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ON THE COVER

Cinematographer Rob Sweeney '76 towers
above Arizona's Grand Canyon as he shoots
an episode of HBO's *Entourage*. For more on
Sweeney, please see page 18.

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ON THIS PAGE

Pa Sukhum '22, foreground, and
Charlie Olson '21, right background—wearing
masks and practicing physical distancing—
focus during their fall 2020 "Development
Economics" class. The course was taught
by Chitra Jogani, assistant professor of
economics and international studies, in her
first semester as a Trinity College faculty
member. For more about how Trinity continued
its mission during the COVID-19 pandemic,
please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

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About this issue

You may notice that what you're holding in your hands feels a little lighter than usual. Due to the pandemic and its attendant financial strain on the college, we needed to make cuts to the magazine budget. Rather than go back to a digital-only version (most of the comments we received from you about that were negative), we found savings by limiting this winter issue to the content that, according to the recent reader survey, you most like to read.

In these pages, you'll find alumni stories—in the Volunteer Spotlight and Q&A columns—and Class Notes. You'll also find the In Memory section of obituaries for those who have passed away. In addition, this issue includes our usual Alumni Events, as well as the Endnote, a letter from Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney.

We're planning for a full spring issue that includes all of the above plus the longer feature stories you're used to receiving in each magazine; we hope that this abbreviated issue is a one-time occurrence, but, as with many things affected by the pandemic, we just don't know for sure.

I hope that you enjoy this winter issue. As always, I invite you to send feedback on content to me at sonya.adams@trincoll.edu; I may include your letter in a future issue of the magazine.

—Sonya Storch Adams



Macey Russell '80

BY SONYA STORCH ADAMS

Of the many lessons Macey Russell '80 learned at Trinity College, one involving Professor of English Hugh Ogden and a junior year poetry class stands out.

"What I remember about it kind of goes hand in hand with Black students in the '70s from urban backgrounds, who were trying to adjust to going to a school like Trinity," recalls Russell, who majored in political science and then earned a J.D. from Suffolk Law School. "When we would read poetry or short stories, I was unable to connect with the writer. What am I supposed to get from this poem about a tree? Is this what people sit around and think about? I couldn't gain any insight from that. I couldn't culturally relate to what was written."

Ogden, Russell says, taught him that when it comes to writing, you have to focus on what you know and what's important to you. Fast forward to 2010, when Russell did just that and in the process won a Burton Award from the Burton Foundation in association with the Library of Congress for an article he had written about training the next generation of minority lawyers. "It's the highest award you can receive in the legal profession as a writer," he said. "It was a long way from Trinity to winning that award."

Russell notes that he sees volunteering at Trinity in much the same way. "You have to find what is important to you," he says. "Alums have to find an experience that they had, and then they can offer some

perspective or guidance to someone who is going through it today."

Russell, who played football at Trinity, mentors Bantam football student-athletes of color. His involvement started about 16 years ago, when Jerry Hansen '51, former director of alumni relations, connected him with newly named Head Football Coach Jeff Devanney '93. The pair agreed that Russell would come to campus to have dinner with student-athletes of color to talk about their experiences at Trinity and to offer thoughts on his time at the college. "I believe I would have benefited from having somebody like that," Russell said. "As for the dinner, we closed the doors and talked about everything."

Since Russell spoke that first year, he has continued to bring other successful Black speakers to campus every September for what Devanney now calls The Macey Russell Dinner. (The 2020 event was moved to October—and Zoom—thanks to the pandemic.) Russell, a partner in the law firm of Choate, Hall & Stewart in Boston, also has been active as an alum over the years through service with the Board of Fellows, the Trinity College Alumni Association Executive Committee, and the Trinity Club of Boston, as well as by hosting Trinity events.

Devanney says he sees Russell as a role model, one who makes himself available year-round to offer advice to Trinity student-athletes of color. Devanney says, "He brings a lot of truth to our guys, and then he tells them, 'You can do it. You can become successful.'"

Dakota Foster '21 says he appreciates the varying

perspectives offered by each speaker. "Whether they are graduates from Trinity or from another institution, each of their stories is different and unique in its own way. From that, we are always able to take a valuable life lesson away from the dinner, as well as expand our network and learn from their experiences."

Russell, who met his wife of 31 years, Roberta Goganian '80, at Trinity, says he values what he learned as a college athlete, including the importance of commitment, hard work, and teamwork. (Their two sons, Derek and Sam, also learned the same lessons playing college football, at Yale and Brown, respectively.) Russell says corporate America should be seeking new employees who understand these important life lessons.

"What I would say to those alums who say they can't find diverse talent is that they ought to look to their own alums," he says. "These are students who are sitting in the same seats where they sat at Trinity. ... Diversity is good for business. If I had a wish, it would be for our alumni to find a way to reach out to our minority alumni professionals and provide guidance and mentoring."

"After George Floyd, people are asking me, 'What can I do?'" he says. "If people could be reflective of certain advantages they had compared with others growing up and think OK, what's the one thing I can do tomorrow? Can I pick up the phone and call somebody? Can I offer to mentor or be an adviser to someone at Trinity who didn't grow up like me? That would be a start."

ALUMNI EVENTS

While life on the Virtual Long Walk (VLW) isn't quite the same as the real thing, it has allowed us to bring accomplished alumni, parents, faculty, and students to you. More than 5,000 of you have participated in at least one event since the VLW programs launched in May 2020, and almost 700 of you participated in virtual Homecoming events. The programs continue to receive rave reviews, and they are available for you to watch or listen at any time via the VLW website at bit.ly/VLWArchive. Thanks to all who have suggested topics or speakers! Keep them coming to steve.donovan@trincoll.edu.

JULY 16

The Supreme Court in a Polarized Age with Professor Kevin McMahon; moderated by Maura Thompson '21

JULY 28

Women's Leadership Council Virtual Networking 101 with Ann Newman Selvitelli '91

AUGUST 27

Trinity Athletics in a COVID World with Director of Athletics Drew Galbraith and Coaches Paul Assaiane P'06 and Rachael Schroeder; moderated by Kevin Smith '87, P'21

SEPTEMBER 10

Alumni Leaders Building Stronger Communities [1] with Rhoden Monroe '09, Karraine Moody '01, and Marvin Pierre '06; moderated by Professor Abby Williamson

SEPTEMBER 17

Going Places: A Conversation with Kayak CEO and Founder Steve Hafner P'22; moderated by Executive Director of Student Success and Career Development Joe Catrino

OCTOBER 14

The Transformative Legacy of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg with Professor Renny Fulco, Youlan Xiu '15, and Thursday Williams '23



VIRTUAL HOMECOMING 2020 OCTOBER 1-5

OCTOBER 1
Class of 1955
Virtual Reunion

OCTOBER 1
Teaching History through Comic Books: A Conversation with Andrew Aydin '06; moderated by Vivian Nabeta M'11

OCTOBER 2
Recruiting for the Future: The Next Class of Bantam Athletes with Director of Athletics Drew Galbraith and Coaches Emily Garner, Matthew Greason '03, M'10, and Kevin MacDermott

OCTOBER 3
International Student/Alumni Mixer

OCTOBER 3
The College Admissions Landscape in a COVID-19 World with Dean of Admissions Adrienne Amador Oddi and Julia Naclerio '08, M'20



OCTOBER 3
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Student Organization Reunions

OCTOBER 5
Looking at the Past, Preparing for the Future: Emeriti Faculty Reflections [2] with Emeriti Faculty Leslie Desmangles P'91, '99, Henry DePhillips P'82, '83, '88, Joan Hedrick, and Judy Dworin '70; moderated by Borden Painter Jr. '58, H'95



CLASS NOTES



The statue of Bishop Thomas Church Brownell stands tall on the Main Quad amid a snowy winter day.

1952 Trinity Fund Goal: \$25,000

Class Secretary: Rev. Finley Schaeff, 87 Stoll Rd., Saugerties, NY 12477-3022; finley.schaeff.1952@trincoll.edu • **Class Agent:** Vacant

From me, **Finley Schaeff**: I am working on a Bible project. I am reading it from beginning to end! I have finished the Old Testament (39 books) and am up to the New Testament (27 books).

Phil Trowbridge: "Not too much to report at this time. We are staying with our daughter and son-in-law in Massachusetts during the lockdown at Avery. So far, we've been staying safe here and getting a chance to enjoy the nice weather on our daily walks in the neighborhood and enjoying their lovely sunroom."

1953 Trinity Fund Goal: \$55,000

Class Secretary: Stanley R. McCandless Jr., 3712 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX 77005-2824; stanley.mccandless.1953@trincoll.edu • **Class Agents:** Richard T. Lyford Jr., Joseph B. Wollenberger, Esq.

Here we go again, this fall of 2020. Get in touch with me any time by email (stanmac1@shcglobal.net), mail (3712 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX 77005), or phone (713-669-1830). To the Class of 1953, thanks for your time to send me some tidbits of what has been happening in your lives. We live in unfortunate times. There are many opportunities, especially for our community of advanced age. It is sad to hear of some of our classmates who have said goodbye. **Ed Lorenson** called and left a message that **Jack Walsh** had died. Jack and Ed had remained good friends over the years in Hartford. I had an opportunity to call back, and we had a wonderful conversation. It was like catching up with Ed on the Long Walk almost 70 years ago. He has a son and a daughter who is a professor at Georgetown. Unfortunately, we also recently lost **Pat Keller**, **John Shigo**, and **John Larson**.

Bill Bernhard emailed: "Still quarantined inside Heron Point, an Acts community in Maryland. Hoping to go on a cruise in early 2021."

Joe Wollenberger wrote, "Hi, Stan: The 'tidbits' are truly 'bits' these days. We have lived for nearly three years in an independent living senior facility. It's a lovely place with lots of activities, entertainment, a great pool and gym, and a beautiful dining room where we normally did our dining. Now all of that is suspended due to the pandemic's distancing rules. We order our meals, and they are delivered to our apartment. We still drive, although we get honked at a lot by California drivers who think everyone should drive 80 miles per hour in 45 mph zones. We go out occasionally to a restaurant now that we are open again or to the market, bank, etc. We watch lots of movies in our living room. When

neighbors meet in the hall, we ask each other, 'How are you today?' The response is usually, laughingly, 'Still above ground.' In general, everything is OK."

I made a call to **Jack North** and had a delightful talk with his daughter. We talked about the early days of skiing in Southern Vermont, the various places her family is, and how this enables her to be with her father. Her daughter is at Trinity, distance learning in the Hartford area. Jack is doing some rehabbing and is on the mend.

I also made a call to **Dick Lyford** and got his wife. They had moved to an assisted living community. Unfortunately, you can guess what she told me at that moment over the phone. That Dick had just died. I'm not sure who was in greater shock. So, this is my very unhappy report.

Tex Coulter returned my call, and I had a brief chat with Pat, who is still playing tennis. And I had a very informative talk with Tex (I refuse to call him Jim). He has given up his music (a sad day) because he is dealing with some physical health issues that have slowed him down a bit, but he sounds as upbeat as ever. They have children's families near enough to celebrate birthdays together.

Sal and I were all set to spend some time, as usual, on Cape Cod early in summer 2020. We usually see Joan Moses and talked with her on the phone. Then the virus hit. The last thing I wanted to do was sit on an airplane for four hours. So, we have been sitting in lil ol' Houston all spring, summer, and fall with a short visit to Dallas to housesit my two granddaughters for a week. What a joy. Houston has been, as usual, hot and muggy. But recently, the weather finally started to change; it's cool. My best to all my classmates ... keep taking your vitamins. Stan

1954 Trinity Fund Goal: \$40,000

Class Secretary: Robert A. Wolff, 527 26th St., Santa Monica, CA 90402-3145; robert.wolff.1954@trincoll.edu • **Class Agent:** Alexander J. Campbell II

I learned from **Sandy Campbell** that **Ron Storms** passed away from cancer on September 27. You can send the family a note at flyiron@cox.net.

Sandy, our class agent, sent along the report on our class giving for our 65th Reunion. We had 86 members remaining in our class; 33 of us gave for 38 percent participation. Average percentage of giving for all alumni is 27 percent. Our total amount given was \$22,304. Each additional classmate giving raises our participation rate more than 1 percent. Let's get those numbers up and make Sandy a hero. Sandy donated his old lacrosse stick to the school. He and Ellie are masking like us all and spending less time going to stores.

Dave Kennedy and wife Anna Marie moved from Honolulu to Spokane, Washington,

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where he lives with one of his sons. His wife is in a memory care home nearby, but due to COVID-19, he is not able to visit her. Dave would love to hear from any classmates; his email is davidk7713@comcast.net.

Bill Conner writes that he has moved the headquarters of his small aircraft manufacturing company to a new address in Erie, Pennsylvania. His company has been hit by the slowdown in the major airlines flying but is still doing quite well and keeping busy. Congratulations, Bill. You can reach him at chcerie@aol.com.

Tom Hill and wife Sandra are in a continuing care facility in Portland with 30 acres of grounds, meals supplied, etc., where they practice masking, social distancing, no visitors inside, etc. Great medical precautions. Their daughter Jennie does shopping for them. His email is still37@comcast.net.

Charlie Bowen was stuck in Lake Forest in summer 2020. With the border to Canada closed, they could not reach their summer home. All of those Canadian mosquitoes were stuck with no American blood.

Al Smith wrote about his memories of 9/11 and how the world changed for us back then. The Crensons were visiting. I agree with him that COVID-19 has changed our world again and not for the better. He wonders how much student life at Trinity now differs from our experiences. Al left with a message for a return to some new degree of normalcy. alsmith@goeaston.net

Doug Green, who was in our class but was drafted in '52, got in contact. Doug spent two years in Korea and then came back to Trinity. He graduated with the Class of '57 and lives in Nellysford, Virginia, where he plays lots of golf. Had been an active sailor and skier, quitting at 85. He is still active as an architect. Dgreen.wtg@gmail.com

Also heard from **Dick Hirsch**, who was our class secretary before **Gordon West**. He suggested and I concur that it would be great if we could receive a short update from each of our classmates. All of us are in our late 80s. We have lived through depressions, wars, boom times, riots, segregation, retirement, loss of friends and family, and more. Share with a short note a feeling, an event, something that had special meaning to you. Thanks.

REUNION 2021

1955 Trinity Fund Goal: \$55,000
 Class Secretary: E. Wade Close
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Thanks to Lura and **Don Mountford** for initiating the idea of a Zoom Reunion event. Almost 30 classmates thoroughly enjoyed our virtual gathering on October 1, 2020. We were aided by support from the Alumni Office, and although we had a few glitches, the almost two-hour session was considered quite successful and produced echoes of "let's do it again, soon." And we will.

The overall success of the event was that we were blessed with the presence of many regular Reunion attendees and also treated to several classmates whom we had not seen or heard from for many years. I was particularly moved to have **George Kennedy** with us, as George was the one who introduced me to my wife-to-be, Carol Crookston, in July 1955. Also, it was so good to see and hear from **Hal Burdon**, **Norm Catir**, **Dan Miller**, and **Art O'Connell**. Art was the right halfback for the soccer team that won many low-scoring games due to his and others' strong defensive play.

Most notable were the youthful, least-changed appearances for **Tom Bolger**, **Bob Welsh**, and **Irwin Meiselman**. **Hank Scheinberg** still has the most hair, a pure white shrub that many of us envy. All four of the above contributed with their usual words of wisdom. We also were treated with hearing the joys and good memories from **Al Fisher**, **Charlie Gardner**, **Warren Gelman**, **Craig Mehlau**, **Bill Gardiner**, and **Joe Michelson**.

Other '55ers who made a special effort to be with us were **Dick Zampello** and **Walter Blake** (was Blogoslawski while attending Trinity). Dick and Walter were the most loquacious contributors, and although what they had to say was great stuff, we strived to be sure everyone could have equal time. They were wonderfully good sports when I asked them to let others step in.

Several had noticeable help from faithful, caregiver wives who were ready to assist if needed. **Bob Freeman** had a special microphone attachment that allowed his soft voice to be heard clearly. And Jean was right there if needed. It is fantastic to have Bob be able to join us after all the health issues he has faced. **Frank Cerveny**, **Charlie Eberle**, and **Ken Wildrick** all shared their little picture square with their wives. It was wonderful to see how they and others maintain a tight team effort, some after more than 65 years. Kudos particularly go to Emmy Cerveny, Helen Zampello, Gala Kennedy, Judy Gardiner, Eugenia Eberle, Carole "Blake" Niles, and Nancy Wildrick, who were seen in their Zoom squares alongside their Trinity '55 husbands.

Lou Magelaner tried to participate by phone and managed to hear all of the almost two hours of vocal interchange, but, unfortunately, we could not hear him. We were able to see Marge and **Hugh Dickinson**, plus Judy and **John Palshaw**, but could not make the audio work for them either. We'll give you all double time during the next virtual event.

Again, particular thanks to **Don Mountford** and his capable sidekick, Lura, as well as **John D'Luhy** for his suggestion to add a bit of sing-along group participation. No question "we'll meet again, some sunny day!"

One particular happy note for this issue is the announcement by Gale and **John D'Luhy** of their first grandbaby, and grand he is at a birth weight of 10.5 pounds. Also, we greatly appreciate **Don Penfield** and **Joe Michelson** being willing to handle our class agent responsibilities for the forthcoming annual giving efforts for our class.

REUNION 2021

1956 Trinity Fund Goal: \$75,000
 Class Secretary: Bruce N.
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 Class Agents: Tom Guertin, Edward A.
 Montgomery Jr., David Renkert, David M.
 Taylor, Henry M. Zachs

I talked with **Charlie Stehle** several times in the summer and fall, sometimes about the book he is writing but lately about what it has been like to recover from a knee operation. I know of many who have had it done, and while the operation isn't bad, the recovery is hard. Such has been the case for Charlie. He has to keep the knee flexed and moving so mobility is achieved, and he is hard at it, with valuable help from his nearby daughter and sister. A report from Charlie today is that rehab of the knee is complete and a success. Great.

I also talked with **David Taylor** about many subjects, including his disappointment about not coming to the mainland this past summer and especially to spend a week on Cape Cod with **John** and **Susan Limpitlaw**. The pandemic has pulled the plug on so many plans and patterns of our lives. **Ron Boss** reported that because of the restrictions of life these days, he has had to curtail a monthly lunch with about 20 of his former pilot colleagues from American Airlines.

Ned Montgomery talked with **Richard Phillips**, who has retired from a very successful career in dentistry in Midland, Michigan. I understand that in the course of his career, he invented a camera that was used in dentistry work. He and his wife have moved to outside Austin, Texas, and love it.

Dale Nelson wrote to correct an assumption that I had made that he taught music at Indiana University. He does not but is very

active on the Board of Directors of this organization, as well as the board of the Theatre Circle of the university's theater programs. This special university has long been regarded as one of the best in the nation, with luminaries including alumnus Kevin Kline and friend of IU Glenn Close supportive of and closely connected with the school.

Jim Tewksbury writes that he and wife Joan have been evacuated for the past eight days (as of October 7) from their retirement community in Santa Rosa, California. "The towering flames were right behind us as we left late on a Sunday night. Very scary!" he reports. Only three years ago, they were evacuated for two weeks when 5,200 homes burned. Jim and Joan are still waiting on good news regarding the fires so they can return home and are staying at their son's home in Mill Valley. Our hearts go out to you, Jim and Joan!

Henry Zachs reports that he still serves on 11 nonprofit boards, including that of the Watkinson Library. "My family is doing well, and we have a new addition with the birth of Louis Zachs," Henry's first great-grandchild, named after his mother, who lived to 108. Henry's son Bill lives in Scotland and New York and collects rare books and art. His son Eric is busy and is chair of the Hartford Hospital Board of Directors. Henry remains active physically, playing tennis six days a week.

And a final word from **David Taylor**, who writes that he leads a poetry group at his condominium community in Honolulu. "A year ago, I agreed to attend one of the monthly readings, and the next month, I volunteered or was volunteered, and now I run it. Quite strange considering my background, but fun to meet new people."

1957 Trinity Fund Goal: \$20,000
 Class Secretary: Frederick
 M. Tobin, Esq., 771 John Ringling Blvd., Apt.
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 tobin.1957@trincoll.edu • Class Agent:
 Samuel Mac D. Stone II

David Elliott reports that life has become a function of Zoom. He has not been on the University of South Carolina campus since February. However, Zoom has enabled him to attend international meetings and weekly cocktail hours.

Don Ellwood and his wife enjoyed an interesting vacation in Fort Myers Beach last winter. They escaped Florida and headed north to Connecticut, stopping in Virginia for a visit with son Michael. They spent the summer at their residence on Lake Sunapee in New Hampshire. Their last grandchild graduated from Georgetown. He won a Fulbright Scholarship to study in Israel, after which he will work for the Department of Defense in the Pentagon, where Don once worked.

David McCracken continues to supply me with much past political material on President Warren Harding. Dave sprinkles highly intellectual material with mirth.

Don Stokes has a new granddog named Ginger. I have not seen Ginger, but Karen advises that the dog looks and acts like Don.

Ron LaBella has finally retired. He has closed the doors to Camelot Realty in Sacramento. Fortunately, his dear friend Dee continues to excel as a Realtor, and she keeps Ron afloat.

David and **Peggy Beers** are enjoying their cottage on the Delaware shore. Dave still practices law with Goodwin Procter, but he is not as busy as he once was in his storied career.

Neil Day says, "All is well with me and mine." I assume he refers to his wife and family rather than a coal mine or explosives underwater.

Jerry Channell reports that he and Mary are well. The virus keeps them in the house except for trips to the grocery store, Walgreens, and the mailbox. That's it. No mention of banks, gas stations, planes, etc.

Ward and **Kathy Curran** are following a strict regimen and protocol. They walk a mile early in the morning five days a week. Ward completes an occasional consulting assignment, which helps to keep him sharp. They enjoy old movie classics and reading biographies. The wild sanctuary that abuts the Curran abode enables Kathy and Ward to enjoy seeing the birds and animals that live next door. So far, the alligator has not appeared very often. The crane family has not been seen for several days. The Currans planned to invite them over for a drink, but it appears that the cranes have given them "the bird." Every seven to 10 days, Ward has a substantive conversation with the Grand Duke of Franklin, Massachusetts. The Grand Duke, is of course, **Paul Amadeo Cataldo**. I haven't heard from Paul for quite some time, but rumors are circulating thanks to **Russ Partridge** that Paul has been living in the Amadeo Castle in Verona, Italy, and that he speaks only to his wonderful family, Ward, and his dog, Raoul Frangipane.

Dick Behr has recovered from gout issues. The Behrs escaped to their place in Cape May, where they saw friends they hadn't seen in a year.

Dave Murray spent a nice summer in Illinois and then in Michigan at Sandy's lake house. They have returned to The Villages and are planning trips to Disney and elsewhere.

Carroll and I are enjoying the safety of our home high up in the Vermont mountains. When we return to Sarasota, I look forward to giving a surprise to **Vincent Bruno**.

1958 Trinity Fund Goal: \$30,000
Class Secretary: John L. Thompson, 1121D Sand Drift Way, West Palm Beach, FL 33411-1852; john.thompson.1958@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Gary L. Bogli, Joseph J. Repole Jr., Edward B. Speno

So, as for the "best and worst of times," thanks to those who took time and thought. For those who love our alma mater, it is heartening that the bests far outweighed the worsts. For instance, from **Peter Lowenstein**: "The best were the wonderful professors who took a personal interest, starting with Dean Clarke, John Mason, John Butler, President Jacobs, George Cooper, and others. The worst for me was taking chemistry (twice) and calculus, about which I remember absolutely nothing, and having to climb some damn rope, which to me was totally senseless. On the personal side, I am lucky to continue playing tennis and golf and am in pretty good health. We split our time between Greenwich and Delray Beach with a couple summer weeks in Nantucket. Let's hope we all get through this crazy pandemic."

As of this early October writing, **Mike Zoob** wrote before the "best and worst" exercise. While expressing his admiration of RBG, he laments that her decision to stay on past her health issues has left us with what he sees as an ego-driven mistake for which the country will pay a price. Additionally, as he is wont to do, Mike recommends some reading: Sandel's *Tyranny of Merit*; *Scorpions* by Noah Feldman, in which he pines about some of FDR's Supreme Court appointments; and *Caste* by Wilkinson. He reports, with pleasure, that he spent three weeks in New Hampshire last summer with daughter Rachel and family on a practically private lake. He closed noting that the selection of Charlie Sticka '56 to the college's Athletics Hall of Fame could not be more deserved.

Gary Bogli wrote that the virus had pretty much shut him down, even his fishing, which also is dealing with a drought. He has resorted to tying fishing flies for his excitement.

Bordie Painter says that the biggest mistake he made in four years—his worst 'neath the elms—was going out for football as a hulking 165-pound center and finding out that the other guy for that position was Roger LeClerc '60, later of the Chicago Bears. Then, there was the hurdle of "Math 101," "which I barely survived." He thanks and attributes his miracle to the charitable impulses of Professor Finlay Whittlesey.

Personally, I have been pleased to see most classmates cite their relationships with faculty as prominent in their bests. Likewise, Butler, Cooper, Nichols, even Jessee, etc. Shirley and I wed one week after Commencement. Six of the faculty traveled to Massachusetts for our wedding. Through my participation in

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athletics, student government, and the Theta Xi fraternity community culture, my bests were myriad. As did **Bordie Painter**, I liked Professor Whittlesey. I never understood any of it and thoroughly disliked every single problem in "Math 101." My roommate, **Paul Eldredge**, won the math prize with a 98 average in Finlay's class. Paul did his homework a day early to help me. He still gets credit for at least half of my 68. My personal best? By far the 101 exam. Phew! I passed. The *&# math course is over! Thanks, Paul.

Pete Smith was succinct: "Best of times was hitching to Florida freshman year with **Bill Lorson**, four years with Dan Jessee, free food while working at The Cave on Sundays, Mondays with ROTC, and Chapel."

As we expect and know, **Joe Repole** is still out on the bike. 3,600 miles in 2020 and 28-plus years with 100-mile treks. That was until the train tracks, the ambulance, and the CT scan of his head. While the doctors say they are impressed by his 84-year-old brain, his wife thinks he's more like a 2-year-old! A week later he was back on his wheels.

Bernie Moran wrote, "We were not at war. There were no protests, marches, sit-downs, assassinations, tragedies. Ike came to talk to us. We beat Wesleyan four years in a row. The lemon squeezer heist." His best was pleasing the crowd at Skit Night, when he impersonated President Jacobs. He pined, "As for the worst of times, I search my memory, and I can't think of any. We didn't realize how lucky we were during those four golden years."

Two notes from the Alumni Office: **Jim Flannery** has been named by the Irish government as a recipient of a Presidential Distinguished Service Award for 2020. That is the most prestigious honor bestowed on key representatives of the 74 million members of the Irish diaspora throughout the world. The equivalent is the American Presidential Medal of Freedom in that it is a lifetime achievement award. Jim noted: "Trinity beat them to the punch by giving me an honorary doctorate back in 1995 as well as the Alumni Achievement Award at my 2008 50th Reunion. I accepted both as a proud representative of all the 'townies' who have given so

much to our alma mater—a soul’s mother that provided us in turn with a huge boost up the ladder to success at the beginning of our life’s journey.”

Franklin Kury is pleased to report that he has a publisher for his new book, *The Constitutional Question to Save the Planet*. The Environmental Law Institute of Washington, D.C., will publish it in May 2021. The book is written to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the adoption of Pennsylvania’s environmental rights amendment that he drafted while in the state House of Representatives. The book shows how that amendment can be used to stop climate change.

1959 Trinity Fund Goal: \$40,000
Class Secretary: Paul S. Campion, 500 River Rd., Apt. 18, Cos Cob, CT 06807-1913; paul.campion.1959@trincoll.edu
• Class Agents: Robert D. Coykendall, William H. Pfeffer

I received an email from Michele and **Mike Palmer**, who related their tale of spending more time in Sarasota, Florida, and not returning to Storrs, Connecticut, until late spring because of this virus. They haven’t had too much time to get away as they agreed to start work on a new roof, cutting down trees and initiating the project of new solar panels. Mike also has a new hobby and is learning about the art of rock balancing, quite common here in New England! We received the sad news from **Bob Pingpank** about the passing of **Richard Nolan** of normal causes last July 4. Bob noted that he and Rich had 65 years together. You might recall that Rich and Bob were finally able to get married legally at the time of our 50th Reunion. I also heard from **Ken Lessall**, who reports from Palm Beach that those in our age group down there are still quite cautious about going out, so he is looking forward to getting back to the new old normal (or will it be the old new normal?). Other news from Florida comes from **Shep Scheinberg** and **Paul Kardon** from the Naples area, and although surrounded by Trinity alumni, they are unable to meet socially at the regional Trinity Club because of the pandemic. It was interesting to learn more about **Paul Kardon**’s medical background in the Poughkeepsie area, where he spent 28 years practicing obstetrics and gynecology plus seven years as medical director at the Vassar Brothers Medical Center. Paul’s advice for the times ahead with COVID-19 is to be patient.

I received another update from **Arne Englehart**, who is enjoying life in Akron, Ohio, and is still active in real estate there. He is trying to retire, but his days are hectic as a Realtor who also has income properties. It keeps one on their toes when people are coming and going! Then COVID-19 came along, and suddenly Arne was beset by changes

to his office setup, with the introduction of Zoom, remote meetings, and those emails.

Special thanks to **Robert Coykendall**, who informed us of another solid and informative book about George Washington by our classmate **Peter Henriques**. *First and Always: A New Portrait of Washington* is Peter’s second major work on our first president; most of us received an autographed copy of *Realistic Visionary: A Portrait of George Washington* at our 50th Reunion. The recent book received a great review from *The Wall Street Journal* back in September. Peter, who received his Ph.D. in history from the University of Virginia (1971), is professor of history, emeritus, at George Mason University in Virginia. Peter and wife Marlene have been married for 59 years and have four sons and 12 grandchildren.

I look forward to hearing from you, sharing your stories, and learning how you have been faring while we wait for those medical breakthroughs. Be safe.

From the Alumni Office: **Gene Lindemann** reported: “I’ve never been particularly newsworthy, but here goes: Moved back to Colorado for health reasons. My wife and I loved New York, where we were married and lived for 57 years and were sad to leave. Sadly, my wife, Adrienne, passed away last Christmas Day, but I have my brother and his family here with me. I have avoided COVID-19 but can’t seem to avoid the Trump pandemic.”

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1960 Trinity Fund Goal: \$150,000
Class Secretary: Edward M. Cimilluca, P.O. Box 5157, Wakefield, RI 02880-5157; edward.cimilluca.1960@trincoll.edu
• Class Agent: Robert G. Johnson, Charles J. Middleton, M.D., Bruce Stone

The year 2020 is one we all will likely never forget. COVID-19 continues to alter the way we live our lives, the fires in the West burn at an unimaginable rate, and the economy continues to be buffeted by enormous headwinds.

Despite all of this, the Class of 1960 continues to honor the wish of our late class secretary, **Rick Richardson**, to “keep the spirit alive.” We have had five Zoom calls with classmates and are in the midst of planning our sixth. The new wave of classmates who have joined Zoom are **Ray Beech**, **Bruce Stone**, **Alan Salmon**, **Lee Kalcheim**, **John Bassett**, **Bob Pedemonti**, **Neil Coogan**, **Curt Scribner**, **Dave Leof**, **John Flynn**, **Lamont Thomas**, **Dave Chichester**, **Corky Phippen**, **Dan Jones**, and **Roger Emley**. Thanks to all for taking the time to join the calls. This makes nearly 40 of our classmates who have Zoomed.

On the news front, I got a nice note from **Matt Levine** detailing life in California with the fires raging and COVID-19 lurking everywhere. The images of eye-watering smoke and bags packed for quick evacuation will stick in my

mind for a long time. **Jack LaMothe** continues to triumph over the green fairway and recommended that I as a rookie golfer read *The Downhill Lie* by Carl Hiaasen. Will do, Jack. Have had several nice conversations with **Dan Jones**, who only spent a year ‘neath the elms but retains his fondness for the college. Dan resides in Naples, Florida. **Jere Bacharach** returned to Seattle from Cairo, Egypt, and unfortunately had to undergo double bypass surgery plus a pacemaker. Hope all is well, Jere. **Tony Phillips** wrote to say he is in his 51st year at the Chicago Art Institute as an art professor. That is some ride, Tony, in this age of multi-job changes. **George Kroh**, our fearless class president, writes that he has weathered COVID-19 reasonably well and has done a fair amount of traveling to places like Santa Fe; Ely, Minnesota; and the lovely city of Minneapolis visiting grandkids and close friends. **Bob Johnson**, one of our most loyal alums, has spoken with **Bill de Coligny**, who’s living comfortably in a care facility in North Carolina. Bill loves to catch up on the phone, and he sends his best to all. **Charley Middleton**, on a visit to Martha’s Vineyard, stopped in to see Judy Worthington, the widow of **Jules Worthington**. Very nice thing for Charley to do, and, as a reward, he got to try one of Judy’s great baked pies. **Marv Peterson** writes that he extended his stay in Big Sky, Montana, and chose to delay going back to Santa Cruz, California, given the COVID-19 situation and the fires still raging. He also passed on that his wife, Sarah, has taken up golf at age 80, and he has become a “golf widower.” I also took up golf at 80, Sarah, so maybe we can play at our 61st Reunion next June. Fingers crossed. Please, all, stay safe and well.

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1961 Trinity Fund Goal: \$185,000
Class Secretary: William Kirtz, 26 Wyman St., Waban, MA 02468-1517; william.kirtz.1961@trincoll.edu; fax: 617-373-8773 • Class Agents: George P. Lynch Jr., Vincent R. Stempien, Douglas T. Tansill

Keeping on keeping on, we’re planning a big 60th Reunion in whatever format is possible. About a dozen of us have been working with the college, which plans to combine our forces on panels and other activities with the Class of 1960, which, of course, could not get together last June. We’ll be sending along more information as we get it.

Meanwhile, **Bill Scully** reports from Vero Beach, where he lives year-round, that he sees **Doug Tansill**, **Andy Forrester**, and **Guy Dove** regularly and has had phone chats with **Joe Colen**, **Vin Stempien**, and the redoubtable golfer **Ken Cromwell**, who lives in Roy, Utah, and regularly shoots his age or under.

Another impressive achiever is **Bob Woodward**, who spices up biking and reading

with being first in line at the Trader Joe's Senior Hour every Sunday.

Curt Turner has had successful cataract surgery on both eyes, "an interesting irony that just as a natural and gradual masking of one's vision is resolved, we must live with the masking of nose and mouth for the indefinite future."

We regret to report the death of **Kerry Fitzpatrick**, retired president and chief executive officer of International Thoroughbred Breeders in Lexington, Kentucky. Before his 20-year career there, he was a vice president at Fidelity Mortgage Investors. At Trinity, Kerry played soccer and was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. He leaves no immediate survivors.

Our former classmate, **Tris Colket**, died July 6, 2020, at 82. He bought and founded several companies, including Cressona Aluminum. His daughter, Carolyn, is the wife of Craig W. Cullen Jr., son of our late classmate **Craig Cullen**.

All good wishes. Stay well. We'll all get together somehow in June.

1962 Trinity Fund Goal: \$250,000
Co-Class Secretary: **Paul J. LaRocca**, 82 Whiting Rd., East Hartford, CT 06118-1549; paul.larocca.1962@trincoll.edu
• Co-Class Secretary: **Frederick M. Pryor**, 221 Nobscot Rd., Sudbury, MA 01776-3389
• Class Agents: **The Rev. Charles L. Hoffman**, **Peter Meehan**
Greetings, '62!

Fred had contacted **Steve Cool's** widow, Molly McEwen, who wrote back that Steve had wonderful memories of Trinity. Having come from Oklahoma and other rural areas growing up, he was thrilled to take advantage of all the cultural opportunities of the East Coast. He remembered often taking the train from Trinity to N.Y.C. and catching plays, museums, etc. Wonderful special guests and visiting lecturers came to Trinity; he learned so much from them and the Trinity faculty, who were fabulous mentors. We appreciate Molly's sharing a bit of Steven with us.

From across the Atlantic, **Colby Coombs** writes that lockdown in County Durham in North East England, is "no durance vile." He notes, "We've more sheep than people, and folks here are convivial enough to make up the difference—home brews (beers, wine, and the hard stuff), gardening, livestock, and games make the time go quickly. With the loss of our pub and church, our enclave of Boldron has been demoted from 'village' to 'hamlet,' I suppose a bit in retaliation: We bought the church and turned it into a club (the Pinfold Club, named after the original use for the land on which it stands: a 'pinfold,' a place to put strayed sheep, for owners to claim). In that regard, we reopen next week, and any members of our august Class of '62 would

be welcome. Paul, other people's histories, like fellow diners' menu choices, often seem appetizing at first glance. As an example, my subordinate role in negotiating the 'NPT' (non-proliferation of nuclear weapons) was a big deal in 1968—some of us thought we were saving mankind—but, vide Pakistan and North Korea, it was much ado about nothing and easily forgotten. I get more satisfaction from planting new oaks than I got from that whole episode."

Colby made an impact, even if events unfolded in unexpected ways under new leaders. But still, he finds it "fun to read who's doing what" in *The Reporter*. (An aside: I don't recall having any long conversations with Colby back at Trinity, but I much enjoyed the exchange of letters which produced his remarks above. I feel that too many of us hesitate to write because we may feel our lives have been pretty ordinary; yet classmates who may not have known us well back then still love having memories jogged and recollections updated. Please write!)

Answering your reporters' pleas for news, **Don Woodruff** notes, "Not much has changed for us. We still read George's literary endeavors and hunker down in Middleburg or Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Today we began our 109th (55th plus 54th, respectively) year of teaching. Mary still does art and runs our school library. I continue to impart some truths concerning U.S. history." (We certainly could use that, given the state of the democratic process today, written one day after the first presidential "debate.") Don is in the fifth year of a text titled *The Last Best Hope*, title unabashedly stolen from A. Lincoln, the product of his "somewhat conservative mind. It is all Trinity's fault, particularly Norton Downs and Philip Bankwitz, who steered me from U.S. and into medieval and Russian studies, plus those at the University of Edinburgh. Wow! Not sure what all that means except that it is the product of two martinis, shaken not stirred as James Bond would intone, and the first day of school." (As a retired teacher, I, Paul, raise my own martini in a toast to Don and Mary!) Lastly, Don wishes all the best to all of us octogenarians as we attempt to traverse the travails of COVID-19.

The virus also has impacted **John Densem**, who notes that his life has been one big bore since mid-March, with an "event" being a trip to Costco. His lunching outdoors at the Golden Gate Yacht Club near Marina Green in San Francisco makes a nice break. "That's how desperate life has become." COVID-crushed, John hopes that we get to have a Reunion in person in June 2022. Politically stimulated, John notes, "I'm safe from these incredible wildfires here in California. It's like nothing anyone has ever seen. Lightning strikes mid-August over just a few hours,

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and the total fire zones exceed the size of the state of Delaware. Oh, and DT says we should be raking up our forests? A lot of what has burned and is still burning is federal land. No raking going on there. We need Joe!" You'll know whether John's sigh was fulfilled by the time you read this issue.

Another perspective from **Doug Anderson**, who writes, "I saw a T-shirt today at lunch that read '2020 sucks!' I wouldn't go quite that far, but it has been a challenging year with the pandemic and unfortunately a divisive one as well with all the social unrest and the partisan political scene ... you might tend to forget we are in the greatest country in the world! That was brought home to us last year when we spent three weeks in China." Missy and Doug have not done much in 2020, not even seeing their 4-year-old grandson very often. Exercising caution, they've split their time between Charlotte and a remote, boat-only accessible barrier island (Bald Head) off the North Carolina coast. Doug adds, "Unfortunately, Missy is the only person our age that we know who came down with the coronavirus; she was laid up for three weeks in August. She has all of her strength back but still has not completely regained her senses of taste and smell." Doug wishes us all good health in this troubled time.

On a bittersweet note, on September 8, 2020, Ann and **Tom Johnson** were honored for their work for the 9/11 Memorial and Museum. The event was for a benefit broadcast. As we classmates remember, their son Scott '97 died in that tragedy.

Topics for next issue: Has anyone bought an electric car, a Tesla, or a hybrid? Any reviews for us more timid souls? Do the batteries last?

Stay healthy! Paul and Fred

1963 Trinity Fund Goal: \$125,000
Class Secretary: **Michael A. Schulenberg**, 89 Judson St., Canton, NY 13617; michael.schulenberg.1963@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **William C. Howland**
Greetings to Trinity's premier class! (Maybe a little prejudiced, but I'm old and can get away with it!) What follows is what some of you have been up to.

From **Starr Brinckerhoff**: "It has been a delight for me to keep up with a number of our classmates online. As a result, I feel I know many of you all even better than ever before in so very many special ways. I believe all of us retain great love for Trinity, especially

formed from the experiences of our undergraduate years. I pray the best may be in store for our alma mater in the days ahead and for all of us in the Class of '63."

From **Brent Davis** comes this: "I am supposed to do a movie, playing a deputy marshal, but the writer-director is having trouble getting his financing, and the movie may not happen. Our sixth Viking Cruise, Lyon and Paris, in October 2020 was canceled. We're booked for mid-April of next year. I hope that all of you and your families are well. All are well here, but too often I hear of the passing of friends from my community and those I served with in the Marine Corps, none so far due to COVID-19."

Jonathan Tiefenbrun wrote a tender and personal note telling of the friendship that he and wife Susan shared with both Justice Antonin Scalia and Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Justice Scalia taught five times at a program that Susan developed in Nice, France, and San Diego and convinced Justice Ginsburg to join the program and friendship more than five times as well. In 1995, Scalia, after a wonderful time in Nice, asked Susan what he could do for her, and she replied, "Get me Ruth Bader Ginsburg." They both remained lifelong friends. We mourn their loss and their civility and love of the law. Susan spoke to Ruth two weeks before her death; how elegant. It is worth noting the religious component of their memorials, Catholic for Scalia and Jewish for RBG, signifying the best of America.

Gary Knisely (garyknisely@gmail.com) writes: "If any of our classmates are involved with an arts organization looking to finance a new initiative, take a look at *How to Fund a New Arts Education Initiative* (phone: 347-223-7330)." (Secretary's note: Thank you, Gary. Hopefully this might open some new doors for folks working hard in the arts.)

From **Scott Reynolds**: "Two recent family occasions were much diminished due to COVID-19: Peggy's 75th birthday in March and daughter Jane's (Trinity '92) 50th birthday. Zoom cocktail parties had to suffice. However, son Dave and his family were able to get here with us in the summer and thanks to working 'from home' were able to extend our family time together. So many things are on hold, most important to me being our project to raise funds for the Trinity Chapel, which will result in renaming the Friendship Chapel in honor of our class. If this pandemic drags on, we might also find Homecoming going virtual."

Jim Tozer and I had a remote Harvard Business School 55th reunion last spring that was quite successful, showing that with creativity, life can indeed go on, even thrive. Be well!

Stan Marcuss writes: "The COVID-19 pandemic is a source of great stress for most all

of us. But it has also opened new avenues of contact and communication that previously either did not exist or were not fully appreciated. I now do virtual board and other meetings that are vastly easier to attend than they used to be. While not nearly as good as being in person, I even participate in virtual chorus rehearsals that reveal more about my singing skills than I ever saw previously. Perhaps more gratifying are the Class of '63 monthly Zoom gatherings (first Thursday of every month, usually at 2:00 p.m. Eastern). I thank **Tom Calabrese** and **Tim Lenicheck** for putting them together and **Sandy Creighton** for moderating them. I believe that many of us are in touch more than ever before. I hope these sessions continue after the pandemic has passed. They are a balm in Gilead. They help cure the sin-sick soul. Blessings to all."

That is it, dear friends. Join the first-Thursday Zoom gatherings. Remember to be generous in your alumni gifts to the college, especially this year! Let your daily prayers and memories keep each other alive as we await better, healthier days.

Blessings, good friends, Michael Schulenberg, class secretary (massschulenberg@hotmail.com)

1964 Trinity Fund Goal: \$170,000
Co-Class Secretary: **Thomas J. Monahan**, 46 Dogwood Ln., New Canaan, CT 06840-3921; thomas.monahan.1964@trincoll.edu • Co-Class Secretary: **James S. Twerdahl**, 214 S. McCadden Pl., Los Angeles, CA 90004-1054; james.twerdahl.1964@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Vacant

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1965 Trinity Fund Goal: \$150,000
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These continue to be strange and difficult times, especially revolving around the effects of COVID-19, coupled with the presidential election, down-ballot races, and the Supremes (yes, the court). Some classmates have kept others alert and entertained by sending humorous videos, sayings, and cartoons. Others have kept in touch by Zoom, such as a recent call between Crow brothers that was like an early Reunion. Stay safe, strong, and well!

From **Mark Aron**: "We have been staying around and splitting our time between Chevy Chase, Maryland, and our beach house in Rehoboth, Delaware, which is around the corner from the Bidents', so there are a lot of Secret Service and tourists to cope with."

Fred Born: "I always wanted to go west (beyond the Hudson River). So, I started my travels in Hartford after Trinity. Washington

University in St. Louis for business school got me across the Mississippi River. The Air Force took me to the San Francisco area, as a procurement officer, where I met Diane, an Air Force nurse. The Air Force was not completely computerized then, so they had to ask me why Lt. Born was getting two paychecks each pay period. We were transferred to Victorville, California, where I was project manager for a 200-unit factory-built family housing project, experimental at that time. I was discharged honorably after four years of service and then spent the next 20 years as a property manager, topping out with responsibilities for 2,400 units in Dallas, Texas. Finished up with six years at the FDIC (contracting for financial services). We have two daughters and retired to Portland, Oregon, in 1999. In 2020, despite COVID-19, protests, and wildfires accompanying us not far from our home, we celebrated our 39th birthdays again, as well as our 52 years of marriage."

David Graybill: "Susan and I have retired—she from teaching, I from parish ministry. Now, we love hanging out at our Wilton, Connecticut, homestead. We are healthy, considering age and stage ... and no COVID-19! Life is good."

Alan Kardon passed away on August 18. After graduating from Trinity, he continued graduate studies at New York University School of Law (1968). He practiced business law, specifically bankruptcy and asset-based lending, in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut. From 1980–82, he served as president of the Association of Commercial Finance Attorneys (ACFA). After moving to Naples, Florida, Alan became an active participant in the Trinity Club there. Alan was both an athlete and a serious student, plus a fisherman from early childhood. Fishing was a lifelong passion. His favorite expression was "get the net!" His favorite fish to catch was northern pike. Later in life, he took up golf, playing with wife Donna at least weekly. Friends spoke of Alan as a gentle man, humorous, and a loyal friend.

Bob Morisse said about Alan: "I remember him as a solid, caring guy with a good sense of humor. I can see him (as he looked back at school) enjoying himself."

Vincent Lombardo: "This is a hello and a goodbye. We 'snowbirded' between Connecticut and Florida for four years. September 1, 2020, we sold our Connecticut home in one day and are now full-time Florida residents. Was it the snow, the taxes, the relaxed lifestyle of Florida, or all of the above? Who knows? We still have our kids and grandkids there, and I was born in Hartford and walked to Trinity. So, we will visit and make Trinity a stop there. Best wishes to all."

Phil Parsons: "Jane and I are looking forward to spending time with our son Josh, who recently purchased a vacation home on St.

Simons Island off the coast of Georgia. I'm also reading a book that Josh gave me, *The Great War for Civilisation, The Conquest of the Middle East*, that I highly recommend."

Riess Potterveld: "To fight COVID-19 tedium, I create cigar-box art. Open the box, and create an art project inside using simple art supplies (paint, clay, etc.). Photograph with an iPhone and clean it out and start over the next day. You build up a visual collection. A way to focus mind and spirit. So is playing the cello, which I took up recently, too."

Peter Prentice: "Barbara and I have spent the month of August and half of September in the Northeast Kingdom (northeast Vermont) at our favorite lake in Glover. We've both taken up quilting over the past year having gone through four machines (we kept two). Fortunately, we have enough kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids to pass on the quilts to. Plus, small gifts for friends. Still enjoying life in The Villages, especially in the cooler months."

John Rozett passed away on July 19 due to complications from lung cancer. His sons referred to him as "mischievous, stubborn, irascible, and with a sense of humor most generously described as existing well beyond the bounds of decorum." They respected him tremendously, for his intelligence, his doggedness, and his sense of moral imperative. Whether trekking through Indiana campaigning for Bobby Kennedy or working tirelessly as an aide to Governor Hugh Carey for the passage of the New York State bottle bill, John was fighting the good fight long before many others understood that it isn't enough to talk the talk; he walked the walk and was never shy about making his opinion known. He never stopped believing that, on some fundamental level, we are all responsible for and to one another. As we saw with Reunion planning, he gave himself over to the task at hand with singular intensity of purpose.

Dave Hornfischer recalled, "John was a fun guy whom I met at the Brownell Club. We stayed in touch since, often meeting at Trinity football games along with **Bob Price, Dick Gould, Jon Simonian**, Phil Murphy '66, **Tom Whalen**, and others. He was a history lover and big fan of my son Jim's naval history works. My thoughts go out to his lovely wife, Martha, and their adult kids. He was so proud of them all. Trin has lost a dedicated alum."

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1966 Trinity Fund Goal: \$130,000
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As of this writing in October, the pandemic remains in full swing, and the upcoming

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Questions? Please contact Sylvia DeMore, special assistant to the dean of the faculty, at sylvia.demore@trincoll.edu.



presidential election is in full disarray. On a positive side, if good, reliable, available medical treatments and vaccines are available by June 2021, we may be able to celebrate our 55th Reunion together. Your engaged Reunion Planning Committee includes **George Andrews, Bill Carlson, Tom Chappell, David Charlesworth, Jeff Dierman, Bill Eakins, Joe Hourihan, Randy Lee, David Peake, Ellis Ratner, Rich Rissel, Lindlay Scarlett, Bill Brachman, Mason Ross, Scott Plumb, Bill Roos, and Brian Grimes**. We really want you to consider coming to this event, and yes, we will ask you to contribute to our scholarship fund. You will be hearing from the committee as the event draws closer.

As to news: First up is **Dennis Dix**. He writes, "Caving into the increasing decrepitude brought on by advancing years, Dennis and Penny finally abandoned their beloved home of 51 years in Avon, Connecticut, and checked into God's waiting room in Boynton Beach, Florida. They live in a freestanding condo villa with no yard work, no snow shoveling, no gardening duties."

Big surprise, **Scott Sutherland** disclosed, "We have embarked on our next chapter. Sold our house in Newburyport, Massachusetts, and purchased in Florida. We are living at Delray Dunes, a golf community in Boynton Beach, Florida, where Terry's father had a

home some years ago. We join Psi U brothers **Dennis Dix** and **Jock Dix '68**, who are both living here with their spouses." A new chapter of Psi U is being formed at Delray Dunes.

Another Psi U and regular contributor, **Rod Van Sciver**, described his summer in his usual understated way: "Since we couldn't go anywhere this summer, I decided to learn to race my 40-foot sailboat. I joined the local sailing club and started racing on Tuesday nights and weekends. I placed third out of six in my first race, which I thought was pretty good until I learned that one boat broke its mast and another stopped to help, which meant that I beat someone. That race set the tone for the summer; sometimes I beat someone. It could be the sails are old, which is solvable. More likely it is that the skipper is old, which is not."

Professor **Peter Koehn** updated me on his current teaching status. "Reluctantly but successfully transitioned to teaching entirely by Zoom starting this past March. In a moment of weakness, accepted a call to take on the chair role at this challenging time. After spending four special months in isolation with us at our Montana cabin, both boys back East, studying remotely in grad programs (Jason at the School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins and Justin in sports management at UMass Amherst) and working for

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MLB at Nats Park.” Has another book out. Still teaching, as is **Randy Lee** and **Sam Kassow**.

Heard from **Paul Brundage**. Life for him is challenging. “I was in the 1966 class but never graduated. I’m 75 now so probably won’t try to get a degree. In any case, I’m here in the Bay Area of San Francisco where the smoke from the West Coast fires has made our air unbreathable and very unhealthy. We are staying indoors both to avoid the smoke as well as to avoid COVID-19.” A double whammy for sure.

Jeff Witherwax also updated me. “Jane and I were supposed to spend the month of June golfing in France, England, Scotland, Switzerland, Germany, and the Netherlands. All canceled. Spent the entire summer in Connecticut. So far have managed to duck COVID-19 in Florida and Connecticut. We are celebrating anniversary 51 this year.” Congratulations to you and Jane.

Dan Waterman, M.D., is one of my personal physicians, but I haven’t told him, so he doesn’t bill me. He well sums up our current conundrum. “I am sorry I did not get over to New Hampshire for the Trump rally, but I had to walk our new dogs. They are rescues from North Carolina, Phoebe and King, brother and sister, beagle and cattle dog mix, which means that they are part hound and herder, which will be good when we get some cattle. If I get some cattle. We got them at the time of our last snowfall in April, and they were excited having never seen snow before. I am sure they will be very excited to bury themselves when we get our next one foot of white stuff. Stay at home, distancing, and masks meant canceling trips to Alaska and hiking in Ireland (the EU does not like us). But we are hopeful of getting back on the road when this all goes away. I was reading today that the RNA viral vaccines are not entirely failsafe in that the RNA keeps multiplying in vivo producing the likelihood of desensitization over time, meaning that the vaccine loses its efficacy. I was thinking I should try to explain this to Trump, but I was certain that he did not know what ‘in vivo’ means. Perhaps I should depend on HHS’s communication director Caputo for the right interpretation. I guess this is all there is to say right now. Not much interesting going on. I’m in my safe zone: exercise, dog walking, gin and tonic in the evening, and Rachel at 9:00 p.m. for laughs and blood pressure control.”

Golf for me has been one way of keeping in touch. A couple of rounds with **Joe Hourihan** and **Brian Grimes** and also a round with **Rod Van Sciver** and **Tom Chappell**. I agree to play, and they agree not to laugh. It works for me.

Until next time, stay safe and well. Truly yours, **David Charlesworth**

1967 Trinity Fund Goal: \$220,000
Class Secretary: **James L.**

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Many thanks to all of you who answered my plea for the news in your lives. Those of you who bothered to read my begging email know that I was moaning over the fact that our central air conditioning died just as the heat wave started in Connecticut this past summer. It took three hot, sticky weeks before a new unit was installed.

Little did I imagine that central AC systems of the Class of 1967 were crashing nationwide. **Alan Weinstein** writes that when he and Donna returned from a long road trip to their home in Henderson, Nevada, “Two of our three AC units were dead. Not bad, you still had one working, you say. But then figure it has been a summer with now 97 days over 100 and no measurable rain since April 20 (155 days and counting), and maybe you reconsider that thought. Both are all-time records, even for here. (There is no global warming you say? Wrong.)”

Scott Moreland checked in from steamy North Carolina. “I’m sorry to hear about your AC problem. In fact, we had the same issue here in North Carolina during the height of the summer heat wave when our 25-year-old unit decided it was done. Amazingly, I was able to get a new unit installed within 24 hours of getting a quote. I am still working in international development, and before COVID-19 hit last year, I made a number of trips, including to Senegal, Madagascar, Nigeria, Liberia, Papua New Guinea, and Australia. Now we are doing everything virtually, and my range of motion is about five miles but with daily calls all over the world.”

Allen Elstein had no AC problems but did have a breakthrough on the research he’s been doing on his family history. “Just when I thought I had reached a dead end in researching the mystery of how my relatives came in the 19th century from Europe to the Middle East and why someone I had written in 1984 and had not replied, I was sent a book with some real clues. Unfortunately, it was not in English. But I did learn from some translation that all these people had excellent musical talent and once again I am the outlier!”

Then I heard from **Al Raws** for an “Al trifecta.” “My wife, Marie, and I welcomed our fourth grandchild on August 31: Dylan

Wyeth Raws. I celebrated by buying a blue 2000 Porsche 911. Marie won’t let me retire, so I am still working full time. I also need to pay for the renovations to our house, including a new porch and a metal roof, so it will still be a while before I retire. Gilda Radner was right: it’s always something.”

Luke Terry lives in Vero Beach, Florida. “Moved here in 2018, have to admit it’s slower than New York and London, but don’t miss the taxes or the politics. I worked for Credit Suisse Bank for 40-plus years in New York, London, and Singapore.” Luke’s big news is that his son, Luther III, is a first-year at Trinity. “Coming from Deerfield Academy, he says of the Trinity football practices, ‘Dad, it’s like playing with a bunch of guys who could be playing D1 ball.’ There are a lot of Trinity alumni living in Vero Beach and many more nearby, must pass at least one a day.”

I hope all of you and your families are safe and healthy. This has been a challenging summer for all of us. Please wear a mask, wash your hands frequently, and maintain social distancing. Best, Jim (oconnor.jim111@gmail.com)

1968 Trinity Fund Goal: \$350,000
Class Secretary: **Daniel L.**

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COVID-19 has had a variety of impacts on our classmates, and I emphasize the word “variety.” Fortunately, as of this writing, no terrible impacts—may it stay that way!

Two of our classmates joined the ranks of the retired, both leaving long tenures of teaching. **Michael Lestz** joined the Trinity faculty in 1980 after a stint in the Army and a Ph.D. in Chinese history from Yale. Proficient in no fewer than 10 languages, Michael is largely responsible for the college’s flourishing international curriculum and student travel to China. He was chair of the History Department for seven years and directed the International Studies Program (which he co-founded) for five years. Recipient of countless honors and awards, including the Alumni Medal for Excellence, Michael leaves both a wonderful legacy and huge shoes to fill after his retirement from our alma mater.

After 21 years of teaching drawing, watercolors, and oil painting at Stevenson University in Owings Mills, Maryland, **Rod Cook** decided to retire. For Rod, the impetus was the university’s announced mandate in summer 2020 that all classes be in person. Making the wise choice, Rod placed health above his love of teaching. His already prolific painting likely will only increase with the added time that retirement from teaching provides.

Like most musicians and other performers who depend largely on live audiences, **Peter**

Alsop faced some unique challenges from COVID-19. But he responded with humor, grace, and creativity with a new album called *Camping with Dads*. It's a different, folk-story-song album that helps dads raise their sons' awareness of the need to respect others. You can download it via peteralsop.hearnow.com, or Google Peter's website. Your secretary has a complete collection of Peter's CDs, and they are wonderful—get some for your progeny.

Phil Pennington also misses the live gigs that his band had to suspend due to the pandemic. His South Bay Band, with what Phil describes as three old guys, an excellent female voice, and one younger dude not quite half the age of the older guys, usually performs four or five gigs each summer at art shows, churches, bars, etc. But don't feel too bad for Phil, who spent the summer living on his boat in Clayton, New York, and the 1000 Islands with a bubble of boat friends. While access to Canada was closed, there was lots of good cruising and spending time with his kids, who were working from home in the area.

Ernie Williams has been taking a four-mile daily walk, and, from observations and photos taken during those walks, he compiles biweekly nature updates for the community around the Adirondack lake where he and his wife have a summer camp.

Michael Williams, continuing his retirement in Washington, D.C., has been regularly sharing tweets with choral music and clergy in the United Kingdom and has made changes to his prayer life to include response to the surges in COVID-19. He sends to all of us the message "Be encouraged." The optimism of that message is itself encouraging in these trying times.

Peter Kaufman is still teaching and as of September thought he might be the oldest faculty colleague doing in-person instruction in Virginia, where he is professor and George Matthews & Virginia Brinkley Modlin Chair in Leadership Studies at the University of Richmond. He recently published two books: *On Agamben, Arendt, Christianity, and the Dark Arts of Civilization* and *On Agamben, Donatism, Pelagianism, and the Missing Links*.

Dick Pullman continues his active law practice, with the pandemic leading to working from home and even to a bench trial via Zoom. Dick's practice is dealing with the unique challenges in the real estate and bankruptcy worlds caused by COVID-19. No doubt proof of genetics, Dick reports with well-deserved pride that his grandson started the University of North Texas College of Engineering as a sophomore (due to AP courses) and earned a 3.9 GPA.

Bill Dickey reports that his primary activities while self-isolating on the shores of Lake Erie have been grocery shopping and lots of golf. Of course, even golf has seen the impact of COVID-19, with no flag lifting, limits on cart sharing, etc.

John Covington, in retirement, is pastoring a small congregation in City Island, Bronx, which is a former shipbuilding and current boating community of about 5,000. John stays in touch with **Bob Pine** and **Paul Jones**.

Steve Peters and wife Patricia live in Tallahassee, where Pat grew up. Steve audits Classics Department classes at Florida State University and appreciates that he need not write long term papers. Steve and Pat have been spending their summers in Lenox, Massachusetts, but have decided to sell that home, with their kids and grandkids spread out across the country (Montana, Colorado, and Rochester, New York).

By now you have all received updates on our Class of '68 Scholars, having added Julia Cheesman '24 as our third Class of '68 Scholar. Julia volunteered at a hospital throughout her high school years in Plymouth, Massachusetts, and has a strong interest in global health. She joins Zach Yung '22 and Cesira Barrett '23 as Class of '68 Scholars, each of whom exemplifies the character, academic abilities, and commitment to pay it forward that characterize our scholars. We have an active group of classmates as ambassadors (Messrs. **Barrows, Coyle, Goldschmidt, Gorman, Jaffee, Morrill, Peters, and Pryor**) who join our Steering Committee (Messrs. **Bedrick, Goldberg, Harrison, Jones, Lestz, McCrudden, McKeigue, and Roberts**) to move our scholarship fund forward, and we are one of only two classes that help choose the recipients of their class scholarship. It's challenging times for education at every level, and the need for financial aid has grown, so we should take pride in our ever-growing scholarship fund gift to Trinity.

1969 Trinity Fund Goal: \$150,000
Class Secretary: **Alden R. Gordon**, Fine Arts Department, Hallden 09, Trinity College, 300 Summit St., Hartford, CT 06106-3100; alden.gordon@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **Nathaniel S. Prentice**

Submissions were sparse as we all seem to be prudently avoiding travel and social gatherings during the pandemic.

Doug Gregor had great news for all of us: "Just an update on my previous, rather glum, Class Notes message from last winter. Since then I have received word that my chemo treatments were very successful in beating back a large cell lymphoma cancer incident. The chemo 'cocktail' that was infused into me included a new immunotherapy drug (see the documentary *Breakthrough*) called Polivy, which was just approved last June by the FDA for clinical use. Staff and physicians were anxious to observe its effectiveness, and my very positive reaction was a cause for a great medical team celebration. I continue as mayor of my small city and am helping lead it through the social, medical, and financial



Doug Gregor '69 celebrates with his 2020 cancer-fighting team in Minnesota.

challenges of the COVID-19 crisis—it has been a real education and thankfully one that has been rewarded with no COVID-positive tests from the community. As Minnesota gradually opens up, the daily statistics are still good, but there are unfortunate numbers of citizens not observing social distancing and wearing face masks. One has to marvel at how our species has thrived with members who are so oblivious to their environmental realities."

Larry Whipple wrote that he was grateful that our 50th Reunion was in June 2019 and not in June 2020. **Scott Duncan**, who missed our Reunion, still used it as a springboard to contact a number of our classmates. Scott encourages everyone to read that Reunion book and reach out where connections exist. I received notes of thanks for collecting your submissions from **Hank Davis** and **Larry Ach**. **Steve Chawkins** reconnected with **Deke August**, sharing their love of Broadway and pre-1969 cocktail piano melodies!

For the first time, **Mark Schaeffer** sent a submission, a poem titled "At Mark Twain's House." To read it, visit www.allpoetry.com/poem/15447580-At-Mark-Twains-House-by-Smith99.

Alden Gordon, secretary, Class of 1969

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1970 Trinity Fund Goal: \$380,000
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We are all tremendously thrilled and psychologically elevated by the receipt of our yearbook, which was so well drafted by each one of us with the oversight of classmate **Richard Turk**. Somehow Richard knew how to do just about everything, and he never gave up on herding us with the tenacity and craftiness of a brilliant Australian sheepdog hopping from one to another of us, barking when necessary, and putting together the finished product with such masterful aplomb. It has drawn our class together with not only spectacular memories but also the passionate verve of our life's

work, which we in our own individual efforts dedicated to the betterment of the humanity we touched.

The yearbook itself is overwhelming in its depth and scope in its effort to memorialize the fruits of our Trinity education, culture, and family interconnections. It probably will take us until June 2021 to read every page of it and ponder the meaning and effect of the words and pictures. Richard's choice in pictures in the general sections has been superb, with heartwarming and evocative images of the Long Walk, the Chapel, and other emotive spots on campus. For me, **Steve Bauer's** poetry is so moving that I get a lump in my throat just talking about it, and I am so thankful that Steve has given his talent to us. Plus, Steve's historic retrospective from our 25th Reunion is an absolute must for all of us to reread.

We are so fortunate to have had the spiritual, intellectual, and psychological guidance and mentoring from our dear professors. Thank you to Borden Painter '58 for all that he has done for us and for Trinity. His reflections encapsulate so much of the difference between the Trinity that we entered and the Trinity that we left from 1966 to 1970.

Through the end of the yearbook, Richard's commitment and talent really shines. His compilation of photographs, the Class of 1970 timeline, quotations from all of us, and historic anecdotes indelibly print a special meaning regarding our unique four years of undergraduate education.

I cannot overlook the very warm and loving in memoriam submission of **John Robson** for the benefit of his dear friend and our classmate **Ken Johnson**. Ken without question deserves every one of the complimentary and inspiring words of his fraternity brother. It is a wonderful example of how much we all mean to one another. There is no question that each one of us would be able to do a similar work for at least one of us, past, present, or future, given how close we all are to one another.

Page 11 of the yearbook lists the Class of 1970 Reunion Committee. It has been an absolute privilege to work with such enthusiastic and sensitive classmates along with everyone at the Alumni and Development Offices. We have had conference calls and Zoom calls at least once a month for more than a year and will continue to do so in furtherance of a combined Reunion with the Class of 1971 in June, which is our fervent hope. We have a special subcommittee consisting of yours truly, **Ernie Mattei**, Ann Harris '71, and Bill Reynolds '71 to bring us together for the most spectacular event imaginable. Let us vow from this moment forward to do everything we can to make it a "happening," as we used to say in all of our flower-child wonderment.

The receipt of the yearbook so moved classmate **Patterson Sims** that he reached

out to thank all of us. He considers it most impressive, and it helped to brighten his day at his office as an independent art curator, administrator, and consultant on Fifth Avenue in New York City, which is suffering from "dark times." We are hoping that we can get Pat to drive up in June to at least make our tentative Wadsworth Atheneum event, to be organized with the help of Bill Peelle, not only to delight us with his famous good humor but also to enlighten us with a few words of wisdom from the New York art scene.

When **John Willoughby** received his copy of the yearbook, he was moved to inquire about why we did not include Paul McAloon '69. Upon checking, it would appear that Paul beat us to the diploma by graduating in 1969! Once again, the ties that bind us are so strong, we cannot bear the thought of not including each of us. John is doing well in Suffield, Connecticut, and has kept up contact with classmate **Tom Ewing**. Tom is enjoying a second career as a judge in rural Illinois. I almost fell off my chair one day when reading *The Fighting McCooks* by the Whalens to see that Tom and I have something in common: an Anson McCook was a law partner with an attorney Tom Ewing, ancestor to our Tom, back in the 1830s in Ohio, and a direct ancestor of that Anson McCook, Anson McCook of Hartford and Trinity fame, was a law partner with my father. Again, the world is so interconnected it is amazing.

This brings me to our perhaps most international and global classmate, **Jonathan Granoff**. Jon is president of the Global Security Institute in New York. He fervently works on the principle of equality as the foundation of justice as the purpose of law. He has written insightful articles as senior adviser to the committee on National Security of the International Law Section of the American Bar Association and the representative to the United Nations of the World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates. We are most proud of our classmate because he recently received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Bar Association International Law Section, which is truly, for those knowledgeable about the significance of this award to international lawyers, a huge honor. He asked me to review one of his most recent writings, and I hope to do so soon. We share the belief that virtue is necessary for world peace and for democracies to blossom and function as they are meant to do.

REUNION 2021

1971

Trinity Fund Goal: \$650,000
Class Secretary: David M.

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Hold the tentative dates of June 10–13, 2021, for our 50th Reunion. The committees are working

hard to ensure an exciting weekend. Four subcommittees are directing our work, and if you have any interest in getting involved, please contact the following: Yearbook Update: **Howie Greenblatt** (hbgreen12@yahoo.com); Programming/Events: **Bill Reynolds** (bill.reynolds@trincoll.edu); Advancement/Gifts: **Peter Lawrence** (lpeterlawrence@gmail.com); Attendance: **David Sample** (dsample@aol.com). As a way to get ready for the Reunion, **Marshall Garrison** has established a Facebook group (Trinity College 70 & 71 Reunion Celebrations). Please join and share thoughts, memories, etc. with classmates from '71 as well as members of '70.

From **Keith Funston**: "Grace and I are coping with COVID-19 in Sudbury, Massachusetts, in good health. We just helped our daughter's family move from San Francisco to Bronxville, New York. And our son is in Boston, so we're gathered reasonably. Antique sales amazingly are quite good. All those people stuck at home, I guess. Look forward to our 50th next June!"

Bob Hurst writes: "I recently attended three events of the Virtual Homecoming. I was pleasantly reminded of Trinity by the 'Teaching History through Comic Books,' presentation. The presenter recalled going to work for Lt. Gov. **Kevin Sullivan**. Kevin and I were roommates in the fall of '69 ... great memories! Currently, wife Beth and I are still sheltering in place in Alabama. We are very lucky to have a grandson living with us who does our grocery shopping. If it is safe, I would enjoy attending our 50th Reunion to see other members of the Class of '71."

Peter Bennett writes: "I retired from my law practice in Nashua, New Hampshire, in March 2019, and my wife, Judy, and I moved to Cape Elizabeth, Maine. I have been in touch and visited with classmates **Vic Haas** and **Tim Woolsey** and with Wendy Bosworth Case '72 and Nancy Milner Nagel '72 during the last couple of years."

From **Ann Harris**: (member of our 50th Reunion Steering and Events Committees): "It is interesting to be planning a 50th Reunion in the midst of a pandemic! Hoping for the best while thinking about all kinds of options and partnering with 1970. Just finished reading *Lilac Girls*, about Caroline Ferriday, who had a home, The Hay, outside Hartford, one of the places we might visit as a group and learn more about the Rabbits, the women of Ravensbrück who were used for horrendous experimentation during World War II. It is quite a story about a number of women who played a role in the war. As we think about how to gather in smaller groups during Reunion, it looks like an interesting venue. Lots to think about as we consider our 50th Reunion in 2021!"

Jon Miller shares: "Although retired, I continue to do a little church business ... a video



David Sample '71, donning a Trinity hat, relaxes after a hike in the Grand Canyon in May 2020.

(email Jon at jonathanmillero323@gmail.com) using the theme strength in belonging. Included are my wife, Karin, and grandchildren Kari and Josh. We know strength in belonging relates not just to churches and synagogues but to schools like Trinity, too! Looking forward to our 50th Reunion.”

Bill La Plante shares this memory: “Does anyone remember who the Commencement speaker was for our special day at Trin ’71? My parents, sister, two brothers, and grandmother were in the audience and saw me become the first college graduate in our family. I have great memories of my Trinity days and look forward to sharing such memories with classmates at our 50th Reunion.”

From **Howard Dickler**: “After Trinity, I received an M.A. in English from the University of Hawaii in 1975 and a Ph.D. in English from UC Berkeley in 1984. That was a bad time to go looking for a job, so I ended up writing computer books on database programming and then moved on to database programming. I was able to do some good in the peace and immigrants’ rights community in the Los Angeles area and in Nicaragua. Boy, did we have hopes!”

David Sample writes: “In late May, after too many months of quarantine, I packed an SUV with camping gear, hiking boots, a cooler, food, and protective gear and went on a road trip! Little longer than the ones we took when at Trinity, the trip lasted 28 days and covered more than 7,000 miles and 20 states. During and after hiking in 10 National Parks, I had ‘America the Beautiful’ playing in my head! The highlight of the trip was the Grand Canyon. On previous trips, I had seen the canyon by mule ride and helicopter, but hiking it was amazing. I took the Bright Angel Trail from the rim to the Colorado River and back. Covering around 20 miles in 90-plus degree heat, I felt like I was in the middle of Don Miller’s double sessions! As then, I did make it, starting at 5:30 a.m. and finishing at 3:30 p.m. I look forward to future road trips and

hiking in our beautiful land, and if anyone is interested in joining me, let’s talk!”

See you all at our Reunion!

1972 Trinity Fund Goal: \$100,000
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The pandemic has prompted a variety of life and work adjustments, some positive and creative. As I finalize these notes, I’m listening to **Kirk “Chief” Kubicek** deliver a sermon and play the guitar on his church’s Facebook page (Google his parish, listed below). He writes: “Retired in 2015 officially from parish ministry and as chaplain and teacher at a girls’ boarding school. Have continued to do parish work and am currently priest in charge of Christ Church, Rock Spring Parish, Forest Hill, Maryland, serving Harford County since 1805. Since 2012, I also have been playing drums, often with fellow drummer Kirk Kubicek Jr. with a Grateful Dead tribute band, On The Bus, in the D.C. metro area. Mallory ’74 and I are lucky to have all three of our children nearby, and we have had several backyard, socially distanced get-togethers this summer with grandson ‘Mr. Mo’ Kudler being the center of our attention. In the immortal words of St. Julian of Norwich, ‘All shall be well, all shall be well, all manner of thing shall be well.’ ”

Bob D’Agostino: “The pandemic is a trying time for all. With that in mind, I was looking back over the years since graduation. Forty-four years ago, I married Pam, my roommate **John Gottsch**’s sister’s roommate from Conn College. We are proud of our four ‘kids’ and just added a grandson to the family. I’m still in solo family medicine after 41 years—no promotion yet. Am stable health wise after metastatic intestinal cancer in 2013, two surgeries, chemo, and radiation. Played competitive soccer this morning with my over-63 team (despite three knee surgeries). I play for a team in Harvard, Massachusetts, so every two weeks I can tell my patients I went to Harvard after Trinity. This is more of a thank-you note. One needs to look to the positives given the world we live in.”

Whitney Cook: “Like many others, for us this has been a lost year ... as well as a year I’d like to forget on many levels. Highlight of the year has been the arrival of our third grandchild safe and sound. A great pleasure magnified by the claustrophobic existence we’re living over the last seven months. Nonetheless, we continue to be thankful for good health and the good fortune to be living in our dysfunctional country as there’s nowhere else I’d rather be.

Dan Green and I continue to try to get some golf or tennis in.”

John “Klon” Koehler: “I’m four years into ‘reirement’ after selling Klondike Sound

Co. to my employees, still working for various music festivals, and playing bass with Outerspace on occasion, even during this silent summer. We miss **Artie Adams**, who passed in 2018, but the rest of us are still ‘upright and taking nourishment’ and looking forward to performing at our 50th in 2022. Onward!”

Chris Ray: “Wife Kim Jones and I managed to return home from Cape Town and the west coast of Africa just ahead of all the travel restrictions. All the U.S. Customs agents in masks brought home just how close we cut it, and, with all the local restrictions, I’ve been able to finish and publish my 13th coffee-table book, *World Wide Workboats: Pilots, Tugs & Ferries*, about working boats Kim and I have encountered in our 25-plus years of travels (www.blurb.com/user/store/crayivp). I’m in regular contact with **Mike Nobbs**, and I sing in a chorus with Brendan Way ’00.” Beautiful books, Chris!

Gary Smith: “I’m still working full time in aerospace electronics in spite of crossing the 70-year-old threshold this fall. COVID-19 has dramatically affected day-to-day work life. My lab is one-third the staff level, and many work remotely. I like to think they’re keeping me around because of my 45 years of engineering knowledge, but more likely it’s just that I know where the bones are hidden! Retirement remains a fascinating future concept for now. On the personal front, my three toddling grandkids, especially the one close by, are immensely entertaining. The vision problems that interfered with my competitive pistol shooting are behind me, so I’m back on track in the Super Senior (over 65) category. I’m in the zone where the shooting skills are improving as the physical capabilities decline; I’ll ride that sweet spot as long as I can!”

Will Whetzel: “I’m sure many of us have been trying to celebrate their big 7-0 in fitting fashion. Our plan to celebrate with our entire brood in Ireland deconstructed quickly due to COVID-19 to a warm gathering and picnic dinner on a Southampton beach. Retirement also was interesting; what was meant to be a leisurely exit and office luncheon on March 31 morphed into bringing a few boxes of stuff home on March 16 ... never to return. That lunch is still out there somewhere. And my body seems to be catching up to me in certain places; I have taken a deep breath and signed on for ankle reconstruction surgery in late October at HSS in New York City. But then we have five wonderful grandkids to visit and plenty of golf yet to play—so it all seems to be balancing itself out in some larger cosmic way. I see **Bill Miller** and **Bayard Fiechter** fairly regularly, along with **Eddie Webster** ’74, **Jono Frank** ’74, and **Tom Wynne** ’73. Fight the good fight, and best to you all.”

Your secretary had a fun phone conversation with **John Heppe**, and after the usual

fruitless yet still civil political “discussion,” John explained how the pandemic has enabled him to explore his inner homebody as he has taken on home-repair projects, baked several blueberry pies (with wild Maine berries), and is creating the perfect meatloaf. John still partakes in private equity placements and splits his time between homes in the Deer Isle area of Maine and St. Croix.

As for me, I spend my days tracking down fugitive alumni and conjuring up fervent and sometimes inspirational pleas for Class Notes. Thanks to all who contribute!

1973 Trinity Fund Goal: \$125,000
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Bert Keating writes, “I do want to let people know about the publication of a book that has some appeal to a sizable part of the Trinity community. *Essential Anatomy of the Doctor-Patient Relationship, with Narrative Illustrations* is scheduled for publication in November by Nova Science. Although the primary audience is medical students and faculty, the book has wider appeal, mainly because the principles are illustrated with stories about memorable patients, patients I have known who are from every walk of life, from the many areas of the country in which I have worked in the teaching and practice of internal medicine and geriatrics. I think the book is timely given the pandemic and the widespread systems' failures that, I believe, are often caused by the weakening of the doctor-patient relationship.”

“Suppose you were an idiot, and suppose you were a member of Congress; but I repeat myself.” —Mark Twain

From the Alumni Office: Texas-based law firm Jackson Walker announced that **Susan Mead** has been recognized by her clients and peers for her achievements. She was included in the 2020 *Chambers USA Guide* in her area of practice, real estate: zoning/land use. She also was included in the 2021 *The Best Lawyers in America* list. Chambers and Partners identifies leading practitioners and law firms through interviews with attorneys and clients. *Best Lawyers* listings are based on a peer review survey of thousands of attorneys who vote on the legal abilities of others in their practice areas.

1974 Trinity Fund Goal: \$250,000
Class Secretary: **Ty E. Geltmaker**, 8742 Rangely Ave., West Hollywood, CA 90048-1715; ty.geltmaker.1974@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **Vacant**

A message from new class secretary **Ty Geltmaker**: Looking forward to hearing from all and then seeing everyone on what will be my first visit back to Hartford for our 50th in 2024. I promise! Trinity full Illinois scholarship expanded this working-class Peoria kid's lifetime of curiosity and wonder (not to mention introducing me to squash, on the court, not in the kitchen) stretching from years in Rome and N.Y.C. and now, for decades, with my partner of 40 years, James Rosen, in L.A. Faculty and classmate voices still alive, and everything I've written as a historian and poet/literary author indebted to each of you, no matter how fleeting our encounters. I don't think there is a single classmate I don't remember, even if my cohort revolved around those of us who were in Rome for fall 1972. Not to be dour, but look up my *Tired of Living: Suicide in Italy from National Unification to World War I, 1860–1915* and for more light-hearted, serious fun my Rome-based short story “Lamb of God.” And if you're a glutton for punishment, there is my blog *Ferragosto*, named for my dozen-year-old canine best friend. If indulged, I'd here invoke the following professors' names: Cooper (history), Campo (Italian/Rome), Kirkpatrick (Kantian religion), Painter (Reformation/modern Italy), Gettier (biblical exegesis), Norman Miller (sociology/Malcolm X and Salomon Maimon) remembering Cooper's dictum: “Effortless Supremacy.” Let's be in touch about what books we're reading, music listening, films watching, art looking. Go Bantams! To the library.

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1975 Trinity Fund Goal: \$200,000
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1976 Trinity Fund Goal: \$400,000
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1977 Trinity Fund Goal: \$90,000
Class Secretary: **Mary Desmond Pinkowish**, 15 Lafayette Rd., Larchmont, NY 10538-1920; mary.pinkowish.1977@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **Stephen M. Sunega** • [f/TrinityCollege77](https://www.facebook.com/TrinityCollege77)

Sarah Gordon DeGiovanni writes: “It's official! My son, Sam, and his new wife, Sally, had a small but awesome wedding on October 3, 2020, in a beautiful setting in the Hudson Valley. We are also eagerly anticipating my daughter's second child, who is due to arrive in November. Enjoying being a grandmother while I still am able to keep up with a toddler! Still working from home. Hope all of our classmates have been able to steer clear of COVID-19!”

And from **Diana Lee Hammond**: “Greetings to all from the state of Western Australia, where our borders have been closed since late March. My husband, Peter, and I have not spent a full winter here in 35 years, so we have been taking advantage of our captivity (and my recovery from a mild case of COVID-19 that I picked up coming back from the States in mid-March) by exploring our enormous state. We've had three trips north to Dirk Hartog Island, Berkeley River Lodge, and Broome, one trip west to Kalgoorlie, and a couple trips south to Margaret River and Albany. Finding adventures everywhere. Highlights? Catching a 15-pound barramundi on a handline in a creek full of saltwater crocodiles. Exploring remote rock art by helicopter in the remote Kimberley region. Observing nearly 15,000 migratory shorebirds on the banks of Roebuck Bay, recently arrived from Siberia. Visiting the Antony Gormley sculptures on the very remote salt flats of Lake Ballard. Also, a standout Zoom call set up by **Sophie Bell Ayres** that included Nick Brady '76, **Jeff Kelter**, **Leslie Hyde**, **Margo Halle**, **Teddy Judson**, and **Tim Ghriskey**. Memorable ... but missing seeing our daughters and sons-in-law in Melbourne and our three grandsons, the latest of whom, Phineas, arrived on August 14, so we've yet to meet him. Also missing our son Charlie, who is in L.A. This too will pass, my dad used to say. Let's hope it happens sooner than later. Hope all classmates are staying well. Best to all.”

Nancy Wolfson-Moche: “Since the pandemic, we've been spending most of our time in the northwest corner of Connecticut, not too far from Trinity. My daughters are 19 and 13, still the apples of my eye. I published my first book, an ode to vegetables, *Vegetables for Breakfast from A to Z*. More on my site (youarebecauseyoueat.com), where you can get a signed copy with a plantable bookmark that becomes harvestable lettuce.”

Jason Jacobson, thanks for writing! “Michele and I have much to be thankful for during these difficult times. Our three kids are healthy and have been able to



Top to bottom: Sarah Gordon DeGiovanni '77, holding granddaughter Willa, joins son Sam and his wife, Sally, who were married in October 2020 in Upstate New York. • Mark Moore '77 stands amid a vineyard at a family farm in Missouri in summer 2020.

remain productive in Panama, Oregon, and Cambridge, Massachusetts (temporarily relocated to our house in Kensington, Maryland, and then with friends to a short-term rental nearby). No weddings or grandkids yet on the horizon, but that is in keeping with much of our family's history. I have worked from home for five-plus years, so, with the exception of not being able to travel to development sites in my geographic region of the mid-Atlantic and Southeast, much of my work life has remained the same. Still developing multi-family properties with a small company called ArchCo Residential, which is based in Atlanta but essentially is virtual with all but three of the 10 of us working from homes in different cities. We opened a new apartment building in Fort Lauderdale in mid-March, which has surprisingly done very well given the environment, and just started construction on a new project in suburban Charlotte. We lost our last parent in Michele's mom recently at age 94. Michele and I miss live music, live sports, travel, and more carefree gatherings with friends but have found some of that enjoyment virtually and know that the real will return at some point. Happy to still be able to bike and walk. Others have more pressing concerns. We continue to hope for political change in November and some actual

progress in addressing our country's racial justice issues, climate change, and economic opportunity. Hope all are well."

Mark Moore writes: "Best wishes from Colorado! I am starting 32 years as a radiologist and have entered partial retirement, time to hand off to younger eyes! My family is well; my oldest daughter a second-year neurology resident at Ohio State University, my youngest daughter a second-year at Cornell vet school, and my son completing an M.B.A. in California. No grandkids yet but oldest daughter engaged. My wife and I began planting a vineyard at a family farm in Missouri two years ago and will bottle our first Norton vintage next year, definitely a learning experience! Go Bantams!"

Thanks for writing! And to all of us: Stay well, stay strong!

1978 Trinity Fund Goal: \$225,000
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Margaret Eisen Myers reports, "I am very happy to be able to spend time with my daughter, son-in-law, and first grandchild, born September 21. He's absolutely adorable, healthy, and happy. He has no idea how messed up things are outside his little world."

Rand Pearsall has this to share: "Well, in the last 200 days, my oldest son, Brett, became engaged and is planning a wedding with Elana for next September. Everything else has been in the 'so far, so good' category as we take all prudent precautions. On the Trinity front, I have been rallying support for the late Pat McNamara '80 to be inducted in Trinity's Athletics Hall of Fame. As many know, I stayed on after graduation as Trinity's sports information director and was rewarded with both a New England football championship and Pat's First Team All-American honors. During arguably the best season in Trinity history, Pat led the entire nation (all groups) in receiving for most of the season, only to be topped by a Northwestern receiver who played two more games. Pat was that good—and a nice person—so I hope he makes the next HoF class."

Douglas Thom III shares this wonderfully **Doug Thom** paragraph: "This missive—I call my stream-of-consciousness-where-the-heck-did-this-come-from diary entries either Ducky-ditties or missives—isn't appropriate (and it's a tad long) for *The Reporter*, but it expresses as well as anything I could specifically pen about where my mind has been and is right this minute thanx to good ol' COVID-19 and thanx to bein' 64 bleepin' years old and sorta kinda workin' and sorta kinda livin' in provincial

flyover America (the town of Falwellia, formerly known as Lynchburg, Virginia) while feelin' in so many ways like I'm still 20 and not studyin' but instead flingin' the disc around on the quad with guy and gal friends who wore neither shoes nor underwear when it was warm out."

Andrew Magruder has worked as a database and web developer at KVH Industries Inc. in Middletown, Rhode Island, since January 2008. He writes: "They have treated me well, are handling COVID-19 very well, and it's a great place to work. My wife, Lauren, and I have two grown/married daughters and 2½ grandsons, one at 4 years and the other 6 months (and one due October 2020). Grandkids are great fun (and a lot of work). Rhode Island is an ocean-watersports paradise. I windsurf, stand-up paddleboard, kayak, snorkel, boogie board, surf (badly), kiteboard (barely), and make sandcastles with the 4-year-old at the beach. Pickup ice and roller hockey are on hold due to the pandemic, and snow skiing is questionable this year, but we'll cross-country ski and maybe do some backcountry downhill. I still see my freshman, sophomore, and junior year Trinity roommate **Peter Martin** and Trinity alum Michael Sapuppo '79, who was on the Rome program with me."

Deborah Buck has this to share: "So, COVID-19 has found me hunkered down in the Hamptons, where I luckily expanded my studio a few years ago and have been able to take advantage of the quiet to make a ton of new work. Seemingly, this has paid off as I have three paintings in two museums this fall, one at the New Britain Museum of American Art (it always comes back to Connecticut) and two in the *Long Island Biennial* at The Heckscher Museum of Art. This has been wind under my wings during a difficult time. Visit [deborahbuck.com](#) to see the latest. And when one is housebound, why not get a new puppy? Lobo has a new sister, Scout, and they are besotted with one another. They are my first dogs as an adult, having had hounds as a kid, and I am loving being a dog mother. They are both cavoodles and full of life, mischief, and boatloads of fun."

Peter T. Mott reports: "I have kept in touch over the years with **Tony Schaeffer**, **Trip Hansen**, **Mike Kluger**, and others. It was great to see several folks I had not seen in years at the Reunion dinner a couple of years ago. I see **George Smith** quite a bit as we are both actively practicing law in the same field. One of the benefits of Zoom classes is that I was able this semester to audit a course through the alumni program. I am taking 'Modern British Fiction' with Professor David Rosen. It is a great class. I highly recommend auditing a course to take advantage of the excellent teaching and insightful students. Most

Rob Sweeney '76



DEGREE: B.A. in philosophy and religious studies

JOB TITLE: Cinematographer (director of photography)

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: My three favorite memories: Going over the hill to Phil's Bar for discourse over beer with friends Rick Hornung '77, Martha Cooley '77, and Dean Hammer '75. Rock climbing at Ragged Mountain and the Gunks. Viewing great films by Bergman, Fellini, Louis Malle, Bertolucci, Truffaut, and others at Cinestudio.

How did you get started in your field?

There was no roadmap to getting started in cinematography, so after I graduated from Trinity, I literally wandered in the wilderness for a few years. I worked for the Outward Bound Schools in Colorado, the Pacific Northwest, and New Mexico. I worked a range of odd jobs, including carpentry, barkeep, apple picker, and census taker, all the while honing my skills as a still photographer. A job as a custom color printer led to an offer to work as a videographer at a fledgling TV station in Santa Fe. My fine art photographs and video documentary work led to acceptance at the American Film Institute.

Once in L.A., I hustled my way into the industry working on low-budget and independent feature films. One of my first films as a camera assistant was a schlocky Roger Corman horror picture, *Chopping Mall*. You have to start

somewhere! Soon, more interesting and satisfying projects came along, including *Stand and Deliver*, *Barfly*, and David Lynch's *Wild at Heart*. I began working on bigger, more mainstream films such as *The River Wild* and *The Rock*. I have a fond memory of careening down the steep inclines of San Francisco in the back of a Hummer filming with Sean Connery at the wheel.

All the while I was working as an assistant or camera operator, I sought out low-budget filmmakers who were looking for a cinematographer. These projects usually involved a drastic cut in pay but a huge increase in creative participation. One of these projects, *Color of a Brisk and Leaping Day*, won the Cinematography Award at the Sundance Film Festival. The award launched my career as a director of photography. I had been in Hollywood for a decade. It took 10 years to become an "overnight success." I shot a number of indie features and then ventured into television. My first TV show was *Six Feet Under*, an amazing show with a great ensemble cast. I had the good fortune to shoot the memorable finale episode of that series. I also shot six seasons of HBO's *Entourage*, *Big Love*, and numerous others. My current assignment is the ABC comedy *Black-ish* with Anthony Anderson and Tracee Ellis Ross.

What do you enjoy most about your work?

My work is never dull, and no day is ever the same. My job is to tell stories with lighting and camerawork, and each story and scene is different. I also enjoy the process of collaboration with directors, all of whom have their own unique approach to their craft. I work with an astounding variety of personalities from producers to grips to bring a story to the screen. Side story from my Trinity days: I once drew out a two-year incomplete in Richard Lee's "History of Philosophy" class. He called it "a long-rolling craps game." The clock is always ticking on film sets at a very expensive rate, so procrastination does not fly! The work suits me.

What are the biggest challenges?

Sometimes the challenges are budgetary. On *Brisk and Leaping Day*, we told the story of a dying railway operation in the 1940s for under \$100,000. On television shows, the challenges have to do with time: How do we create a particular look or shoot a major dance number, wedding, etc. with a limited amount of time?

How has the COVID-19 pandemic affected your work?

We can't really work from home or produce our show via Zoom! So we have had to work with and adapt industry guidelines to work safely. Every person who comes in proximity to the cast is tested three times a week. We all wear masks and face shields. Our process has been altered to keep the numbers down on set. For example, operators set shots and then leave the set for the electrical and grip team to light. Usually these things happen simultaneously. The net result is that we can function and do good work; it just takes a little more time.

How did your time at Trinity prepare you for your career?

My time at Trinity taught me to be an analytical thinker and to read critically. Every film or TV show I do begins with a script. I have to be able to quickly discern important cues in the written word to develop a visual style. I fully believe that tangling with the likes of Kant and Heidegger makes it easier for me to zero in on the ideas in a film script.

Did you have a professor who was particularly influential?

Drew Hyland inspired with his modern take on the Socratic tradition, but Frank Kirkpatrick was my biggest influence. I admired his clarity, humanity, and dry wit.

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happily, my wife and I have two grandchildren (so far). Best job ever.”

Beth Levine reports she has won a prize for humor from the Connecticut Press Club for her column in *Stamford Magazine*. She has announced that if she can't work the phrase “Well, isn't she a tall drink of dumpster juice on a hot July day” into a published piece in the future, she will not have fully lived.

As class secretary (**Jory Lockwood**), I hop in last and take the words that are left. I have been hiking and doing needlework. I second Peter's audit-a-class suggestion and hope to perhaps do that this coming semester. I owned two dogs pre-pandemic, and they are getting more much-deserved attention now. The pandemic has certainly made my life more constrained, and I struggle to not have it also become “smaller.” Without trips to the city to see musicals and not going out to dinner since March 13, I find that I have a fatter bank statement at the end of the month. When I finish these *Reporter* notes, I am going to write a check to Trinity because if we all wrote small checks to support the ideas and institutions that we care about, we could and would make the world a bit more civilized.

1979 Trinity Fund Goal: \$175,000
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The coronavirus pandemic has been touching all of our lives since March 2020. Our classmates who were in touch for this edition of our Class Notes took time out to explain how they're dealing with this age of COVID-19.

Ted Almy wrote that the coronavirus sent him and his wife, Maura, packing from Connecticut in mid-March to work remotely at their place in Savannah, Georgia. They figured it would be for a few weeks. A few weeks turned into nearly six months. One learning from the experience is that Savannah will be where they will retire, maybe sooner than later! All Almy family members are healthy and safe, though it's likely several had

COVID-19 back in December and January and didn't know it. They are expecting their third grandchild in early November (an IVF miracle baby) and are planning the wedding of their youngest, Caroline, in February in Miami. Fingers crossed it'll come off as planned!

Gus Reynolds reached out from Thailand. Gus wrote, “Our hotel, The Lai Thai Luxury Condominiums in Krabi, Thailand, has been closed since late March as well as our Japanese restaurant and fine wine bar. The upside is I have had time to resume my writing, and as a result, we will be releasing soon the first episode of the *First Note*. In this podcast, we travel back in time in our ‘laid back way back time machine’ to listen to the origins of some of your favorite songs. Anyone who enjoys music and wants to hear our adventures, email me at gusreynolds@gmail.com. The virus also is impacting how education is delivered.”

Dave and **Susie Saltonstall Duncan** have experienced a move and have some experience with remote learning. Susie said they sold their house in Connecticut and moved to Maine in June. They love their waterfront property on a point in Phippsburg. It has been a bit hard settling in during a pandemic, as it is difficult to get involved in local activities and to meet people. Also, most of their friends and family are waiting to visit until COVID-19 is under better control. Dave is able to teach his architectural design courses at Trinity because he can do so remotely. They are not sure how they will fare being in Maine all winter, but they are getting ready for it to be long and cold! They recently had a wonderful dinner with Trinity classmate **Susan Tananbaum** and her husband in Freeport.

Back on the grandchild front, there was good news from Massachusetts. **George Brickley** and **Cindy Higgins Brickley** '80 became grandparents for the first time in early October. **Lola Anniina Taylor** was born to their daughter Sarah and her husband, Latimer. Lola is named in honor of Latimer's mom, and Anniina is a Finnish name in memory of George's late mom. Anniina (pronounced AHN-nee-nah) means “full of grace.” The couple and their newborn live in Brooklyn. George exclaimed, “Cindy and I raced right down to New York to see the baby. We got there, and Lola was not even home from the hospital yet! I didn't realize just how exhilarating it is to be a grandpa! I will have to call on my fellow '79 classmates, who are also grandparents, to give me some advice.”

George's update arrived after **Jim Cropsey** and **Ken Crowe** were comparing Homecoming 2019, when they went back to the college to see George inducted as a member of the inaugural class of the college's Athletics Hall of Fame, to what was planned for the Virtual Homecoming 2020.

Jim provided an update on his grove of American chestnut trees that he's been tending for the last 11 years. For those of us who attended Reunion in 2014, you may remember that Jim had a display about reviving chestnut trees and spoke about his work at home in Tilton, New Hampshire. Jim has 26 chestnut trees on his property; the trees average about 30 feet tall and are still growing. Alas, Jim reports he hasn't seen any chestnuts appear on the trees, but he remains optimistic about the trees bearing fruit. His chestnuts are growing on the northern edge of the tree's natural range.

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Hello, fellow Bants. I hope you all have managed to stay healthy and sane through this incredibly challenging time. I feel extremely fortunate my extended family has come through flu free so far. That includes my brother John Davison '67, his daughter Christina Melchionni '92, and her sister Lindsay Page '94. My youngest, Anna, a high school senior, has committed to Wagner College to play water polo. One more college tuition ... yippie!

The greatest thing about this position is hearing the interesting things our classmates are doing. **David Dunn**, after a very fulfilling 25-plus years as an economist with the International Monetary Fund, was able to retire a few years ago to pursue some other interests, mainly meddling in the lives of his three children, Renee, 28, Michael, 25, and Eitan, 22. For example, last year he helped Renee—an entrepreneurial do-gooder—build a factory in Uganda to produce plantain chips and dried jackfruit for her Amäzi brand snacks sold here in the United States. How cool is that? The factory is 100 percent Ugandan run and already employs more than 30 people, almost all of whom are women and youths. They also have established direct relationships with more than 200 small-scale farmers to supply the factory. It has been quite a real-world education for David, and, despite the coronavirus crisis, he said the outlook for strong growth and job creation is bright!

Judith Ewald writes that she still works for Western Asset (year 15) but from home and loves the commute to the dining room each day. Her son came home from N.Y.C. mid-March and also works from South Orange. Her daughter is out in Park City with her fiancé; they postponed their wedding for a year. She is looking to move a little further west but will stay in New Jersey. Judith hopes to see everyone next June!

Tom Melly reports that his family has made it through the COVID-19 lockdown in good order. He had four Trinity grads quarantining “with Brooks slightly outnumbered: Caroline ’14 and her fiancé Chris Crovatto ’13 (their June 13 wedding was postponed to August 2021), Madeline ’16, and me.” They did quite well and are grateful that they are all healthy and that their children and their significant others have good jobs. Tommy ’11 and wife Octavia just moved into their new house in Riverside with their puppy. He says, “Despite missing the 2020 Homecoming, a football game, the fall colors, and the good vibes of Trinity’s beautiful campus, we will appreciate all of it that much more when we emerge from all of this, hopefully in 2021.”

Anne Sices Pigue told me she and husband Bob Pigue ’83 did their version of the Smilow Cancer Hospital and Yale Cancer Center Closer to Free bike ride. The ride was to honor Patrick Sclafani ’83, who passed away on March 25, following his second battle with cancer. Pat left behind two daughters, AP and Marie, as well as beloved girlfriend Terry Lignelli ’83. They were hosted by Amy Fulton ’83 and Doug Kuzmicki ’83, and riders included many Trintypes. Without the possibility of a funeral for Pat, this was their way to celebrate his life. They have been riding since 2007, when, led by Pat, they formed Team Sclafani to benefit cancer survivors. For this year’s event, they made sure to keep all activities outdoors, and the decor included hand sanitizer by the gallon. With those precautions in place, they gathered safely to honor an amazing friend who died too soon. From Trinity, the riders and attendees (aside from those mentioned above) were Michael Collins ’83, Paul Merrigan ’83, Marissa Ocasio ’83, Kevin Sullivan ’83, Tina Tricarichi ’83, Mike Elia ’83, Steve Gomes ’83, Steve Shugrue ’83, and Jim Callahan ’82.

In my last notes, I mentioned that **Carol Goldberg** and **Cynthia Ballantyne** were moving, so they did all the packing, moving, and unpacking with COVID-19 protocols. But the task is completed, and Carol is safely in her childhood home in Andover, Massachusetts, and Cynthia is in Pinehurst, North Carolina. From Massachusetts to North Carolina, quite a cultural change; not sure they do much curling there, but I hear there’s a lot of pickleball. Hope you will consider dropping me a line to let me know what you are up to. Stay well, my friends. Hope to see you in June!

From **Jeff Long**: “I have lived in Atlanta with my wife, Casey, for the last 35 years. I have three children, daughter Claire and sons Marty and Kevin. My older two are married, and Claire has two daughters, Emma, 2½, and Sloane, 10 months. It is great being a grandfather! After Trinity, I went to law school at Suffolk in Boston with Macey Russell and then

took an extra year at Boston University getting an LL.M. in tax. After that, I moved to Atlanta. I have worked in real estate development my entire career with a concentration in hotel development. These are interesting times to be in the hotel business. Despite the pandemic, all in my family are well and for the most part thriving. We have certainly gotten to know our neighbors a whole lot better, which I guess is a good thing. I am also playing more golf.”

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Andrea Balas Weaver reports that she has retired from the practice of medicine. She and husband Richard Weaver are empty nesters living in Fairfax County, Virginia. Their daughter graduated virtually from UVA in 2020.

Dutch Barhydt reports that he and wife Hilary have been living in Southern California for the past five years, working at The Webb Schools, where he is the director of institutional advancement and she teaches humanities. “It is our second time working and living in California, although this time our kids and two grandchildren are all on the East Coast, which is a significant difference with travel limited by COVID-19. It still remains a great adventure, though, and great to remain connected to so many Trinity friends. I think often about our class and how close it has remained over four decades.”

Jeanne Kiltonic-Rawdin writes: “COVID-19 has actually been a bit of a blessing for me, in that my three kids are all back in San Diego and La Jolla for the time being: Hannah just graduated from Berkeley Law and is about to take the bar, Mark just started law school at University of San Diego, and Quinn is in his third year as a finance major at San Diego State. I work remotely for a health and wellness company called LifeWave as its communications manager. I also freelance as a ghostwriter and PR writer, with storytelling as my overarching passion.”

Wendy Melville Mains reported that she had to cancel several trips in 2020 and hopes to visit the U.K. in April 2021. She still babysits her 2-year-old granddaughter, whose mom is a family pastor and dad an eighth-grade English teacher. At the end of October 2020, they will welcome grandbaby number two. Wendy had a mini family reunion in Hilton Head in June. She lives in Louisville, Kentucky.

Ed Theurkauf: “Home life is good, but dealing with aging parents with various infirmities

is trying. Thankfully, we have a 13-year-old daughter to tell us we’re wrong about ... everything. We’re making full use of a 15kW solar system with a fully electric house and electric yard equipment. Wife Eva’s car is an i3 electric. Ground source HVAC lightens the energy load even further, so our total energy bills are less than \$300 yearly. We’d love to give anyone a tour! Was planning to ride the French Creek Iron Tour bike ride with **Kristen West Grant** in June, but it was scuttled. Hopefully, next year!”

Laura Johnson happily welcomed her first grandchild, Frances West Johnson, in August, born to Laura’s son Whitney and his wife, Ellie, who live in Richmond, Virginia.

Diana Furse Fiske is “living and loving life in Lyme, Connecticut, with my husband of 37 years, Will Fiske ’82. I play paddle tennis regularly with Sarah Carter ’90, **Dede Seeber Stone**, and Laura Lenahan ’85 in Essex, where several other Trinity grads play, too (including Mike Foye ’79). I run a local grassroots environmental organization, work at the shoreline soup kitchen, and serve on the town’s library board. Have recently caught up by Zoom (COVID cocktails) with **Sibley Classen**, Henry ’82 and **Melinda Cropsey**, and Andy Stephenson ’82.”

Victor Duarte: “My wife, Ellen, and I are really enjoying life in Southeast Florida, where we’ve been living since 2000. Our son Luke is in his second year at the Georgia Institute of Technology, majoring in mechanical engineering, focusing on aerospace/astronautics. My company, Blue Isle Software, has kept me very busy, especially now that automation has become a hot area. I’ve received my second black belt and instructor certifications and am busy teaching Krav Maga self-defense classes to police and military, as well as civilians. Ellen and I are avid ballroom dancers, and I am actively involved in the Trinity admissions process. It feels great to give back to an institution I love!”

Susan Walsh Ober: “I was happy to hear from **Steve Bliss**, who’s corralling many of our classmates for our 40th Reunion next year. I am in frequent contact with **Nancy Lucas** and **Kay Wyrzten McManus** and spend a lot of time with **Izzy Lerman**, both of us newly single! I’m still working at AuPairCare and devote much of my free time to serving on our regional high school’s Board of Education. My son Douglas is in a Ph.D. program (chemistry) at Caltech, my daughter, Claire, is in a Ph.D. program (marine biology) at the University of Maine, and my ‘baby,’ Jed, is college shopping, with Trinity a leading contender!”

Scott Growney works for a 14-hospital health system operated by Thomas Jefferson University, a research institution and leader in telehealth and population health. His older son, Colton, attended Williams, where he played lacrosse, and is in financial services in Boston. His son Chase graduated from Trinity,

where he played lacrosse (tied an assist record, beating Scott's), and works for Oracle. Scott's daughter, Scottie Rose, is a lacrosse star for the North Carolina Tar Heels, where she was added to the Tewaaraton Award watch list. Scott has been running an annual golf outing for the last 28 years to raise money for the Philadelphia Lacrosse Association, and US Lacrosse awarded him the 2018 Homer R. Schwartz Chapter Leadership Award at its annual convention.

Dave Giblin reports: "Recently retired from Marriott International after 38 years. Moved to Marion, Massachusetts. Enjoying life with my wife, Sharon. Celebrated our 35th wedding anniversary this year. Lots of boating, golf, and hiking to keep us busy, as well as some consulting work. Great to be near the beach and harbor."

Jean Hayden DeMarchis Tabin: "Has been a hard year with death of several good friends/family members. I'm an ophthalmologist doing emergency eye care in Salt Lake City. Was fortunate to see some of the kids this summer but really miss family on the East Coast, including grandkids in Vermont and my mom who turned 90 in New Jersey this spring. Have been trying my hand at a vegetable garden. Tutoring foster grandchild. Would love visitors if anyone is ever in Park City."

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1982 Trinity Fund Goal: \$175,000
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This past couple of months have seen a surreal combination of coming home and letting go. Like so many these days, Matt and I have enjoyed having our daughter, Diana Rose '19, living and working at home. We savored every moment as we rediscovered the joys of card games and jigsaw puzzles, growing herbs indoors, and making the most of nightly happy hours. It was bittersweet when we learned she had found a new opportunity in Austin, Texas, one that would allow her to continue working remotely doing marketing for Trinity's Center for Career Development and Student Success. So, after months of sequester, she and I set out on a most amazing road trip through nine states from Connecticut to Texas by way of Nashville, Tennessee, and including a breathtaking journey over the Skyline Drive in Shenandoah National Park. With all of that, I must admit the time got away from me and I missed the chance to send out a reminder email for your updates. So, I put an urgent call out to several classmates. Thank you to **Scott Cassie** and **Elizabeth Swindell** for helping round up these updates.

Elizabeth O'Herron Swindell shared that 2020 was to be the year of the big reunion in Arizona to celebrate everything with **Annie Martin Pfister**, **Britta Keehn**, **Ellen Brown**, **Ginny Knetzger**, **Julie Griffin**, **Katharine Martin**, **Martha Brackenridge**, **Patty Wachtell**, **Sue Engdahl Upton**, and **Sherry Benzel**. "That, along with a lot of other things, will come in 2021, and we will be even more grateful. Britta and I enjoy bike rides, minus the hills, valleys, and the vineyards but will take what we can get. **Ginny Knetzger** and I have reconnected, and it is amazing how friends can get lost in the daily routine of life and then magically reappear. Her energy and infectious humor erase 40 years of life. We are all so excited for Ellen's move west. Ginny, Britta, Sherry, Martha, and I knew sitting in N.Y.C. on a steamy August night that she was onto something and that we had let too much time go by and needed to get our friends together sooner versus later. Now it is just a little later. Ellen continues to entertain me with her wit and humor, and while not across the table, her humor travels well cross country. Could have sworn that I saw **Danny Meyer** in Riverside, Connecticut, this week and would make my 2020 if Shake Shack came to our neighborhood. Cheers to all."

Scott Cassie writes, "I am glad to say that all here are healthy and hope that all '82s and families are same. On a lighter note, I've picked up a COVID-19 morning cappuccino habit to support my local coffee shop, which has been a good way to catch up with neighbors."

Sara Klocke Scarfone writes from her home in Miami that she bumps into **Joe** and **Sue Upton**'s son, Sam, who is teaching at Ransom Everglades School, where she also works. Small world!

Tom Tarca shared a "small world" story: "My brother-in-law, John Senaldi '86, dropped off his daughter for her freshman year at University of Michigan. It turned out that her roommate's father was John Kalishman '84. John then told the story of having an overnight visit to Trin as a high school senior." After comparing memories, they determined that it had been with Tom and his roommates in the old 94-100 Crescent Street. As a neighbor, I can only imagine what an impression that left of this young man. Now that's a crazy coincidence!

Ellen Brown moved out West to Scottsdale, Arizona, in 2018. "After 35 years in N.Y.C., I left the canyons of Wall Street for the slot canyons of Arizona. The enforced solitude of the pandemic has given me the opportunity to devote time to my second career as an online retailer; I have an accessories business, ellebellenyc.com, selling Italian and Turkish scarves and home goods. Hiking in Sedona and other trails ensures I'm not entirely sedentary!"

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Ginny Unger told us she loved, loved, loved reconnecting with a number of classmates over the last several years, including **Ellen Brown**, **Betsy O'Herron Swindell**, **Britta Keehn**, **Carolyn Ginsburg**, **Sherry Benzel**, **Brook Messier Scott**, **Jack Scott**, **Bailey Johnson Farrin**, **Carolyn Bou**, and **Libby Mapes**. "God just weaves us all together! So thankful for all of you and hope you are staying healthy, positive, and thankful. If you'd like to check out a blog I started in December 2015, go to www.coincidence-my-ass.com. The subtitle is 'Reflections on Life, Winnie and Going Commando.' I think you will get a kick out of the collage of bottoms on the opening page! And as I ended my last blog posting, I want to wish you love and peace and joy, today and always. God bless you, now and into eternity! Ciao for now!"

1983 Trinity Fund Goal: \$325,000
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Jeff Bamonte is a resident of Franklin, Tennessee, just south of Nashville. His younger daughter, Lauren, is a senior at Vanderbilt and is applying to law schools. Jeff's older daughter, Marissa, completed her master's degree at the College of Charleston and works full time for the college's marketing department as a digital/social media specialist and lives in Charleston, South Carolina. Jeff is in his ninth year as vice president of sales and customer engagement at Novocure, where he started as employee number 35. The company has been public for four years and has more than 1,000 employees. Sounds like a good run, Jeff.

Al Strickler and family had the very popular staycation this past summer, with all of his adult kids at home enjoying the backyard patio and dad's grilling expertise. The highlight was the addition of a pickleball net in the driveway, where epic family matches take place. He notes that everyone is fortunately healthy as he wishes that for all of us as well.

Janet Huley works from home with limited travel. She did take a short trip to the Vermont cabins near Lake Champlain while observing all the social precautions. She recounts that her yard and garden have never looked better and that the dogs love the company. Janet

Lee Clayton Roper '80

What led you to a career in the culinary arts? I have always loved to cook; in fact, I hosted my first dinner party at the age of 16. While at Trinity, Cynthia [Rolph Ballantyne '80] and I often hosted dinner parties at friends' apartments. My mother, Sally, was known for her effortless style and smart sensibility when it came to home cooking and entertaining, and she taught me a lot over the years. So, when she began to suffer from the effects of early-stage memory loss, I decided to engage her in the kitchen, evoking family memories and collecting cherished recipes. The time we spent together led us to write our first cookbook, the award-winning *A Well-Seasoned Kitchen*. While our cookbook initially was a personal project, it allowed me to transition to the next phase of my career and pursue my real passion, going from successful cable television senior executive to culinary professional.

How has your work evolved over time? Well, it all started with one cookbook. Now, I have two award-winning published cookbooks and a successful food blog/recipe website, and my recipes and entertaining ideas have been featured in numerous regional and national publications. I also teach cooking classes and am frequently invited by local broadcast stations and cable networks to conduct cooking demonstrations. I also do a lot of public speaking on a wide variety of topics: creating a meaningful relationship with an aging parent, finding the courage to switch careers and pursue your passion, kitchen how-tos (cooking with herbs, cooking seasonally, etc.), and stress-free entertaining tips, among others.

What do you enjoy most about what you do? Inspiring people to cook delicious meals at home. Nothing makes me happier than when someone posts a comment on one of my recipes or on social media or sends me an email, telling me that they made one of my recipes and everyone loved it. I also enjoy hearing how they modified one of my recipes to make it their own, that I was able to

inspire them to create something that was uniquely theirs, that they could be proud of.

How do you think COVID-19 has changed home cooking? There's even more focus on comfort foods, with a preference toward updated versions or those with a unique twist on the traditional approach. There's more desire for recipes that can be made with pantry and/or readily available ingredients. Also, more focus on one- and two-bite appetizers for socially distanced gatherings. More baking, especially bread. Consumers continue to want quick and easy recipes, or recipes that can be prepared now, with a portion frozen for later baking/reheating.

How did your time at Trinity prepare you for the work you do? First and foremost, it taught me to how to think, how to problem solve.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? I don't remember the exact name; I think it was "Reason and Emotion in Literature." What I learned changed the way I looked at literature forever. Plus, the class was held in the Religion Department, which was in a house on Vernon Street, in the evening in front of a roaring fire.

Did you have a professor who was particularly influential? I would have to say it was Professor [Albert] Gastmann. One of our assignments was to conduct class for one day. We had to research a topic and then prepare and deliver a lecture. While I was nervous at first, I quickly discovered that I liked public speaking! And, Professor Gastmann told me I was very good at it and encouraged me to keep that in mind as I pursued any future career. I was just 25 years old when I was first invited to speak at a national cable TV conference, and it was the confidence I gained from his encouragement that allowed me to accept the invitation. I went on to speak several times a year at national conferences and conventions throughout my 25-plus-year cable career.



DEGREE: B.A. in economics

JOB TITLE: President and founder, *A Well-Seasoned Kitchen*

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: Starting our freshman year, my roommate Cynthia Rolph Ballantyne and I were the managers of the Trinity men's squash team. Coming from Colorado and Montreal, respectively, we loved traveling with the team to all the other schools around the Northeast. Having spent little time in New England, I thoroughly enjoyed seeing other parts of the area and what the other school campuses were like. We also formed strong friendships with many of the players (and the coach), who we're still good friends with today.



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hopes for better travel opportunities next summer.

We got a nice update from **Anne Collins**, who resides in Washington, D.C., where she works for the NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration). She got some isolation relief from **Alison Benz Czuchra**, who sent her the gift of a jigsaw puzzle featuring travel sights neither will see this year. Anne also reconnected with Professor Johnetta Richards, who introduced her and many of us at Trinity to African American history. Richards is at San Francisco State. Anne sends her best to all.

Mark Dibble soldiers on in his 28th year of doing research at Fidelity Investments in Boston, although he now works from home in Cambridge. He was fortunate to do a bunch of travel pre-COVID (Cuba in January). He learned through Facebook that he and **Wendy Gorlin Tayer** were both in northern Guatemala at the same time in the spring of 2019, exploring Mayan ruins. Mark's younger daughter, 20, is a junior at Mount Holyoke College and is active in the equestrian program. His older daughter, 23, graduated from Columbia in December and is working for a San Francisco financial firm but doing so virtually from a cabin in Santa Fe.

Wendy Farnham Schon had a pretty nice summer out and about but socially distanced. She caught up with **Margot Blattmann** in person, as Margot stopped by on her way to Vermont early in the summer. Wendy was able to visit her mother in the Adirondacks a couple of times, again grateful for access to outdoor space so they could visit with each other and feel safe from COVID-19. In fall 2020, Wendy took advantage of Trinity's alumni audit program by taking a basic filmmaking class remotely. She's involved with the Madison Land Conservation Trust, volunteering with a couple of film professionals to produce a series of short videos to be used for fundraising purposes. One of Wendy's kids stayed with her through the spring and summer because of the pandemic but returned to St. Louis in September to finish out his senior year at Washington University. Another son was serving in the Army overseas in Iraq during late spring but thankfully returned home unharmed and well. Her oldest son is hoping to get back to Connecticut from Oakland, California, for Thanksgiving and then stay through Christmas since he can work remotely from mom's house.

Mark Bronsky is starting week 18 at his orthodontic offices in Manhattan since the COVID-19 lockdown was lifted on June 1. As you'd guess, he's doing everything possible to keep his patients safe during treatment. The Bronsky-Cafritz family has remained healthy, Mark reports, following the CDC guidelines, and he expresses his confidence that New York will come back strong.

As for me in Texas, we're fighting increased COVID-19 cases and disappearing ballot boxes. However, the **McKeown** family is safe and healthy. My oldest daughter, Kelly Ann, is into her junior year at Tulane, and I'm very impressed with the precautions the school is taking. Her brother Brian is remote schooling for at least the first half of his high school senior year. Meanwhile, my software company took a little hit when the pandemic started, but we're inching back to normal.

Thanks for the contributions, and I wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season!

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Ian McFarland: "I have completed a trans-Atlantic move in the middle of a pandemic with a lot less hassle than I thought would be the case. So, I'm no longer at Cambridge and back at Emory University. There's a lot to miss at Cambridge (even in the midst of COVID-19), but I am excited to be back where I taught happily for 10 years earlier in the millennium. Our last child left us for college, so we are empty nested, but since her college (Smith) is doing everything remotely, she left us not for Northampton but for a shared house with friends in Atlanta. After six months cooped up with her parents between lockdown in the U.K. and quarantine upon return to the U.S., she was understandably eager to fly the coop."

Cathy Villano Berey: "My husband, Dave '83, was set to retire on April 1, 2020. Thanks to the pandemic and the banking challenges of the PPP loans, he stayed until July 3 to help out his company, but now he is officially retired! With him home, I am still working in human resources but have retired from making dinner since that's now his job! I stay in touch with **Maria DiBella Kiley** and Ami Clymer Maron '83 through weekly Zoom calls, which are a nice distraction from day-to-day challenges of the pandemic. Hope everybody is doing well in the midst of this craziness!"

Cathy Harvey McDonald: "Bob '85 and I continue to do well in our retirement and are so excited to have finally completed our new forever home that was our summer lake house in Spencer, Massachusetts. We have been so incredibly lucky living full time at the lake during this very challenging time, and our kids and grandkids have visited often, escaping the cities as they are working remotely, which we love! We had to postpone our daughter's wedding a year but look forward to having it in October of '21. And on to some shameless marketing: my son has created a business called Virtual Escape Room. It offers goal-oriented puzzle solving to create a fun,

unique, and engaging online experience perfect for family competitions or professional team-building events. Teams of four to six people enter a private virtual 'room' to examine clues and solve story-based puzzles for a spot atop a leaderboard that fosters friendly competition, and there is no limit to the number of teams that can compete simultaneously. If you are interested in learning more, my vidchat-fatigued classmates, check out virtualescaperoom.com."

REUNION 2021

1985 Trinity Fund Goal: \$375,000
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What a time to live through! And yet, we persist.

Alex Boyle authored an article published not long ago on African American artist Robert S. Duncanson (1821–72), the only member of the Hudson River School who was not white. "I was not surprised to see his paintings lack the manifest destiny compositional device of the western setting sun," Alex commented. "RSD's work instead pivots north toward Canada as the frozen land of freedom. In discovering that, I unlocked a whole host of other symbols the artist used to make coded reference to the Underground Railroad." Thanks for some new insights into a uniquely American moment in the history of art, Alex.

Angelo Lopresti reports that he caught up with **Lisa Brown Wensburg**, who moved to the Newport, Rhode Island, area. They attended the Newport Jazz Festival in 2019, when people could gather in large groups. He was hoping to enjoy it again in 2021. He reflected there were some silver linings of the pandemic lockdown, mainly living with his college-age daughters again in the same house and spending less time commuting to work. In the meantime, he started to race his sailboat over the summer and continues to enjoy cycling. A planned cycling trip to Croatia was postponed.

Ann Lazarus-Barnes is chief people officer at Lionbridge, a Boston-based multinational translation and artificial intelligence firm. Pre-COVID, her work took her to China, India, Finland, and elsewhere all over the world. "Now, I am hunkered down on our farm in New Hampshire and enjoying almost three 'extra' hours of no commute as well as no business travel," she wrote. Her eldest, Allison, had a family-only wedding in September and married a terrific fellow, a Yale/HBS guy. "I am officially a mother-in-law," she said. Ann remains in close contact with **Este Stifel**. A few

years back, she took a trip to California to visit her and more recently enjoyed sculling camp in Vermont together. **Dave Rodney** also joined the pre-sculling for dinner in New Hampshire. “The girl doesn’t change, and we still manage to laugh as much as we did in Trinity’s women’s varsity 8 crew shell or during rugby club 35 years ago,” she said. She said Este is retired and, as far as Ann could tell, spent most of COVID times hiking, kayaking, snowshoeing, camping, and swimming. In Este’s words, she is enjoying “an epic outdoors fest.” She’s also picked up woodworking as a hobby. “Net net, she is still phenomenal,” Ann summarized.

Annette Boelhouwer acknowledges, “It’s been a strange yet reflective time. Lots of time with my family in Wellfleet. Very thankful to have the time with my mom and siblings and yet have separate homes to repair to. Facebook has added a great deal of fun and relaxing connections. Please all, stay safe and healthy.”

Truly. The last year was full of postponed adventures, unexpected joys, and new discoveries for all of you. I was forced to scratch a trip to Spain with an old friend, but I rather enjoyed the lockdown time with my daughter Rose. The pandemic, racial reckoning, and election gave us plenty to probe and spar about. I learned as much from her as she did from me, and she is taking Sarah Lawrence College by storm as a first-year. My son Lincoln straddled 2019–20 driving and living out of an old pickup, visiting every corner of the country and working before gearing up to return to school. Our own “Jack Kerouac” learned guitar, harmonica, and organic farming along the way. I simultaneously draw inspiration from and fret about this generation. I hope they realize we are counting on them to pull the world back from the abyss. As we wait to see how that unfolds in the decades to come, let’s hope we can once again cycle in Croatia, attend music festivals, and travel for work or fun all around the world. As you do, please keep your updates, reflections, and gossip coming my way.

REUNION 2021

1986 Trinity Fund Goal: \$200,000
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Greetings, Class of ’86. Thanks to all those who sent news, especially during such trying times. Hope everyone is staying safe and healthy. I hope by the time you read this, we are all vaccinated and dining at crowded restaurants!

I received a nice note from **Tom Bailey**, who shared, “My wife, Barb (Duke ’86), and I just celebrated our fourth year in lovely Newburyport, Massachusetts. With the kids

(Katie and Jim) out of the house and on their own, we moved up to Newburyport (from Northern Virginia) in August 2016 as part of a work relocation (new role at the cloud services company I’d been with since 2007). We have enjoyed the four seasons, the historic seafaring tradition of our town, the multitude of activities available, and the ability to track NESCAC sports in the paper! Last fall, I left my job and hung out my own shingle as a consultant to the cloud technology services sector. That has been great fun and a good transition. We’re sad to see the summer gone and the boating, fishing, beach time, and other outdoor activities winding down as we prepare for what comes next! Best of luck to all!” Tom and I plan to connect over a cold beer once the pandemic subsides.

Another Tom, **Tom Waxter**, sends greetings as well. “We are doing as well as we can with the pandemic. **Olive** works for Baltimore’s Broadway venue, and that business has been devastated by the pandemic. It’s so sad really, the big beautiful Hippodrome Theatre empty for seven months and counting. Our hearts go out to everyone in the entertainment and restaurant industry. My business has been steady, and while many have not been going to the office, I have been going daily since June 8. We had two of our three adult children home during COVID-19: Jake, 23, is back in Denver working for Pinnacle Real Estate, and Maggie, 26, is in Nashville working at Franklin Road Academy. We are blessed to have our oldest, Olive, 28, living about a mile away. She is engaged and working for Maryland Capital Management. We are in touch with her godmother, **Cappy Flynn Daume**, and husband **Sam Daume** about wedding festivities. I am in frequent touch with **Charlie** and **Anne Wilmerding** ’85, who are well, and I know Olive sometimes talks to **Lisa Price**, **Martha Risom**, **Shelley Clement**, and others. We certainly hope all of our classmates are taking care of themselves and wish everyone the best.”

My good friend **Anthony Lazzara** and his wife, Cynthia, have taken advantage of the pandemic and their semi-empty nest status to spend the winter months in Park City, Utah. Their eldest, Forrest, is in college in Boulder, and their youngest, Hudson, is a freshman at Cal Poly, so they decided to split the difference and domicile in PC for a bit. Anthony is running his wealth management business remotely, and Cynthia has found a position as an instructor at the Canyons. I confess to a high degree of envy here! But, if any Bantams find themselves in PC, be sure to look up the Lazzaras. My family was fortunate to ride out the lockdown at our house on Cape Cod. After six months in Orleans, it took a bit of coaxing to get me back to Boston. But my 11th-, 9th-, and 6th-graders were eager to get back to school, and thus far (mid-October), they are

pursuing a hybrid remote/on-site education model without incident.

Best wishes for good health to all, and I look forward to speaking to everyone (and seeing everyone!) on the other side of this.

1987 Trinity Fund Goal: \$200,000
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Hello! Happy New Year! I hope you all are well. This past year certainly challenged each and every one of us in so many ways, so it was refreshing to hear some good news from friends.

One of our Bantams, **Kori Johanson**, wrote to say, “I’m one of those crazy people who changed jobs during a pandemic! I’m excited to report that I’m finally working for a company where I don’t have to travel somewhere every week. I’m now CCO of the IFG Companies, headquartered in Hartford. While we are all working remotely these days, when things do settle down, it will be great to only have to travel down the road to Hartford. Wish I could see everyone at a tailgate, but hopefully 2021 will be a better year for all! I also had one Trinity sighting recently: right before I started this new job, I ran into **Mary Ambrogio Cashman** and her husband, Tony, on Nantucket. I don’t know how she does it, but Mary simply never ages!” Good luck with the new position, Kori, and enjoy being back home in Connecticut.

Andy Waxler writes from Philadelphia that he is finishing an 18-month term as president of the Pennsylvania chapter of the American College of Cardiology (ACC). “I’m in the middle of a three-year term on the ACC Board of Governors (BOG), and I’m also part of the BOG Steering Committee. I’m very involved in advocacy—for both patients and health care workers—at both state and federal levels. I won the national ACC Excellence in Advocacy Award for Grassroots last October, and I’m now on the ACC Health Affairs Committee (which makes all advocacy policy for the ACC). It’s fun.” Great to hear you are still enjoying it all.

Certainly, last year’s primary season was an intriguing opportunity to examine the complexities of the Iowa caucus process. **Jim O’Loughlin**, who serves as an English professor at the University of Northern Iowa, recently

published a new book, *The Last Caucus in Iowa*. Jim spent more than a year attending presidential candidate events throughout the state, where he's lived since 2000. "I ended up seeing 21 candidates in meeting halls, living rooms, parks, and more than a few craft-brew pubs, chronicling the experience leading up to and including the controversial 2020 Iowa caucus night. It's a process that is alternately quirky, messy, and inspiring." Sounds like an interesting look into the first nominating contest of the electoral cycle.

Lisa Alvarez-Calderon sends news from the Pacific Northwest to say that she and her family "made it through a looonnnngggg pandemic-riddled relocation from Chile, with Kevin and Cooper arriving to Seattle on June 15. Household belongings arrived on August 7, and we're essentially done with move-in as October begins. So, eight months from February ... jeesh! Now we are excited to start making new friends and reconnecting with old ones. **Laura Mann Eidelson** reached out to get together; she's been in Seattle for a few years, so I know we'll have a wonderful time catching up!" Always fun to reconnect after years gone by!

This past fall, the college's Board of Fellows bid farewell to **Dave Provost**, who ended his term. We're so going to miss his wit and wisdom! We have gained another great '88 in his spot and welcomed **Bryant McBride** as a new member. So fun to have another classmate serve with **Dede DePatie Consoli**, **Peter Schwartzman**, and me. We are looking forward to working with Bryant. For now, Zoom meetings will have to do, but we look forward to catching up in person sometime soon!

And that goes for all of you as well. Hoping we will all be able to see more of each other in person in the year ahead. Keeping fingers crossed for our tailgate gathering at Homecoming this fall. Stay tuned, and stay in touch. Until next time, I wish you a very happy and healthy new year.

From the Alumni Office: **Kevin J. Walsh** has joined the Boston office of Greenberg Traurig, LLP, as a shareholder in the firm's Restructuring & Bankruptcy Practice. Walsh has more than 25 years of experience advising debtors and creditors on bankruptcy and commercial law matters. These include restructurings, workouts, and commercial financing transactions, as well as the negotiation and documentation of commercial loans and credits. He represents trustees, financial institutions, bondholders, insurers, and other parties in bankruptcy cases in courts around the country. He also handles out-of-court workouts and receivership matters and advises clients on bankruptcy and other distressed sales (both buyer and seller perspectives). In addition, lenders and borrowers turn to Walsh for guidance on working-capital and

asset-based financings, as well as acquisition loans, syndicated credit facilities, and debtor-in-possession financings, and he regularly advises corporate boards on fiduciary duty issues around insolvency.

1989 Trinity Fund Goal: \$60,000
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Jonathan Cox writes that his elder daughter is a senior at Colgate, his son is in his first year at Rice, and his younger daughter is a ninth-grader at St. John's School in Houston. He adds, "We've been splitting our time between Houston (high-speed internet and all the comforts of home) and our farm (poor connectivity and critters but lots of space) 80 miles away in Brenham." Jonathan Cox, gentleman farmer!

Rita Nagle hosted pals **Blair Soffe**, **Julie Overeinder**, and **Sarah Zajchowski Kreidler** at her Connecticut home a few months back to celebrate her birthday. Julie writes, "Blair came up from Philadelphia, where she lives after many years in Northern California. Sarah joined from New Jersey, and I combined a work trip to travel for a long weekend from my home in the Bay Area! We were lucky to gather just before the coronavirus lockdown and have continued the fun with regular Zoom cocktails, which offer a welcome escape from the challenges of juggling work and school from home for our kids ranging in age from middle school to college."

Marissa Boyers Bluestine continues to move and shake. "I made my Netflix debut! *The Innocence Files* is a documentary series on Netflix, and one of the episodes focuses on my extraordinary friend and client, Chester Hollman. Luckily, my screen time is less than a minute or so, but the story is compelling. For the past 10 years, I worked to start and build the Pennsylvania Innocence Project. At the Project, I was honored to assist 17 people convicted of crimes they did not commit earn their freedom. I am now working at Penn Law with the Quattrone Center for the Fair Administration of Justice. Most of my work is going around the country and advising prosecutors who are setting up Conviction Integrity Units in their offices to investigate claims of actual innocence from convicted individuals. For Trin folk connections, I did a Zoom class a few months ago with **Julie Beman**'s students at my old middle school where she teaches."

Matt Cost writes, "I would have to say that 2020 has been interesting so far. My wife, Debbie, and I still live in Maine but spend six weeks in South Carolina each winter on the beach, where it is too cold for the locals but balmy for Mainers, giving us and our dogs the beach to ourselves. I had a book published

on March 6, *I Am Cuba: Fidel Castro and the Cuban Revolution*. This was inspired by a history class I took at Trinity. Only took 31 years to get published. My original mystery novel, *Mainely Power*, was published on September 18. The second in the trilogy, *Mainely Fear*, will be published in December. The third, *Mainely Money*, will be out in March 2021. My daughter, Brittany, got married this summer to a wonderful woman, Shakeyra. We had 12 people at the wedding but are hoping to redo next year for the party. My son, Pearson, lives in Chapel Hill, started law school at UNC, and got engaged to a wonderful young woman, Emily, this summer. My stepkids, Miranda and Ryan, are quarantined with us in Maine. Things could be worse." Indeed, they could be worse. Many congratulations to you on all fronts, Matt!

From **Jay Flemma**, "I recently became a member of the North American Snowsports Journalists Association, so once we get the Winter Olympics up and running again, I can go cover them for the skiing magazines I've started writing for. I'll be all across Vermont and New Hampshire this winter for a series I'm writing. If anyone wants to shred, hit me up."

Sean Dougherty wrote to give us an update on his recently launched retirement. He spent the early summer hunkering down from COVID-19 in Las Vegas, but in August through the winter, he's been in Massachusetts visiting with the family of his lovely wife, Juliana Atinaja-Dougherty. That gave him a chance to catch up with **Susan Kluiber** in Rockport, Massachusetts, in early September. He also toured around beautiful parts of Maine during the summer. "The first year of retirement turned out to be very different than I planned, but it is still exciting. The pile of unread books is finished, and we are taking some time to look after our respective health profiles."

I caught up with several Pike brothers recently. **John Woodlock** came to New York City from his longtime home in Goldsboro, North Carolina, several months back with wife Vanessa and remarkable high school daughter, who just so happens to be my goddaughter (bragged **Andrew Walker**). It was great fun seeing them, along with New Yorker Christopher Allen '88, after so many years since we were last together in person. John also has a son who is attending UNC Wilmington.

John and I have pandemic-Zoomed a few times with several others, including **Josh Bewlay** and **Matt Ramsby**. Josh's family had been spending some quality time in Vermont during this "work from anywhere" situation and has enjoyed it so much that he and wife Nancy just sold their home in Tuxedo Park, New York, to relocate there permanently. Meanwhile, Matt is teaching Latin at the BASIS Independent McLean school in Northern Virginia.

And speaking of Northern Virginia, I traveled to D.C. in August to attend the Commitment March (also known informally as the BLM March on Washington) and imposed myself for the weekend on **Elizabeth Brown Bradley** and husband Doug '88 in Arlington. They were extremely accommodating, and I loved catching up with them as our time together is always full of hilarity. **Matt Ramsby** also stopped by and joined us for dinner one evening.

In the creative fiction department, **Kevin Scollan** wrote, "Until all the dust settles, I've decided to hide out in my villa on the French Riviera." Or is it true, Kevin? *Où es-tu?*

Nancy Cote Sullivan reports from Williamsburg, Virginia, that she is surviving the pandemic and is busier than ever. She has a son in college and a daughter in her senior year of high school.

And finally, some excitement from **Becky Holt Fine**. "My son Gabriel turned 3 this year at the onset of the pandemic, which called for some ingenuity to make it unlike every other day. We sent him on a scavenger hunt around the house to find hidden gifts. The town police detective, sergeant, and chief surprised Gabe by swinging by the house with full lights and sirens and playing a YouTube recording of 'Happy Birthday, Gabriel' over the loud-speaker. Several friends came by for drive-by 'Happy Birthday' singing. We are very grateful for our health and for my husband, Scott, to be an essential employee, the town building inspector, and to be going to work every day." More recently, Becky reported that Gabe has started preschool. Congrats on reaching that milestone, Gabe.

REUNION 2021

1990 Trinity Fund Goal: \$50,000
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REUNION 2021

1991 Trinity Fund Goal: \$175,000
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Hope everyone is doing well during this strange and trying time! Looking forward to seeing everyone at our 30th Reunion next year! I enjoyed a mini-reunion of sorts with **Maria Nevares Manley**, Trip Manley '89, **Bill Brick**, **Laura Gaines Semler**, **Rachel Kroh Shook**, **Amy Wilson Jensen**, **Matt Greenberg**, and **Frank Monaco**. We met on the Jersey Shore for a very



Heather Watkins Walsh '91, Maria Nevares Manley '91, Laura Gaines Semler '91, Amy Wilson Jensen '91, Rachel Kroh Shook '91, Frank Monaco '91, Bill Brick '91, and Matt Greenberg '91 gather in September 2020 in Sea Bright, New Jersey.

long late lunch. It was so fun seeing everyone and giving all the ladies Trinity masks—they were quite the hit.

And now, from our classmates: **Mona Mennen Gibson**: "We relocated to Steamboat Springs, Colorado, three years ago and are enjoying life in the mountains. We've had about three days of fall, and snow will be here soon! Right before the country went into lockdown, I had a great dinner with **Russ Kauff** in Aspen. It was so fun to catch up with him and hear about his move to Aspen. Hoping that we can ski together this winter. It's also been fun having Zoom reunions throughout this time. **Courtney Geelan**, **Kate Stearns Symonds**, **Brooke Rorer Brown**, **Peyton Tansill Muldoon**, and I have been 'meeting up' to discuss important pandemic topics, like which vacuum is best, Toots and the Maytals, and *Tiger King*."

Russ Kauff: "With New Zealand closed to foreigners, I'm having my first actual summer in a very long time, and I'm spending it in Aspen Snowmass, Colorado. I've spent the last three winters splitting my time between Vermont and here; now I have relocated to Colorado permanently. After nearly two decades in the Vermont ski industry, I'm very much looking forward to some new perspective and to being able to settle in with the ski school here on a full-time basis."

Lisa Crounse: "It has been a big year of transitions for our family, and we're weathering the current storm better than expected. In January, the start-up where I was working hit a road bump, and I found myself without a job as we entered the new year. I took some time to catch up on my personal life and interview; after almost a year at that start-up, way too many things had fallen by the wayside, and by March, I had a job offer in hand. Then COVID-19 hit, and that quickly disappeared. Truth be told, it was a gift to be able to spend time with my daughter (who was in first grade) as she transitioned to distance learning. In May, I started contracting for a small health care start-up, Elemeno Health, here in Oakland, and in July transitioned to full time as vice

president of product. After a career focused on design and design tools, it has been fascinating to transition into the health care domain and incredibly rewarding to work on an application focused on reducing medical errors."

Looking forward to hopefully being together next summer! Happy fall, Heather (heatherwalshoo@gmail.com)

1992 Trinity Fund Goal: \$165,000
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1993 Trinity Fund Goal: \$50,000
Class Secretary: **James M. Hazelton**, 215 N. Plymouth Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90004; james.hazelton.1993@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Ran Barton**, **Andy Brick**, **Greg Creamer**, **Steve Curley**, **Betsy Yahn Gillon**, **Jim Hazelton**, **Jen McArdle Hoppa**, **Elissa Raether Kavas**, **Britt Stockton Lee**, **Matt Peterson**, **Rachel Schreier Schewe**, **Kiki Rainey Sizelove**, **Jon Trevisan**, **Ashley Turney**, **Steve Woodworth**, **Nick Zaino**

As the poet Nelly once said, "Life's strange, times change, but karma always finds the way. Stay strong, hold on." Seriously though, I hope all of you and your family and friends are safe and in hopeful spirits.

I was able to travel east this summer and spend some time with family and friends on Martha's Vineyard. I saw Benagh Richardson Newsome '95 and her sister Merrill Richardson '92 as well as my brother Alexander Hazelton '99.

I have been trying to organize a Zoom happy hour with **Prescott Stewart** and **Rob Stempien**. Pres tells me he is always on the golf course, and Rob says he doesn't have internet in New Hampshire. I can take a hint, boys.

Audrey Brashich with some news from Vancouver, British Columbia: "We went into lockdown here on March 13, but luckily we were still permitted to be outside (at beaches, parks, etc.) with extreme social distancing, which was very much observed. The border between Canada and the United States has been closed since mid-March, so my family spent summer 2020 exploring BC's Sunshine Coast and Princess Louisa Inlet by boat. Lots of stunning fjords, waterfalls, and snow-capped mountains. My boys are just starting sixth and eighth grades and are back in school full time. Hoping all Trinity folks and their families stay healthy, safe, and well. All the best and looking forward to reading everyone's news!" I wish there were more, Audrey.

Rick Zedník checks in from Brussels, Belgium: "This summer, I joined Lie Detectors, an award-winning and journalist-led nonprofit

that empowers schoolchildren and their teachers to tell fact from fake online. As general manager, I'm looking forward to working with the 200 journalists who take our curriculum into European classrooms. It's something of a return to my roots in the news business, which I'm excited about."

1994 Trinity Fund Goal: \$175,000
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Hope everyone had a great summer, and as fall is upon us, we have lots of updates from our class.

Matthew Longcore reports that he works for a research organization at Yale University and teaches anthropology at UConn Stamford. Over the summer, Matt and wife Agnes enjoyed vacations at New Hampshire's White Mountains and at the New Jersey Shore. They have an adorable cockapoo, Mishka, who is disabled and in a wheelchair. Mishka has a loyal Instagram following @lovehaswheels.

Peter Friedman reports he has been keeping up during the pandemic with many friends, including **Adam Kreisel** (D.C.), **Pat Gingras**, **Chris Duskin**, **Dave Hetherington**, **John Edwards**, **Nate Stowell**, **Stephen Bruel**, **Dan Monks**, **Adam Cahill**, and **John Viener**, over Zoom. They have been making bad jokes, talking about their golf games, and hoping to see one another for real when life gets back to normal. Peter also shared that he recently caught up with **Cristina Bonaca**, **Amanda Pitman**, **Andrea Picott**, and **Jake** and **Anne Fisher** on a Zoom as well.

Cliff Fuller shares that in the summer of 2020, he married Carrie Shanafelt, whom some of you met at Reunion 2019! They had a short-and-sweet, outdoor, socially distanced wedding in Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx (steps away from their new apartment) with a champagne toast and Lloyd's Carrot Cake cupcake reception! **Rachel Brumberg** was in attendance, which kept their own "summer park social series streak" alive even without the benefit of an outdoor movie screening.

Scott Saperston dropped off son Max at Boston University to start his freshman year. Deeply concerned, Scott is worried that Max's loyalty to Buffalo sports will be tested by **Mark Kastrud**, Sam Kennedy '95, Brendan Monahan '95, and others. Scott feels he has trained Max well in his love for all that is Buffalo, and I'm sure Josh Allen helps as well.

To meet the stringent guidelines in Massachusetts around social distancing, I had a chance to meet with **Rob Weber** and Nicole Weber '96 out on the water in Cohasset Harbor. Rob had motored up from Marshfield with his cousin Duffy and their kids. Their oldest, Max,

will be following Rob's footsteps, starting at Phillips Exeter this fall.

We also enjoyed an afternoon with **John** and **Stephanie Donohue**, who drove up for a day from Centerville, Massachusetts. We played some socially distanced KanJam with their kids, Sam, Whitney, and JT. **Mark** and **Janet Kastrud** also came by. Mark brought the gin, and we had some of the cocktails that we've gotten much better at making during our lockdown weeks.

We have been catching up with **Will Sargisson** via Facebook Portal. Will works for Facebook and remains the only other person I can find to talk to on our Portal. Please feel free to pick one up. Rumor has it Will has perfected some new drinking games for parents attending Zoom calls for the Rippowam Cisca School.

We ran into **Graham Schelter** over Zoom at our own virtual back-to-school night for Noble and Greenough School. Graham's daughter CeCe and our son Axel are struggling through a very tough eighth-grade Spanish class.

We saw **Dan Herbert**, wife Jill, and their kids on their way back from Maine. Their son Jamie settled in for some late-morning Bruins playoff hockey with our sons, Ben, Lucas, and Axel.

Steve Lari worked hard with the Middlesex School faculty, where he is the president of the Board of Trustees, planning for the school's fall opening. Unfortunately, we had to postpone our visit to Round Hill in Jamaica as guests of Steve. Hopefully, we will reschedule for next year. Until then, Steve and **Dan Herbert** planned a lovely weekend for us at the Newark Liberty International Airport Marriott later in the fall.

Peter Lease reports he recently took up harvesting pine cones in the White Mountain Forest as a safe, socially distanced weekend activity.

Ash Altschuler has been enjoying the summer at his home, Squirrel Run, in Wilmington, Delaware. Hosting socially distanced paddle tennis all summer has kept Ash busy.

Greg Haffner is a retinologist in Connecticut with two young boys, Ben and Henry. Henry started kindergarten. Greg, like many of us, is still struggling with the tragic loss of Eddie Van Halen.

Jordan Polvere and I recently caught up to discuss the CBS drama *Wiseguy*, starring Ken Wahl. Jordan is a senior special agent with the Department of Homeland Security. His son started at Drew University, and he keeps in touch with **Steve Killilea** and **Josh Freedman**.

Jordan's roommate from Trinity, **Brian Dufour**, writes that he recently ran into **Tom Corderman** as they competed in a virtual Spartan Race. Afterward, Tom shared that he really has been enjoying cooking more during the pandemic. Tom even started his own food blog, *All Things Tomato*, highlighting his

culinary skill preparing tomatoes. It's so popular, he's been approached by Food Network for a potential pilot.

Congratulations to **Eric** and **Duffy Mudry**, who recently were named to Trinity's Board of Fellows. Eric reports that they are all doing well. However, it sounds as if he has spent most of the fall driving to/from Hotchkiss. Chris, their son, had to return home for a few days after some of his dorm mates tested positive for COVID-19. Otherwise, they have been enjoying their summer and time on TikTok.

As always, I hope you all are well and enjoy a safe and healthy fall. As **Peter Lease** reminds us, "Be right, one time."

REUNION 2021

1995 Trinity Fund Goal: \$75,000
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Hello, 1995 classmates! This past weekend, I had the pleasure of attending some of Trinity's Virtual Homecoming events. While not quite the same as being on campus in person, it's always enjoyable to connect with fellow Bantams.

My husband, **Jonathan Massey**, emailed me from across our house: "I recently made partner at my firm Alvarez & Marsal and have been enjoying every minute of it." Our oldest daughter has so far had a successful transition back to her college campus for her sophomore year, while our younger two are adjusting to hybrid schooling.

Congratulations go out to **Joy Wright**, who was named 2020 Middle School Principal of the Year by the Connecticut Association of Schools! (*Editor's note: Please see page 28 for more on Joy.*)

Yu-Chien Chen shared: "I've been working for Nike in operations the last five years after eight years with Goodyear Tire. All out of Shanghai. This is my 23rd year in China, and things, despite all the craziness, are good. Happily married, no kids, two cats. Our families are in Taiwan and Malaysia, and we miss them dearly as we can't go to see them. I'm also still playing softball and regularly do Buddhist pilgrimages."

Our new class president, **Lisa Koch Rao**, writes: "Greetings from Bronxville, New York! Like nearly everyone else, **Ashvin** (Abs) and I spent spring 2020 at home with our two children, Lauren, 16, and Porter, 12. As the director of a community art school, I had to shut the studio down in mid-March but was lucky enough to go virtual via Zoom with our students and instructors. Ashvin is a general

Joy Wright '95

What path did you take to become a school principal? After earning my B.A. at Trinity, I knew that I wanted to be a teacher. I obtained my M.A.T. from Brown and my Connecticut teaching credential and worked as a high school English teacher. As a result of working with colleagues on curriculum and advising student clubs/activities, I was encouraged by teacher leaders and my administrators to consider becoming a school administrator. After serving as an assistant principal for five years at Two Rivers Magnet Middle School in East Hartford, I pursued my first principalship at a middle school in Wallingford and tried my hand as a high school assistant principal before joining KP eight years ago as the lead learner/principal.

What do you enjoy most about your work? In this role, I work with parents/caregivers, staff, and students in various ways. No day is the same, and anytime I can work with students is the highlight of my day.

You were named the 2020 Connecticut Middle School Principal of the Year. What does that honor mean to you? I am beyond excited and also humbled by the opportunity to represent KP, my district, the Connecticut Association of Schools, and Connecticut as the middle school principal of the year. This award means so much because I do everything I can to meet my school community's needs. This award reflects the collaborative efforts of staff, families, and students to create a community focused on student success, staff wellness, and community engagement. This award is a result of our consistent focus on what matters most.

How has your work changed with the COVID-19 pandemic? This experience is not anything we were trained to handle. Still, while the pandemic is new, we have always been charged with creating and supporting structures and protocols that protect and promote our students' and staff's physical and emotional

well-being. The COVID-19 pandemic has added a different dimension to this work.

How did your time at Trinity prepare you for what you do now? My time at Trinity focused on critical thinking, communicating effectively, and collaborating across various disciplines and groups. Whether it was a class experience or my work in TCBWO (Trinity College Black Women's Organization), as a resident assistant, or with Imani, all of these experiences provided me with the skills that support my work as a school leader now.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? There are so many courses that I loved at Trinity, particularly those in my major. However, if I have to choose one, it would be an African American history course with Cheryl Greenberg. The opportunity to delve into African Americans' experience throughout U.S. history provided me with important context to the other courses in my major. It deepened my understanding and helped me improve as a student. I also had the opportunity to serve as a teaching assistant for this course, which reinforced my desire to teach.

Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential? I enjoyed all of the professors I had at Trinity. However, over my four years, Gail Woldu stands out as one of the most influential professors on my professional and personal being. She was my first-year seminar professor and never stopped being a mentor during my time there. She has high standards centered on academic and personal excellence and also provides the guidance and support needed to help you meet or exceed them. She is firm in her conviction and doesn't hold back from the truth to make you your best self as a student and a person. She is why I traveled abroad and why I encourage every student I meet to do the same.



DEGREES: B.A. in American studies; M.A.T., Brown University; M.Ed. in educational leadership, University of Connecticut

JOB TITLE: Lead learner/principal of King Philip Middle School (KP), West Hartford, Connecticut

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: Every event (parties, meetings, casual get-togethers) at the Umoja House on Vernon Street was a memorable experience. The house served as a home away from home with the opportunity to connect with other students in formal and informal ways that fed my soul.

“No day is the same, and anytime I can work with students is the highlight of my day.”

—JOY WRIGHT '95

counsel of a hedge fund and worked remotely through the spring and enjoyed family time. I truly loved catching up with so many of our Trinity 1995 ladies via Zoom, which provided some much-needed laughter and support. In July, **Peter Tighe** and I hosted a virtual Class of 1995 night with Trustee Lou Shipley '85. Thank you to those who attended this informational and special event. I am honored to take on the class presidency from **Ashley Gilmor Myles**. She did a phenomenal job over the last decade, and we're so thankful for her tremendous leadership. Looking forward to working with **Susan Gates Massey** and **Rachel Schneider Mehta**, as well as the class agents and Reunion Committee. If you have any ideas for our class, please be in touch by finding me via email or social media, and please send updated Class Notes so we can see where you all have landed!"

REUNION 2021

1996 Trinity Fund Goal: \$100,000
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Hello, everyone. It's early October as I write this, the election just a few weeks away, and we are still in the throes of a pandemic. These are strange times indeed, and I hope by the time these notes are published, things will feel safer, saner, and more stable for all. Thank you (as always) to the handful of folks who responded to my latest solicitation for updates.

Col. **Ross Meglathery** was selected to command Marine Corps Reserve Support Program 4 (RSP-4).

Rob Toomey reports that he and **Carly Levine Toomey** recently returned to the United States: "In July, we returned from our two years living in Barcelona, the last few months amid the pandemic, which was wild. We are excited to end up back in Sarasota and are planning to stop by Trinity connections on our way southward, including visiting Jared von Arx '95 in Philly and **Josh Freely** in North Carolina. Hard to believe our 25th is next spring. Hopefully there will be a bit more 'normal' in the world by then. Hope everyone is taking care of themselves!"

Jon Goldstein lives in Colorado and has been trying to make good use of his "quaran-time" by staying in touch with various classmates, including Zoom calls with **Jenks Whittenburg**, **Will Straughan**, and **Will McCormack** and texts with **Micaela Heekin** and **Amy Charles**. "It has been great to get a chance to reconnect with old friends," Jon says. "Definitely a silver lining of this otherwise crazy and stressful time."

Alex Johnston is still in Hoboken, New Jersey, with wife Kate and their 12-year-old

daughter, Olivia. "We are thankfully safe and healthy and have been riding out the pandemic at home in relative peace, although my recent decision to try a gluten-free lifestyle has my sourdough starter feeling a bit neglected." (I'm so grateful someone responded specifically to my solicitation for sourdough-related news! Thanks, Alex!) Alex also reports: "I'm very thankful to have started a new job in January as the director of The DiMenna Center for Classical Music, where I recently ran into Vivian Holtzman Connolly '95 at an event. Things took a turn in March (obviously), but I'm very grateful to report I'm still employed, and we've reopened our doors to the N.Y.C. music community. I remain in close touch with Stuart Wolferman '97 and Mark Craig '98 and their beautiful families."

Clay Siegert recently left the world of electric vehicles after 10 years to join Formlabs, a 3D-printing technology company in Boston. "I am liking the challenge of a new industry and a new company with really cool technology. My three girls are now 11 (Ruth), 9 (Ellie), and 7 (Mary). We are 'loving' the remote learning situation and making the best of it like everyone else." (Truly, what's not to "love" about remote learning?) Clay reports that he is "regularly in touch with classmates **Mike Ranieri**, **Tiger Reardon**, **Anthony Ruocco**, **Jon Golas**, **John Dugan**, **Kenny Pouch**, **Jono Lenzner**, **Ryan Hankard**, and **Al Carbone** '95. We all cannot wait for the country to get a handle on COVID-19 so we can meet for a reunion! I hope everyone else from the Class of '96 is happy and healthy with their families in this challenging time."

I share Clay's sentiments on the hope for getting a handle on COVID-19 and the sincere hope that you all are happy and healthy during this crazy time. Also, I don't want to make anyone feel old, but, well ... we are old. Next year will be our 25th Reunion. Let's hope it will be virtual so none of you have to see up close how poorly I've aged. Till next time!

1997 Trinity Fund Goal: \$30,000
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Sam Chang: "Life has been interesting, to say the least. I'm sure you all would say the same. I've had a lot more family time than I expected at the beginning of the year, which is very good. I've done more projects around the house, which makes my wife happy. And I'm getting good at tennis in hopes of beating my sister next summer. (She's good.) Business has been surprisingly good. I guess a melt-down in the economy prompts people to hire financial advisers."

Rich Thickets: "I took on a new role as lieutenant with the Hartford (Wisconsin)

Police Department. Hope the rest of the year goes better."

1998 Trinity Fund Goal: \$40,000
Class Secretary: **Jessica Lockhart Vincent**, 8 Arborlea Ave., Yardley, PA 19067-7406; jessica.vincent.1998@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Levi Litman**, **Geoffrey Zampielo**

Well, friends, it has finally happened. For the first time in the 12 years that I have been class secretary, no one sent any news for me to report. The whole reason I have agreed to continue to act as class secretary is because I refuse to let the Class of 1998 have a blank section in Class Notes, so I'll tell you a bit about me! I'm still living in Yardley, Pennsylvania, with my husband, Zander '00. Our son and daughter are in full-on teenager mode, so when they are home, they spend most of their time in their rooms or pretty much anywhere that we are not. COVID-19 restrictions put a damper on most of our summer plans, but we did go on a two-week road trip to Montana with both kids in the back seat, and we managed to do it without killing each other. I continued to tempt fate when I joined a ladies' roller-skating club. The last time I had put on roller skates was when I was at Trinity, and some friends and I went to a local rink one weekend. I'm happy to report that so far, I have managed to refrain from injuring myself and am even starting to get the hang of crossover turns. My lone interaction with Trinity lately was when I attended a Virtual Homecoming event. It was a webinar titled "The College Admissions Landscape in a COVID-19 World." It was extremely informative, although I continue to be in denial about having to start the college admissions process already. Be sure to keep an eye out for any virtual offerings in the future; they are a great way to stay connected with the Trinity community. Well, that's all I've got. As always, please send me any information you wish to share with our classmates. My email address is jessicalvincent@yahoo.com. Stay healthy, everyone!

1999 Trinity Fund Goal: \$45,000
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REUNION 2021

2000 Trinity Fund Goal: \$35,000
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Frank P. Maratta was able to meet with Joe Villani '02, Tim Herbst '02, **Adam Yee**, **Kevin Walsh**, and **Dan Roth** this summer.

Mike Carucci submitted his second-ever note to let us know that he and Lindsay Gold were married during a small family ceremony on October 10 in Norwich, Connecticut. They are excited to start their new life together in San Diego and wish everyone good health and much happiness in the year to come.

Please remember that we have our 20th Reunion coming up! Hopefully, we will all be able to gather (in person) 'neath the elms.

From the Alumni Office: E&E News, which bills itself as "essential news for energy and environment professionals," recently reported that **David Kieve** is "the man behind Joe Biden's outreach on climate change." The story goes on to say that David is on leave from his role as a partner with the political consulting firm Hilltop Public Solutions while he fulfills his responsibilities as national director of climate and conservation engagement. David's wife, Kate Bedingfield, who served as deputy campaign manager and director of communications for Biden's campaign, was named as White House communications director.



Top to bottom: Teagan Henwood Allen '06 and Greg Allen welcome Cameron, born on June 8, 2020. • Laura Gretz '06 poses with fiancé Kyle Cassidy. • Andrew McCarthy '05 and Virginia Adair McCarthy '06 hold Parker Hopkinson McCarthy, born February 4, 2020, and big brother Mason. • Justin Taubman '07 and Elizabeth Sheerin were married on August 30, 2020, in Massachusetts.

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2001 Trinity Fund Goal: \$75,000
Class Secretary: Susanna Kise, 1301 Richmond Ave., Apt. 370, Houston, TX 77006-5494; susanna.kise.2001@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Jay Civetti, Lizzy Easter, Ann Grasing, David Kieve, Matthew Schiller • [f/groups/TrinityCollegeClassof2001](#)

The Class of 2001 continues to lay low. Personally, I've enjoyed the flexibility that working remotely has provided me, but I miss gathering in groups with friends, family, and colleagues.

2002 Trinity Fund Goal: \$35,000
Co-Class Secretary: Michelle Rosado Barzallo, 40 Craig Ln., Trumbull, CT 06611-4406; michelle.rosado.2002@trincoll.edu • Co-Class Secretary: Adrian Fadrhonc, 193 Buena Vista Ave., Mill Valley, CA 94941-1233; adrian.fadrhonc.2002@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Nicole Belanger LaBrie

2003 Trinity Fund Goal: \$20,000
Class Secretary: Alexander L. Bratt, 111 Westerly Terr., Hartford, CT 06105-1118; alexander.bratt.2003@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Descatur Potier, Suzanne H. Schwartz • [f/groups/trinitycollege2003](#)

2004 Trinity Fund Goal: \$25,000
Class Secretary: Jake Schneider, 59 Wallis Rd., Chestnut Hill, MA 02467-3174; jacob.schneider.2004@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Matt Glasz, Mimi MacKinnon, Jake Schneider • [f/groups/485669531523501](#)

REUNION 2021

2005 Trinity Fund Goal: \$20,000
Class Secretary: Diana Dreyfus Leighton, Pennington, NJ; diana.leighton.2005@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Eileen Flynn, Devin Malay, Andrea Leverant Minor, Liz Hanusovsky Patterson • [f/groups/trinitycollegeclassof2005](#)

Joe Ori and wife Mandy are excited to welcome their fourth child, Carmela Amelia Ori, who was born on July 9, 2020. Joe and his pack live in Park Ridge, Illinois, where he is a financial adviser with JPMorgan Chase and

Mandy owns her own company. Son Vinny is 7 and daughters Josephina and Violet are 6 and 5, respectively.

Christina Zimmermann O'Connor reports that she and husband Ryan O'Connor welcomed son Wilder William O'Connor on September 28, 2020. Christina is vice president at Congruent Ventures, a venture capital firm focused on mitigating climate change or, as she describes it, "so-called climate tech." Ryan is partnerships manager at DoorDash, and both firms are based in San Francisco. The family of three live in Sausalito, California, just north of San Francisco. Christina and Ryan were married in Manchester, Massachusetts, in June 2019.

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2006 Trinity Fund Goal: \$20,000
Class Secretary: Timothy Y. Fox, 2012 Kalorama Rd. NW, Unit 6, Washington, D.C. 20009-1458; timothy.fox.2006@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Tory Hamilton McCarthy, Kim Galloway McHale, Virginia Adair McCarthy, Nicole Tsesmelis

Virginia Adair McCarthy and Andrew McCarthy '05 welcomed Parker Hopkinson McCarthy into the world on February 4, 2020. Big brother Mason, 2½, is thrilled to have a little brother around, especially while on COVID-19 lockdown! **Lizzy Pendergast** came over for an outdoor movie, and they Zoomed with **Taylor Stevens McIntire**, **Julia Deming Vaughan**, **Emily Egan Potts**, **Jillian Campbell McGrath**, **Kristen Assaiante Auch**, and **Kimrie Savage**. They went through a combined case of wine reminiscing Ivy, Cave Mary, late night, HiRise 604, and Bistro fries. Virginia says there is no such thing as Zoom fatigue when you're with that crew!

Teagan Henwood Allen and Greg Allen (La Salle University) welcomed their first child, Cameron, on June 8, 2020. He surprised them by arriving a month early; he weighed 6 pounds and was 19 inches long. Everyone is happy and healthy!

Colin Levy reports that in this truly unbelievable year, there have been some changes on his end. He was laid off before finding a new role with a cybersecurity company. Colin frequently writes and speaks on legal technology and legal innovation, including during the November 2019 Ontario Bar Association TECHxpo conference. His work can be found at www.colinslevy.com. He also celebrated his ninth wedding anniversary with husband Jared Boesse (Northeastern) on June 12.

In response to COVID-19, **Jeff Hodge** sold his belongings and moved to Sebago Lake, Maine. He was last seen wearing a faded America bandana, listening to the *Baywatch* theme song, and shotgunning on a speedboat. His friends say they're cautiously optimistic he will return to society.

Meghan Boone and husband Sam Zivin '07 recently moved back to Winston-Salem,

North Carolina, so that Meghan could take a job as an assistant professor at Wake Forest University School of Law. Outside of work, their two boys, Lyle, 4, and Roger, 1, keep them very busy.

Laura Gretz is engaged to Kyle Cassidy (Queens College '12) of Bellerose, Queens. Kyle proposed at Devon Yacht Club in Amagansett, New York. They plan to wed in October 2021 at the Most Holy Trinity Church in East Hampton, New York, before holding a reception at the Devon Yacht Club.

2007 Trinity Fund Goal: \$15,000
Class Secretary: Devon Lawrence, 343 E. 30th St., Apt. 1P, New York, NY 10016-6411; devon.lawrence.2007@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Joey Butler, Jenny Carson, Logan Gould, Devon Lawrence, Nile Lundgren, Dave Mason, Jed Rednor, Molly Carty Sparrow, Corbin Woodhull, Jenn Wrobel • [f](#) /groups/TrinityClassof2007

Justin Taubman would like to happily report his recent wedding on August 30, 2020, to Elizabeth Sheerin (Babson College). They had a small wedding with 35 guests. They knew that their love for one another would conquer COVID-19 and get them to the altar. Justin sends his apologies to the Trinity friends they could not invite so they could obey regulations in Massachusetts.

Yusuf George and wife Kristyn Lilly welcomed their second child, Kymani Abda George, into the world on September 15, 2020. Big sister Jade loves hanging out with her baby brother, taking the opportunity to hold him every chance she gets. Everyone is happy and healthy!

Erin Barclay spent the summer settling into her new place in Richmond, Virginia, a stone's throw from the Lee monument that has become a center of activism in the wake of George Floyd's murder. Living in the literal middle of it all has been inspiring and thrilling. Professionally, Erin started a new job with a small law firm doing criminal defense and family law. She also hosts live trivia every Thursday night on Twitch with her company, Orange Cat Trivia (named after her orange cat, whose name is Orange Cat). Everyone is welcome to play along; they have teams from all over the world logging in. The Quirks had a mini-reunion on Zoom a few months back, and it was so exciting to see everyone and what they've all been up to!

Anita Gooding is doing her part to help the Trinity community. Over the summer, she learned that the Black Alumni Organization (BAO) is no longer active and spoke with two current Trinity students of color who shared that they have not had many opportunities to connect with Black alums. Along with other Trinity alums, Anita is taking on the great work to try to get the BAO back together to



Top to bottom: Jennifer Cuminala '09 and Jay Russell were married on September 28, 2019, at the First Congregational Church of Greenwich in Greenwich, Connecticut. Those celebrating with the couple included Alison Marschalk '09, Kristina Weekley Carroll, Adrienne Hart '09, Catharine Schoettle Willmer '09, Rob Marschalk '09, Anne de la Mothe Karoubi '09, Chris Wyle '74, Dave Sylvestro '74, Lea Sylvestro '75, John Picone '74, Kate Brisson '09, Jim Cuminala '75 (father of the bride), Chauncey Kerr Hamilton '09, Nina Mayfield '09, Julia Budnick '09, Sara Elliott Haydock '09, Alison Holmes '09, Daphne Donahue '09, and Becky Zoller '09. • Becky Zoller '09 and Robert "Bertie" Cator were married on September 14, 2019, at The Mid Ocean Club in Bermuda. Those joining the couple included Tommy Zoller '10, Alison Crossen Marschalk '09, Rob Marschalk '09, Jennifer Cuminala Russell '09, Alison Holmes Luby '09, Adrienne Hart '09, Catharine Schoettle Wilmer '09, Sara Elliott Haydock '09, Elena Mayfield Schilling '09, Daphne Hallett Donahue '09, Cece Abrams Bowman '09, and Jenny '08 and Pete Smith '09.

support students of color and have a body ready and willing to advocate for students when necessary, not unlike other groups who have the administration's ear. If you are interested in learning more, you can email Anita at anita.gooding@gmail.com.

Another Class of 2007 alum is doing great work, but for the City of New York. To help N.Y.C.'s hardest-hit communities achieve greater social and health equity in the face of COVID-19, **Mike Lenihan** and his team at Public Sentiment have launched the Brownsville Sentiment Equity Project. Supported by Robin Hood, HP, Con Edison, and the City of New York, they're working with city government and residents to design programs that address the urgent challenges facing local communities; send him a note at milenihan@publicsentiment.org if you're interested in knowing more!

2008 Trinity Fund Goal: \$7,000
Class Secretary: Elizabeth Fritzer Dreier, 32 Elaine Dr., Simsbury, CT 06070-1625; elizabeth.fritzer.2008@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Nadia Zahran Anderson, Sasha C. Kravetz

The Class of 2008 is excited to share the continued success of its alumni. Congratulations

are in order for **Adam Hill**, who worked with an interdisciplinary team at St. Lawrence University to win a grant from the National Science Foundation for a new high-performance computing cluster! In a more personal accomplishment, **Liz Dreier** recently completed the virtual Boston Marathon, running 26.2 miles in her hometown and raising more than \$8,000 for one of the official Boston Marathon charities. She hopes that she will see some of our Boston-based classmates out along the course when it's safe for large races to resume.

2009 Trinity Fund Goal: \$15,000
Class Secretary: Caitlin M. Brisson, 224 W. 16th St., Apt. 3, New York, NY 10011-6190; caitlin.brisson.2009@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Alison M. Holmes, Piper Klemm, Christian Montoya, Alexandra Klestadt Patack, Alexandra Purdie Wueger Brenna '08 and **John Coughlin**, along with their son, Wilder, recently moved to Concord, Massachusetts, and are doing well.

Melissa Harris Rankin had a baby! Penelope Grace Rankin was born on July 28, 2020.

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2010 Trinity Fund Goal: \$20,000
 Class Secretary: Rebecca M. Herrigel, 29 Sawyer St. #2, Portland, ME 04103-3408; rebecca.herrigel.2010@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Nathaniel J. Kelly, Ryan Flynn • [f/groups/777318939001542](https://www.facebook.com/groups/777318939001542)

Hello, all. 2020 has been quite a year, and I hope this finds you all happy and healthy. Here's some exciting news from our classmates!

Roger Breum became engaged to Lauren Wier in July, and the happy couple looks forward to getting married in sunny San Diego next fall.

Nate Kelly and wife Gracie Phillips '13 are pleased to announce that they are expecting their first child.

Kristina Pappas and her family (twin boys, two cats, and husband) made the cross-country trek from California to New England to start new teaching jobs and to be closer to family.

Alyssa Simpson is still in California, balancing a new job in the health care industry and chasing after her toddler.

Steph Apstein has been perfecting her cooking skills (lucky for her partner!) and continuing to write for *Sports Illustrated*, a tough task in the first sports-free couple months of the pandemic.

Allison McHenry has adapted to the remote-work lifestyle, relishing her ability to spend more time with her puppy while supporting cancer research at Dana Farber; husband **Mike Frangieh** is finishing his OB-GYN residency.

Katie Kuppens lives in London with her husband, working on her writing and looking forward to traveling around Europe (hopefully) soon!

Sarah Blanks just had her second child and will spend her maternity leave corralling both kids around the North Shore of Massachusetts before heading back to her job in administration for a public-school district.

Please keep in touch, and here's to hoping that we will all see one another soon for our 10-year Reunion 2.0 in 2021!

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2011 Trinity Fund Goal: \$15,000
 Class Secretary: Remi Dolan, 3 Tamarac Ln., Englewood, CO 80113-4920; remi.evans.2011@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Rachel L. Meddar

Cristina Conti Pineda and husband Dan Pineda welcomed their first child, Austin Edward Pineda, on September 19, 2020, in Los Angeles. They are hopeful and excited to introduce Austin to Trinity alums and staff at the 2021 Reunion! In addition, Cristina celebrates nine years of Matchmakers In The City, the personal matchmaking company that she and her sister co-founded. The MITC team members dote on



Top to bottom: Roger Breum '10 gives a piggyback ride to fiancée Lauren Wier. • Cristina Conti Pineda '11 and husband Dan Pineda attend the baptism of their first child, Austin Edward Pineda, on October 10, 2020. • Remi Evans '11 and Tim Dolan were married on July 11, 2020, in Colorado.

their youngest matchmaker as Cristina navigates mommy and #LadyBoss life!

Remi Evans and Tim Dolan were married on July 11, 2020. Unwilling to let COVID-19 stop their plans, they had an intimate, fun wedding in the beautiful Colorado mountains, with just immediate family present. The ceremony was complete with a wedding cake designed after their dog, Dunkin. Tim and Remi met while they were getting their M.B.A.s at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth in Hanover, New Hampshire.

2012 Trinity Fund Goal: \$15,000
 Class Secretary: Mary Kate Morr, 4121 Knox Ct., Denver, CO 80211-1653; mary.morr.2012@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: James J. Armillay Jr., Esq., Charles McConnell, Mary Kate Morr, Nicole Lustig Pasternak, Lily Pepper Sommer, Kathryn T. Van Sickle, William A. Yale • [f/groups/trincoll2012](https://www.facebook.com/groups/trincoll2012)

Brian Castelluccio recently accepted a job as a clinical neuropsychologist at Butler Hospital in Providence, Rhode Island.

Julie Pesta graduated from Simmons University this summer with an M.A. in teaching and an M.A. in history. Julie works at Dexter Southfield School in Brookline, Massachusetts, as a history teacher and dean of students.

Virgil Bisio joined the Foreign Commercial Service in July 2020. He looks forward to a career as a diplomat advancing U.S. commercial interests overseas.

Otis Holloway recently bought a house in Washington, D.C., so it looks like he'll have ties to the area for a while.

Olivia Martin Youngblood and William Youngblood '13 welcomed their first child, daughter Harper James, in May 2020. The couple, who have resided in London since 2017, were married on October 27, 2018, in Washington, D.C., with many Bantams in attendance.

2013 Trinity Fund Goal: \$35,000
 Class Secretary: Andrew C. Weiss, andrew.weiss.2013@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Lauren M. Aber, Perin B. Adams, Caroline E. Brewster, Kevin C. Clark, Malcolm X. Evans, David D. Hill, Jesse L. Hunt, Megan A. Ingersoll, Matthew H. Mainuli, Ryan McGuirl, Alexander C. Raffol, James C. Thaler, Dobromir G. Trifonov

2014 Trinity Fund Goal: \$7,500
 Class Secretary: Chloe M. Miller, 420 E. 82nd St., Apt. 3E, New York, NY 10028-5957; chloe.miller.2014@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Brendan P. Bader, Carl M. Barreto, William A. Gray, Alexander S. Harvey, Sophie M. Katzman, Juan Diego Lopez Rodriguez, Ann W. Murdock, Nathaniel R. Nurmi, Benjamin B. Plumer, Maxwell L. Schaefer, Victoria C. Trentacoste, Katherine C. Weatherly-White

The Class of 2014 has been doing well, considering, over the past few months as the pandemic continues. I hope everyone is staying as healthy, happy, and safe as possible. I know many classmates have had wedding plans delayed, downsized, or otherwise disrupted. Our best wishes and congratulations go out to all of you! Despite the challenges, there is love in the air for the Class of 2014. Here is a sample of the many weddings:



Olivia Martin '12 and William Youngblood '13 were married on October 27, 2018, in Washington, D.C. Bantams joining the couple included Brianne Cowden Hanifin '12, Eamon Hanifin '12, Alexa Trearchis Nelson '12, James Nelson '12, Danielle Dueno '12, Emilie Dajer '12, Patrick Murphy '13, Tanya Dhamija '12, Stephan Bernstorff '10, Lizzy Korengold Bernstorff '12, Daniel Korengold '73, Leo Daley '13, Alison Gutermann '13, Christopher Kelly '13, Patricia Friedler '12, Michael Atsalis '13, Erica Mazman '13, Edward Gates '13, Connor Reilly '12, Gerald Parrilla '13, Pamela Larromana '13, Kyle Muir '13, Michael Mazur '13, Alexander Raffol '13, Lyndsey Shepard '14, Brett Cullinan '12, Joseph Buckley '12, and Lucy Bauer '14. Those in attendance but not pictured included Christopher Naidu '13, Victor Farr '12, Stuart Lovejoy '13, Jynette Demarco '13, Zachary Packer '14, Daniel Altman '13, and Rami Sleiman '13.



Jackie Sanders '14 and Nick Branholm '14 were married in October 2020 in Vail, Colorado.

On June 20, **Emily Hickox** and Michael Calo were married in a small ceremony at her parents' home in Gloucester, Massachusetts. They were joined by close family and friends, including Trinity alumni. The couple plans to host a larger celebration in June 2021.

On September 19, **Taylor Perry** and high school sweetheart Brian Feeney were married near their hometown of Summit, New Jersey, in a small ceremony and were joined by close family and friends, including Trinity alumni, with a larger celebration to follow next September.

In October, **Jackie Sanders** and **Nick Branholm** tied the knot in a small ceremony in Vail, Colorado, near their home in Denver. The two met as freshmen when both lived in North. They're looking forward to a larger

celebration next October with family and friends, including many Trinity alumni!

Emily Johnson moved from N.Y.C. back to her home city of Boston for business school and is spending lots of time with fellow Bantams **Brittany Viola** and **Brendan Kelley**. She is happy to be back among Boston sports fans.

During the height of Zoom socializing, I really enjoyed catching up with alumni leaders of the Quest pre-orientation backpacking program. The Class of 2014 had a strong showing with **Mark Yanagisawa**, **Elizabeth Gerber**, **Lucy Bauer**, and **Jamie Geisler**, along with Dave Bell '15, making virtual appearances. Liz reports that since graduation, she has been serving as a cybersecurity consultant for the U.S. Air Force. When she's not saving the world, she's been filling up her passport with trips to Singapore, Malaysia, Colombia, and Bolivia. But in 2020, she's mostly been camping close to home. **Jamie Geisler** graduated from UConn Law with honors this spring, is clerking at the Connecticut Appellate Court, and took the Connecticut bar exam in October! He's still kicking it in Hartford and loving it.

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2015 Trinity Fund Goal: \$30,000
Class Secretary: **Shaina N. Lo**, 10 Parkway Rd., Apt. 6, Brookline, MA 02445-5405; shaina.lo.2015@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Fiona Brennan**, **Margaret D. Ciocca**, **Cole A. D'Angelo**, **Taniqua K. Huguley**, **Zoe J. Huschle**, **Julia G. Kelling**, **J. Wilson Laprade**, **Stephan "Mac" Morse**, **Peter J. Ragosta Jr.**, **Sam J. Ruddock III**, **Stephen P. Sample**, **Marie Christner Stansfield**, **Sarah S. Wolcott**, **Robert D. Zindman**

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2016 Trinity Fund Goal: \$15,000
Class Secretary: **Ashira E. Anderson**, 1079 Firetower Rd., Colara, MD 21917-1502; ashira.anderson.2016@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Hollis U. Alpert**, **Whitney G. Gulden** • f/groups/Trinity2016

Josh Frank started his second year at UC Berkeley School of Law this past August.

After a year apart and six negative COVID-19 tests, **Shannon Burke**, **Sarah DiCorpo**, **Sharmy Dhalwal**, Lisa Hovhannesian '17, **Isabel Monteleone**, Nico Nagle '17, and **Katherine McArthur** reunited for a day of fall fun involving lots of apples and doughnuts in Connecticut! Sharmy recently welcomed a Chihuahua/terrier mix puppy to her family! MJ is a couple months old and loves sleeping and wearing his raincoat.

2017 Trinity Fund Goal: \$15,000
Class Secretary: **Daniel A. Garcia**, 2967 N. 79th St., Milwaukee, WI 53222; daniel.garcia.2017@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Jake Bennett**, **Nicholas DiBenedetto**, **Katelyn Elinoff**, **Daniel A. Garcia**, **Andrew Hatch**, **Kelvin Kaari**, **Clio Kammerer**, **Clare Knowlton**, **Kaitlin Lewis**, **Julianna Maisano**, **Ryan Miller**, **Andrea Nicholson**, **Kiley Nygren**, **Sean Orlando** • f/groups/Trinity2017

From the Alumni Office: **Elise Lasky** has been awarded the Washington Sea Grant Hershman Fellowship for 2020–21. This fellowship places highly motivated, qualified individuals with marine and coastal host offices throughout Washington, providing fellows with a unique perspective on building marine policy and allowing them to share their academic expertise with the host offices.

2018 Trinity Fund Goal: \$5,000
Class Secretary: **Lauren Ollerhead**, 1390 Pine St., Apt. 102, San Francisco, CA 94109-4801; lauren.ollerhead.2018@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Bassil Bacare**, **Sarah Dolan**, **Justin Fortier**, **Michael Fries**, **Louisa Kammerer**, **Jamilah Ketcham**, **Elizabeth Koris**, **Meghan Marsh**, **Molly Nichols**, **Nia Vogel**

2019 Trinity Fund Goal: \$5,000
Class Secretary: **William J. Duggan III**, 10 Main St., Cheshire, CT 06410-2403; william.duggan.2019@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Rachel Brigham**, **Sam Buck**, **Alex Gnassi**, **Sophia Gourley**, **Debbie Herrera**, **Ethan Hunter**, **Alex Kaplan**, **Talia La Schiazza**, **Brooke LePage**, **Emily McLeod**, **Molly McGonigle**, **Kristina Miele**, **Erik Mohl**, **Simran Sheth**, **Amber Stevenson**, **Stephanie Velarde**, **Michael Zarra**
From the Alumni Office: **Jessica Duong**, who recently began study at the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Education, has been named a member of the 2020 class

Hang Yang '16

“I enjoy the fact that the work we do has a real purpose—to make transportation easier and to save people’s lives.”

—HANG YANG '16

What do you do at Zoox? I work on system integration and validation of self-driving cars, making sure the hardware and software work together.

What do you enjoy most about your work? I enjoy solving challenging problems every day by utilizing my engineering expertise and multidisciplinary knowledge. I also enjoy the fact that the work we do has a real purpose—to make transportation easier and to save people’s lives. I think making autonomous mobility a reality is one of the most exciting and revolutionary endeavors of our time.

What are the biggest challenges you face? All the problems we encounter are new and demand innovative solutions. The self-driving car is a highly complex system that requires substantial cross-functional collaboration to make all parts work together.

How did Trinity prepare you for what you do now? Trinity’s liberal arts education prepared me to be a lifelong learner and equipped me with the potential and foundation to develop further in any field I liked. The interdisciplinary mindset and communication skills I gained from my Trinity education have served me greatly in my career.



You participated in summer research on campus. How did that help you reach your goals? I did research on campus for two summers during my time at Trinity, and I’d say the summer research program is one of my favorite parts of the liberal arts education. It provided me with an opportunity to go beyond regular curricula and get involved in cutting-edge research projects with faculty as early as my first year in college. It also helped develop my ability to delve deeper into a given area by consulting literature and conducting experiments. The summer research community and weekly activities made the program even more colorful!

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Why? There were a lot of courses that I enjoyed taking at Trinity and that were memorable. I took classes in engineering, economics, music, swimming, tennis, golf, and more. The first-year seminar “Engineering Our Digital World” probably left the deepest impression on me as that was the first class I took at Trinity, and it led me to the engineering major.

What advice would you give to Trinity students interested in a career in engineering? One piece of advice I can think of is to be a lifelong learner. Our world is

DEGREES: B.S. in engineering and economics; M.S. in mechanical engineering, Stanford University

JOB TITLE: System integration engineer, Zoox

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: I enjoyed studying and living in the small liberal arts community at Trinity. The close-knit relationships with classmates and research opportunities with professors as an undergrad were the best parts of the academic life. Living on campus and getting involved in the social events were another favorite part of my college life.

changing rapidly, so we need to always make ourselves ready to adapt to the newest technologies. Take advantage of the freedom you have at Trinity in choosing classes, and explore as many of them as you can. Develop your self-learning ability by working on independent projects and engaging in research activities. Developing an interdisciplinary mindset is also beneficial to one’s career in engineering. As technologies are becoming more and more integrated, the boundaries between subjects are more blurred. Being able to think across disciplines is a valuable skill.

of WW Pennsylvania Teaching Fellows. The highly competitive program recruits recent graduates and career changers with strong backgrounds in the STEM fields and prepares them specifically to teach in high-need secondary schools. Each fellow receives \$32,000 to complete a specially designed, cutting-edge master's degree program. In return, fellows commit to teach for three years in the high-need Pennsylvania schools. Throughout the three-year commitment as a teacher of record at a public school, fellows receive ongoing support and mentoring.

2020 Trinity Fund Goal: \$2,000
Class Secretary: Vacant •
Class Agents: Olivia Hoyda, Anna Kate Luddy
The class secretary position for the Class of 2020 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.

IDP Class Secretary: Shahzad
"Keith" Joseph IDP'19, 87 Fans
Rock Road, Hamden, CT 06518; shahzad.joseph@trincoll.edu
Hello, fellow IDP grads. It's an honor of a lifetime to represent you all as class secretary. During my time at Trinity, I ran the IDPA with some of the most amazing people I have ever met in my entire existence. Now I always look forward to connecting with my fellow IDPers. Currently, I am working for a financial services company, and until my employer summons me back to the confines of a concrete maze, my parents' basement is my office, boardroom, and tuck shop. Please mail/email your notes to my mailing or email address (87 Fans Rock Road, Hamden, CT 06518 or keithjoseph03@gmail.com). I am grateful to outgoing secretary **Sheri Rodriguez IDP'00** for her dedicated work; from the bottom of my heart, thank you! **Keith Joseph IDP'19**

From the Alumni Office: **Andrew Champagne IDP'94** sent a copy of a story about him that was published in the *Seven Days Pandemic Primary Voters' Guide 2020*. The piece, "Champagne Wishes and Ballot Box Dreams: Vermont's Most Prolific Voter Registrant Signs Up No. 1,304," tells of his efforts to register voters in his home state of Vermont. Champagne wrote: "My political science classes with the late and very-much-missed Professor Jerry O. Watts and my great experiences with Trinity College Democrats helped prepare me for the voting work I'm now doing. Hello to everyone at Trinity, and be kind, be safe, and please vote!"

Master's Class Secretary:
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Sharon Moran M'77 taught at South Windsor High School from 1966 to 1999. During that time, she taught "Government and Politics" and served as adviser to the senior class and the school's National Honor Society chapter. After working with the Center for Civic Education from 1999 to 2011, Sharon retired. These days, she says, she seeks tutoring possibilities, noting, "I will always miss teaching." She writes: "In the 1990s, domestic and international programs enhanced my career. Domestic programs included the Center for Civic Education (CCE)'s 'We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution,' in which my government and politics students won two state championships and two National Finals Northeast Excellence Awards. Based on my students' participation at the National Finals, the CCE tapped me to teach four years of summer seminars in Bosnia and Herzegovina and eventually hired me for international work. My students also were state finalists in Mock Trial, an extracurricular program where students take on the roles of attorneys and witnesses developing both sides of a case chosen by the Connecticut Consortium for Law-Related Education. The 'AP Government and Politics' course I developed and taught at South Windsor High School was submitted to the University of Connecticut for AP undergraduate credit approval and was accepted, meaning that many colleges and universities would grant my students undergraduate course credit if they scored high enough on the AP exam. On the international front, I was one of 10 teachers chosen to participate in the Close-Up Japan/USA Cultural and Educational Exchange. After Japanese educators visited the United States, the American teachers traveled to Tokyo and 10 different areas of Japan; I was sent to Utsonomia Tochigiken. I also presented a program on voting with lessons for K-12, 'Democracy Is Not a Spectator Sport' at Connections '97 at the University of Sydney in Australia."

Geri Radacsi M'74 notified me that her husband, **John Radacsi M'82**, passed away on April 2, 2020, after 54 years of marriage.

Barbara Johnson M'89 has moved to Touchmark at All Saints retirement community in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. All Saints is a former boarding school for the daughters of Episcopalian missionaries in the Dakota Territory. It is the home of the only Tiffany stained-glass windows in South Dakota. Barbara is continuing her stained-glass windows research and serves as a book discussion leader for the South Dakota Humanities Council.

Paul Hensler M'08 is preparing for the April release of his upcoming book, *Gathering Crowds: Catching Baseball Fever in the Early Era of Free Agency*, published by Rowman & Littlefield. The book covers a range of topics

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from 1977 to 1989, including labor issues, drug controversies, marketing, newer ballparks, societal issues, and notable personalities of the national pastime.

IN MEMORY

1948 Richard K. Kichline, 93, of Ellenton, Florida, died on March 22, 2019.

Kichline earned a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*, and the football and track teams. His career included time as president of American Animation.

1949 Richard H. Beisel, 93, of Abingdon, Maryland, died on December 3, 2019.

Beisel earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity. He went on to work in several fields, including insurance, food service, and the U.S. Postal Service.

Beisel is survived by his wife of 74 years, Dolena "Dolly"; children Richard Beisel Jr. '69 and Dena Adle (Bill); three grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and former daughter-in-law Anita Beisel.

1952 Felix J. Callan, M.D., 90, of Waterbury Center, Vermont, died on September 21, 2020.

Callan earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club, the Newman Club, and the golf team. He went on to earn an M.D. from Yale University School of Medicine and trained as an orthopedic surgeon. After a two-year stint in the U.S. Air Force, he practiced medicine for more than two decades in Connecticut and Vermont.

Callan is survived by his wife of 63 years, Geraldine; children John (Gena Kelly), Laura Fortmeyer (Doug), Mary Sue Callan-Farley (Dana), Monica Callan (Peter Holm), Patrick (Majolie Mahiane), Anthony (Renee Dickens), Megan Emmons (Ryan), and Christopher (Jocelyn Pandian); 27 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. His late brother Francis J. Callan graduated from Trinity in 1953.

1952 Burton L. How Jr., 91, of Bernardsville, New Jersey, died on March 22, 2020.

How earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, the soccer team, and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. He went on to graduate from Harvard University's Advancement Management Program. How served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He worked for W.R. Grace and Allied Chemical and, after retirement, founded Phos-Chem.

How is survived by four nieces and a nephew. He was predeceased by his wife, Mary, and his sister, Sara Stone.

1952 Allyn J. Washington, 89, of Warrenton, Oregon, died on July 13, 2020, just two days shy of his 90th birthday.

Washington earned a B.S. in mathematics and physics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn an M.S. from Brown University. In 1958, Washington was among the founders of Dutchess Community College in Poughkeepsie, New York, where he taught mathematics. Upon his retirement in 1979, he was named professor emeritus. Washington authored *Basic Technical Mathematics with Calculus*, recently finalizing the college textbook's 11th edition.

Washington is survived by his daughters, Joanne Baron and Margy Schroeder. He was predeceased by his wife, Mildred.

1953 Edmund F. Dwight Jr., 89, of Choudrant, Louisiana, died on June 10, 2020.

Dwight served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War before earning a B.A. from Trinity. His four-decade career in insurance began at Aetna in Hartford and continued in Tampa, Florida. Dwight retired in 1990 after

serving as general agent and general manager.

Dwight is survived by his wife of 34 years, Brenda; children Jeff Dwight (Lynne), Jon Dwight (Holly), and Carol Walkinshaw (John); stepson Greg Huneycutt (Cassie); eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and sister Martha. He was predeceased by his first wife, Marion; daughter Susan Ketels; and two siblings, including brother Sanford Dwight '53.

1953 Richard T. Lyford Jr., 88, of Denver, died on September 30, 2020.

Lyford earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the baseball team. After serving in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, he went on to work and later volunteer for the Arthritis Foundation. He also spent 27 years as a financial planner for Connecticut General Insurance (later Lincoln National). A loyal alumnus, Lyford chaired his 50th Reunion and served as a class agent for many years. The Elms Society member also received the Alumni Medal for Excellence in 2003 for his contributions to his profession, his community, and the college.

Lyford is survived by his wife of more than 60 years, Diana; children Ashley Schumar (Michael), Richard Lyford III, Cary Lyford '87 (John Self '87), and Andrew Lyford '92 (Beth); and six grandchildren, including Kellen Self '18.

1953 John "Jack" Walsh Jr., 89, of Stamford, Connecticut, died on September 7, 2020.

Walsh earned a B.A. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. He went on to earn a master's in engineering from the University

of Hartford and a degree in management development from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Walsh served in both the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Air Force. He spent much of his career at Northeast Utilities (later Eversource) until retiring in 1996.

Walsh is survived by his children, Terrance Walsh, Susan Bobroske (Martin), Timothy Walsh '85 (Mary), and Brian Walsh (Maria); eight grandchildren; and sister Arline Lloyd.

1954 Ronald F. Storms, 88, of West Suffield, Connecticut, died on September 27, 2020.

Storms earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and the band. After graduating, he served in the U.S. Air Force. Storms then earned a J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law. He started his career in a Hartford law firm before founding his own firm in 1966; he later practiced with his son at Storms and Storms.

Storms is survived by his children, Scott Storms (Dale), Kim Storms, and Holly Muehlenkamp (Thomas); 10 grandchildren; his life companion, Marianne Bannan; his friend and partner of many years, Polly Storms; and his sister, LouAnn Plough (George).

1955 Philip A. Ives, 87, of Palm Beach, Florida, died on July 19, 2020.

While Ives attended Trinity, he was a member of the Glee Club and the band and worked at WRTC. He went on to become a narrator.

1955 The Reverend Arie J. "Han" van den Blink, 84, of Elmira, New York, died on February 9, 2019.

Van den Blink earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity and went on to receive a B.Div. from Yale Divinity School and a

Ph.D. in pastoral theology from Princeton Theological Seminary. He had a long career in religion, counseling, and education.

Van den Blink is survived by his children, Arie "Jan" van den Blink (Clare), Sarah van den Blink, and Katherine Miller (John); three grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; brother Leo van den Blink (Marjorie); and special friend Anneke vanSteenbergen-Postma. He was predeceased by his wife of 61 years, Katherine.

1957, M.S. 1962 Anthony J.

Valdati Jr., 83, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on April 27, 2020.

Valdati earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. He later earned an M.S. in mathematics from the college. Valdati went on to work as a computer engineer for many years at Pratt & Whitney, retiring in 1993.

Valdati is survived by his wife, Amy; daughter Beth Anne Bennett (Nicholas); and sister Lorraine Kuligowski.

1957 John W. Wood, 85, of Richmond, Virginia, died on June 9, 2020.

Wood attended Trinity before spending a career in the sales of industrial diamond tools. After retirement, he spent more than two decades working for Southern States Cooperative, a farmer-owned agricultural supply cooperative.

Wood is survived by his daughters, Hillary Grotos (Karl) and Rachel Russell (Larry); eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; brother Alan Wood; and friend Martha Williams. He was predeceased by his wife of 61 years, Lya, and his brother, Andrew Wood.

1960 Michael A. Sienkiewicz, 82, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, died on August 5, 2020.

Sienkiewicz earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the football and lacrosse teams. He worked as a salesman for C.H. Masland and Sons. The loyal alumnus was a member of Trinity's Elms Society.

Sienkiewicz is survived by his wife of 52 years, Marika; daughter-in-law Soleidet Meneses; and one granddaughter. He was predeceased by son James Sienkiewicz and brothers John and Wilbur Sienkiewicz.

1961 Tristram C. Colket Jr., 82, of Paoli, Pennsylvania, died on July 6, 2020.

Colket attended Trinity before starting his career at the North American Smelting Company. He went on to acquire and found several companies, including Cressona Aluminum.

Colket is survived by his wife of 53 years, Ruth; children Carolyn Cullen (Craig), Tristram Colket III (Robin), and Bryan Colket (Jayme); eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and sister Charlotte Weber.

1961 John H. Draper III, 80, of Canton, Massachusetts, died on August 10, 2019.

Draper earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi, the Glee Club, and the Jesters. He also worked at WRTC. Draper went on to serve in the U.S. Navy. Later, he served as president of Draper Brothers Company.

Draper is survived by his wife, Pauline; children James Draper (Susan), John Draper IV (Bonnie Ferro), and Cynthia Hateld (John); nine grandchildren; and siblings Jane Weadock, Benjamin Draper, Ellen Carey, and Paul Draper '66.

1961 Kerry B. Fitzpatrick, 79, of Lexington, Kentucky, died on March 9, 2020.

Fitzpatrick earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the soccer, basketball, and baseball teams. He also worked on the staff of *The Trinity Tripod* and at WRTC. Fitzpatrick went on to study at New York University Graduate School of Business. He began his career in finance as an executive at several firms, including vice president of Fidelity Mortgage Investors. Fitzpatrick then turned his focus to horse racing and commercial breeding, founding Southlake Stables and later serving as president and CEO of International Thoroughbred Breeders. He also served in the U.S. Army. The loyal Trinity alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Fitzpatrick was predeceased by his brother, Kirk Fitzpatrick.

1961 Richard A. Phelps, 81, of Tucson, Arizona, died on May 24, 2020.

Phelps attended Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and played soccer, before earning an M.B.A. from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He also served in the U.S. Air Force. Phelps spent his entire career working for Credit Suisse First Boston.

Phelps is survived by his wife of nearly 10 years, Deborah Dyer, and her son, Stephen Fenton; his children, Barbara Garside, Deborah LaMotte, Richard A. Phelps Jr. '95, and John Phelps; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

1962 Edward T. Goodman, 81, of Radnor, Pennsylvania, and Hobe Sound, Florida, died on July 26, 2020.

Goodman earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity,

where he was a member of Delta Psi and the swimming and ice hockey teams. He began his career in banking at Bank of New York and Citibank and then acquired Bucks County Enterprises, a small manufacturing company.

Goodman is survived by his wife of 55 years, Carolyn; daughters Samantha Sutro (Thomas), Beverly Kirkpatrick (Jack), and Allison Fleitas (Albury); nine grandchildren; and siblings Christine Hayworth and Orton Jackson Jr.

1963 Robert E. Bond, 79, of Orinda, California, died on August 5, 2020.

Bond earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the soccer and rowing teams. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War before earning an M.B.A. in marketing from Stanford University. In 1987, after working for Monsanto and Kaiser and its subsidiaries, he started the World Franchising Network.

Bond is survived by his wife of 51 years, Leslie; sons Chris '95 (Gretchen) and Jeff (Jenny); seven grandchildren; and brothers Allen Bond III and Charles Bond. He was predeceased by sister Tacie Bond.

1964 Zigmund F. Pabich, 77, of Wilbraham, Massachusetts, died on April 3, 2020.

Pabich earned a B.S. in biochemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu, the Newman Club, and the football and track teams. He worked for Friendly's Ice Cream for 24 years, advancing to director of restaurant operations, before co-owning Jim Dandy Restaurants for two decades until his 2007 retirement.

Pabich is survived by his wife of 55 years, Harriet; daughters Lisa Damon (Bruce), Linda,

and Diana Jud '94 (Michael); five grandchildren; and brothers Edward Pabich (Patricia) and Dennis (Sherry).

1965 Alan Kardon, 76, of Naples, Florida, died on August 18, 2020.

Kardon earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi and the soccer team and took part in Hillel. He went on to earn a J.D. from New York University School of Law. Kardon practiced business law in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut, specializing in bankruptcy and asset-based lending.

Kardon is survived by his wife, Donna; children Alanna Alkalay (John) and Kenneth Kardon (Michelle); two granddaughters; brother Paul Kardon '59 (Chris); and his former wife, Marianne.

1965, M.A. 1967 John M. Rozett, 77, of Albany, New York, died on July 19, 2020.

Rozett earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the soccer team. He also participated in Hillel and worked at WRTC. Rozett continued at Trinity, earning an M.A. in history, before pursuing a Ph.D. in history from the University of Michigan. He spent more than three decades working in various capacities for the State of New York. The loyal alumnus was a member of Trinity's Elms Society.

Rozett is survived by his wife of 52 years, Martha; sons Joshua and Alexander (Jennifer Beach); and three granddaughters.

1966 Charles R. Snyder III, 75, of South Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on June 21, 2020.

Snyder earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, the Jesters, and the track team. He also worked on the staff of *The Trinity Tripod* and at WRTC. Snyder served in the U.S. Army National Guard and went on to a career in financial services, including founding First Financial Associates in 1995.

Snyder is survived by his wife, Doris; children Robert, Jessica, Beki, Tim, and Jeff; eight

grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and sisters Val Shaha and Pat Demos. He was predeceased by sister Karen Sullivan.

1968 Alan B. Thomas, 72, of Fairfax, Virginia, died on September 5, 2019.

Thomas earned a B.A. in history from Trinity before launching a 28-year career in the U.S. Air Force.

Thomas is survived by his wife of more than 50 years, Megan; son Alan Jr. (Jana); and two grandchildren.

1970 Eric E. Aasen, 72, of Tempe, Arizona, and formerly of Bandon, Oregon, died on June 15, 2020.

Aasen earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. He had a career as a bond trader before shifting to work at the family's cranberry farm.

Aasen is survived by his son, Darren; siblings Kathy Hall, Teena Beutel, and David "Gus" Aasen; and special friend Karen Pullen. He was predeceased by his partner, Sandy Gaspar, and his brother, Bill.

1972 Thomas G. Regnier, 69, of Plantation, Florida, died on April 14, 2020.

Regnier graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.A. in English. He was a member of the Jesters and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. He went on to earn a J.D. from the University of Miami School of Law and an LL.M. from Columbia Law School. Regnier spent most of his career as an appellate attorney, most recently with the law firm of Kramer, Green, Zuckerman, Greene & Buchsbaum. He also taught as an adjunct professor at two law schools, served as president of the Shakespeare Oxford Fellowship, and authored numerous articles in scholarly publications.

Regnier is survived by his life partner, Angel Acosta, and siblings Janie Regnier, J.G. Regnier (Billie), and John Regnier (Kate).

1972 Stephen A. Sylvestro, 70, of Fairfield, Connecticut, died on September 6, 2020.

Sylvestro earned a B.S. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of the rowing team. He had a lifelong career working with children with learning disabilities as a teacher, coach, and administrator, ultimately retiring in 2015 from The Southport School.

Sylvestro is survived by his wife of nearly 47 years, Debby; sons Christopher and Trevor; daughter-in-law Lisa; two granddaughters; and brother David Sylvestro (Lea).

1979 Joy Tomlinson, 63, of New York City, died on July 12, 2020.

Tomlinson earned a B.A. in comparative literature from Trinity, where she was captain of the swimming team. She went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Virginia Darden School of Business. Tomlinson's career included time at PaineWebber and Metalworking Lubricants, her father's company. The dedicated alumna served as a member of the Founders Council of the Women's Leadership Council and of the Board of Fellows.

Tomlinson is survived by her children, Charles McLendon III '13 (Caroline Healy), James McLendon '16, and Anne McLendon, and her brothers, Robert Tomlinson (Carolyn Whiteman), John Tomlinson (Carole Smith), and Daniel Tomlinson (Lucinda Rose). She was predeceased by brother James Tomlinson Jr.

1979 Christine "Nina" Wainwright, 63, of Princeton, New Jersey, died on June 26, 2020.

Wainwright earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where she was a member of the Jesters and the field hockey team. She went on to earn an M.B.A. from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Wainwright started her career in corporate bond sales at Lehman Brothers, where she rose to managing director. After retirement, she served as a consultant for the Rockefeller Foundation.

Wainwright is survived by her daughter, Alexandra Sowanick, and her fiancé, John Warvel III.

1981 James A. Corvino, 61, of Charlotte, North Carolina, died on March 29, 2020.

Corvino earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and played football. He was employed by Wells Fargo Bank.

Corvino is survived by his wife of 30 years, Michaelleen; mother Carmen Corvino; and brother Paul Corvino Jr. (Joanne).

1983 Stephen G. Dynan, 59, of Greenwich, Connecticut, died on August 13, 2020.

Dynan earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he took part in fencing. He went on to be a freelance editor at Gateway Apparel.

Dynan is survived by siblings Karen, Nancy, and Bill; brother-in-law Doug; and sister-in-law Anne Marie.

2007 Sarah G. Pitts, 35, of Brooklyn, New York, died on September 7, 2020.

Pitts earned a B.S. in biochemistry from Trinity, where she participated in the Summer Science Research Program and served as a first-year program mentor. She also was honored with the college's Larry Silver Award in honor of her outstanding contributions to the Trinity athletics program. Pitts went on to earn a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School. Pitts served as senior assistant district attorney at the Kings County District Attorney's Office, working on appeals and helping to identify long-term prisoners who deserved a second chance. Her previous work included time with the Military Assistance Project in Philadelphia, where she represented active duty and veteran military personnel.

Pitts is survived by her parents, Toby and Lisa Pitts; brothers John Pitts (Mary) and James Pitts (Roshelle Kades); and a niece and nephew.

MASTER'S

1955 Thomas H. Buffinton, 99, of Plymouth, Massachusetts, died on May 16, 2020.

Buffinton earned an undergraduate degree from Williams College. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Buffinton later earned an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity. He started as an educator at Suffield Academy and in 1952 moved to Tabor Academy, where he spent the rest of his career as a history teacher, coach, director of athletics, and more.

Buffinton is survived by his children, Thomas H. Buffinton III (Wendy) and Holly Bove (Vic); five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 69 years, Sally.

1963 Jimmie D. Woods, 86, of La Quinta, California, died on July 22, 2020.

Woods earned a B.S. from the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Academy. He went on to earn an M.S. in mathematics from Trinity and a Ph.D. from the University of Connecticut. His 35-year career in the USCG included nearly two decades of teaching and later serving as chair of the Math Department at the USCG Academy. After retiring, he taught at the Hartford Graduate Center and later served as dean of the School of Management there. In 1999, he was named professor emeritus at the USCG Academy.

Woods is survived by his wife of 63 years, Jane; children Cindy Bonneau and Jimmie Woods Jr. (Anne); five grandchildren; two great-granddaughters; and sister Agatha Shryack (Carl). He was predeceased by his son, Timmie Woods, and his brother, Robert Woods Jr.

1972 Joan R. Kemler, 94, of Delray Beach, Florida, and formerly of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on August 9, 2020.

Kemler earned a B.A. in economics from Connecticut College in 1947. She worked as a buyer for a women's clothing line

before returning to academia, earning an M.A. in political science from Trinity. Kemler was active in state government; she was elected to the Connecticut General Assembly in 1974 and 12 years later was appointed to the position of state treasurer, the first female to hold that role.

Kemler is survived by her children, David Kemler (Susan) and Louise Kaufman (Todd); four grandchildren; and sister Barbara Goodkind (Robert). She was predeceased by her husband, R. Leonard Kemler '39, and her brother and sister-in-law, Malcolm and Muriel Rosen.

1982 Margaret T. Atwood, 93, of Bloomfield, Connecticut, died on June 17, 2020.

Atwood earned an undergraduate degree from Vassar College. A docent at the Wadsworth Atheneum, she earned an M.A. in American studies from Trinity.

Atwood is survived by her children, Jeffrey (Stephen Vamvakas) and Jillian (Richard Martin), and two grandchildren.

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1971 James H. Hardy

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Educating in a city, not an ivory tower, during a pandemic

Here at Trinity, we proudly tout that we provide students an excellent liberal arts education in a city, preparing them to navigate complex, real-world problems beyond our campus. Located in a capital city, we understand that real cities operate under real challenges and real constraints. We are not suburban and we are not rural, though we are close enough to drive to either in minutes; we are in and of Hartford, the city we call home.

The ability to navigate those real-world problems in a city has never been more evident than when reopening to in-person and remote instruction in fall 2020 during the pandemic.

Fall 2020 saw surges in COVID-19 cases in Connecticut and nationwide, particularly in early October and again in mid-November. On campus, we also saw surges in COVID-19 cases in early October, about one month after reopening. At one time, we had more than 50 active cases in a population of about 2,000 students and 300 employees who needed to work on campus. On October 10, our positivity rate was at its highest—1.2 percent, compared with 1.7 percent statewide.

During an uptick in cases, picked up by our aggressive testing protocols, we enacted best practices of contact tracing, isolating, and quarantining. We twice weekly tested students living on and off campus. For employees who were required to be on-site—many other employees worked effectively from home—we instituted weekly testing. This rigorous testing plan allowed us to identify outbreaks and to act swiftly to mitigate spread. With each outbreak, we reminded our community that safe practices need to apply in living situations and not just in classrooms. As a result, we brought active COVID-19 cases down to near zero in mid-October, even as cases around the state and country were increasing. By October 14, our positivity rate dropped to 0.3 percent.

When we ended our in-person semester on November 20, wisely choosing to stop on-campus instruction before Thanksgiving, we sent our students back to their homes with a COVID-19 test result in hand and a true sense of accomplishment. We had only 10 positive cases on campus, and our positivity rate was 0.48 percent for the last seven days of in-person classes, in contrast to the state's rate of 5.8 percent, which was still one of the lowest in the nation.

How did we accomplish this? When walking around campus and virtually visiting classes during the semester, I saw evidence that almost all students were adhering to our practices of wearing masks and physical distancing; the few who did not faced consequences. When we saw upticks in the number of cases, we did not find that they were based on large numbers of students engaging in wild parties, as is often noted in media coverage of college life. Rather, these upticks seemed to stem from small-group interactions in which people (not just students) let their guard down around friends.

Our campus community took seriously its responsibility to one another and to our neighbors. In the heart of a city, we managed well amid a pandemic. Our students explored their academic passions with professors, engaged with coaches in physically distanced practices, and interacted with others in a host of virtual activities and internships. In other words, we continued to provide an excellent liberal arts education.

I am particularly proud of the community culture that we have built together. Several times, I remarked that members of our Trinity community both on and off campus, including our alumni, came together to support one another in extraordinary ways during the last several months. We recognized our common humanity; we were trying exceedingly hard to carry off the impossible—a somewhat normal semester—and we recognized the need to be a

little more forgiving and a little kinder and gentler in the face of significant challenges. And it worked!

Here at Trinity, we can't and don't try to shelter students from complex, real-world problems. We simply cannot. We live in the real world, not in an ivory tower. We teach our students to address issues head-on, following best practices when we should and creating new practices when necessary. We learn to manage through crises, to show resilience, and to come out stronger on the other side.

I am proud that we successfully completed the in-person part of an unprecedented fall semester at Trinity. Our resilience, focus on mission, and care for ourselves and others in the face of adversity exemplify the true Bantam spirit. **T**



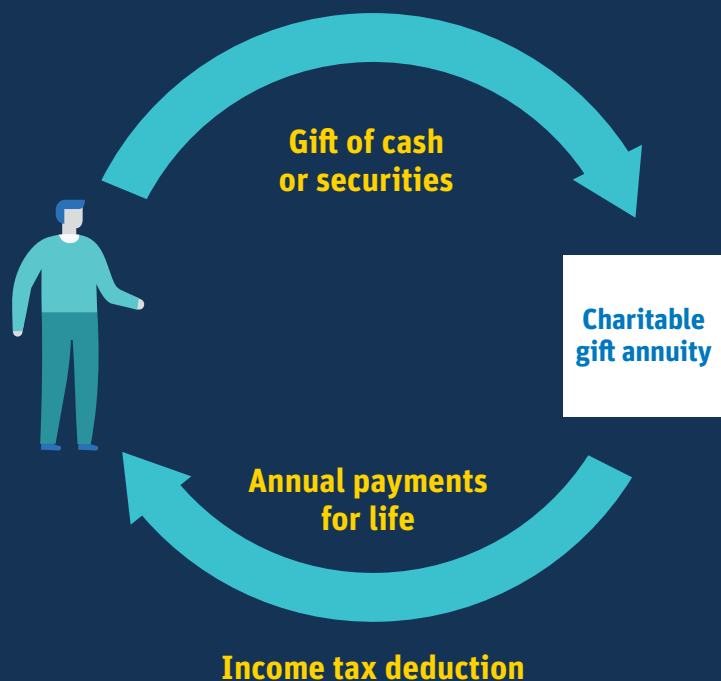
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