What does the C&O Canal Trust do?**
The C&O Canal Trust is the official non-profit partner of the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal National Historical Park (CHOH). The trust’s mission is to work with the National Park Service to protect, restore, and promote the park. The CHOH is the 12th most visited park in the National Park System with more than 5 million visitors a year. It also has a greater than $1 million backlog in maintenance needs. The trust raises funds to restore the 19th-century canal lockhouses for its Canal Quarters overnight stay program, to maintain the quality of the 184.5-mile-long canal towpath, and to manage an array of programs in support of the park. The Canal Quarters program has hosted more than 12,000 guests in six restored lockhouses since the program’s inception. Each lockhouse interprets a different period of the canal history. Since 2013, more than 35,000 grade school students have participated in the one-day field trip Canal Classrooms program, learning STEM principles using the canal lock system as the teaching tool. The Canal Pride program conducts dozens of public service project days in the park on an annual basis to help to maintain and restore the park. The Towpath Forever program helps to ensure the integrity of the towpath that runs the length of the park.

**What drew you to being a part of it?**
The C&O Canal Trust and the park bring together my interests in history, outdoor recreation, photography, the opportunity to lead an organization, and the desire to give back to the community all in one place. The park is a one-stop shop for many of the things that I love to do.

**What do you enjoy most about your role there?** As chairman of the C&O Canal Trust board, I enjoy the leadership opportunity to help shape the agenda and the accomplishments of the trust in support of the park. This involvement ensures that I am out in the park on a very frequent basis.

**What do/did you do professionally besides the C&O Canal Trust?**
My first job out of graduate school was the federal relations lead for the U.S. Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, where I worked for four years. The decade of the 1980s, I worked for Senator William V. Roth (R-DE) as a professional staff member of the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, which he chaired. I worked for Lockheed Martin Corporation from 1990-2011, retiring as a vice president in the Washington Operations Office. Since 2011, I have run my own government relations consulting firm.

**Was there a professor who was particularly influential? If so, who was it, and why?** George Cooper, in his English history courses, did a great deal to improve my ability to think critically and to write. With aphorisms like “cynicism is not a sobriquet for intelligence,” he taught life lessons as well as history lessons.

**What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Why?**
My freshman seminar in American history with Ron Spencer was a small group class with a focus on the events and circumstances that led to the Civil War. The freewheeling nature of our conversations in class, the passion and excitement for the topic that Ron instilled in all of us, and the frequent writing opportunities were challenging and fulfilling and set the table for my four very happy years at Trinity.
because: a) the school is older than we are, b) the school is still in existence despite the fact that we were the agents of coeducation, and c) there are reports that many of us can still walk the length of the Long Walk on a good day with fair winds and following seas. It would be terrific to see as many classmates as possible at the coming together celebration in 2018!

And now for the news:

**David Bargman** reports he has fulfilled his lifelong dream of living and working in Manhattan. He is the president of Baum Stevens Bargman, a legal recruiting firm in New York. Daughter Jennie is chief of staff of the School Support Division of the NYC Department of Education, and daughter Joanna is teaching English at a middle school in Madrid. He had a holiday lunch with **Jon Gould**, speaks often with **Aron Pasternack**, and has renewed his college friendship with **Stephen Fischer**.

**Diane Fierri Brown** is happy to report that the Brown family has grown to a “lucky” number 13 people with the addition of three children-in-law and six grandbabies over the past several years. There are three 3½-year-olds and three 1½-year-olds—all naughty and nice—and a very happy grandmom who encourages the naughty in them. Thinking it could be fun having all six cousins attend Trinity at the same time.

**Suzie Chen Wise** reports that she was named a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, an honor conferred on 381 other experts in the United States and abroad. The fellows were chosen by their AAAS peers for efforts to advance science applications that are deemed scientifically or socially distinguished according to the AAAS. Specifically, Suzie was cited for her research focus on the molecular mechanisms of melanoma development.

**Len Heinrich** says that he is working for Accenture on a business transformation project for Pearson Education in New Jersey; the project is readying for the North American deployment of a new ERP system in Oracle, which will converge five-plus legacy ERP systems inherited from acquisitions. The goal is to streamline and improve efficiency and reporting and to reduce costs. Son Chris just relocated to Seattle to work as a software developer at Amazon. And Len’s daughter, Katrina, is just wrapping up some work for Time Inc. Digital Media Group. She will start the NBC Page Program, which is a very competitive way to start a production career with NBCUniversal. And on top of all of this, they are in the midst of designing a new kitchen.

On November 15 in Frederick, Maryland, **Mike Mitchell** received the 2016 Distinguished Volunteer Award from the Western Maryland Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals for his work in support of the C&O Canal National Historical Park and the C&O Canal Trust (canaltrust.org). Mike is the chairman of the board of the C&O Canal Trust.

**Ric Ricci** is looking forward to the upcoming spring racing season, his 44th since he started coaching rowing in 1973. Ric says that being a member of the Connecticut College academic community is a privilege and that working with college students is energizing. He also says that he and wife Fawn are enjoying their two grandchildren who live in Mystic.

**Rob Rosenberg** reports that Thanksgiving 2016 was a time of reunion for several members of the ’73 Trinity crew. Rob’s family went to NYC to have dinner with **John Gatsos**, lightweight ’73, and his family. The following day, they joined up with **Dirk Dreux**, JV-varisty ’73, for breakfast. The following weekend, Rob returned to Philadelphia to host Drew Isaac, freshman stroke ’73, and wife Dee ’75 for dinner and reminiscing. Dreux, John, and Rob have continued to row with NYAC and Undine Barge Club and on private lakes in New Hampshire. The bonds remain strong. The passage of 40 years has only made them as tight as when they were at Trinity.

**David Schirmer** writes that he and his family were delighted with the birth of their granddaughter, Avery Schirmer, in Atlanta on November 8. Avery is their first grandchild! David says it was very good bumping into **Rob Haff** at Homecoming, which he attended with former roommate **Scott Fitzpatrick** and wife **Ruth Anne** (McSorley).

Respectfully submitted by Rob Haff and Diane Pierri Brown

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**'74 Trinity Fund Goal: $220,000**  
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I must admit that since our Reunion, I have been spending more time with folks who graduated before (e.g., John Moses ’72) and after us (e.g., Michael Grabscheid ’80) from Trinity than with my own classmates, so the relevant news I have to share came to me via e-mail.

**Rick Bryan,** aka Poncho, became the ninth headmaster of University School in Cleveland on January 2. He writes, “University School is my alma mater, and it is an honor to become the first alumnus as headmaster of the school. Judith and I moved from Buffalo on the day after Christmas, leaving our house of 34 years. Our daughter, KC, her husband, and our grandson Mac live in Chagrin Falls, as well as Judith’s parents, so we are fortunate to now be living near them. Our daughter Ginny ’04 will remain in Buffalo.”

After 37 years with her law firm, **Clare Payne** retired at the end of December 2016. Nonetheless she writes that she feels like she is “busier than ever” spending time with her children and grandchild, riding her horse, and “finally finding the time to read lots of books again.” It sounds delightful.

In contrast to Poncho and Clare, **Jim Finkelstein**, who wrote this column for many, many years, reports that he is working harder than ever and comments, “Why not?” In November 2015, Jim formed a joint venture between his company FutureSense, Inc. and The Innovation Institute. The new venture, known as FutureSense, LLC, specializes in people strategy and organization solutions consulting. In July 2016, he completed the acquisition of the Summit Talent Group, a boutique executive search firm based in Columbia, Maryland. He is also thrilled to have son Brett, 25, actively working in the business in the Denver virtual office as well as son Matt, 31, part time out of the Los Angeles area. In his spare time, Jim is actively involved in Street Soccer USA, a “sports for social change” non-profit organization dedicated to helping poor, homeless, and youth at risk with a unique life-skills program through the sport of soccer. Jim and wife Lynn are also actively involved with Guide Dogs for the Blind, where Lynn is a dog trainer through her company, CanineSense.

Keep those e-mails coming as you have time between requests! I love receiving them. And by the way, no fake news … I know there are pranksters among you.

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**'75 Trinity Fund Goal: $250,000**  
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We have news from Wisconsin, where **Sara Patterson** writes: “No Facebook for me or Twitter. I spend a lot of time on diversity at UW-Madison and in the community. Madison had over 100,000 in the Women’s March in January (almost one-third of our population)! Check out the UW Graduate Research Scholars Program that I spend lots of time with: sciemedgrs.wisc.edu. Currently working on an orphan grain in West Africa (Mali); definitely expanding horizons, seeing and learning about new places.”

**Skip Fox** chimes in from Charlottesville: “My son, Elm Fox, is scheduled to graduate from Trinity this spring as a member of the Class of 2017. He has had a good time, probably too good a time, but seems to have learned a lot as well. My best, Skip Fox”

**Cheryl Cheatham** has wonderful family news: “The most important thing in my life
this year is I’ll celebrate 42 years of marriage with my dear husband, Stephen V. Cheatham. Secondly, two of my three sons are each now fathers. I have two granddaughters, Hope Simone, 1½, and Olivia Anna, 6 months. My youngest son is planning to attend medical school in the fall.”

Your scribe Chris Mooney reports: “I had a peripatetic 2016 with three hiking and sightseeing trips to Europe (Spain, France, Norway, Finland) and over a month in western South Africa and Namibia. I continue to serve on the Executive Committee of the National Alumni Association and am impressed with the leadership tone and direction being set by Joanne Berger-Sweeney. For any near Bradenton, Florida, when it snows in Maine or the Portland area (Great Diamond Island) in Maine in summers, get in touch.”

It was a real pleasure to hear from Rich Tucci: “Thanks for the note and reminder that I’ve never taken the time to contribute to class notes over the years, so here goes. After 25 years since launching my boutique consulting and training firm, Leap Technologies, and having had the privilege and fun of coaching hundreds of leaders on important change and improvement projects, I’ve turned my focus to working with a handful of not-for-profit organizations and the development of an online learning program for emerging leaders looking to make a bigger impact for their organizations. The welcomed reduction in trips to the airport has given me an opportunity to get back to the gym, though I have no illusions that I’ll make the grade anytime soon for the annual alumni lacrosse game. Hope life continues to be good.” Rich, thanks. It is.

Dan Reese’s update was happy, laconic, and prolific: “Grandchild number 10 just born. Love this Grandpa Dan thing.” If anyone has more than 10, let us know

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Your humble secretary just spent the week-end in New York City and was the guest of classmate Honor Lassalle and husband Mark McIntyre in Brooklyn. Always fun!

A recurring theme as we all discuss our upcoming Reunion is “Seriously? Forty years?” Leslie Butterfield writes: “My husband, Steve, and I retired to Sarasota, Florida, in 2015 and moved into our new modern house on Siesta Key last year. We think this is paradise and welcome any of my classmates from Trinity to visit. In November, Marian Kuhn Browning, my freshman roommate, came, and we journeyed together to visit her youngest child for parents’ weekend at Lynn University in Boca Raton. We truly relived our early college experiences. Gosh those were fun times!”

Echoing what so many of us are thinking, Mark Henrickson writes, “It cannot be 40 years. I’m not even that old, although parts of my body would beg to disagree.” Mark continues, “I am in my 15th year at Massey University, Auckland, New Zealand, and doing all the teaching, research, and writing one would expect. I remain very active in international professional social work organizations and visited my 48th country in March to present two lectures in Taipei. In 2016, I was honored to present a major lecture at the global social work congress in Seoul. This year, I have two major projects: I am editor-in-chief of a joint publication between UNAIDS and the International Association of Schools of Social Work titled Getting to Zero: Global Social Work Reflects to HIV (available free on the UNAIDS website) and co-author (with my colleague Christa Fouché) of a book titled Vulnerability and Marginality in Human Services, published in July by Routledge. My partner Jack and I live quietly tending our garden and managing the multiple demands of our 100-year-old bungalow. We’re happy to host visiting Trinitarians and refugees from America passing through the South Pacific.”

“Wow ... 40 years,” writes Mark Moore from Colorado. “I am still working as a dedicated breast radiologist in Colorado, oldest daughter Lisa in med school, twin boy and girl in college in California. Love the mountains, fishing, and elk hunting. Still play soccer with son who was leading scorer in high school league. Colorado Springs is great! My wife retired from family practice several years ago and keeps our dog, cat, and horses happy. Best wishes from out West. Go Bantams!”

Jeff Rowland kicks off our class notes with this comprehensive report: “Don’t believe that I have written before now, so I won’t attempt to frame a comprehensive overview of all that has passed since leaving Trinity. I will offer some thoughts on the state of things at present. Amy (my first wife) and I are getting used to not having our girls around. Annie, the younger, is completing her last semester at Davidson and then she is off to a job in Denmark. She’s even learned the language. Elizabeth, the elder, is fully baked, has her own apartment, and is employed at an advertising agency in NYC. One of the manifestations of our getting used to it being just the two of us now is that we purchased another cruising sailboat about three years ago. We had decided to enjoy coastal sailing and living aboard for the entire summer, Amy being a teacher released from her labors for the duration and I being self-employed and being able to remain so these past 15-plus years through the liberal use of the Internet and cell phone that allow me to work wherever I happen to be. We come ashore when necessary or desirable. Last summer we spent time in Edgartown, the Elizabeth Islands, and Narragansett and Buzzards Bay, and life was very good. Business has been rewarding with the added bonus of an Emmy nomination this year for the HBO special I produced, Lady Day at Emerson’s Bar and Grill starring Audra McDonald. She did all the work really. I just stood there in awe and watched her truly monumental performance. Also involved in putting together a live show of the Transformers in China to open in December 2017, as well as getting the 50th Anniversary (!?) of the Woodstock Festival off the hopefully not muddy ground. I was one of the producers on the 25th in 1994 and the notorious 30th in 1999.” Jeff also is the drummer in a band called The Snorts of Derision. He says that they play “original music with a recurring theme of being slightly pissed off, middle-aged white guys.”

Stephen Berkowitz reports that he and wife Isabelle have just found that “needle in the haystack” rooftop rental apartment in the Poblenou neighborhood. He is very pleased
with his rabbinic work in Barcelona and Madrid but is extremely frustrated about his incapacity to remember the pretérito indefinido forms of irregular Spanish verbs! (I wonder if Snorts of Derision might pen a song for Stephen about this particular challenge.)

Deborah Buck shares, “I’m happy to report that I have been showing with Ille Arts Gallery in The Hamptons for the last year. I’ll be having a two-person show this summer at Ille Arts, opening on Memorial Day weekend. The show will feature a new series using Japanese sumi ink and acrylic on paper. The new work can be viewed on my website at deborahbuck.com. I am also being honored by The Bronx Museum this year as an Artist in the Marketplace alumna. I was selected as an Artist in the Marketplace when I first came to New York. It is an exciting program for emerging artists in New York City. The AIM program continues to grow and list an impressive roster of alumni every year. I feel quite honored to be included in this prestigious group.” This Bantam says be sure to check out Deborah’s website.

Meg Taylor writes, “I am looking forward to retiring in June as head of school at Robert C. Parker School outside of Albany, New York, after 22 years in education. One new grand-child beckons and another is due in July 2017. I had fun catching up with Anne Nimick Neilson on a garden tour in Northeast Harbor, Maine, last summer and look forward to more time to spend with Trinity friends!”

Your class agent, Andrew Terhune, was at Homecoming on November 5, where he met fellow classmates Kathy Maye Murphy and Tony Saeffer and enjoyed seeing the Bantams wallop Amherst 24–14. Also ran into secretary emeritus of Trinity College Jerry Hansen ’51, father of our classmate Trip Hansen.

Jim Shepard, a prize-winning author, had this to contribute to our class report: “Hey, there — How are you? And have I missed the deadline? And do you ever head north? Hope all’s well —” This class secretary feels he must be honing this particular style for use in his next novel.

Jory Lockwood, your humble class secretary, has a second dog. What was I thinking? I mean, I did it on purpose. On other fronts, I took a rally bus to the Women’s March on Washington and was one very small part of the millions of people who collectively created the largest protest in the world. It was exhausting, I’m glad I went, and for me it will always be an important moment.

Class of ’78, please note that you can send me blurbs for The Reporter at any time, and I can always save them for the next issue. I love hearing from “new” people and deeply appreciate those who contribute to every edition. Our Reunion year inches closer.
shot in Switzerland, the expo is slated to travel internationally and is a follow-up to the December 2016 launch of the 7.5-pound richly illustrated book by the same name. While in town, she enjoyed happy hour with Stephen Bernstein ’77 and Bruce Soromstein. On Long Island, a ladies’ lunch brought together Holly Singer-Eland, Jane Terry Abraham, and Lynne Bagdis Wilson.

Peter Davis wrote from Maine that since 2013, he’s worked at Goodwill Industries of Northern New England and last summer transferred to the online sales division. He takes care of all aspects of online sales operations.

Pamela Bussey said, “My art is being shown as part of Black History Month at our local Bloomingdale’s. More news: I have been appointed to the Orlando Sentinel Editorial Advisory Board. Last, but not least, like many of you, this is the year I turn 60! Deborah Humphrey-Hunter and I are celebrating with a trip to Bali!”

Richard Sager continues to practice law in Ossipee, New Hampshire. He and his wife of 33 years, Lorraine, live in Wakefield with their dog, Daisy, a 80-pound Weimaraner who is spoiled beyond belief and sleeps with them in their bed. They have a son who lives in NYC with his wife and practices law with a really big firm. Rick and Lorraine also run Sunset Lodges (www.sunsetlodges.com), a 1950s-era lakeside tourist cabin resort on Lake Winnipesaukee. They acquired it in 2010 because Rick wanted to save his childhood vacation spot. They’ve restored the seven lakeside pet-friendly (including Bantams) lodges.

Susan Tananbaum writes, “Hope this find you well. Surviving our umpteenth snowstorm here in Freeport, Maine. Been great for our skiing, less for our shoveling! My husband and I are just back from a fascinating trip to Cuba, a country of enormous contrasts. Heard great music, saw amazing architecture, met lots of entrepreneurial Cubans, and ate a lot of rice and beans. We are always looking for crew for our sailboat and welcome fellow Bantams to the great state of Maine! We hope to see Cindy Flanagan Goss in March en route to Annapolis for an offshore sailing seminar. Hope 2017 is off to a great start!”

Stephanie Vignone, a public school teacher in South Hadley, Massachusetts, is glad to report that she is retiring this year and hopes to paint full time! “I am enjoying this, my last class, but am ready for the career change.”

Neil and Lisa Hill McDonough are busy with their six kids and two grandchildren. Lisa said she finished running galas for two nonprofits, Worcester Art Museum last June and Tower Hill Botanic Garden in September. She’s working on The Hanover Theatre’s 10-year anniversary gala. Neil hired a president for FLEXcon but is still CEO and chairman of the board. He still gets in one week a year heli-skiing in British Columbia. This is his 12th year. About their kids, Lisa writes Caitlin (Harvard ’06) will defend her dissertation for her Ph.D. in biology in climate change from BU on May 2... then she’ll be Dr. McDonough Mackenzie. She and husband Mike have a 16-month-old daughter, Mara. She attended her first rally when she and Caitlin brought her to the March on Boston Commons in January. Shaun ’08 has moved from FLEXcon corporate attorney to training in medical products. He and wife Caitlin have a 9-month-old son, Landon. Ryan (Bowdoin ’08) is in LA starting his own filming company plus working as a body-cam operator on films and commercials. Kelsey ’10 is a senior merchantiser for Wayfair.com living in Boston with her sister Darcy ’13, who works in public relations at Wayfair.com. Dylan (Harvard ’18) is in a junior semester abroad at Cambridge University. Can’t believe the baby is already a junior!”
ROBERT HERBST ’80

It's been about a year since you were in Rio supervising drug testing of the Olympic athletes. How did you come into that role? As an athlete, I have tried to give back to sport by coaching and volunteering at events. For example, I helped to run the wrestling venue at the London 2012 Olympics and the powerlifting at the Special Olympics World Games. I applied for a role at Rio, and they felt that based upon my ability to run international sporting events, my experience as a drug-tested athlete, and my compliance expertise as an attorney, I should supervise the drug testing at the Olympic Village and for 23 of the sports.

What is your experience as a competitive athlete, and how did that factor into your work in Rio? While I wrestled and played lacrosse at Trinity, my true passion is powerlifting, where I have been fortunate to have great success. I am an 18-time world champion and 32-time national champion (with an active streak of 21 consecutive); was a semifinalist for the 2013 Sullivan Award, given to the nation’s outstanding amateur athlete; and have been inducted into the AAU Strength Sports Hall of Fame. With my streak of wins, when the Trinity squash team was in the middle of its record streak of national championships, the boys and I would exchange e-mails encouraging each other. I have told Coach Assaiante that I am waiting for them to join me in another run. With that experience, I was able to understand the concerns of the athletes that the testing be fair and as least burdensome as possible while protecting the integrity of the competition and ensuring a level playing field. As a practical matter, I know how to get an athlete who is cutting weight by dehydrating through a urine test because I have been there. Candidly, I look like an athlete, and there is an instant rapport and comfort level. The Olympics is a stressful place, and I could help with that.

What did you enjoy most about the experience? It was enjoyable as a challenge because I was able to carry out an important role in a high-stakes multicultural environment while coping with Zika mosquitoes, bad water, and other aspects of life in Brazil. Doping and the Russian ban were all over the news, and I was in the epicenter. As a sports fan, I was in heaven because I was at everything from Michael Phelps's last race to the U.S. women's gymnastics final to the men's gold medal basketball game. Walking around the Olympic Village was at times surreal because I would think to myself that everyone I saw was among the best in the world at something. I was able to watch people like Usain Bolt and Ashton Eaton behind the scenes and learn from their focus and pursuit of excellence.

What do you do professionally outside of your work with the Olympics? I am the general counsel of several companies. I am also a motivational speaker on health, wellness, and fitness. As a 50-something lawyer, I find that adults and businesspeople can relate to my message, while high school and college audiences want to learn about paths to success.

Thinking back to your time at Trinity, was there a professor who was particularly influential? I was particularly influenced by the late Jack Chatfield, who showed me some different perspectives. I also enjoyed British history with George Cooper, for whom I was also a TA. I learned a lot from him about his views of the world.

DEGREES: B.A. in history, Optimus; J.D., Columbia Law School

JOB TITLE: General counsel and motivational speaker; supervisor of drug testing, 2016 Summer Olympics

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: I have many great memories, such as the hilarious times I spent with my brothers at Pi Kappa Alpha (Pike). Another memory that stands out was one morning as I walked along the path that connects Vernon Street with the library. I came upon an old man and asked him if he needed assistance. It turned out he was one of Trinity's oldest living alumni. He was from the Class of 1916 but had left the College to fight in World War I. He then returned to graduate. Meeting him put a face to the names of the young men carved into the Chapel wall and brought to life the World War I English course I had taken. The moment gave me a perspective on what a special place Trinity is and how precious our time there was. The memory is even more meaningful now as he was set to graduate some 100 years ago.

To learn more about Herbst, visit w8lifterusa.com or commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.
To update the football alumni roster, we are trying to get contact information for Jonathan Blake, Michael Countryman (star of the screen), Bob Fers, Gregory Fox, Dave Houle, Carl Hurtig, David Johnson, Len Lortie, Charles Moore, and Luther St. James. So, if one of you reads this or if you have their contact information, please let me know.

Please send me an e-mail at Oldlilacs@comcast.net to share noteworthy events about yourself or our classmates. I hope to hear from you soon.

J. Niclas, Christopher J. Sullivan

From the Alumni Office: Trinity Board of Trustees Vice Chair Jean Walsh, a managing director at JPMorgan Chase, was honored at the YWCA of the City of New York’s 43rd annual YW Academy SALUTE Luncheon held in November 2016. Walsh was inducted into the YW Academy of Women Leaders Class of 2016; she was nominated by her company to receive the award. According to the YWCA’s website, “For more than four decades, the SALUTE luncheon has been the premiere event for highlighting trailblazing women in business. It is one of the nation’s largest and most important tributes to professional women leaders and the companies that support them.”

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Jim Shapiro writes, “Got to work with Bob Aiello on a criminal case with serious immigration consequences out of his old office at the Queens DA. So much fun to be working with a fellow Trinity alum, knowing that the client is in such good hands.”

From Wendy Melville Mains: “2016 was a busy year for our family. Our older daughter, Katherine, was engaged in February, and we went into wedding mode until July 30, when she was married in her new hometown of Louisville, Kentucky. It’s crazy how one day can consume so much time and money! I spent most of that spring traveling to Scarborough, Maine, to see my parents, who live in a retirement community there; to Louisville to help Katherine move from Nashville and get settled in her new home; to Brooklyn to see Olivia’s junior collection at Pratt Institute, where she is studying fashion design. We had a lovely dinner with Paula Sarro, who trekked in from Manhattan for dinner. The rest of the year was spent recovering from the wedding festivities and planning our next adventure. We are moving to Louisville in April 2017. Wayne is going to semi-retire, and I want to be closer to my family and children. I wonder if there are any Trinity people in that area that I might reconnect with. Olivia will be graduating from Pratt in May. It was pretty exciting not to have to fill out a FAFSA form for anyone!”

From Dutch Barhydt: “After almost nine years at Salisbury School, where I served as director of development and Hilary served as dean of studies, we joined The Webb Schools in Claremont, California, in July. I am serving in the same capacity, although the name, director of institutional advancement, is a bit different and Hilary is teaching upper level courses in history. We live in the village of Claremont, which is located in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains east of downtown Los Angeles and home to ‘The Claremont Colleges’ (Pomona, Scripps, and Claremont McKenna). We drove across the country this summer as part of our move, visiting national parks and presidential libraries and meeting many interesting and friendly folks along the way. In November, our older son, Brooks ’08, and wife Andrea ’08 had their first child, our first granddaughter, Jackson Edward Barhydt, whom we met at Thanksgiving. What fun to watch your own child become a parent! Our younger son, Tyler, is an officer in the U.S. Navy, stationed in the Washington, D.C., area, very near Brooks and Andrea, who live in Alexandria, Virginia. It was fun to make a brief stop at our 35th Trinity Reunion on Friday night before heading west the next day. It is terrific that the Class of ’81 remains such a close and great class!”

Trinity Fund Goal: $150,000

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We have a light entry for the June Reporter, given that many of us will be gathering for our 35th Reunion at Trinity just before its publication. We are looking forward to connecting with everyone who can make it!

A nice note from Tracey (Cæsar) Tolerico, who wrote to say that she and husband Chris enjoyed a mini Trinity reunion when their daughter got married this July outside Philadelphia. “In attendance were Paul O’Brien, Joe Adinolfi and wife Marcia, and Pat Morris and wife Lori. Very much missed was Rob Ahrensdorf, who had previously committed to a family event. We were grateful to be able to share such a happy event with dear friends from Trinity.”

Trinity Fund Goal: $275,000

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Let’s start with the awards: Laura Darby McNally, head athletic trainer at Middlesex School, received the 2016 Athletic Trainer of the Year award from the Athletic Trainers of Massachusetts. She was honored for her “outstanding contributions to the profession and dedication to the care and education of the athletes under her care.” And Laura (Dyson) Evancho was selected as the Illinois Council of Orchestras Executive Director of the Year. She is executive director of the Heartland Festival Orchestra, a professional orchestra she helped found in 2009. “I trace this all back to my roots playing bass in Gerry Moshell’s orchestra at Trinity! Also, I’ll be celebrating the fifth anniversary of my kidney transplant in April. My living kidney donor/hero is a friend of my mom (previously unknown to me) who flew from Connecticut to Illinois to share his spare kidney with me.”

Martha (Cross) Stewart: “My husband and I moved to Vero Beach, Florida. Having lived my entire life in Connecticut, it is such a joy (and a surprise) to wake up to warm, sunny skies and lots of green trees and grass — in February!”

Kurt Kusiak took a great trip to Belize recently with the kids and saw fantastic Mayan ruins.

Suzanne Chernau Pilsk: “I still live in the same place (Takoma Park), doing the same thing (Smithsonian Libraries Metadata Department head), and married to the same person (Eric). My thriving kids are aging fast,
which only means bad news for my planned slow aging. I see Nancy Edson all the time and Trip Weil when I go to San Francisco. Otherwise, I am one of those occasional Facebook stalkers.

Graeme Frazier: “I’m happy that my son, Quint ’15, graduated and has a good job in Washington, D.C., working as a treasury analyst for a lending institution called MidCap Financial.”

Adrienne Lotoski: “I recently joined Boston University’s Development Department as an associate director in stewardship and donor relations as a result of almost having completed a master’s degree in arts administration and nonprofit management, also at BU. I also finished a master’s in advertising in 2014. We have become a bit of a BU family as our twin daughters are sophomores and row for the women’s varsity team, while our son graduated from the College of Communication and works as a graphic designer at Gibson Sotheby’s.”

Jordan Bain: “My eldest daughter is married, finished with grad school, and gainfully employed teaching chemistry. She most certainly got her brains from her mother! So, too, did my son, who will graduate from Johns Hopkins and continue there to get his master’s in civil engineering. My third, Catherine, is a Butler University freshman, double majoring in psychology and criminology — can you say FBI profiler? Finally, my youngest is a freshman in high school and is loving being the only one home after many years in a crowded house!”

Catherine Harvey McDonald: “The past two years have brought about many changes for husband Bob ’85 and me. Two years ago, we said goodbye to the town of Ridgefield, Connecticut, where we lived for 26 years. We returned to the familiar Trinity College area, renting a home in Glastonbury while we’re building our retirement home at our lakefront property in Spencer, Massachusetts. We look forward to moving there this June! Recent highlights have been the sale of Bob’s business and retirement, the graduation of our youngest, twin daughters from Penn and UConn, and being blessed to become grandparents, welcoming our grandson to our oldest son and his wife. Our Christmas and New Year’s holiday was spent on an amazing trip traveling to London, Scotland, and Ireland. Our two sons and twin daughters (ages 30, 27, and 22) are now independent successful adults, enjoying very different careers (a federal law enforcement special agent, a computer programming engineer, a pharmaceutical marketing research consultant, and an elementary school teacher). It is hard to believe Bob and I will be celebrating our 33rd wedding anniversary this July as we start this wonderful new chapter of our lives. The years have flown by but have been very kind to us!”

Peter Stinson: “I’m listening to Simon & Garfunkel’s The Concert in Central Park _ September 1981, and Peter Yearley and I had great seats. Ah, that was a lifetime ago. I recently celebrated my 20th anniversary as a civil servant with the U.S. Coast Guard. I am currently serving as an organizational development consultant with the Fifth Coast Guard District staff and was recently selected for the service’s executive development program. I suspect they’ve made a mistake, but it will likely take them a year or two to realize that I squandered most of my potential under the bishop’s outstretched arm. I’m living with my family in Portsmouth in southeast Virginia, along the shore of the Elizabeth River. My No. 2 of five sons recently graduated from Old Dominion with a mechanical engineering degree and is waiting for the federal civil servant hiring freeze to lift.”

Cathy Marona Shrestha: “I will start at the beginning: Shortly after graduation, I joined the Peace Corps and was sent to Nepal. I had a two-year assignment working in a village bank on a micro-enterprise project. It was challenging and life-changing, and I loved being in the Peace Corps. It was also because of the Peace Corps that I met my Nepalese husband, although we met here in the States. I returned to the United States in 1987 and eventually got my master’s degree in South Asian studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. After that, I worked at Peace Corps headquarters. Right now, I am the administrative officer at the Marine Mammal Commission, a great organization in Bethesda, Maryland. I live in Maryland with my husband and two teenage sons, 18 and 15. Over the years, I have really enjoyed getting together with Trinity friends when possible — a wonderful group of pals! I had a great experience at Trinity and consider myself fortunate to have gone there.”

Mike proposed with the help of The Accidental’s, one of Trinity’s a cappella singing groups. The evening began at a favorite restaurant in Manhattan’s Carnegie Hill neighborhood where they live. Unbeknownst to Patrick, Michael had arranged for members of The Accidental’s to be there to sing to him, flash-mob style. After being seated and ordering drinks, Michael gave the signal and The Accidental’s sang a song by Keane, Somewhere Only We Know. Patrick said yes, of course. The Accidentals reprised their performance at the wedding, adding God Only Knows by The Beach Boys, and ended up staying the whole night. Far from wedding crashers, they completely charmed all of the guests.

Meanwhile, Phillips O’Brien, much to the disbelief of his mother, who had given up hope, reported he will be marrying Mathilde Von Bulow in Boston at the end of June. She is a historian at the University of Glasgow, where Phillips taught for 19 years before taking a post in the School of International Relations at the University of St Andrews. The couple will likely move to Edinburgh. “It’s been a fun transition. Change in life is a good thing,” he said. He is finishing a new book, a biography of William Leahy, who was the chief of staff to Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman. Needless to say, we exchanged a few reflections about Brexit, Scottish secession, and, of course, the American fellow who riled up a few Scots with his new golf course last year. Anyone passing by St Andrews is more than welcome to visit.

I had a drink with Martin Bihi on Capitol Hill a few months ago. Martin pays the bills primarily by writing about and speaking on advertising (Business Insider recently cited him), plus topics from sports to scotch. He also teaches at several universities in the Philly area. He and wife Cynthia Bryant ’84 live in New Jersey and have two grown children, a daughter who lives in New Orleans and is a writer and entrepreneur and a son who sings classical music with the Grammy-nominated Williamson Voices. While he fondly remembers lots of people from Trinity days and sees folks when he travels, he said he formed especially strong bonds with professors, including Sheila Fisher and Dirk Kuyk. The late Jim Miller, from the English Department, was especially close. He was in Martin’s wedding, and Martin, in turn, spoke at Miller’s funeral in late 2015.

Nancy Popkin and husband Mark Stanback have been in Davidson, North Carolina, for more than 20 years, where Mark is a biology professor. Their oldest, Gray, graduated in December from Guilford College with a degree in biology and environmental studies. “This was an enormous accomplishment in its own right but also because Gray has autism
and works so hard to manage so much that we all take for granted,” she wrote. “We celebrated this accomplishment with a trip to Australia and New Zealand, where we indulged in the ‘birds and nerds’ tour (bird-watching and Lord of the Rings movie site visits).” Their daughter, Sylvie, is a junior at Carleton College. Despite Nancy’s admonition that in order to stay in the family, she needed to be a biology major like the rest of them, she is a studio arts major. Nancy is in her 15th year as an autism resource specialist for the Autism Society of North Carolina. She said she loves helping parents manage life with autism by directing them to resources, problem solving, teaching, and most importantly, listening. “Not what I thought I would be doing with my life, but I find it to be challenging and rewarding work,” she reflected.

Nancy McKeown Aboyan was emerging from her 21st Minnesota winter when we e-mailed in February. She and her husband are less than two years away from being empty nesters, and she is semiretired from the practice of law. She was looking forward to the upcoming gathering of Bonnie Adams Connors, Victoria Arvanitis Jenks, and Louise Williams Senopoulou. Bonnie is almost an empty nester, too, and entering her final year as a Trinity parent. She’s been to campus quite a bit for daughter Sarah’s senior year. Notate ‘though!’ My younger daughter, Sara, is doing her part to com-

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Your co-secretary Nancy Barry is pleased to announce that she has recently joined the Board of Directors of Magic Box Productions. Founded in 2004 by documentary filmmaker and executive director Nelle Stokes, Magic Box Productions is an award-winning nonprofit that provides exemplary media arts workshops that help students bridge the digital divide. It offers rich experiences for all ages, especially younger and beginning language learners, and is well known for its dedication to customizing each residency for the needs of participating schools. Magic Box teaching artists go into the classroom to help students create photography, video, animation, audio, and Web-based projects while building critical 21st-century skills. Partnering with schools in the New York City area, it has provided more than 10,000 students, teachers, and parents with opportunities for creative expression, community and cultural connections, and access to new technologies. Read more at www.magicboxproductions.org.

Not to be outdone, your other co-secretary, Tom Chapman, changed jobs in January 2017. After many years as counsel for Travelers Indemnity Company, he has left for an exciting opportunity as counsel for rival Progressive Insurance Company.

On January 17, Nancy attended the Trinity Women’s Leadership Council Networking Reception that Lauren Klesatd Filippone ‘11 hosted at One Kings Lane. Nancy was so pleased to run into Lisa Godek. They spent the evening shopping for ideas for their apartments and catching up on Class of ’88 news.

We also heard from Jennifer Roeder Kearney, who says, “We’re still living in Westchester County, New York, and I’ve been working at the same accounting firm in Tarrytown, New York, for 16 years now. My older daughter, Lauren, is a sophomore at Fairfield University in Connecticut, where she has decided to follow in my footsteps and be a math major (no ‘computer coordinate’ thought!). My younger daughter, Sara,
is a senior in high school and going through that oh-so-fun college search process but no decision yet."

Lois Gabriele writes to say that she and her family have moved to St. Andrew's School in Delaware, where Lois is the head girls' rowing coach and associate director of admissions. She also runs a 10th-grade girls' dorm and is adviser to the 11th grade. She says "Bring your kids. This place is amazing!" (Secretary's note: The movie Dead Poet's Society was filmed there, so we know the campus is gorgeous. Carpe diem!) Her husband, Chris Berl, coaches rowing with her when he's not running his own business. They have three daughters: Charlotte, 17, Wilder, 15, and Alaire, 13. All are busy rowing, performing in musicals and singing groups, playing tennis, marching with and for women, doing environmental work, and focusing on social justice issues.

Lisa Ferro writes: "2017 has ushered in great new beginnings and opportunities! My twin girls, 15 years old, both made the high school varsity tennis team as freshmen. I'm moving to a new urban-style townhouse (think rooftop loft deck with outdoor fireplace) in downtown Leesburg, Virginia, which will let me leave the car in the garage and walk or bike everywhere we need to go. The foundation was poured in January, and I can't wait for them to finish my new home in June! Along with kids and house, I took on a new role in January as the change manager for a Salesforce Center of Excellence that is being stood up within one of our nation's largest nonprofit organizations. Great mission and great role that also affords a flexible work schedule. My hellos are sent to all my Trin friends out there — it's going to be a great year!"

"Thank you to all of our classmates who have written. We truly appreciate it and could not do this without you."

As a sad, final note, we have received word that one of our classmates, Kevin Robinson, passed away on January 8, 2017. We know that many Trinity friends were able to attend the services in Wilmington, Massachusetts. Our deepest condolences go out to the Robinson family and to all of our Trinity classmates who will miss his smile and generous sense of humor. We will remember him with great fondness.

Trinity Reporter!

I have lots of updates on Sue Kluiver, with whom I went on a cruise over the winter. I can report that she is an enthusiastic snorkeler, an accomplished kayaker, and even completed a rope course/zip line. (Sue said that I insisted on that last one. Apparently I'm nuts.) She is still happily living in Holliston, Massachusetts, and married to Liam O'Sullivan '88. Her oldest son is getting ready to go to college in the fall, and her two other children are merily navigating middle school and high school. Sue's taken on a lot of leadership roles in Destination Imagination, Girl Scouts, and Boy Scouts, in which her boundless energy has served her well. Aside from all of her accomplishments, it was fun to see that same special personality that she had in college mixed with her maternal side. Sue says she's been in touch with Sean Dougherty, Michael Vanderbilt, Dave Ravera, and several others.

This will be Doug Macdonald's last year on the National Alumni Association Executive Committee. At the core of the Executive Committee are its subcommittees, which include Area Clubs and Young Alumni, Bantam Life, Career Development, and Communications, through which alumni interact and support the College. Even though his term is up, our class will still be represented. Michelle Monti has been appointed to the NAA Executive Committee. Congrats!

Michelle Monti writes, "In the fall, I began a two-year term on the Executive Committee of Trinity's National Alumni Association (NAA). I attended my first meeting in November and also enjoyed seeing many fellow '89ers at the Homecoming game. I joined this committee in the hopes of making positive changes at our alma mater. With that in mind, I would be eager to hear from any of our classmates and to serve as a voice for any concerns or suggestions. I am also able to tell you that there are a lot of good things happening at the College, and I will share posts on our 'Trinity Class of '89 Facebook page (join if you haven't!). My e-mail for NAA matters is michelle.monti.1989@trincoll.edu."

Matt Maginniss says, "My wife Marilyn and I bought a house on the Thames River in Connecticut. Please send me an e-mail if you are in the area (maginniss@yahoo.com). My son, Chris, graduates in May from North Carolina State University. He will be commissioned a U.S. Navy officer and is headed to the fleet to serve on a Ticonderoga-class cruiser. My daughter, Caitlyn, is a sophomore studying education and English at James Madison University. I keep in touch with Kamran Koochekzadeh '90, who is a program manager at IBM. Mike Miller and his family stopped at our house in Virginia while Mike was supporting a project in Annapolis, Maryland. Last fall, I had the chance to attend the Trinity Homecoming football game with Rod Moore, Jason Manske, Yuichi and Yani Lee, and Avachal Tayyasanan (AT) (all '89ers). I visited Trinity again in February to meet with current football players at the Career Day. At the football event, I saw Mike Doetsch '86 and Sam Gourley '90. We are planning a Sigma Nu reunion this spring, and by the time you readers see this in the spring issue, I am sure we will have had a great time."

Becky Holt Fine and husband Scott spent her 50th birthday in New Mexico at the annual Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. She says, "It was a blast of color! It had been my dream! I'm probably the first to turn 50 (10/11/66) because I took a year off between high school and college. It ain't so bad. Lots to look forward to!"

"Yes, many of us are turning the corner into AARP-land this year. (I'm looking forward to the discounts!) What are you doing to celebrate? Please write and let me know! You can find me on Facebook, or e-mail me at julielowry@yahoo.com.

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Courtney (Cimiluca) Zanelli writes: "I am a kitchen and bath designer living in Summit, New Jersey. My oldest son is a junior at Trinity and an AD brother. He’s so happy, and for me it's been great getting back on campus to see all of the terrific things the College is doing. My next son is a freshman at Colgate, and he loves it. My third son is a senior in high school, and my youngest is a freshman.

Michael Carney shares some news: “I’ve booked a lead role in Blood Wolf, a feature film set to go into production in the fall of 2017. Written by Diana Cignoni and Sasha Higgins, Cignoni will direct, and it will be produced by Ground Hero Films. I’ve been an actor as well as a talent supervisor on award shows, TV specials, and concerts in Los Angeles for about 15 years.”

Hope the rest of you are well. Many of my contacts on Facebook seem to have kids entering college, some at Trinity like Higgins. Cignoni will direct, and it will be produced by Ground Hero Films. I’ve been an actor as well as a talent supervisor on award shows, TV specials, and concerts in Los Angeles for about 15 years.”

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How did you get started in your field? While training to be a surgeon after medical school, I did a fellowship in which I ran a research study looking at arm function in women who had breast cancer, and at the same time, I was on the hospital committee that reviewed the ethical conduct of research within the hospital (the Institutional Review Board). When it was time to complete my surgical training, I realized that I liked research better than clinical practice. I worked as a medical director at biopharma companies for several years designing the clinical development pathways and clinical trials for new drugs and providing medical oversight of the clinical trials. During those years, I continued to teach and speak about ethics in research and the protection of the rights of research participants. In 2013, I was recruited to be the chief medical officer for WCG, where I get to combine both the science and the ethics of clinical trials.

What do you do in your role as CMO? My company provides the ethical and regulatory review of research that involves human participants before the research can begin. I’m responsible for the oversight and training of the 60-plus physicians who sit on our review boards. I also work with researchers and biopharma companies to help them design their research studies in a way that is scientifically valid and also meets ethical and regulatory standards and to help them develop internal policies for ethical research conduct. I also do a lot of writing and speaking at conferences about related topics such as social media and clinical trials, as well as the ethics of compassionate use of unapproved medications.

What do you enjoy most about your work? The variety and the challenges, especially as we develop new therapies and new technologies. For example, it has long been a general rule that new medicines are tested in adults before they are tested in children. But some of the new gene-replacement therapies are being developed for babies who will die of their disease very young, so there are no adults to test first; how do we do clinical trials of a brand new medicine in a weeks-old baby, with terrified parents, in a way that is ethical and appropriate and that advances our understanding of the disease and treatment?

How did your experience at Trinity help prepare you for what you do now? My experience at Trinity gave me a very solid base for my continuing education. When I got to medical school, I had already learned much of the first-year curriculum in my Trinity biology and biochemistry classes, which gave me a great start. But I also had the opportunity to take a variety of courses outside science, which also helped me. My English classes trained me well for the writing I do now, and my theater classes prepared me for public speaking and teaching.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Why? “Animal Physiology,” which I took early as a sophomore and thought I would ace — and I got a 54 on the midterm. I was shocked, and it made me realize that I needed to change the way I studied, the way I thought, and the way I learned. It wasn’t about memorization anymore; it was about understanding concepts and being able to integrate and explain them. That recognition set me up well for every course I took in grad school.

Robin (Cook) McConaughy writes: “Still living in Central Jersey with my husband, Jon, and two boys, Finn and Drew, aged 17 and 14. I see Rick Stockton every once in a while in the winter at various Jersey hockey rinks as we are squiring our kids to and from practice and games. And in the spring and summer, I usually get to see Rick Campbell with his sons at lacrosse tournaments. It’s a great way to catch up! I had one of the best Trinity moments ever this fall as the field hockey alumna got together for a game on the turf to honor Robin Sheppard. No injuries were reported, but the beers did flow for the ’after party.’ This spring, Tinabeth (Passaro) Burton, Libby (Sting) Miller, Fran (Schwartz) Paradine, Katherine (Hewitt) Cherian, and Barrett (Lamothe) Ladd will be venturing down to my farm, Double Brook Farm, in Hopewell, New Jersey, for the weekend. A highlight will be dinner at our restaurant, Brick Farm Tavern, which opened in November of 2015. All the protein comes from our farm located in Hopewell, and
we work with all local vegetables, foraged produce, and dairy purveyors for the balance of the ingredients. Did I mention there is a full bar? Drawing on the knowledge gained at Trinity, it appears that a liquor license is something that people look for at an eating establishment. The Tavern is the culmination of the farm-market-restaurant closed-loop business that my husband and I started in 2004. Louise van der Does was there opening night, and Margot Ring ’92 has made an appearance! For those who like the spirits and suds, we also have a brewery, Troon Brewing, and a distillery, Sourland Mountain Spirits, on premises. Come visit if you’re in New Jersey!”

Harry Cohen checks in: “Life has been pretty good. Living outside of Boston near Gillette Stadium for the past 18 years, I have gotten some firsthand experience at watching a dynasty with the Patriots. Coming up on 20 years of marriage this summer and have two great girls (14 and 10). I have been at MFS Investment Management for 17 years now, currently managing a team that runs their trading systems. I have stayed in touch with a number of Pikes and always look forward to an annual outing with Neal Sprafkin ’92, Nick Maglio ’92, and Steve Hooker ’92. Tym McDowell is always a good resource if you need spine or brain advice ... or recommendations for a good beer or restaurant. Feel free to reach out via LinkedIn or Facebook if you’re ever in the Boston area.”

From Jonathan Heuser: “All is well in my world. Sebastian is now 20 months and delights and surprises us each day with amusing new turns of phrase. I have the good fortune of serving on the Trinity Board of Fellows and have relished reconnecting with the school, its evolving challenges, new leadership, and varied initiatives. For everyone who has been out of active touch, I’ve been encouraged by the direction of the College and the vision and ambition of its leadership; it may be a good time to consider reconnecting. I’ve been lucky enough to catch up with classmates Susan Olsen, Lynn Wolf, Jay Akasie, John Graziadei, Dan Scanlan, and Piper (and Sara ’94) Skelly at various points during the course of the year, and my dad recently dug out an old copy of the infamous 1993 Tripod out of the attic. It’s amazing how quickly one can revert to being 20 years old once again!”

From Brian Johnson: “Some Class of ’93 folks got together Homecoming Weekend to
There was eating, drinking, laughing, and a Trinity victory, do some bookstore shopping, visit Pike/AD/The Hall, and eat some chilli. Participating were Chris Bodkin, Andy Brick, Jon Trevisan, Clive Jacques (Bard), and me. Also with us were Charlie Schewe and Lisa Sequenza-Percival. There was eating, drinking, laughing, and lively political debate. Great time. Wonderful to hear from you all!

CLASS NOTES

’94

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This edition of the Class of 1994 notes hopes that you survived the winter … not only the seasonal temperatures and rapid-fire holidays stacked like flights at JFK airport but also the postelection ripples. While my last dispatch shied away from politics, the start of 2017 has made that nigh impossible. With that in mind, here are dispatches from our 23rd winter since graduation:

Given the historic events in our nation since the 2016 election, many of us have been stirred to new senses of urgency and action. Scrolling through Facebook feeds and speaking with classmates, I was thrilled to see the numerous ways in which we elected to contribute to the chorus of activism. The January 2017 Women’s March in Washington hosted record numbers. And these crowds weren’t relegated to the Mall in D.C. — millions have attended marches, rallies, and demonstrations in local cities as well as in nations all over the world.

Though not a complete list, here are some of our tribe who were a part of this slice of history: Rachel Brumberg (D.C. and NYC), Heather Burnside (Maryland), Molly Campbell Callaghan (Maine), Tana Kung Peckham (D.C.), Ramsey Luhr (Vermont), and Michael Spaeder and Shannon Joyce Spaeder ’95 (Virginia). I was excited to be a part of the LGBTQ Solidarity Rally in New York City and have made plans to be a regular marcher! While not all of us could attend in person, we were able to show support in other tangible ways. Peter Friedman drove marchers to and from demonstrations. Caroline Santa-Cruz Revis was name checked at a pre-march pink hat knitting party. And kudos to Lisa Whitney, who not only showed up to a rally in Maine but was emboldened enough to get a “Nevertheless, she persisted” tattoo!

Moving from activism to being active: winter means snow, and for many of us that means being outside in the snow with family and friends. One ski town of note is Crested Butte, Colorado, a skier’s paradise 8,900 feet above sea level and home to Kimberly Jancezuk Dunn and her family. This past winter, Crested Butte received a record 90 inches of snowfall in less than 10 days. So much snow, in fact, that there was too much to go skiing! Thankfully the conditions were only a temporary setback. Kim was able to finally hit the slopes. And just in time because fellow Trinitarians Dan Monks and John Viener visited her in February (and have photographic evidence to prove it!)

Other ski trips of note: Heather Burnside (Utah), Garrison LaMothe (Colorado), Chris Patton and Brian Pitts (New Hampshire), and Jamie Talbot and Molly Goggins Talbot ’95. And a shout-out to Marleigh Phillips Brown, who snowboarded for the first time (and quite possibly the last)!

Not everyone who was outside went somewhere Arctic during the winter. I was extremely jealous of Rachel Brumberg’s jaunt to Florida in December 2016, which included a sunny trip south down Route 1 to get to Mile Zero — Key West.

From the holistic files: happy (just over one year) anniversary to Julia Holmes Cahill’s Humble Warrior Yoga in Walpole, Massachusetts. Julia started up in January 2016 and has been thriving. Namaste!

Another item from the holistic files: congratulations to Robyn Adcock, recently named interim executive director of CSOMA (California State Oriental Medical Association). She was also able to mix business and recreation last November 2016 while attending an international trade conference in Tokyo.

From healthy minds we move to healthy bodies: congrats to Kevin Burke, who ran the 2016 South Shore Half Marathon in Massachusetts. And congrats to Seth Gerber, who in November 2016 finished the Arizona Ironman and at press time was training for the 2017 Boston Marathon. Stay tuned for future #beastmode updates!

In “hey, isn’t that …?” news No. 1: You’re not seeing things — if you live in Virginia, you may have seen Adam Murphy ’95 on your television set recently. He was featured in a Union Bank & Trust commercial suffering from a humorous ailment called “distractadosis.” And if you have Netflix, you can stream him anytime in season 4, episode 5 of Orange Is the New Black!

In “hey, isn’t that …?” news No. 2: If you live in New Mexico and were tuned in to K Kob News Radio at the appropriate time, you may have heard a familiar voice discussing the history of the Elector College. That was none other than Matthew Simpson, whose thoughts on the EC have been well shared throughout the media and on his blog, The Coffee House.

In “hey, isn’t that …?” news No. 3: Eli Lake (writing for Bloomberg.com) published an article speculating on the Michael Flynn resignation in February 2017. This piece led to a guest appearance on the Hannity show on Fox News, which then garnered him a direct mention by Donald Trump on Twitter the next morning. A Trump tweet has surely spiked Eli’s Google analytics!

In other entertainment news (sort of), I was able to finally connect with Ethan Mason, who lives in Brooklyn with wife Tania. They both attended one of my monthly Match Game NYC shows (of which Dan Monks and Rachel Brumberg are stalwart, die-hard regulars)!

Finally, in grand entertainment news: an unofficial Trinity Pipes reunion manifested last December 2016 when Pipes alumni were spotted caroling in Brooklyn. Among the holiday crooners: Jamie Talbot and Molly Goggins Talbot ’95, Justin Burke, Allen Katz ’93, Shannon Joyce Spaeder ’95, Joanna Marsden Solfrin ’95, Gail Mierzewski Spaeder ’95, and Aaron O’Connell ’95. There are rumors that this impromptu gathering is a recurring event, so keep an ear out this coming winter!

And in the meantime, keep your lives active — and activist — until the next edition of the notes!

’95

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Hello, 1995. Just a couple of updates this time around.

I was in Baltimore over Presidents Day weekend, and my wife and I spent some time with Beth Fenwick Garner and her two children, Grace, 7, and Tony, 4. We met at Garner Manor, her fine new house in Owings Mills (plenty of space for those looking for a night’s lodging)! We had a fine time catching up, and it prompted her to follow up later with an additional update. “I visited Trinity this past fall to celebrate Robin Sheppard’s amazing tenure and Trinity field hockey. It has been a few months since then, but I have convinced myself that I have not lost any talent! I might have had more than 20 years ago!” Earlier in the day, Beth worked her magic with some extras at the Maryland Zoo, where she works in the development office. The zoo had just welcomed a baby giraffe. “We just had the first giraffe birth in over 20 years,” she wrote. “Everyone is so excited to come visit Willow and her mother, Juma. It is a great time to be at the zoo!”

In non-giraffe birth news, Josh Weinstein’s first son, Agostino, was born in November. I caught up with Josh in early March, and he said everyone was doing fine. Josh, who lives in Los Angeles with wife Giulia, is an owner of Bar Bandini, a new wine bar in the Echo Park neighborhood.
calling or have found their calling. The two most important dates in your life are 1) your birthday and 2) the day that you discover what you are on this earth to do. Hope to see everyone at Reunion!"

Hunter Hoffmann writes in after stopping by to visit Trinity for the first time in 20 years. He lives in New York City with wife Michelle and their two boys, Walker and Otis, and is the global head of media relations for Beazley Group, an international specialist insurer. Finally, our class president, Shaakirrah R. Sanders, closes us: “I want to thank everyone for their warm condolences and positive vibes after my mother’s death last October. I especially thank Alice McCartney Auth, Tanyia Jones, and Paul Lordan, who all traveled to Detroit for the services. I also especially thank Emily Miller Burns for personally delivering a care package to me in Boise. My mom was a tough, compassionate, and intelligent woman, who was not afraid to speak her mind (we are so different!). I am so grateful that many of you got to meet her over the years. She loved you all and would constantly ask about my ‘Trinity friends.’ I have been more reflective than usual these few past few months and have been thinking a lot about the spring of 1993. I was soon coming upon my high school graduation and was eager to assert my impending adulthood and independence. However, my mother was adamant that I attend college in our home state of Michigan. When I resisted, my mother was flabbergasted. This was the first major clash between my mom and I, but it would not be our last (although it was likely the last argument between us that I ‘won’). Years later, my mom had an opportunity to visit Trinity and loved it! She later told me that the visit inspired her to pursue her own education. Thus, after we graduated ‘neath the elms, my mom went on to obtain bachelor’s and master’s degrees. At the time of her death, she was a Ph.D. candidate and fellow. I will always be grateful to Trinity for inspiring my mom to pursue her life’s dreams. For that reason, and more, I am looking forward to returning to campus this June for our 20th Reunion. I will certainly carry the spirit of my mom during that visit. Until then, take care my friends.”

Thanks to those of you who wrote! That’s it for the year. I want to thank everyone for their support and encouragement. I will continue to keep you all posted on future events and visits by Trinity alumni. If you have any news, please let me know. I hope to see you all at Reunion!"

Greetings, Class of 1998! It was another quiet few months for our class, however I do have the pleasure of letting you all know that Geoff Zampiello and wife Amanda welcomed a new little girl into their family. Emma Taylor Zampiello was born on December 5, 2016, and joins big sisters Sidney, 9, and Morgan, 3, who are thrilled with their new baby sister. And that’s all for this edition. If you have anything you would like to share with your classmates—births, moves, reunions, career news, etc.—please send it my way. I can always be reached at jessica@vcalvin@trinity.edu.com. Take care!

"Jambal! In February, I went on the trip of a lifetime to Tanzania, where I managed to climb and reach the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro! My mom, who has been on multiple safaris to Tanzania and wanted to climb Kili before she turned 70, inspired this amazing adventure. She asked me to join her, and I was thrilled to go, and then also terrified. But the trip and our companions were so wonderful; I forgot my fears as soon as I started hiking. We were on the mountain for nine beautiful, challenging, fun, tech-free, unforgettable days. I wouldn’t have made the summit without the encouragement and laughter of my fellow trekkers, guides, and porters. I am also grateful to my fantastic husband, Ben Zwirn, who made it possible for me to go and dealt with two snow days and four cases of Norovirus (that’s all three of our boys as well as Ben himself)."

He’s a busy guy, but thanks to Facebook, I can report that Ben Russo is a dad! “Benjamin Theodore Russo was born at 4:41 p.m. on February 9. He loves eating, sleeping, messing his diaper up something fierce, and judging every move Amanda and I make.” Congrats Ben! Sam Chang writes: “Life is good. We are so blessed and thankful for where we’re at in our lives. We’ve been in the Greater Hartford area for almost 10 years and love it! We live in a cow town in the suburbs. It’s not our glamorous life in NYC when we were in our 20s, but it is a great place to raise kids. Krishna is a stay-at-home mom raising our three kids — Max, 7, Talia, 5, and Carter, 2. I tell everyone that she’s the most overworked, underpaid person I know. Without her, I wouldn’t be where I am today. I’m in a great place personally and professionally. I’ve found my calling if you will. I own my own business preaching good stewardship and generosity. An oversimplified title would be a Christian financial adviser. We just opened up our second office in West Hartford (the first is in South Windsor). I have three other business partners/advisers, an office professional, and excited interns that come through the office. My plan is to build a new office every two to three years and hire as many qualified advisers as possible. It’s so fun running a business that you own; I would highly recommend it. I’ll leave you on this note: I hope everyone is in search of their
via the social media channel of your choice. Happy spring and summer, everyone!

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**Trinity Fund Goal: $45,000**

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Hello, classmates! I hope that 2017 is treating each of you well so far. Certainly a fair number of you are still celebrating the Patriots’ Super Bowl win. I live in Houston and am pretty stoked about my Super Bowl LI koozie.

**Chelsea (Theerman) Adams** writes that she “ran into Pat Sawicki at the Providence Children’s Museum on Election Day. We were both off work and our kids were off school, so we took the opportunity to catch up. It was great.”

**Shana Grannan Russell** and her family are enjoying their second year living in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. Shana and husband Michael are working at Dubai American Academy, where their two sons, Teddy, 8, and Riley, 3, attend. “Please come visit!”

**Trinity Fund Goal: $15,000**

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I am looking forward to seeing you at the 15th Reunion this spring. I cannot wait to see all of you and meet your spouses and children, whom I have been able to announce over these last years. It will be great to spend time back out on the quad. In the meantime, this past year has been busy with more weddings and births of future Trinity graduates.

**Rebecca (Mayer) Brosnan** and husband Damien welcomed their first child in November, Declan Maxwell Brosnan.

**Cecily (Rouse) Timmons** is living in the North Carolina mountains, finishing up the first year of a doctoral program in rhetoric and communications at Clemson University, and has started a new position as executive director of Free Rein Center for Therapeutic Riding and Education. Cecily and her husband are expecting their second daughter in April.

**Jenny (Tuttle) Rollyson** welcomed Virginia “Evers” Foster Rollyson, born in January.

**Shakira Ramos** was married in June 2016 to Erik Crespo in Tulum, Mexico. Bantsoms joining the happy couple were Wildaliz Bermudez ’04, Darlene Lebron ’02, and Patrice Ball-Reed ’80 and had a chance to see Melissa and Brian McViney.”

**Trinity Fund Goal: $20,000**

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**Trinity Fund Goal: $17,000**

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**Julia (Goldsmith) Barcos** and family welcomed Luna Athalie Barcos on February 17, 2017.

**Hanna Robinson** and husband Taylor ’05 are excited to announce Pierce Perkins Robinson, born on June 15, 2016.

**Ingrid Howell** is expecting a baby boy in early March! She and her wife, Cindy Molina-Howell, are overjoyed.

**Matt Glasz** and his wife are expecting twins (one boy, one girl) in late April.

**Lauren McDowell** writes from Oahu, Hawaii, where she married Mitchell Sheppard on February 4, 2017.

**Wesley Connell** married Stefanie Mastromonaco on October 24, 2016. He works at Amazon Robotics and lives in Sommerville, Massachusetts.

**Jon Torodash** just joined Vetcove, a start-up fresh off Y Combinator that gives veterinary practices a competitive real-time price comparison engine for all of their clinical supplies. The company is looking for “top talent” in the NYC area, so once he gets through all the Williams alums’ CVs, you should e-mail Jon.

**Virginia Bryan** is championing Dogs for Dystonia, a nationwide campaign to educate the public about the difficulties faced by those living with dystonia, a little-known brain disorder, and to celebrate the important role dogs play in helping people navigate life’s challenges. Throughout February, dog lovers united in a virtual walk to raise dystonia awareness and urgently needed research
While you probably won’t be hearing from Matt for a while, anyway. (He’s having twins — see previous page — so let’s get that figure up! As a bonus, if you focus on percentages. Bad. You want those to be high, squash-championship seeds, and stuff. It's easy to get confused. Low is good for college rankings, class of any alumni giving percentage. The lowest giving percentage at DaVita Medical Group.

I am informed by a good source that ‘04 has the lowest giving percentage of any alumni class for giving to the Trinity Fund. It’s easy to get confused. Low is good for college rankings, squash-championship seeds, and student-professor ratios, but it is bad for giving percentages. Bad. You want those to be high, so let’s get that figured up! As a bonus, if you donate, Matt Glass won’t bug you this spring! (He’s having twins — see previous page — so you probably won’t be hearing from Matt for a while, anyway.)

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Rob O’Leary married Kate Sarkissian on July 30, 2016, at the Nauticus Marina in Oesterville, Massachusetts, on Cape Cod. Trinity alums in attendance included

Patrick McBrien (best man), Kate Hunter McBrien, Dan Glickberg, Kyle Garvey, Alex Burakoff, Chris Balestrino, Elizabeth Mooney ’06, and Rob’s dad, Bob O’Leary ’77.

Just a few months after Rob’s wedding, class sweethearts Patrick McBrien and Kate Hunter McBrien celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary in October in Bend, Oregon, right before welcoming their newest addition to their family. Hunter Trinity McBrien was born on November 9, 2016 (seven hours shy of her daddy’s birthday), weighing in at 7 pounds, 7 ounces and measuring 20 inches. She joins 5-year-old big brother Will, and they could not be more in love with her.

Lucy Gutman Branca and husband Alexander Branca welcomed Theodore (Theo) Charles Branca on Valentine’s Day 2017. They are living in Houston and loving the early days of parenthood!

Two days later, Devin Malay and wife Meghan Malay welcomed Sloane Kelly Malay on February 16, 2017, weighing 7 pounds, 14 ounces and measuring 20.5 inches. The Malays are loving life in Scottsdale, Arizona. Lucy and Devin reported that their birthdays are a day apart and their babies’ birthdays are two days apart, and although they both live across the country from New England, they have made a pact with each other that they will raise their kids to be proper Boston sports fans.

Did you know one of our classmates is the newest reality TV star? Kyle Cooke ’06 has gone from crazy dancing in the Psi U basement to star of Bravo’s Summer House this past winter. He’s hanging with Stassi Schroeder and the crew from Bravo’s Vanderpump Rules.

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Richard Masucci and wife Amalie welcomed their first child on November 19. Her name is Mila Rose Masucci.

Tim Szal and Jamie Szal grabbed an unexpected opportunity to move to Maine at the end of 2016. Jamie is proud to announce that she left the public sector and joined the law firm of Brann & Isaacson in Lewiston, Maine, as a tax associate. She focuses her practice on state and local tax enforcement and litigation, with a particular emphasis on the various tax and fee burdens borne by businesses.

Coly Smith and Adrienne Nolan (Johns Hopkins ’07) were married on September 10, 2016, in Old Black Point, Connecticut.

As mentioned in the 2005 notes, Kyle Cooke is appearing on the reality show Summer House, which began airing in January. Kyle e-mails, “Bravo has the most affluent, educated, and engaged audience on TV. Aside from this being a crazy experience with close friends, I hope to create a platform leveraging direct-to-consumer opportunities. Legacy brands such as Weight Watchers are out of touch with what consumers — especially those in Bravo’s demographic — need and want.”

Kyle has been involved in several start-ups, including Birddogs, a content and commerce company selling activewear.

Jake Isbrandtsen and Carolyn Riggs (Duke ’06) were married this past fall in Greenwich, Connecticut. Jake was only in Boston for a few months before meeting his soon-to-be wife. Once Jake mentioned his illustrious Trinity lacrosse career and showed off his late-night AD dance moves, Carolyn was smitten. The Trinity crew had the dance floor looking like Calypso 2006. Everyone had a great time even though Coly Smith forgot the Trinity banner for the picture.

Elizabeth Guernsey ’06 and Terry McMahon were married on October 8, 2016, in Essex, Connecticut. Bantams in attendance included David Dick ’03, Elizabeth Millstein Dick ’04, Kathleen Minamaw Stern ’06, Chelsea King Stuart ’06, and Katie Gordon ’07.

Coly Smith ’06 and Adrienne Nolan (Johns Hopkins ’07) were married on September 10, 2016, in Old Black Point, Connecticut. Joining the festivities were Jenny Phelps Smith ’08, Peter Smith ’09, Jake Isbrandtsen ’06, Cara Cappello Quinan ’06, Brian Quinan ’06, Eric Vaughn ’06, Julia Deming Vaughn ’06, Coley Parry ’06, Chad Burdette ’06, Nick Petri ’06, Jay Boothby ’06, Chauncey Pratt Boothby ’06, Kimrie Savage ’06 (hidden), and Megan McGuire deRoulet ’77 (not pictured: Sophie Bell Ayres ’77 and Bob Phelps ’78).

From the Alumni Office: Andrew Aydin, along with civil rights activist and U.S. Representative John Lewis of Georgia and Nate Powell, was named a recipient of the 2016 National Book Award for the graphic novel March: Book Three. The following appeared in an Entertainment Weekly story in November: “This marks the first time a comic or graphic novel has won the prestigious literary award. ... In March, Lewis — along with co-writer Andrew Aydin and illustrator Nate Powell — shared a firsthand account of his involvement with the civil rights move-
ment. The final installment in a trilogy, Book Three follows a then-25-year-old Lewis and other young activists’ attempts to carry out a nonviolent revolution, as they campaigned for racial equality in the early ’60s, before culminating in the titular march from Selma to Montgomery.” The website of the National Book Foundation, which presents the award, quotes Andrew as saying: “March is for everyone who needs a hero. March is for all us struggling to find our power, all of us who are maladjusted to inequality and trying to understand our capacity to make the world around us a better place. And, above all, March is for the young people who need a way out, a way forward, for themselves, for their communities, a way to have lives of great consequence and meaning, lives of service and full of love.” Andrew, who serves as digital director and policy adviser to Lewis, was featured in the spring 2015 issue of The Trinity Reporter; the story may be found at commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter-Spring2015/Features/Telling-the-Tale-of-a-Civil-Rights-Ikon.

Also from the Alumni Office: Lauren Hartnett, who earned an M.S. in global affairs from the New York University Center for Global Affairs in 2012, recently finished a four-week humanitarian deployment in South Sudan. In early 2017, famine was declared in parts of that country. Vulnerable people are out of reach for life-saving assistance due to conflict and have been pushed to the brink of survival. Lauren, the humanitarian press officer for Oxfam America, met with those directly affected by this crisis.

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Happy 10-year anniversary everyone! It’s pretty unbelievable that we left Trinity 10 years ago; time has certainly flown! Our Reunion Weekend will be packed with alumni events, and we look forward to seeing everyone there!

When I relocated to Boston and began working for the Boston Public Schools, I ran into Erin Cooley, who also worked there! Since the last Reporter note, we have both moved on to different positions. After working for the City of Boston for 5½ years, Erin has taken a new position in the Public Schools of Brookline as the director of data analysis and information management. I took a position with the May Institute, a leader in the provision of residential, day habilitation, and consultation services for adults and children with autism and other developmental disabilities as its clinical director for the Cape Cod Southeast Division. In early February, I returned home to celebrate with Ashley McNamara in NYC for her birthday weekend. Ashley is living in her hometown in Connecticut and is working as a recruiter for Dropbox. She’s loving her job and enjoying being back around her family and friends. The same weekend, I got together with Loren Davis, who’s still living in NYC. She was recently recognized and celebrated for her work in curating Common Ground, A Global Poetry Anthology on behalf of the Council on International Educational Exchange. While together, we had the fortune of FaceTiming with Owen Denby, who lives in London with his wife.

Check out the website for Sarah Spiegel’s yoga studio in Saco, Maine: www.samudra-studiyoga.com.

Ross Haeberle and wife Alexandra are expecting their first child on April 16 of this year, and it’s a boy! They’ve been living in Des Moines, Iowa, for the past five years. Ross is working for MFS Investment Management, where he started just 16 days after we graduated.

Patrick Greene and wife Micah are expecting their second son, Henry, in October. Their elder son, Jude, is 3 and completely obsessed with cars. This past summer, Patrick had a piece titled Mabinte premiered by the Boston Landmarks Orchestra in the Hatch Shell in Boston. He has a lot to celebrate, as he was also recently promoted at Ogilvy, the organization he has worked for since 2011. He’s the firm’s artistic and communications specialist, learning and organizational development.

See you all back at the coop in June!

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Trinity Fund Goal: $10,000
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Whitney Duprey recently moved from Portsmouth, New Hampshire, to Nashville, Tennessee, to work for Harpeth Marketing.

Alicia (Ramadei) Piccotti and husband Joe welcomed daughter Bianca Rose Piccotti. The happy family lives on Long Island.

After living and working in D.C. for five years, Danae (Goldberg) McKenzie moved to San Diego, California, in January 2016 while continuing to work for Ogilvy Public Relations remotely from the West Coast.

In June 2016, she married Chris McKenzie (UPenn, The Wharton School, Class of ’04) in a private ceremony in New York. In October 2016, they moved to Boston, Massachusetts, and in February 2017, she embarked on a new journey as an account supervisor for MSLLGroup in its Boston health care practice. Additionally, she was recently asked to serve on the executive committee for the Boston Alumni Club after serving as president of the Alumni Club in D.C.

On October 24, 2016, Abigail Palesty and her husband welcomed their son, Greyson, into the world! He is a happy, silly baby, and they couldn’t be happier.

From the Alumni Office: Marthu Cullina LLP is pleased to welcome Jane Hamilton Torcia as an associate in the firm’s Litigation Department.

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Trinity Fund Goal: $25,000
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Trinity Fund Goal: $14,000
Class Secretary: Vacant
Class Agents: Joshua Stuart Grouney, Thomas B. Melly, Rebecca L. Savage

The class secretary position for the Class of 2011 is vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at (860) 297-2403 or julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu.
How did you find your job? I fell in love with Chinqueka when I started as a camper at 9 years old. In 2005, I joined the staff and worked my way up from CIT to counselor to program director. In 2015, I became the director and made it my main goal to ensure that every camper has the same exceptional camping experience that I had as a child.

What are the most important factors for parents to consider when looking for a summer camp for their child(ren)? First, it is essential to find a camp that is accredited by the American Camping Association. ACA accreditation means that your child’s camp cares enough to undergo a thorough (up to 300 standards) review of its operation. The ACA works closely with its accredited camps to promote growth, fun, and most importantly, safety. Second, just as we look for warm communities in our hometowns and schools, it is equally as important to visit a handful of camps, meet the directors, and get a feel for what kind of community and mission they represent. At Chinqueka, our philosophy is simple — comfortable girls are happy campers. We pride ourselves on a program where the girls are able to be themselves and don’t have to worry about the pressure of a coed environment.

Why is camp important? Camp allows children to try different activities, to make new friends, and to have experiences without their parents monitoring them. Camps create a safe environment that encourages children to be silly, to get over fears, and to be around others who are not from the same background. And, of course, camp is important because all of us — children especially — need a break from technology and screens. Our campers have no access to Wi-Fi, but I am certain they find a much better connection here.

What do you enjoy most about your work? During the summer months, I love spending time with our campers. I watch them learn to ride a bike or learn to swim, see them flying down the zip line for the first time, or witness them landing that back handspring in the gymnastics tent. I hear their screams when they beat their friend’s record on our go-kart track and listen to them read articles they wrote for our camp newsletter. I help them send home projects they made in jewelry making and arts and crafts. Most importantly, I see them form friendships that I know will last a lifetime. I equally enjoy working with our fantastic staff. I hire almost 60 staff members each summer, and teaching them the importance of being a good role model to our girls is difficult but worthwhile. I feel proud knowing our girls are being taught and led by so many wonderful young leaders.

What is the biggest challenge you face? The biggest challenge we face during the summer months are phone calls from anxious parents. Because our camp program is so busy and fun, we rarely have homesick campers. However, our parents are at home wondering if their daughter is OK because parents are so used to the constant communication with their children. Funnily enough, I would say we spend more time reassuring parents that their daughter is happy than we do helping upset campers.

Was there a Trinity professor who was particularly influential? Lesley Farlow, associate professor of theater and dance, encouraged me to be more creative — in the dance studio and in my writing and thoughts in the classroom. She always made me feel as though my ideas and contributions were important, and I am grateful to have had her as a mentor.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Hands down the most memorable course I took at Trinity was “Theatrical Lighting: Design and Production.” Working with light was something I had never done before, and I enjoyed it so much. I always spent time on stage or in front of the camera, and this was one of my first experiences focusing on one of the most important factors behind the scenes.

If you would like more information on Camp Chinqueka, please visit www.chinqueka.com or commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter, or e-mail Ward directly at amanda@chinqueka.com.
George “Smith” Alpert will be graduating Georgetown Law in May 2017 and will start work in September at Reed Smith LLP in the corporate group in New York City.

Elizabeth Preysner and Samuel Ingram were married at the Trinity College Chapel on October 8, 2016. The ceremony was officiated by The Reverend Allison Read, College chaplain.

Martha Dane participated in Aetna’s Group Sales Training program. She is the company’s lead saleswoman for Idaho, Oregon, and part of Washington state. She married Thad Gincig in October 2016 on Orcas Island, Washington.

In May 2016, Emily Howe joined the advancement team at The Nightingale-Bamford School in New York City, where she is an alumna. She is also engaged to be married in August 2017 in Memphis, Tennessee.

Mike Atsalis moved to Chicago in January 2016, and Emeka Kanu ’11 moved there in October 2016. The two live with Ted Gates ’13 in Old Town Chicago. All three of them like visitors. They had a blast during the World Series; Stu Lovejoy and Greg Crane flew out to Chicago for Game 7 of the World Series, where they watched the Cubs win from a bar in Wrigleyville. Will Kaplan was there as well but somehow missed the picture. Go, Cubs, go.

From the Alumni Office: Marta Zamroziewicz was published with Sarah Raskin, Charles A. Dana Research Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience, in a recent issue of Neuropsychology, a publication of the American Psychological Association. The paper, “Effects of Drinking Patterns on Prospective Memory Performance in College Students,” utilized Trinity students to study the effects of alcohol use on the brains of college students. Marta is in the M.D./Ph.D. program in the Department of Neuroscience at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

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\**2012**

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\**2013**

Trinity Fund Goal: $10,000

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Elizabeth Preysner ’13 and Samuel Ingram ’13 were married on October 8, 2016, at the Trinity College Chapel. Megan Schneider ’13, Lillian Young ’13, Irenae Aigbedion ’13, Laika Abdulali ’13, Emma Sternlof ’13, and Julia Falkowski ’13 celebrated with the happy couple.

2013 classmates Lydia Kay and Frances Cameron, right, join Martha Dane at her wedding to Thad Gincig in October 2016 on Orcas Island, Washington.

\**2014**

Trinity Fund Goal: $5,000

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John Flynn M’96 has been named The Segal Group’s chief operating officer. John is a senior vice president and has successfully led the firm’s East Region for more than a decade. In this newly created position, he will oversee the regional leaders from the East, Midwest, New York, and West and will continue to oversee the firm’s Canadian business.

\**2015**

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\**2016**

Trinity Fund Goal: $5,000

Class Secretary: Vacant

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\**CLASS NOTES photos policy update**

As you know, 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. We also ask that no more than one Class Notes photo per issue features the same photo subject(s) and that all photos include at least one Bantam. We can’t promise that we’ll be able to publish all photos that we receive, as some issues may not have enough space. 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 (who, what, when, where, why) to sonya.adams@trincoll.edu.
1940 Edward L. Burnham, 97, of Kansas City, Missouri, died on November 17, 2016. Burnham earned a B.A. in classics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, the Jeaters, and Medusa. He also worked on the staff of The Trinity Tripod. Burnham served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II and stayed in the Reserve until his retirement from the U.S. Air Force in 1974 with the rank of colonel. He was awarded several military honors, including the Distinguished Flying Cross. Burnham worked as a salesman at Williamantic Lumber and Coal Company until he moved to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. In 1967, he joined the VFW national headquarters staff in Kansas City. He held various posts, retiring as assistant adjutant general in 1979. Burnham also was a dedicated Trinity alumnus who was a member of the Elms Society.

Burnham is survived by brothers John (Helen) and Herbert Burnham (Anna) and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by brothers Charles Tallman and Stowell Burnham.

1942 Joseph B. Beidler, 97, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on October 31, 2016. Beidler earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu, the Senate, and Medusa. He also played football, basketball, and baseball. Beidler later served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He went on to earn an M.A. from Teachers College, Columbia University, and also took graduate classes at the University of Hartford. He had a short stint playing professional baseball before turning his attention to coaching, where his career spanned four decades, starting at Trinity as a football and baseball coach. He then coached at Whitman College before returning to Connecticut to coach at Hartford’s Weaver High School, where he also taught physical education, and West Hartford’s Conard High School, where he also taught math.

Beidler is survived by his wife of 74 years, Ruth; children Nancee Torns (Ray), JoAnn Schaaf, and Robert; four grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

1942 Aldo M. Pulito, 96, of Orange, Connecticut, died on January 28, 2017. Pulito earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of the American Chemical Society and Phi Lambda Upsilon, the national chemistry honor society. He later earned a Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of Connecticut. Pulito served in the U.S. Army during World War II, assigned to the Manhattan Project. He then co-owned Ames Laboratory in Milford, Connecticut, and taught at St. Vincent’s School of Nursing and as an associate professor of chemistry at Fairfield University from 1971 until his retirement in 1986.

Pulito is survived by his daughters, Virginia Miller (Philip) and Marie Pulito (Brenda Caldwell); two granddaughters; and one great-grandson. He was predeceased by his wife, Pauline, and his son, Paul Pulito.

1946 James D. Wickenden, 90, of Centennial, Colorado, died on January 27, 2017. Wickenden served in the U.S. Army Air Corps before earning a B.S. from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu. He went on to earn an M.B.A. in business administration from Denver University. His long career in business culminated with him serving as president of Standard Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Wickenden is survived by daughters Karin Sherry and Lisa Charles (David) and two grandsons. He was predeceased by his wife, Esther, and siblings H. Robert Wickenden, Jr. and Margaret Wickenden.

1947 Richard H. Scenery, Sr., 93, of East Greenwich, Rhode Island, died on November 30, 2016. Scenery earned a B.S. from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Ro. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Scenery went on to a career in sales, retiring from Arkwright as vice president of sales in 1982. He remained a co-owner of RH Sales and fully retired in 2014. Scenery is survived by his children and their spouses, Mary Ann DeSista, Claudia Divoll, Richard Scenery, Jr., Sarah Lynn Thompson, and Christopher Scenery; 13 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

1948 Hon. ’46 Michael R. Campo, 93, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on January 20, 2017. Please see the Former Faculty section of “In Memory.”

1949 Robert D. Bowden, Sr., 91, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on November 4, 2016. Bowden served in the U.S. Army during World War II before earning a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was treasurer of Sigma Nu and advertising manager for The Trinity Tripod. He went on to earn an M.A. and a sixth-year certificate from the University of Connecticut. Bowden continued to serve in the Reserves, retiring in 1966 as a captain. From 1949 until his 1984 retirement, he was a math teacher and administrator in the East Hartford Public Schools. Bowden went on to hold public office on the local level in Glastonbury and on the state level as a member of the Connecticut House of Representatives, where he was elected to five terms.

Bowden is survived by his wife of 65 years, Eva; children Nancy Bowden (David Glenn), Janet Bowden (Andrew Manoif), Richard Bowden (Michele), Barbara Burke (Patrick), and Robert Bowden, Jr. (Lisa); nine grandchildren; and a niece. He was predeceased by brother Russell Bowden.

1949 John C. Williams, 89, of East Hartford, Connecticut, died on November 8, 2016. Please see the Former Faculty section of “In Memory.”

1950 Irwin D. “Irddie” Cromwell, 91, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, died on December 4, 2016. Cromwell served in the U.S. Army during World War II before earning a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and worked on the staff of the Joy. He went on to work in real estate sales and for Baltimore Gas and Electric Company before establishing the Roland Park Cabinet and Millwork Co. He sold the business in 1987 and moved to Santa Fe.

Cromwell is survived by his wife of 36 years, Florence; children Peter Cromwell, Robert Cromwell, W. Denny Cromwell, Sally Grissom, and Emily Cromwell; stepchildren William Whitmore, Ronald Whitmore, and Emma Buck; 17 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and sisters Margaret Taliaferro and Sally Benoist.

1950 William C. Jones, 89, of Enfield, Connecticut, died on January 31, 2017. Jones attended Cornell University before joining the U.S. Navy. After his honorable discharge, he came to Trinity, where he earned a B.S. in chemistry. He spent his career working as a chemist.

Jones is survived by his children, Karen Mason (Joseph) and David Jones (Katherine), and three grandchildren.

1950 Anthony B. “Whitey” Kunkiewicz, 93, of Harwinton, Connecticut, died on December 15, 2016. Kunkiewicz attended Bates College before enlisting the U.S. Army Air Corps. He later earned an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he played varsity football and baseball. Kunkiewicz went on to a successful career in teaching and coaching at Lewis S. Mills Regional High School and Har-Bur Middle School in Burlington, Connecticut.

Kunkiewicz is survived by his wife of 69 years, Jean; children Suzanne Kunkiewicz, Michael Kunkiewicz (Janis), and Rachel Bowles (William); four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by son A. Bruce Kunkiewicz.

1950 James M. Perry, 89, of Chevy Chase, Maryland, and Glenora, New York, died on November 23, 2016. Perry served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He then earned a B.A. in English...
from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and worked as news editor of The Trinity Triodp and on the staff of the Ivy. He went on to a successful career in journalism, including stints at The Hartford Times, the National Observer, and The Wall Street Journal, where he worked for two decades. He won the 1997 Fourth Estate Award from the National Press Club in recognition of his lifetime achievement in journalism.

Perry is survived by his daughters, Greta Perry (Chris Kelly) and Kathie Perry Lynch (Tim), three grandchildren; and brother Matthew Perry (Joy). He was predeceased by his wife, Margaret.


Greer served in the U.S. Army in Korea before earning a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he ran cross country. He went on to work for many years as a self-employed builder.

Greer is survived by his wife, Mary; children Susan, Nancy, and James (Rhonda); and two grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Marion, and sisters Mary and Betsy.


Hardy earned an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and ran freshman cross country and track. He went on to be a farmer and an investor, managing farms in the United States and around the world.

Hardy is survived by his wife, Lesley; the mother of his three daughters, Anne Legare; daughters Marjory Sheldon (George), Minna Casser (Conrad), and Anne “Boo” Hardy (Richard Holder); stepchildren David Mason and Stephan Mason ’88 and their mother, Jane Mason; and six grandchildren.


Shapiro earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi, editor of The Trinity Triodp, and vice president of Hillel. Shapiro went on to earn a law degree from Harvard University. He practiced in Manhattan for several years before moving his practice to Briarcliffe Manor. He served as town justice from 1980 until his retirement in 2011, winning election seven times.

Shapiro is survived by his wife, Sandra; children Sarah Bernard ’84 and James Shapiro ’81; three grandchildren; sister Jane Cohn; and two nephews.


Crawford earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi. Following graduation, he served in the U.S. Air Force. He then earned an M.B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania’s Wharton School.

Crawford served as president and CEO of Minnesocta Natural Gas Co. and was instrumental in the company’s merger with Minnegasco, now known as CenterPoint Energy. Loyal to his alma mater, Crawford was a member of the Elms Society.

Crawford is survived by his wife, Debbie; children Wesley (Cindy), John (Colleen), Lindsay (Jim), Dick (Cindy), Alexandra, and Jessica Webb (JR); nine grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and brother Carroll Crawford. He was predeceased by brother Rod Crawford.

1954 **ROBERT L. D’ABATE, 83, of Rocky Hill, Connecticut, died on September 14, 2016.**

D’Abate earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Engineering Club. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army from 1955 to 1957. D’Abate had a successful career in engineering, retiring as a project engineer at Pratt and Whitney in 1991.

D’Abate is survived by his wife of 61 years, Francesca; children Gary D’Abate (Suzanne), Glen D’Abate (Kirsten), Greg D’Abate ’83 (Kate), and Gayle D’Abate (Shawn Grigas); five grandchildren; and brother Donald D’Abate. He was predeceased by sisters Frances Scheide, Betty Frary, and Pauline Odegard.

1954 **EDMUND A. NAHAS, 83, of Brooklyn, New York, died on July 17, 2016.**

Nahas earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi. He went on to earn a law degree from Columbia University. Nahas practiced law at Zraick, Nahas & Rich until his 2011 retirement.

Nahas is survived by his wife, Vickie; children Jennifer Nahas ’87, Stuart Nahas (Bryonwyn), Heather Nahas (Matthew Waugh), and Jeffrey Nahas (Kellyn); nine grandchildren; and nephew Peter Poulakakos.


Vars earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and Medusa. He also was president of the Senate, captain of the swimming team, and an ROTC cadet captain. Vars went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force and was later discharged with the rank of captain. He worked at his family’s Westerly, Rhode Island, pharmacy, Vars Brothers, for 15 years before its closing in 1974. Vars then opened his own pharmacy in Hope Valley; he later revamped the location into a liquor store.

Vars is survived by his wife of 50 years, Beverly; daughters Elizabeth Vars and Hillary Vars Whelan ’93 (Daniel); two grandsons; and sister Lois Mason.

1956 **GEORGE W. STONE, JR.**, 82, of Alexandria, Virginia, died on December 24, 2016.

Stone earned a B.A. in history and educational studies from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi, the Newman Club, and the Education Club. He also played J.V. basketball. Stone went on to a career in insurance and later worked in real estate.

Stone is survived by his wife, Patti.

1957 **JAMES D. TWINAME, JR.,** 80, of Lansdowne, Pennsylvania, died on February 6, 2017.

Twiname earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and the Canterbury Club. He also worked at WHTO and served as a manager for several athletic teams. Twiname began his career at B. Altman & Co. He then moved into the nonprofit field with Scripture Union, the Pennsylvania Bible Society, and the American Bible Society. Twiname was the founding corporate secretary of Children’s Ministries, Inc. He later developed application software for Keystone Information Systems in New Jersey.

Twiname is survived by his wife of more than 40 years, Miriam; children Kevin Twiname, Eric Twiname (Christine), Ellen Twiname, James Flynn (Darcy), and Natalie Wilkie (Arthur); two grandchildren; and sisters Ann Curran and Beatrice Twiname (Peggy Reed).


Dodge earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, the Economics Club, the Chapel Choir, the Pipes, and the Glee Club. He spent several years in the military before a long career in engineering and sales.

Dodge is survived by his wife, Jacqueline; children Frederick Dodge, Trish Denno (Paul), and Jeremy Dodge (Karim); stepchildren Kami Kovaas, Jill Kovaas (Tom), Josh Peters, Julie Hanley (Jerry), and Shawn Peters; and nine grandchildren. He was predeceased by brothers John and Stephen.

1958 **JAMES J. GRIFFIN**, 78, of Corona del Mar, California, died on May 20, 2015.

Griffin earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi. He also attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Griffin spent his career in Phoenix in the aerospace industry, retiring as president of a division of Allied Signal, now Honeywell. A dedicated alumnus, Griffin was a member of the Elms Society.

Griffin is survived by his wife, Patricia; children Anne Hauert (Jim), James Griffin, Jr., Stephen Griffin (Joy), and Jeffrey Griffin; and one granddaughter.

1959 **ROBERT A. BRIAN**, 78, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on December 8, 2016.

Brian earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, the Economics Club, and the Newman Club and ran track. Brian also served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army Reserves. He was an actuary for Travelers Insurance Co. and Aetna before joining Conning.
and Company and then Milliman and Robertson as a consultant and partner.

Brian is survived by his children, Judy Burke (Bruce), Rob Brian (Denise), Ted Brian (Susan), and Paul Brian (Heather), and 11 grandchildren.


Dunning earned a B.S. in physics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, the Philosophy Club, and the Glee Club. He also played varsity squash. Dunning went on to earn an M.A. in mathematics from the University of Pennsylvania. He was math teacher at Germantown Friends School before becoming a software developer. He also was an activist for LGBT rights for decades.

Dunning is survived by his sons, William ’88 and Robert; two grandchildren; and his former wife, Marion Ballard. He was predeceased by brother Nicholas Dunning.


Tracy earned a B.S. in biochemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army. Tracy then worked for 36 years in IT development at Aetna Life and Casualty and consulted for data processing companies before retiring.

Tracy is survived by his wife, Diane; daughter Heather DeFosses (Mike); two grandchildren; and siblings Calvin Tracy (Marian) and Anne Speck.


Giegler earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was an Illinois Scholar. He went on to earn an M.Div. from General Theological Seminary. Giegler served at several churches in Connecticut and Illinois, including Grace Episcopal Church in New Lenox, Illinois, from which he retired in 1994. He also spent time as a private family counselor and case worker.

Giegler is survived by his wife, Beverley; daughters Elizabeth Giegler Crum and Jeanne Mudroch (Steve); three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and brother Don Giegler (LuAnn).


Rorke earned a B.A. in religion and history from Trinity, where he was president of Delta Phi and a member of The Trinity Tripod staff. He went on to earn an M.A. from Wesleyan University. Rorke was a history teacher for three decades in New Jersey and New York. He spent the last 20 years of his career running an orientation program for Thailand’s King’s Scholars, students who had come to the United States for college.

Rorke is survived by his wife of 56 years, Jacqueline Slayer; children Andrew Rorke (Linda) and Kirsten Yarbrough (George); one grandson; and brother Steve Rorke ’69 (Jeanne).

1962 DONALD W. CARROLL, JR., 76, of Mays Chapel, Maryland, died on October 21, 2016.

After earning a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and worked at WRTC, Carroll joined the U.S. Navy. His service included time as part of the military presence off Cuba during the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis. He started his professional career in a family firm involved in the stevedoring and ship agency business. Carroll later opened T. Parker Host of Maryland, Inc., a solutions provider for the maritime industry, and in 2003 was named the Port of Baltimore’s Leader of the Year. He retired in 2010.

Carroll is survived by sons Edward “Ned” Carroll (Amy) and Alexander “Sandy” Carroll (Diane) and five grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of nearly 50 years, Anne.


Papa earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of QED and the staff of The Trinity Tripod. He also played freshman soccer and baseball and later varsity soccer. Papa went on to take graduate education courses at Trinity and to serve a three-year stint in the U.S. Army’s Blackhorse Regiment. He then spent 30 years in education as a teacher, administrator, coach, and counselor.

Papa is survived by his wife, Donna; daughters Stephanie Battipaglia (Joseph), Stacey DeMartino (Robert), and Meredith Eden ‘00 (Ethan); nine grandchildren, including Zachary Battipaglia ’17; and sister Lois Dudley.

1962 ROBERT J. ROXBY, 76, of Palm Springs, California, died on December 31, 2016.

Roxby earned a B.A. in French from Trinity, where he was treasurer of the French Club and a member of the Glee Club. He also won the Cesare Barbieri Prize for Excellence in Spoken Italian. Roxby also studied organ with renowned College organist Clarence Watters. He went on to earn an M.S. in French literature from Georgetown University and then taught at Conard High School in West Hartford, Connecticut, and Carroll College in Helena, Montana, where he later became academic dean. After earning a Ph.D. in higher education administration from Washington State University, he worked for the University of Hartford and then as dean of extended education and a professor at Saint Mary’s College in Moraga, California.

Roxby is survived by his brother, Francis Roxby (Eleanor); niece Alison Roxby (Brian Rulifson); nephew Jared Roxby (Michelle); and a grandniece and two grandnephews.


Adams earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Psychology Club. He was honored with membership in Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology. Adams went on to Andover Newton Theological Seminary, where he earned an M.Div. He also received an honorary doctorate from Boston University. Adams spent the bulk of his career in ministerial work at Wellesley Hills Congregational Church in Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts, where he was the senior minister for 32 years.

Adams is survived by his children, Catherine Jordan, Martin Adams, and Thomas Adams; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and sister Cynthia Johnson. He was predeceased by his wife, Ann.


Baum earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He went on to earn an M.B.A. in banking and finance from New York University. His career in the business world included time with Dun & Bradstreet, IBM, Citibank, GE, and the Chicago Board Options Exchange.

Baum is survived by his wife, Vittoria; children Nicole (Davide) and Alexander; two grandchildren; brother Tim; and two nephews.

1963 MICHAEL J. DALY, 74, of Charlotte, North Carolina, died on December 18, 2016.

Daly earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War. Daly then returned to academia and earned a master’s in health care management from the University of Michigan. He worked at Hartford Hospital for 11 years, the last eight as chief operating officer. In 1981, Daly became president and chief executive officer of Baystate Health in Springfield, Massachusetts, and held those posts for 22 years.

Daly is survived by his children, Jennifer Meltzer (Joshua) and Michael Daly, Jr. ’88 (Mary Lou); three grandsons; and brothers Jim ’69 and Charlie Daly. He was predeceased by his wife, Judith, and brother Bob Daly.

1963 WILLIAM F. NILES, 75, of New York City, New York, died on December 6, 2016.

Niles earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and managing editor of The Trinity Tripod. He joined the U.S. Army Reserves and began a career in journalism and publishing. He was corporate research director for Rupert Murdoch’s initial American publishing venture and vice president of research for Reed Travel Group. Upon retirement, he created research studies for many years at Big Apple Greeter, a group that matches volunteer guides and visitors.

Niles is survived by his wife of 46 years, Boyd Niles; sons Peter and David (Ann); two grandchildren; and siblings John Niles and Nancy Faesy.
1965 **JAMES S. BISHOP**, 73, of Germantown, Pennsylvania, died on September 18, 2016. Bishop earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, the Political Science Club, and Campus Chest. He also participated in crew and served as secretary of the Rowing Association. Bishop’s professional career included time in marketing and management of home furnishings and interior design businesses. Bishop is survived by his wife, Peggy; son Will Bishop ’96 (Lauren); and two grandchildren.

1965 **MARK E. JOSEPHSON, M.D.,** 73, of Brookline, Massachusetts, died on January 11, 2017. Josephson graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.S. in biology. He was a member of Sigma Nu and the Political Science Club, and he played varsity soccer and ran track. Josephson went on to earn an M.D. from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons and to complete his internship and residency at Mount Sinai Hospital. While serving as a military medical officer during the Vietnam War, he was introduced to cardiac electrophysiology research. During his career of more than 40 years, he was a renowned leader in electrophysiology and was considered by many to be the “father” of the discipline. He wrote more than 400 peer-reviewed articles and was the author of *Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology Techniques and Interpretations*. Josephson received numerous honors, including being chosen before his passing by the American College of Cardiology to receive the 2017 Distinguished Scientist Award. After building a premier electrophysiology service at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, in 1992 he established the Harvard-Thorndike Electrophysiology Institute and Arrhythmia Service at Beth Israel Hospital and served as its director. In 2001, he was named chief of cardiovascular medicine at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and the Herman Dana Professor at Harvard Medical School. He sat in the Shlomo Ben-Haim, M.D., Professorship in Medicine in the Field of Cardiac Electrophysiology, and following his passing, his name will be added to the position title. Josephson is survived by his daughters, Rachel Josephson (Todd Poisson) and Stephanie Josephson, and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Joan.

1966 **ERNEST C. “FORD” BARRETT III,** 72, of Washington, D.C., died on February 14, 2017. Barrett earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, president of the freshman class, secretary of the Outing Club, and a member of the Mather Hall Board of Governors. He also served on the ROTC Cadet Council. Barrett went on to graduate from the University of Virginia Law School and later served in the U.S. Army Reserves. For 42 years, he was a litigation attorney for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency with the U.S. Department of the Treasury. A dedicated alumnus, Barrett served as a member of the Board of Fellows and as a class secretary, class agent, and member of the Reunion Gift Committee. He also was a member of the Long Walk Societies and the Elms Society.

Barrett is survived by his sons, Blair Barrett and Hugh Barrett, and siblings Blair Curdits and Barton Barrett. He was predeceased by his wife, Diana.

1968 **DAVID M. BORUS,** 70, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on February 15, 2017. Please see the Former Staff section of “In Memory.”

1971 **ROMEO N. LAFAYE, JR.,** 67, of Rocky Hill, Connecticut, died on December 6, 2016. LaFaye earned a B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of the Chess Club and played intramural basketball. He went on to work as a systems analyst at the Connecticut Department of Labor; he retired in 2004. LaFaye is survived by his mother, Elsie LaFaye Karen; siblings Donna Nimrod (Mark), Pamela Guinan (Christopher), and Douglas LaFaye (Helen); and five nieces and nephews.

1978 **JACOB P. VINCENT,** 60, of Providence, Rhode Island, died on November 12, 2016. Vincent earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he participated in crew. He went on to a career in engineering, including time at Barnes Engineering Co. and Proteon, Inc. Vincent is survived by his wife, Karen Friend; two sons; mother and father Ruth and Drury; and four brothers and their wives.

1988 **KEVIN G. ROBINSON,** 50, of Honolulu, Hawaii, died on January 8, 2017. Robinson earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he played ice hockey. He was a managing partner of Hawaii Opportunities Group, which offered management and investment support to entrepreneurs. Robinson is survived by his mother, Marilyn Robinson, and siblings Richard Robinson (Monique), Jean Westerberg (Tom), Maureen Robinson-Adams (Ed), Kristine Witalisz (CJ), Kathy Sargent (Glen), and Laurie Goodwin (Jeff).

2006 **CRAIG J. YENNIE,** 33, of Providence, Rhode Island, died on November 8, 2016. Yennie majored in chemistry and minored in legal studies at Trinity, where he was a member of the Trinity Chemical Society and the Forensic Science Club and played intramural softball and basketball. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in chemistry from Brown University, where he published several studies and taught hundreds of students. Yennie is survived by his mother, Hyacinth Yennie; sisters Melissa Yennie, Charlecinth “Charlie” Yennie Roberts ’02, and Cristin Nicole; and many nephews, uncles, aunts, and cousins.

2016 **CALVIN JOHNSON, JR.,** 36, of Hartford, Connecticut, died on March 12, 2017. Please see the Staff section of “In Memory.”

**Masters**

1955 **LUCIA MACCARONE,** 86, of Simsbury, Connecticut, died on January 24, 2017. Maccarone earned a B.S. in economics and finance from Saint Joseph College and an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity. She began her teaching career at Bloomfield High School and later taught for 18 years at Lewis Mills High School in Burlington, Connecticut. Maccarone is survived by her children, Michele Maccarone Brophy (Kevin), Justin Maccarone, Jr. ’81 (Marie), Lisa Maccarone, and Christopher Maccarone (Laji); eight grandchildren, including Michael Maccarone ’19; siblings Teresa Mascaro (Carmen) and William De Dominicis (Janice); and brother-in-law Armand Maccarone (Lorraine). She was predeceased by her husband of 58 years, Justin S. Maccarone, Sr. ’50, brother-in-law Ralph Maccarone (Jane), and sister-in-law Gloria.

1962 **CHARLES E. WALKER,** 82, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on December 23, 2016. Walker received a B.S. from the University of Massachusetts before earning an M.S. in mathematics from Trinity. He worked as a programming group leader for United Technologies. Walker is survived by his wife of 57 years, Isabelle; children John Walker, Thomas Walker, and Mary Beth Exley (George); six grandchildren; and siblings George Walker and Mary Provencer.

1963 **BLAKELY B. BABCOCK,** 82, of Orlando, Florida, died on November 22, 2016. Babcock earned a B.A. in history from Hamilton College before arriving at Trinity, where he earned an M.A. in history. He also earned an M.L.S. from the University of Maine. Babcock went on to a career in independent school education, holding teaching, coaching, dean, athletic director, college counselor, assistant headmaster, and headmaster positions at schools in New York, New Hampshire, and Florida until his 2000 retirement. Babcock is survived by his wife of 56 years, Judith; children Taylor Babcock and Autumn Kircher; two granddaughters; sister Durrell Irvin; and two nephews.

1968 **NEIL J. JOHANSON,** 76, of Mere Point, Maine, and Fort Lauderdale, Florida, died on November 4, 2016. Johanson earned a B.A. in philosophy from Boston University before coming to Trinity, where he earned an M.A. in education. He also earned an M.A. in mathematics from Bowdoin College. He began his mathematics teaching career at South Portland High School in Maine and went on to teach at many high schools in New England. Even after his retirement, he
continued to tutor math. Johanson also was a veteran of the U.S. Army Security Agency.

Johanson is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; three nephews and a niece; and sister-in-law Judith Johanson. He was predeceased by brother Bradford Johanson.


Beebe served in the U.S. Army during World War II before earning an A.B. from Princeton University and then an M.A. in history from Trinity. He went on to teach for 43 years, first at Westminster School in Simsbury, Connecticut, and then at Loomis Chaffee School in Windsor, Connecticut, where his positions included assistant dean and head varsity baseball coach, with his baseball teams winning five prep school league baseball titles.

Beebe is survived by his friend and former wife, Barbara; children Susan Beebe (Jonathan Frost), Will Beebe (Valeria), and Seth Beebe (Wendy); and two grandchildren.


Johanson earned an undergraduate degree in biology from Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas. He then became general manager of an Arkansas farm, where he built and managed a horse-racing breeding and training center. In 1965, Johanson turned his focus to education, working in schools in Connecticut and Texas and earning an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity. He also was close to earning a Ph.D. from the University of Texas. Johnson went on to teach at several institutions, including Austin Community College in Texas, and ended his career teaching biology at Lahaina Intermediate School in Maui. He also was a founder of the Kihei Public Charter School.

Johnson is survived by his wife, Malia; children James Johnson III, Keri Golden, Michele Johnson, Francine Johnson (Bernard van de Camp), and Timmie Kerr (Eric); step-children Charles Cox and John Cox; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and brothers Jeremiah, Michael, and Donald.


Levesque earned an undergraduate degree from Central Connecticut State College and then earned an M.A. in economics from Trinity. He spent his career in banking and finance in the Greater Hartford area.

Levesque is survived by his wife, Carol; sons Brendon (Sarah), William, and Elliot (Rachel); and two grandchildren.


Zietz earned a B.A. in English from Saint Joseph College and an M.A. in English from Trinity. She spent more than 20 years in the New Britain public school system before retiring; she continued teaching as a substitute at Conard, Hall, and Avon High Schools. She also was a founding member of Beth El Temple in West Hartford.

Zietz is survived by her son, Gerry Zietz; five grandchildren, including Lisa Koch Rao ‘95; nine great-grandchildren; sons-in-law Dennis Tinley and Charles Koch; and daughter-in-law BG Zietz. She was predeceased by her husband, Leon; daughter Judy Koch Tinley; and brothers Mandel Rubin and Arthur Rubin.


Norton earned an undergraduate degree from Carleton College and a master’s degree from Case Western Reserve University. She was a high school teacher and tutor and also was a secretary for the Connecticut General Assembly. At age 65, Norton earned an M.A. in American studies from Trinity.

Norton is survived by her children and their spouses, Elizabeth and Dana Foster, Jonathan and Janice Norton, Daniel and Vita Norton, and Juliet Norton; sisters Madeleine Deter and Gretchen White; and five grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, J. Harwood “Stretch” Norton.

HONORARY DOCTOREATES

1991 ROSAMOND BERNIER, 100, of New York City, New York, died on November 9, 2016.

Bernier, who attended Sarah Lawrence College, was well-known for her lectures on art. Michael R. T. Mahoney, Genevieve Harlow Goodwin Professor of the Arts, Emeritus, is said to have encouraged her to lecture at Trinity; she did and then spoke at Rice University in Texas. This began her nearly four decades of art lectures at top museums, including The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City and the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.; universities; and businesses in the United States and Europe. Earlier in her career, Bernier worked in Paris as European features editor for Vogue before co-founding the bilingual art magazine L’œil. She was friends with several famous artists, including Picasso and Matisse, and their support helped her in her role as the magazine’s editor and main contributor. Bernier later moved to New York and was involved with the production of documentaries for CBS and PBS; she won a Peabody Award for two programs on Paris’s Centre Pompidou. When Trinity awarded her an honorary doctor of humane letters degree, her citation noted her “contagious enthusiasm” and her “unsurpassed talent for bringing art and artists to life.”

Bernier is survived by her stepchildren, Olivier Bernier and Lavinia Grishaw.

NONGRADUATES

1946 HAROLD R. SANDLER, 91, of Newington, Connecticut, died on December 1, 2016.

After his time at Trinity, Sandler earned a master’s degree in business from the University of Hartford. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II and the Korean War, as well as the Vietnam War, during which he was awarded the Bronze Star. He retired from the military in 1969 and embarked on a second career with Cigna. He also worked as a producer with Prism Production Services until he was 90.

Sandler is survived by his wife of 70 years, Leona; seven children and their spouses, Ross and Pat Sandler, Marc and Donna Sandler, Keith and Patty Sandler, Robin and Lisa Sandler, Joy and Philip Allen, Bonnie and Ed Wojtowicz, and Wendy Sanstrom; 15 grandchildren, including grandsons Daniel Sandler ’97 and Erick Sandler ’99; 17 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his brother, Philip, sister June, and grand-daughter Jessie.


Goodrich served in the Fifteenth Air Force during World War II before attending Trinity. He later earned degrees from New York University and Hofstra College and completed graduate studies at Cuernavaca Language School in Mexico. Goodrich retired in 1980 from New York’s White Plains High School, where he was the English Department chair for much of his career. He later narrated the 1982 book The Chapel of Trinity College, written by Peter Grant ’72, on a recording made through the Connecticut Volunteer Services for the Blind and Handicapped.

Goodrich was predeceased by his companion, Frank Olin, and brothers Wilbur Goodrich and Jared Goodrich.


After Ritter attended Trinity, where he worked at WRTC, he served as president and owner of Ritter Transportation of New Jersey, founded by his father. He sold the company in the 1980s when he retired. He also had a successful racing career with sailboats and powerboats.

Ritter is survived by his daughters, Nina, Maria ’85, Wesley, and Julia; four grandchildren; and partner Stephanie Forstmann.

1958 GEORGE E. WHITTY, 81, of Suffield, Connecticut, died on October 10, 2016.

After leaving Trinity, Whitty earned a B.S. in industrial management from the University of Hartford and an M.B.A. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He worked for more than 35 years in engineering, manufacturing, and
information systems at the Hamilton Standard Division of United Technologies and retired in 1992.

Whitty is survived by his wife, Gloria Leduc-Whitty; children Nancy Amodio, Mark Whitty (née Laurie Mezzetti), George Whitty, Jr. (Judith), and Jonathan Whitty; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was predeceased by son Michael Whitty and brother Robert Whitty.

**STAFF**


Johnson came to Trinity as an undergraduate in 1998. In 2002, he took some time off from his studies, eventually returning to earn a B.A. in religious studies. For several years, he worked for FM Facility Maintenance in Hartford, and he volunteered as a tutor and mentor with Our Piece of the Pie, a Hartford nonprofit that helps urban youth become economically independent adults. He also worked as a tax preparer at Taxperts in Bloomfield, Connecticut. At Trinity, Johnson served as the cultural house supervisor and F.R.I.D.E. coordinator in the College’s Office of Multicultural Affairs. He was in New Orleans, Louisiana, on an Alternative Spring Break trip at the time of his passing; he and another staff member had traveled with a half dozen Trinity students to visit former slave plantation sites.

Johnson is survived by his parents, Calvin Johnson, Sr. and Carol Johnson; fiancée Delania Barbee; daughter Alyssa Johnson; stepdaughter Saryah Brantley; and many aunts and uncles. He was predeceased by sister Dionna Johnson.

**FORMER FACULTY**


After Campo first enrolled at Trinity in 1941, his time at the College was interrupted by his U.S. Army service during World War II. Following the war, he returned to campus, where he joined the debate team, played basketball, and helped to revive the Jesters. After graduating with a B.A. in modern languages, he went on to earn a Ph.D. in comparative literature from Johns Hopkins University. The first John Hopkins student to be awarded a Fulbright, Campo then spent a year of study in Italy. He returned to Trinity in 1952 as an assistant professor in the Department of Modern Languages and later served as department chair. In 1958, he secured a grant from the Cesare Barbieri Foundation, leading to his serving as founding editor of the Cesare Barbieri Courier, a highly respected journal in Italian culture. The grant also led to his founding Trinity’s Cesare Barbieri Center of Italian Studies, later known as the Cesare Barbieri Endowment for Italian Culture, which continues to offer a wide variety of activities related to Italian culture and the arts each year.

In 1970, Campo founded the College’s Rome Campus, Trinity’s oldest and most established study-away program. Thirteen years later, Elderhostel (now Road Scholar), a pioneer in educational travel for lifelong learners, asked Campo to try a program in Rome. Within a few years, he established programs that still run today. His experience with Elderhostel led him to initiate Trinity’s Academy of Lifelong Learning (ALL), which offers numerous noncredit courses to adult learners. In 1984, the Italian government conferred upon him its highest honor, the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic. After Campo’s retirement from the College in 1989 as the John J. McCook Professor of Modern Languages, Emeritus, Trinity awarded him an honorary doctor of humane letters degree in 1996 and The Eigenbrodt Cup, one of the greatest honors that can be bestowed on a Trinity graduate, in 2008.

Campo is survived by his wife of 66 years, Inez, and children Steve, Lisa (Pamela Visco), and Francesca ’82. He was predeceased by son Michael J. Campo ’80.


After Cherbonnier earned a B.A. from Harvard University in 1939, his studies at Union Theological Seminary were interrupted by his service as a naval aviator and instructor of instrument flying during World War II. Following the war, he completed a B.D. from the seminary and was ordained a deacon by the Episcopal bishop of Missouri. Cherbonnier then received a Fiske Fellowship from Harvard to continue his theological studies at Trinity College, University of Cambridge, where he earned a B.A. and an M.A. He also won a Union Seminary Traveling Fellowship to study at the Universities of Strasbourg and Zurich. Cherbonnier went on to earn a Ph.D. from Columbia University, and he later received an honorary doctor of divinity degree from the University of Vermont. In 1955, Cherbonnier came to Trinity, where he founded the College’s Department of Religion, after brief teaching stints at Vassar and Barnard Colleges and serving as deacon of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City for three years. He remained on the Trinity faculty until his 1983 retirement as professor of religion, emeritus, yet his ties to Trinity were lifelong; he was active with the Trinity Club of Southwest Florida in Naples until his 1992 retirement as the Hobart Professor of Modern Languages, Emeritus. Williams continued teaching through Trinity’s Academy of Lifelong Learning and at Miss Porter’s School in Farmington, Connecticut. Throughout the years, he also trained and mentored Trinity College organ students at St. John’s Episcopal Church in East Hartford.

Williams is survived by children Carter Stuart Williams and Helen Ann Landgraf (Erik) and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Josephine Ann.

**FORMER STAFF**

**DAVID M. BORUS ’68**, 70, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on February 15, 2017.

Borus earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of the Glee Club, the Senate, and the staff of The Trinity Tripod. An Illinois Scholar, he also worked at WRTC, ran freshman cross country, and participated in Hillel. Borus went on to earn an M.A. in English from DePaul University and a Ph.D. in higher education administration from the Center for the Study for Higher Education at the University of Michigan. He was an educator and educational administrator for more than four decades, including serving as dean of admissions and financial aid at Trinity from 1988 to 1996. Borus is survived by his wife, Judith; sons Matthew Borus and Zachary Borus (Katherine Mendenhall); two grandchildren; and brother Jonathan Borus (Dixie). He was predeceased by brother Michael Borus ’59.

**DEATH NOTICES**

1935 CLARENCE DERRICK, JR.
1937 EDWARD C. MAY, JR.
NG 1938 ERNEST S. CORSO
NG 1938 IRVING GLASSMAN
NG 1938 DENZIL NAAR
1939 JOHN K. WERNER
1950 RALPH C. LASHER
NG 1950 JOHN J. BRYCE
M.A. 1952 HERBERT D. MILLER
1954 J. RUSSELL FAWLEY, JR.
1968 PETER D. HOFFMAN
E. Kathleen Archer, Associate Professor of Biology

Kathleen Archer graduated summa cum laude with a B.A. in biology (botany emphasis) from California State University, Fresno. She continued her studies at the University of Oregon, graduating with a Ph.D. in plant physiology and development. Her dissertation research characterized a mutation in tobacco that altered chloroplast biogenesis. Following graduate work, she took post-doctoral research positions, first with Maureen Hanson at Cornell University and then with Ken Keeve at the University of Wisconsin, focusing on the molecular biology of protein import into chloroplasts. She has conducted research in two areas: the first focuses on algal chloroplasts living within the body of the sea slug Ellysia crispata, an unusual relationship that allows the sea slug to survive without food as long as it receives light, and the second focuses on biology education, in particular on teaching techniques that are evidence based and on methods to objectively measure successful learning.

Ellison Banks F indly, Scott M. Johnson ’97

Distinguished Professor of Religion

Ell F indly graduated from Wellesley College in 1971 with a B.A. in religion, from Columbia University in 1975 with a M.A. in history of religions, and from Yale University in 1978 with a Ph.D. in Hinduism and Buddhism, specializing in the Rig Veda. She taught at Mount Holyoke College from 1976 to 1978 and was a visiting curator in South Asian art at the Worcester Art Museum from 1978 to 1980; she then joined the Trinity faculty. Her commitment to teaching arises from two sources: a commitment to the material and a dedication to growth in her students. In each class, she is reminded of how important it is to render the materials she is entrusted with as faithfully and honestly as possible. One of the most challenging parts in opening up the richness of the traditions in ways that are accessible and meaningful to the great diversity of students.

Joan Morrison, Professor of Biology

Joan Morrison earned a B.A. from the College of Wooster, an M.S. from the University of Michigan, and a Ph.D. from the University of Florida. Her research focuses on the ecology, life history, and conservation of birds living in human-impacted landscapes, particularly birds of prey. Before coming to Trinity, Morrison worked for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Forest Service in Alaska, Colorado, Washington, and New Mexico. While at Trinity, her research projects included a study of red-tailed hawks living in Hartford, documenting the structure of the avian communities in Hartford’s urban parks, and continued monitoring of a population of crested caracaras in Florida. Morrison is committed to conservation and environmental education, and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs and during retirement, she plans to continue birdbanding and other educational programs.

Milla Cozart Riggio, James J. Goodwin Professor of English

Milla Riggio earned a B.A. from Southern Methodist University, had a Fulbright grant and taught at the University of Sydney, Australia, and received an A.M. and a Ph.D. from Harvard University. She has focused since 1995 on Trinidad Carnival and culture and the plays of Shakespeare. She has coordinated world conferences on Carnival and co-organized the international ‘‘Tainting Tides’’ conference (2016). She has coordinated the Trinity in Trinidad global exchange program, is on the boards of Cinestudio and the Hemispheric Institute of Performance and Politics, and has long directed Trinity’s English M.A. program. She has received the Brownell Prize and Trustee Award for Faculty Excellence, as well as awards from the City of Hartford. Among her books are co-edited volumes with Michael E. Listy (1999) Executive Through Performance and several edited or co-edited books on Trinidad Carnival. She also co-edited in Trinidad (2008) and was the lead editor on Festive Devils of the Americas (2015).

James Wen, Professor of Economics and International Studies

James Wen graduated from Fudan University, Shanghai, China, with an M.A. and from the University of Chicago with a Ph.D., specializing in development economics, globalization (international trade and finance), and the economies of East Asia, particularly China. He believes in updated and balanced reading materials and textbooks that avail students of different perspectives. In his teaching, mathematics is balanced by an institutional and historical approach. He believes that economics can be learned more effectively if students are challenged to think more deeply and to connect theories to social contexts. The earlier focus of Wen’s research was on China’s total factor productivity in its agriculture, the Great Leap Famine, and the Neendham Puzzle. He continues relevant research to revealing why China’s current collective land tenure system and hukou system are constraining China from bridging its deep rural-urban divide into an integrated and equitable society through modernization, urbanization, and globalization.
Out & About

SNAPSHOTS

/1/ Trinity Club of Hartford’s Annual Dinner
Hartford, Connecticut
NOVEMBER 9, 2016
Dean of the Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of American Studies Tim Cresswell; TCOH’s Person of the Year Robin Sheppard M’76, former associate director of athletics and women’s field hockey and lacrosse coach; and TCOH President Jeffrey Devereux ’12

/2/ President’s Reception
San Francisco, California
NOVEMBER 9, 2016
Michael and Coralee McDermott P’17, President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, and Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success Angel Pérez

/3/ President’s Reception
Los Angeles, California
NOVEMBER 10, 2016
Tom Safran ‘67, Katie Wallack ’00, and David Weiner ’98

/4/ President’s Reception
San Diego, California
NOVEMBER 13, 2016
Barbara Fisher, Al Fisher ’55, Suellen Lodge, Eric Lodge ’65, and Tom Beers ’66

/5/ Society of Women Engineers
Alumnae Panel Co-Sponsored by the Women’s Leadership Council
Hartford, Connecticut
DECEMBER 1, 2016
Victoria Baez ’17, Jessica L’Heureux ’14, Susan Miller ’83, Jessica Voight ’17, and Catherine Poirier ’17

/6/ Women’s Leadership Council Networking Reception
New York, New York
JANUARY 17, 2017
Alex Klastadt ’09, Trish Mairs Klastadt ’80, P’09, ’11, and Lauren Klastadt Filippone ’11

/7/ “How to Make Sense of the 2016 Election”: A Conversation with Professor Fulco
Washington, D.C.
FEBRUARY 20, 2017
Lizey Korengold Bernsorf ’12, Associate Professor of Legal and Policy Studies Renny Fulco, Marian Kerr ’13, and Gary Morgans ’75

/8/ The Women’s Leadership Council Presents “How to Make Sense of the 2016 Election”
Washington, D.C.
FEBRUARY 21, 2017
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Crisanne Colgan M’74
Franca DeRosa ’85
Robin Silver Grace ’90
Edward Hutton ’67, P’01
Amy Katz ’79
Lauren Klestadt Filippone ’11
Trish Mairs Klestadt ’80, P’09, ’11
Jessica L’Heureux ’14
Coralee and Michael McDermott P’17
Susan Miller ’83
Gary Morgans ’75
Suzanne Darnell and Jim Oliver ’67
Melissa Bronzino Regan ’87
Paula and Allan Rudnick ’62
Richard Stockton ’60, P’91, ’94
Cornelia Parsons Thornburgh ’80

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These days, it’s impossible to miss the barrage of criticisms lobbed at higher education as intolerant of opposing viewpoints and at college students as precious snowflakes unwilling to engage with difference and unprepared for the world that awaits them.

Frankly, there’s been too much fuel for that particular fire of late, as our colleagues on some other campuses have had to manage deep divides within their communities and some particularly ugly episodes of protest gone awry.

As I write this, we’re heading into commencement season, and I’m worried we’ll see more intolerance on campuses across the country, with calls to rescind invitations to controversial speakers and protests that disrupt ceremonies and silence voices. I hope that doesn’t come to pass, because it’s more important than ever that we in higher education recommit ourselves to the principles of academic freedom and self-expression, the quest for knowledge and truth, and the aim of developing global citizens who engage fully in building a just, free society.

In today’s polarized world, we have a particular opportunity — perhaps even a singular responsibility — to provide on our campuses the conditions for engaging across differences of background and ideology and to support students in their growth as individuals and as members of a diverse community. If we do our jobs well, the future is in good hands, indeed.

I see this as a central role of a college president in the 21st century. At Trinity College, we have a student body that comes from all over the world and from all backgrounds. We recently admitted a group of talented students for the Class of 2021 who come from 38 countries and 41 states and represent every part of the socioeconomic and political spectrum. But we must do more than simply bring together a diverse body of students. We must model the respectful engagement we want to see in our students, encourage their explorations of self and society, and make clear that they are responsible for building a community that’s inclusive and safe — not safe from speech or ideas that might offend or challenge, but rather safe for them.

Those principles are at the heart of why, for my first Commencement at Trinity in 2015, a retired Air Force brigadier general and former prisoner of war in Vietnam was awarded an honorary degree alongside a draft resister and renowned advocate for nonviolence. And, those principles are why, by the time you receive this magazine, we’ll have heard a Commencement speech from philosopher Daniel Dennett, one of the “Four Horsemen of Atheism,” with the statue of our founding president, the Rt. Rev. Thomas Brownell, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Connecticut, nearby ‘neath the elms. On such celebratory occasions, we can show our students that we value difference and dialogue.

I’m grateful for the work of Trinity students, faculty, and staff who’ve engaged in the Campaign for Community we launched two years ago. This student-led initiative seeks to build the community we wish to be, one characterized by respect, inclusion, and collaborative partnership. This spring, as part of that effort, we’re piloting an exciting workshop series for students called “Meaningful Discourse Across Difficult Boundaries,” in which students are learning how to listen and be heard, how to understand and engage productively with conflict, and how to relate across differences.

I believe these are among the most important lessons students can learn in their time in college. They are skills that will enable students to improve the world they’ll soon lead and, as Trinity’s mission states, that will prepare them to be bold, independent thinkers who lead transformative lives.
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~ Michael Magdelinskas ’11
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