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On the cover: Members of the junior kindergarten class oversee construction of the new addition. Clockwise from the cab of the bulldozer they are: David Gordon, Becky Gallagher, George Meredith-Carpeni, Zachary Fasola, Sanjeev Sharma, Charlie Hamlin, Lisa Dadian, Leslie Shapiro, Robin Webb, Phoebe Stockman, Ned Olson and Rita Inamdar. Missing from picture: Andrew Davidson. Photograph by John Miller.

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FROM THE HEADMASTER

by Duncan W. Alling

My summer letter to faculty pointed out the need at Princeton Day School to redefine and reaffirm our roles as teachers of character development in our students. To that end we spent two half-day sessions together and in various sized meetings to address this challenge. The following is an edited version of my remarks to the faculty at the beginning of the meetings.

While I was drafting my summer letter to you, I was rereading portions of Arthur Waley's *The Analects of Confucius*. Confucius was a teacher of morals who believed that human beings and government should follow the way of goodness. He saw his role as that of inculcating moral principles in his charges and of forming their characters. This reading prompted some thought about the role of independent schools in teaching morals. Historically, most independent schools maintained an association with a particular religion which served as the foundation for teaching character development in these schools. On the other hand, other independent schools without a religious association have pursued this same objective. Perhaps, however, some of us in both types of independent schools have lost our way in this area.

Judging by a number of conversations and readings, I think independent school people find this dimension of our responsibility increasingly hard to fulfill. For example, the Council for Religion in Independent Schools held a conference this summer on *The Five Moral Quandaries of Independent Schools*. Carl Reimers, as chair of our religion department, attended this conference and I am sure he will share his thoughts about it with us throughout the year. Right now, I want to quote portions of the opening address by CRIS' director, Dan Heischmann.

I am going to make some important assumptions about those of you who hear (or read) this.

First of all, I assume that you find yourselves living with an ongoing concern about the moral life of the young people you teach.

Secondly, I assume that, in displaying or embodying that concern, you feel somewhat of an outsider, a voice in the wilderness, an individual amidst a small collection of faculty and administration that hold up a concern for the conscience of students and the soul of the school. To be concerned about ethical issues in an institution is

to take a different perspective from what is common: it is to be concerned about the institution as a whole. One cannot be serious about the moral life of young people and fail to take, for lack of a better word, a holistic view of the school. One inevitably becomes concerned about the spirit, the ethos of an institution - its heart, its soul, its conscience - and thereby one becomes increasingly uncomfortable with a view that may pervade that institution: I go into my classroom, teach my class, and that's it; I'll endure the occasional faculty meeting, do what is expected of me as a teacher, but, in essence, that is all I am really concerned about doing...

I look back on my work as a teacher and chaplain with a great deal of satisfaction; with the benefit of hindsight, I think I did a pretty good job, and I



Headmaster Alling rallies the teams at Blue/White Day.

can point to some admirable successes. However, like any good independent school teacher, I tend to focus more on the failures than the successes, and I think it is fair to say that there were some circumstances where I failed as a moral guide. There were various reasons for those unhappy occasions - some of the reasons being beyond my control, and none of them - thank God! - being situations where I was acting inappropriately. But in almost every case, there was a common thread: I did not assume the difficult role of being the adult; I did not respond to the situation in a way that a student or a colleague needed me to respond.

Instead, I responded in the way that they wanted me to respond. In the desire to please, the hurried nature of the situation, the pressure we all feel to make quick decisions, I had relinquished the role of the adult in the process.

To my mind, the moral questions of a school community begin with the adult, and end there. Our concern, our frustration, may seem to begin with student behavior, student attitudes, rules and regulations as they pertain to the young people in our midst. Our task, however, is to see beyond that immediate sense of crisis or complication, to the question that underlies it, namely, how do we adults operate - individually, collectively - within this institution, indeed how do we be adults to young people today? With the adult world increasingly accessible to youth, with an eagerness on the part of so many adults to stay young, how do we discern the nature of the adult in the moral community we are attempting to develop in our schools? What do we expect of ourselves that casts us adults in a role that is different, distinctive from the place of the student in our school? How do we understand ourselves, and the situations we encounter, so that we can discern the difference between what students *want* from us and what students *need* from us?

Part of that understanding is holding ourselves accountable as adults, seeing that the very things we expect from our students are the things we must expect of ourselves. Similarly, it has to do with the difficult work of self-reflection, and not a little bit of scrutinizing of our own behavior to see how we, as well as our colleagues, can be more of the adults our students need us to be. Not a small part of this challenge, however, is self-nurture, self-care, for I have discovered that the moments I am most prone to relinquish my role as a responsible adult are the times when I feel most exhausted, hassled, pulled in too many directions.

Our starting point for moral activity must be ourselves, and the care for ourselves as adults that we bring to that process. Rather than being a self-ish, narcissistic act, it is the prelude to the tough, sometimes stressful work

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GROUND BREAKING MARKS NEW ERA AT PDS

by Andrew C. Hamlin, Director of Institutional Advancement

Over 1,000 students, faculty and guests gathered in the early morning air on September 17th to mark the beginning of the largest undertaking by Princeton Day School since the construction of the main building in 1965. A shovelful of sandy brown soil, the lower school's rendition of "PDS is Best," the school cheer, and a round of applause from all, brought to a conclusion ground breaking ceremonies for the school's new classroom addition. According to Tom Stadulis, the school's director of operations, the 38,000 square foot addition, designed by Short and Ford and Partners of Princeton and constructed by Irwin and Leighton, Inc. of King of Prussia, is scheduled for completion by the opening of school next September. "It's an aggressive schedule," noted Stadulis, "but one we feel is manageable. With some help from the weather we should have the building ready for the opening of school next fall."

State-of-the-Art Lower School

"Our teachers can't wait," beamed Sara Schwiebert, the 15 year head of the lower school. "The new design represents a state-of-the-art elementary school, including sixteen classrooms that are 100 square feet larger than those we now use. This will allow for interdisciplinary projects, larger resource areas and the storage space we so badly need."

"The new addition will house our current lower school perfectly in facilities specifically designed for little ones," added Schwiebert. While there is no plan to increase the enrollment in the lower school, considerable growth has taken place in the last fifteen years. "Since 1974, we've added a junior kindergarten, two sections of kindergarten, and a first, second and third grade section. In the process, we've grown from 150 to 235 students," said Schwiebert.

A lower school lunchroom with appropriately sized tables and chairs, a kitchen, a multi-colored gym (complete with proportionally sized equipment and a safer, cushioned synthetic polymer play surface) are some of the design features Schwiebert refers to with pride. "And," she adds, "We will have our own science, computer, art and music facilities."

Other features of this "smart building," as Tom Stadulis describes it, are energy efficient and "warmer" parabolic lighting, air conditioning and heating controls for each classroom, a covered outdoor play area for rainy days and lots



A model of the new addition as viewed from the school's main entrance.

of skylights to provide natural lighting to classrooms. "We can consider more summer program options as a result of the air conditioning," says Stadulis, "and the open spaces in the new building provide attractive reception areas for alumni and parent gatherings."

According to Headmaster Alling, "When trustees, administrators and architects were planning the new campus twenty-seven years ago, a separate wing for the lower school was envisioned. In the end, however, they were unable to follow through with that dream. This major undertaking fulfills the planners' original intentions for the lower school, maintains our commitment to all of our students learning under one roof, and allows us to make several needed and exciting adjustments to our middle and upper school programs."

"The new wing also provides a rare opportunity for our students to witness the construction of a major facility," noted the headmaster. "In addition to the day

to day excitement of the building going up in front of our very eyes, we will provide students at all levels with educationally oriented tours of the site during various phases of construction."

New Photography Lab

Headmaster Alling continued, "One of the most exciting features of the new building is the photography lab. For too long, our nationally recognized photography program has been housed in the basement of Colross. We simply didn't have room for it anywhere else until now. The state-of-the-art laboratory in the new wing will put our photographic facilities on a par with any in the country."

One Teacher-One Classroom

"With this addition, we will be well on our way toward achieving the goal of providing every full-time upper school faculty member with his or her own classroom," noted Alling. "This will allow for better faculty/student advising condi-

tions and greater teacher investment in the upkeep and decor of classrooms." While specific uses of the areas vacated by the lower school are still being discussed, several directions are already evident. The most significant, according to the headmaster, has to do with upper school classrooms. Also being considered is a focused academic use of the vacated space - "perhaps for language, math or English," according to Head of Upper School Art Aaronson. "We need more involvement from department heads before reaching a decision, but the concept is exciting even in these early stages of the discussions."

Rethinking the Cafeteria

Other ramifications of the new space include studying the current use of student lounges and how the additional rooms might lead to a neater and cleaner upper school, moving study halls out of science laboratories and completely rethinking how the current dining room should be furnished and used - given that lower schoolers will now have their own facility. "We have talked about creating a student union atmosphere with carpeting, curtains and wall decorations and revisiting the way we present and serve our meals," said Aaronson. "It's a room with many possibilities, and we intend to explore all of them with administrators, faculty and students alike."

More Space for Middle School

Denise Bencivengo, acting middle school head, welcomes the additional space soon to be available to the middle school. Although the decision is not yet finalized, it appears that middle school will gain two additional classrooms and the sole use of a science lab. "This will allow us to group all homerooms by grade rather than split up some of them as we have had to do in the past. That will lead to reduced travel within the school, which is both helpful from an organizational standpoint and reassuring for our younger students. Perhaps the most important benefit of the new space, however, will be the additional rooms for student-teacher and advisor-teacher conferences and tutorials." Bencivengo continued, "I also welcome the upcoming discussions regarding the future of the South Commons area and will work toward a joint upper/middle school use that works well for both levels and begins to expose our seventh and eighth graders to upper school faculty, students and programs."

The new addition will also free up space above the administrative offices

currently occupied by the junior kindergarten, a section of fourth grade and middle school art. Current options under consideration include relocating the Business Office (now on the third floor of Colross), creating a faculty study/lounge area, expanding the school store and creating space for student clubs and organizations.

Reduced Traffic Congestion

Parents, too, will enjoy an ancillary benefit of the new wing in the form of a revised traffic pattern that routes buses through the entrance near the rink and up the back way to the main school building. Only cars will be allowed on the circle in front of the main building which will relieve congestion and increase safety at drop-off and pick-up time. Rainy days won't be a problem either, as the new wing will have covered waiting areas in the front and back to keep students dry while waiting for transportation.

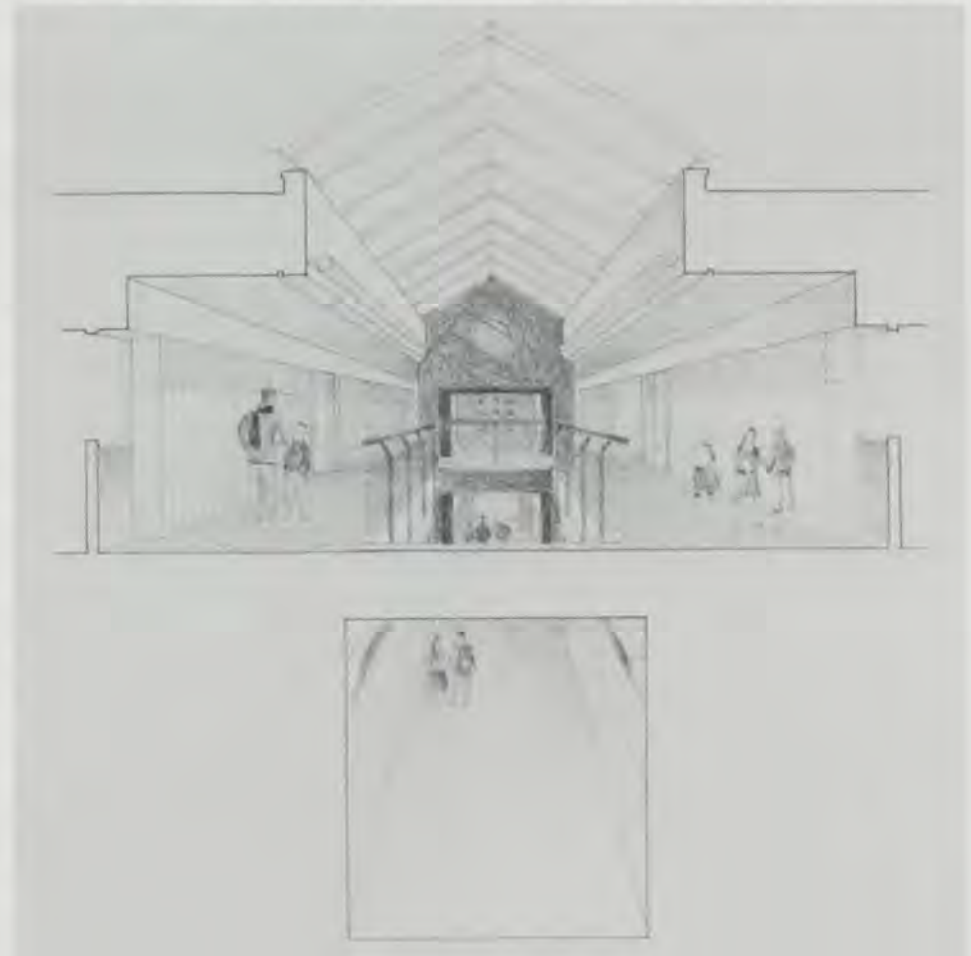
An Insider's View

Project architect Alison Baxter of the firm of Short and Ford and Partners, who works with project manager Joanna Kendig and partner-in-charge Charlie Farrell, has more than a strictly profes-

sional interest in the building. Her long-term and varied involvement with Princeton Day School as a teacher from 1977 to 1981, a present faculty spouse (Alison is married to religion and history teacher Bill Stoltzfus), and as a parent of Amelia (PDS '06?) who hopes to start kindergarten next year in the new wing, gives her a very special perspective indeed on the new wing. "But this project is very satisfying from a professional standpoint as well. I've enjoyed working through the design: talking with numerous faculty and staff, listening to their concerns and ideas and giving form to their comments with the ultimate goal of making teaching and learning easier and more exciting. From the grand scale of arranging spaces within the whole to the tiniest detail of selecting just the right sink height for a six year old, we've worked carefully with teachers and administrators to design a building perfectly suited for teaching and learning."

"A Leap of Faith"

"From a financial viewpoint this undertaking is a leap of faith for Princeton Day School," commented Headmaster Alling. "The Finance Committee of the Board and our Director of Finance Cindy



A cross section of the addition showing how skylights illuminate both upper and lower levels.



The dedication of "Noah's Ark."

the gift and thanked the alumni who made it possible.

The Miss Fine's School Fund grew from an idea that Susan Schildkraut Wallach MFS '64 brought to the development office. She wanted to honor the teachers at Miss Fine's School who had meant so much to her and felt that other alumnae would feel as she did. She worked with Jane Aresty Silverman '63 and formed a committee that included Angeline Fleming Austin '50, Louise Fenninger Sayen '38 and Jean Osgood Smyth '31. They drafted a letter asking Miss Fine's alumnae to join them in building an endowment fund to honor Miss Fine's School teachers.

The response has been very enthusiastic and the fund is now a reality. Each year an outstanding PDS teacher will be

chosen as the recipient of an award, provided by income from the endowment, that will make it possible for him or her to expand their knowledge and experience without financial hardship. The first winner of the Miss Fine's School Fund Award is photography and art teacher Eileen Hohmuth-Lemonick, who is taking a sabbatical to pursue photographic projects around the world.

At the Alumni Day dinner, Mrs. Wallach spoke eloquently about how Miss Fine's School teachers had influenced and enriched her life. She thanked them on behalf of all MFS alumnae and then unveiled a handsome plaque listing all the faculty and staff that had been at Miss Fine's School for five years or more. That plaque now hangs in the hall near the entrance to the theater.

Hanging next to the plaque honoring Miss Fine's School teachers is another that lists all faculty and staff who have served for 20 years or more at Miss Fine's School, Princeton Country Day School, Princeton Day School or a combination of the three. Names are listed in chronological order and will be added as others pass the 20-year mark.

Reunion gifts, memorials and scholarship and endowment funds are just some of the ways alumni have given back to the school that nourished them. New ideas for projects are always welcome and, indeed, are what keep Princeton Day School the vital, progressive school it is. With the support of alumni such as these, PDS will continue to excel and maintain its reputation as a front runner of independent schools.

MORE ALUMNI TEACHERS

In the last issue of the *Journal* we ran a list of alumni who had become teachers. The list was generated from the 1990 *Alumni Directory* and we knew it would be incomplete. We are grateful to those who provided the names of other alumni teachers and apologize for letting them slip through the cracks.

Jeffrey Johnson PDS '79 teaches social studies and geography at Mount St. Joseph High School in Rutland, VT. He also coaches the varsity ice hockey team which won the state championships last year. In the 1990-1991 season, his first at MJS, the team was state runner-up and Jeff was named Coach of the Year. He taught at Wilbraham & Monson Acad-

emy in Wilbraham, MA for four years prior to moving to Vermont.

Kevin Johnson PDS '81 was included in our list but without the following information. He taught English, coached lacrosse and acted as the faculty advisor to the school newspaper at St. Albans School in Washington, DC for three years before entering the Peace Corps in 1988. He is now working for the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, a nonprofit agency in Washington, DC that assists countries to implement democracy.

Matt Lustig PDS '87 is one of the newest additions, starting this fall as a science teacher in the middle school at PDS. He

will also be coaching ice hockey and baseball.

Edwin Purcell PDS '69 is an assistant professor of anatomy at the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Services in Des Moines, Iowa.

Joan Thomas Purnell MFS '42 has been teaching for 19 years in a Prescott, Arizona elementary school.

Lacey Baldwin Smith PCD '37 has been teaching for 19 years also and is now a professor at Northwestern University in Illinois.

Martha Heath Yerkes MFS '42 has taught for many years in the West Chester, PA schools.

PROSPECTS FOR PRETTY BROOK FARM EVALUATED

The school is seeking an appropriate use for Pretty Brook Farm, the beautiful and historic house beyond the headmaster's house. The farm belonged to the late Dean Mathey who donated the land on which the school is built. Since his death, it has been used to house faculty, but major repairs are needed and now all but a few of the rooms have been closed off.

A committee has been formed to study possible uses for the house and surrounding property. **Marie L. Matthews**, a former trustee and past parent, serves as chairman. She has had a long-time interest in the project and has put together a photographic history of the farmhouse and grounds to accompany foundation proposals that seek to raise funds to renovate the building. Committee members include: **Cynthia Alling**, wife of the headmaster and an advocate of historic preservation; **Angeline Fleming Austin** '50; **David Bogle**, assistant to the headmaster for special projects and father of Dave

'82; **Fleur Chandler**, mother of Jenny '78; **Edith Eglin**, former chairman of the Board of Trustees and mother of Cintra '76, Ed '88, Linda '79 and Tom '82; **Susie Ganoe**, mother of Alice '82; **Robbie Griffith**, mother of John '99; **Marilyn Grounds**, chairman of the Board of Trustees and mother of Christine '88 and Rebecca '92; **Andy Hamlin**, director of institutional advancement and father of Emily '03 and Charlie '06; **Weezie Lambert**, former Parents Association president and mother of Kelly '83, Sam '86 and Sarah '89; **Win Manning**, former chairman of the Board of Trustees and father of Cecelia '78; **Jacquie Phares**, mother of Jamie '80 and Craig '83; **Betty Roach**, former president of the Parents Association and mother of David '87 and John '85; **Lynn Behr Sanford** '68, granddaughter of Dean Mathey and mother of Laddie '03; **Tom Stadulis**, director of operations; **Celia Manning Tazelaar** '78, past alumni Annual Fund Chairman and former Alumni Council representative; **Penny Thomas**,

mother of Jerry '76, Ted '74 and Tim '80; **Susie Behr Travers** '60, granddaughter of Dean Mathey and mother of Ben '88; **Scotty** and **Peter Rossmassler** '42, parents of Tom '86, Bill '82 and Richard '91, Peter is a former member of the Board of Trustees; **Nancy Young**, Annual Fund director and mother of Meg '89 and Blair '92.

Although the final use of Pretty Brook Farm has yet to be determined, the committee has an exciting project in store for next spring. The Junior League of Greater Princeton has selected Pretty Brook Farm as their Show House for 1993. As such, it will be transformed by nationally-recognized interior designers and landscape architects. The school is responsible for making certain essential repairs and has hired Carl Jacobelli '71 as contractor. The Junior League will organize the decorators and house tour. This partnership promises to speed the improvement of Pretty Brook Farm and add immeasurably to its value.

Alumni Art Exhibition

An exhibit of creative work by Miss Fine's, Princeton Country Day and Princeton Day School alumni has been scheduled for November 1993. The alumni art exhibition in 1984 was so successful that we are excited about presenting another one. The '84 show included paintings, photographs and sculpture as well as furniture, book jackets, advertising story boards, jewelry, fashion sketches and designs for film special effects. We hope this exhibit will be as varied. Please consider entering your work in this multi-media showcase of alumni talent. More details and entry forms will be sent in January with the class secretary lists.

We are pleased to announce the establishment of a library book fund in memory of Donald A. Roberts, teacher of English at PDS from 1974 to 1985. The fund will be used to purchase books primarily in Don's particular areas of interest and in recognition of his profound influence on his students and also on the English curriculum. Donations may be sent to Princeton Day School, P.O. Box 75, Princeton, NJ 08542. Please make checks payable to PDS and noted for the Roberts Library Fund.

SUMMER AT PDS

Even before the last strains of *Pomp and Circumstance* have faded from the commencement tent, the school prepares for yet another group of students - those enrolled in summer programs. No longer restricted to remedial courses, summer school is often a chance for personal or professional enrichment. This year teachers (see story below) as well as students took advantage of the summer months to expand their horizons.

PDS has administered summer programs for many years. This year, under the direction of Mark Adams, the offerings were more numerous and varied than ever before. Courses ranged from the traditional, such as writing, math and foreign language workshops, to the exceptional, including a science challenge for middle schoolers and computer workshops that taught not only basic skills but electronic art and music. There were classes in language arts and math for grades two through four, foreign lan-

guage classes for third through sixth graders, study strategies for upper schoolers and driver's education.

In addition, alumnus Tom von Oehsen '80 directed a dramatic arts program entitled CenterStage which encourages children to use their imaginations to create original characters and story lines for performance on stage. Young artists were able to give free rein to their creativity in art classes designed for lower and middle schoolers that took advantage of the whole campus for inspiration. Trenton public school students attended PDS for an exciting new program created by upper school English teachers Bonnie Howarth and Gwen Reed. (See story on next page.)

The activity did not stop within the school. The playing fields were full as participation in sports camps increased. Girls field hockey and lacrosse camps enrolled over 100 athletes in sessions for beginning and intermediate players while

the boys lacrosse camp accommodated players from eight to fourteen years old. The coed camps for soccer and tennis were also well attended. For the first time, the school hosted the Phillies Baseball Camp which is run by the Philadelphia organization for children of lower and middle school age. Children had four days of instruction on campus under the leadership of former science teacher and baseball coach Paul Brown who was joined by members of the Phillies coaching staff. Another day was spent at Veteran's Stadium meeting team members and the Phillie Phanatic.

There have been almost 400 children in and out of school over summer "vacation." The stigma of summer school has evaporated in the heat of athletic competition, artistic endeavor and academic enrichment.

With such tempting choices, children are eager to spend part of their summer at PDS.



TEACHERS FROM ACROSS STATE ATTEND PDS MATH WORKSHOP

by Nancy Miller MFS '56, Kindergarten Teacher

For one week in July, visitors to Colross must have wondered if they had wandered into an unusual adult class. Thirty-seven elementary teachers were working with colorful pattern blocks, their desks heaped with lengths of cord, measuring jars and magic markers. They were all experiencing *Mathematics Their Way*, a course from The Center for Innovation in Campbell, California.

MTW was developed by Mary Baratta-Lorton in the early 1970s. She was a gifted teacher who found that children became excited and involved with numbers when they used different manipulative materials. She stressed finding patterns in the world around us - in fence posts and wallpaper, in nature and numbers. She wrote a book called *Work Jobs* and one called *Mathematics Their Way*. The teachers who took the course received another text entitled *The Summary Newsletter*.

These texts are guidelines that help teachers discover new ways to introduce math principles. Teachers are asked to save bread tags, milk cartons, nuts and bolts, stamps and other materials that are easily available. They ask the children in their classes to help with the collections so they feel part of the process. The various collections go into "junk boxes" the

teachers make for students to use in sorting, pattern measurement, counting and place value.

In order for our school to be chosen as the site of this workshop, it was required to have air conditioned facilities (hence Colross) and two volunteer "gofers" who had taken the course and implemented its ideas in their classrooms. I had taken five Saturday follow-up courses after my MTW workshop in 1991 and I found another woman, Sherrie Troxell, who was willing to commute from Medford Lakes to be the second volunteer. We had no idea how much work was involved, both before and during the workshop. There were hundreds of papers to collate, signs to prepare and materials to transport and arrange.

The instructor, Naomi Izumizaki, arrived from California the day before the course began. She was filled with ideas and enthusiasm and Sherrie and I learned a good deal from working with her. We both felt that it was time well spent if other teachers could feel the excitement and enthusiasm that we had felt with this hands-on approach.

The 37 teachers who participated came from many school districts. Betsy Trapp, Paula Siegel, Pat McCord, Sara Boyd,



Nancy Miller works with a young student.

Carol Zielinski and Krista Atkeson are the PDS teachers who took the course. They agree the experience "...gives a whole different spectrum of things to do with materials we already have and with which kids are familiar." They also "appreciated the subtlety and creativity of the approach."

So if you visit the lower school this fall, don't be surprised to find children weighing rice or beans or using shoes or juice to plot a graph. They will be the most recent benefactors of the MTW philosophy, proving that commonplace materials have a place alongside high tech equipment as tools for learning.

NEW SUMMER PROGRAM BRINGS TRENTON STUDENTS TO CAMPUS

20 Inner-City Children Experience Summer Stuff at PDS

by Lylah M. Alphonse PDS '90

The first thing they noticed was the teachers.

They were nice.

The school was big, some of the students said, remembering their first impressions of Princeton Day School's Summer Stuff program. The building had more windows than their regular school.

But what really stood out in their minds were the teachers — much nicer than their regular teachers, Mark Such added.

Summer Stuff was designed and

implemented by PDS teachers Bonnie Howarth and Gwen Reed to help educationally underprivileged children from the inner-city Trenton area. After being in the works for about two years, Mrs. Reed said, PDS began the first part of the program's three-summer stint on July 1, thanks to a \$50,000 grant from the J. Seward Johnson Sr. Charitable Trust.

"We wanted to provide a program for the child who sometimes gets overlooked in a regular system — not necessarily the gifted and talented, not necessarily the remedial," Mrs. Howarth said. By giving the students the luxury of small classes and working one-on-one with them, she says she hopes that the program will build self-esteem and improve academic performance, as well as instill a sense of pride in the group as a whole.

The emphasis of the program, which has openings for 20 students in all, is on reading, writing and speaking skills, Mrs. Howarth said, though students spend several hours each week in drama, music and art classes as well.

"We are not trying to groom these students so that they can come to PDS," Mrs. Howarth stressed.

Along with Morris Kimball, principal of the Washington School in Trenton, two fifth-grade teachers helped identify students from their Trenton classes whom they felt would benefit from the program. All of the students are going into the sixth grade this fall.

During a recent visit, the children were full of energy. The 17-member group was divided in half; one group was rehearsing a play with drama coaches Tom von

Oehsen and Ev Therrien in PDS' amphitheater.

The play is about two sisters, one good and one bad, and involves cats, pelicans, fish and lots of imagination. In rehearsal, the students transform themselves into animals for the play, including a wriggling electric eel and a bubbly blowfish.

The play itself is being developed through improvisation, and the children do not need to use a script. In fact, there is none.

According to Ms. Therrien, working with this group is "the same as working with any other kids."

"It's a matter of trying to establish a relationship, letting them be self-confident and comfortable on stage," she said.

Harnessing the children's energy proved to be challenging. Mr. von Oehsen and Ms. Therrien introduced drills involving "physical theatrical movements," using slapstick comedy and neutral masks to force the kids to communicate with a type of body language, rather than using words to "take the easy way out," Mr. von Oehsen said.

Another challenge, he added, was "to get their imaginations and confidence to a level suitable for stage."

"They all have great ideas," he said, "but they're not used to getting on stage and showing them to people."

"We're raising the level of expectations for these children," Ms. Therrien said.

"We're opening eyes, showing others what these kids can do," Mr. von Oehsen added.



Tom von Oehsen '80 and Salena Marshall '94 measure Laura Novak for a mermaid costume.

After a half-hour lunch break, the drama group went to the computer room for a two-hour session, where they sat at their terminals and began composing their own creation myths.

The words appearing slowly on the screens speculated about why the leaves turn colors in the fall (they get a suntan, one student imagined) and where birds came from (hawks brought them, another student typed), among other things.

A member of the PDS faculty for 20 years, Bonnie Howarth teaches English in the upper school (grades 9 through 12) and is the computer coordinator for the junior kindergarten through eighth grades.

Along with fellow PDS English teacher Gwen Reed, Mrs. Howarth takes care of the "traditionally academic" part of the program, which includes studying Greek, African and African-American mythology and folklore.

"The bulk of the time in the program is spent on reading and writing skills," she said. "And the drama reinforces a lot of the skills."

"Here (at PDS), the teachers want to know how you feel," said Deissy Estrada, explaining a difference that she has noticed between Summer Stuff and her regular school. Maria Orellana said she thinks Summer Stuff is "fun, better than real school."

There are four interns who help with the program. Joel Melendez, a sophomore at PDS, said their responsibilities include running errands when necessary, working on reading in small groups of two or three kids, and working on problem solving.

"And keeping the kids in line," he jokes, with a sideways look at one of the children, who is standing at his elbow.

The student-interns provide an additional level of authority, Mrs. Reed said, allowing the children to relate to them as role models.

"Each (of the students) wants a lot of individual attention," Mrs. Howarth said. "Finding the balance between their freedom of choices and the rules is tough."

Like their play, Summer Stuff is a "work-in-progress." As Mr. von Oehsen said, "There's always something else to be learned the next year."

"I think it's going to be a great growing experience," Ms. Therrien said.

In addition to teaching at Summer Stuff, Gwen Reed has been acting as "a liaison" between the Board of Education in Trenton and PDS. She meets with officials and parents, coordinating food delivery and transportation for the kids.

For her, the challenge was "getting the students to the point where they could

accept the varied kinds of experiences we're hoping to expose them to."

Something that the children are not often exposed to is "the freedom to be able to explore," Mrs. Reed said.

"Most times they (the children) are placed in learning situations that are very rigid, very programmed. And although we do have a very specific schedule with specific goals...we try to allow, within that framework, an amount of flexibility to allow for their own creativity, and their own imagination and abilities to come forth.

"Many of them have not had that kind of opportunity, to have the chance to really explore what they're good at," she said.

Because of cutbacks in Trenton, programs like computers and music in schools have been "wiped out," Mrs. Reed explained.

"We're at a place (PDS) where we have such a wealth of those facilities," Mrs. Reed said. Mrs. Howarth agrees. "I've always felt that we should be sharing ideas and facilities that we have here, and the staff," she said.

While Summer Stuff will not balance out the effects of the cut-backs, it does "put a dent" in them, said Mrs. Reed.

"Realistically, we have a small group here," she said. "We need to do it one day at a time, one child at a time."

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Capturing Moments of Summer Stuff

by Bonnie Howarth
Upper School English Teacher

July went by in a flash this year, in a blink of time and a burst of flashbulbs. My days and my photographs concentrated on Summer Stuff in constant discoveries about the potential of students, the energy and talents of teachers and interns, and the delight of improvisation.

Preparing for this new program, we knew we were dealing with upcoming sixth graders in a summer experience that ran from 8:15 until 2:00 five days a week. We knew that one of our most important goals was to develop a sense of the individual and the group. We knew our curriculum would center on mythol-

ogy and folktale. However, the unknowns far outweighed the knowns. Never mind that we didn't know the bus would be over an hour late the first morning or that the outlet we'd chosen to plug in the refrigerator was the only one in the dining room that didn't work or that we'd have rain on the first days we'd scheduled outdoor recreation. What about the bigger issues? What had the Trenton students learned in their six years of schooling? How much could we reasonably require in a one-day reading assignment? What words were already a part of their vocabulary? How well did they already know each other? What frictions would we have to overcome? How could we prepare our first-time interns for that tricky balance of becoming friend and authority figure, of being teacher and learner? How much would everything cost? How much should we try to accomplish during that short summer month?

During the four-week session I took over 400 pictures trying to capture the many moments of Summer Stuff. The pictures show the extent of intern involvement in the play the children helped create called *Feline Fishing* and in the program as a whole. In one picture, Joel Melendez, a PDS sophomore intern, does his Elvis "wannabe" routine. In other Carrie James, a Trenton High freshman intern, encourages children to give her their imaginations as they prepare to transform themselves into cats for the play. Sherri James, a '91 PDS graduate, holds out her arms to restore the "cats" to their unenslaved state. Salena Marshall, a PDS junior intern, takes part in the dance line of mermaids. She also designed and made most of the costumes.

I have pictures of drama coach Ev Therrien as she puffs out her cheeks to imitate a blowfish; of '80 alumnus and drama coach Tom von Oehsen as he pantomimes baseball to illustrate the effect of back scrim shadows. Some PDS students joined the Summer Stuff group in the play so pictures show Sonya Cotton PDS '00, the pelican, perched next to Jason Banks of Summer Stuff and Michael Bridgeman PDS '00 as youthful fishermen.

There are pictures of PDS art teacher Susan Reichlin showing students how to paint the Greek columns they had drawn and of Louise McClure, PDS music teacher, adjusting the fingering of a novice at the recorder. There are pictures of Gwen Reed and me peering at books with small groups or individual students. But far more numerous are pictures of kids who are simply enjoying togetherness. Girls playing double dutch after



Bonnie Howarth (third from left) and Gwen Reed (far right) work with Summer Stuffers under the flag pole.

lunch; interns with kids climbing all over them; students holding up awards for being The Most Versatile or The Most Daring; a handful clutching their perfect attendance gift certificates for Toys-R-Us; a breakfast or lunch table of laughing, babbling kids unwrapping food provided by the city of Trenton; pictures of a room full of friends painting their names on the back of Summer Stuff T-shirts on the last day of the program.

Friends. We became a close-knit group as we became skilled at improvisation and as we discovered answers to many of those unknowns that had worried us at the start of the program. Working in two sub-sets (the Hell-raisers and the Hillbillies) and allowing for differences (teacher/intern/student, black/white/Hispanic, 28 individuals), we all came to feel the unity and promise of Summer Stuff.



Clowning with their new friends are: (front row, L. to R.) Deissy Estrada, Nakima Ford, Jean Lesperance; (back row) Mark Such, Salena Marshall '94, Sherri James '91, Joel Melendez '95 and Maria Orellana.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

by Marilyn W. Grounds, Chairman

The big news from the Board of Trustees is that the final decision was made this summer to begin to build the new classroom addition. In fact, the official ground breaking took place on September 17 with all the students and faculty in attendance. It was a glorious occasion. The time is right for undertaking this project since building costs and interest rates are down. We have raised \$2 million and plan to borrow \$4 million. The continuing challenge will be to solicit new capital gifts to pay off the building.

I am pleased to report on the fiscal soundness of the school. We ended the year with a small surplus on a \$9.7 million budget. KPMG Peat Marwick performed the audit and favorably commented on the health of the school. We continue to struggle with keeping tuitions and costs down and salaries and benefits attractive. It is gratifying that we have accomplished this without cutting any funds from existing programs.

Also, I would like to share with you the status of the capital campaign. To date we have raised the impressive sum of \$7 million. This marks the end of Phase I with \$4 million of that sum dedicated to faculty compensation and \$1 million to financial aid endowment. The remaining \$2 million has been set aside for the classroom addition.

The membership committee did an outstanding job in identifying new trustees with particular expertise. We welcome alumni Shawn Ellsworth '75 and Jim Rodgers '70 (chair of the Finance Committee), past parent Albert Stark, president of the Parents Association Carol

Ober, and parents Dan Graziano (chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee), John Griffith, Polly Hamill (chair of the Legal Committee and parliamentarian), and Bob Marquis (chair of the Annual Fund). Six of these new trustees have served on Board committees in the past and so are already fully immersed in its work.

The Educational Policy Committee spent the year looking at the upper school program. It invited faculty and students to report at its committee meetings on different aspects of upper school life such as multicultural diversity, honors and advanced placement courses, the ninth

grade program, community service and the advisor system. The discussions and suggestions were of great interest and the upper school received high grades for an extremely rich program.

Progress was also made by other Board committees. Long Range Planning did a major update on the existing plan, Communications worked closely with the admission office, Faculty Benefits found better ways to provide for medical insurance.

Princeton Day School is extremely fortunate to have a Board comprised of such qualified people who give so generously of their time and expertise.



PDS' newest trustees are: (L. to R.) Robert Marquis, John Griffith, Albert Stark, Polly Hamill, Shawn Ellsworth '75, Carol Ober and James Rodgers '70. Missing from picture, Daniel Graziano.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HONORS SENIOR

The fourth Alumni Association Senior Award was presented at the upper school awards assembly on June 5th. Kevin Capinpin was honored for his outstanding contributions to the school and given a replica of the large silver bowl that is displayed at the theater entrance. He joins past winners John Woodford '89, Paul Shah '90 and Sarah Beatty '91. Alumni Director Linda Maxwell Stefanelli '62 described Kevin's accomplishments at the ceremony.

"Four years ago, the Alumni Association established an award for a senior who exemplifies the spirit and values of Princeton Day School through service

to others.

"This year's recipient has worked quietly behind the scenes to make things happen around school. His photographic talent is obvious, but few are aware of the hundreds of extra hours he puts in: cleaning the darkroom, taking one more picture for the *LINK* or *Spokesman* and fulfilling innumerable requests from students and faculty. He is always willing to help, totally reliable and the whole school has benefitted from his amazing energy.

"Since he never seeks the spotlight, I'm delighted today to be able to shine it on Kevin Capinpin."



Alumni Director Linda Maxwell Stefanelli '62 presents the Alumni Award bowl to Kevin Capinpin '92.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPORT

by Jane Henderson Kenyon '79, President



The 1991-1992 year at Princeton Day School was very exciting! There are so many wonderful things going on at the school and the Alumni Association was

proud to be a part of many of them. We held our annual Christmas tree sale at Colross to raise money for the Alumni Association Scholarship which partially funds an upper school student's tuition. Many ice hockey and basketball players came out the day after Christmas to play with their old cohorts and enjoy reunions at the rink. (Try it this year!) We again sponsored Career Day for the junior and senior class, bringing several alumni back to school to talk about the specifics of their professions. We served a special breakfast to the seniors and talked to them about their responsibilities and privileges as alumni. The annual Alumni Association Senior Award was given to a very deserving Kevin Capinpin. Finally, we had a great evening in May celebrating our reunions, dedicating the Harriette McLoughlin sculpture, honoring Fifi Laughlin Keller '77 with the Alumni Award, and helping to fill the penny machine. (Yes, the penny machine

is still in the front hall, waiting for your donations to reach its goal of 1,000,000 pennies!)

This year we hope to start compiling an alumni career network and also to help Arlene Smith with another alumni art exhibit, planned for next fall. Anyone interested in helping with these projects should contact the alumni office.

I want to thank Linda Stanier Bergh '66, Dede Shipway Webster '62 and Craig Stuart '87 for their support of PDS and the Alumni Association. We'll miss you. I also want to warmly welcome Laura Farina '79, Pete Buck '77 and Carl Taggart '82 as new Alumni Council representatives.

We are looking forward to another productive year. We welcome support, ideas and suggestions from alumni during the coming year and hope you will come back to visit PDS. The new wing is under construction and the whole school is alive with activity.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION REPORT

by Carol M. Ober, President

Under the outstanding leadership of Cathi Ragsdale, the Parents Association in the 1991-1992 academic year directed its efforts to defining its role in the PDS community. In its first year of operation, the dues-based operational budget was most successful and led to extensive examination of how the Parents Association spends its money and what can be accomplished within these limits. The Parents Association can now comfortably budget for each event in our hospitality budget and each class party. The designated fundraisers, such as the Book Fair, continue to direct all their receipts to a predetermined recipient in the school. The library benefits in the case of the Book Fair. The Nearly New Shop continues to excel and each year makes a sizable donation to the Scholarship Fund. Part of its receipts are also being used to fund faculty enrichment. The goal underlying all this work with finances has been to make it easier for more people to be involved and in fact, as a result of our efforts, we are now able to use a more extensive volunteer pool.

The Executive Council of the PDS Par-

ents Association provides an important avenue of communication for parents, students and faculty. While the Executive Council organizes and steers projects and events designated to enrich academic life, it is the parents, our volunteers, that make it all happen. Our goal has always been to involve as many parents as possible to help enrich our school community.

It was another exciting year for the Parents Association. We presented Dr. Lawrence Kutner, *New York Times* columnist and author of the book, *Parent and Child*, as our annual fall speaker. He gave an engaging talk with many practical tips on raising children. The heads of each of the three school divisions worked with their committees and tried a variety of social events to involve the students. The Casino Night for ninth and tenth grades and the after-prom senior party were great innovations. A Family Day in May was also planned to coincide with alumni weekend, however, the weather forced us to cancel. We will try again this year.

The Parents Association is made up of

all the parents in the PDS community and if we can harness all their diverse interests and energies, their involvement will add much to our students' school experience. We urge all parents to take an active role and welcome any talents or time they have to share.



A TRIBUTE TO MARY WILLIAMS

by Susan Daly Rouse, Head of Middle School English Department

Mary V. Williams arrived at Princeton Day School eight years ago from the highly-regarded Lab School in her beloved Chicago. She took to PDS like a duck to water and quickly settled in to her task of running the middle school. During the course of her time at PDS she became known for her innovative ideas and programs. Her decision to leave the school this year to pursue new venues and opportunities for growth prompts us to recall all that Mary has done for our school and to acknowledge that the school has profited in many ways by her time with us. She will be sorely missed but we wish her well in her new pursuits. In honor of the parents of her middle schoolers, she has planted a Malus Snow Crabapple tree just outside her former office. The middle school faculty has dedicated an encyclopedia of multi-cultural books to Mary, and a devoted group of parents presented to the middle school a handsome teak bench in recognition of Mary's extraordinary talents and energy. At the Final Assembly for the middle school, English Department Chairman Susan Daly Rouse spoke movingly of Mary's tenure at PDS. We are pleased to be able to reprint her speech.

Just as surely as June is the time of graduations, it is also a time for good-byes, new beginnings and memories. The graduating eighth-graders know this well. And so it seems fitting, Mary Williams, for those of us on the middle school faculty to thank you now for the changes you have initiated, the unique efforts you have made towards the life of the PDS middle school and the special memories you leave with us.

In particular we thank you for Mini-Week. The idea for Mini-Week had been talked about endlessly before you came to PDS, but no one had ever made anything happen. You arrived, took the concept and made Mini-Week a reality that very year. Mini-Week is now a highlight of every middle-schoolers' experience. Somehow you have managed to include faculty, parents and administrators in the courses, even inviting David Bogle to leave his Colross office and dress like a clown for a week.

With Kim Bedesem you started Blue/White Field Day. It is a tradition which has, at times, involved the middle, lower, and upper schools in cooperative and spirited competitions, and each spring the faculty and students anticipate the break from classes and the opportunity to play together.

You have made schedule changes to include the middle school orchestra in the academic day, giving it the chance to become revitalized. Now the orchestra is an integral part of our music program and our holiday celebrations. And you have been a strong proponent of continued schedule changes for the future so that the middle school students can have additional academic, artistic and athletic opportunities.

You presided over the transition from the grade eight Blairstown Retreat to the new grade eight Outdoor Education Program. I know that you have also participated with the faculty in several of the hikes and rock-climbing week-ends.

Along with Diane Rosenberg you worked with English and history teach-

ers to create the spring term elective program so that eighth graders would have some choices in their academic life and would have an upper school experience in the middle school. In formulating and encouraging these programs and changes you have created a unique entity in the middle school.

You have had an impact on the PDS middle school faculty and our teaching, Mary. You have encouraged the department heads to meet regularly and work as a group to foster interdisciplinary teaching. You have given strong support to multi-cultural issues and gender awareness in the classroom, and many of us have attended workshops and conferences at your urging and with your encouragement.

We are aware, Mary, that you are often an advocate for the student struggling with academic or social problems. We have seen you adopt virtually the entire eighth grade as advisor and mentor, making yourself available for support or simply a kind word.

Lastly, you have worked to improve communications with the parents so that they are aware of the middle school activities and of their children's progress.

You leave us with many memories, Mary. We will remember you dressed as a clown for the Mini-Week circus course, running down the hall in size twenty shoes, baggy pants and clown paint; and we will never forget you at the circus assembly having a cream pie flung in your face.

We will remember you at the Kendall Park Skating Rink during Spirit Day, skating circles around many of the students and faculty and helping the novice skaters keep up with their friends.

And one highlight we will always remember is graduation day two years ago. The rains poured and the speakers we needed for the recessionary music shorted out at the very end of the ceremony. With only the microphone on the dais working, you began singing. As the new ninth graders paraded out, you led the faculty

in a magnificent vocal rendition of *Pomp and Circumstance*, so there would be a proper, formal recessionary.

I know, Mary, that one of your favorite poets is Robert Frost. One of mine is the Greek poet, C.P. Cavafy. I would like to share some lines with you from his poem, *Ithaka*. The poet refers to the twenty-year journey of Odysseus and, I think, the Odysseus in each of us.

As you set out for Ithaka
hope your road is a long one,
full of adventure, full of discovery.
Laistrygonians, Cyclops,
angry Poseidon — don't be afraid of
them:
you'll never find things like that on your
way
as long as you keep your thoughts raised
high,
as long as a rare excitement
stirs your spirit and your body...

Hope your road is a long one.
May there be many summer mornings
when,
with what pleasure, what joy,
You enter harbors you're seeing for the
first time;
May you stop at Phoenician trading sta-
tions
to buy fine things,...
and may you visit many Egyptian cities
to learn and go on learning from their
scholars.

Keep Ithaka always in your mind.
Arriving there is what you're destined
for.
But don't hurry the journey at all.
Better if it lasts for years,
so you're old by the time you reach the
island,
wealthy with all you've gained on the
way,
Not expecting Ithaka to make you rich.

We, the faculty, thank you, Mary, for making us richer. We will always remember you.

1992 COLLEGE CHOICES

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| Geoffrey Atkinson | Gettysburg | Elizabeth Lake | Bucknell |
| Courtenay Batcha | Lehigh | Michael Laudenberger | Stevens |
| Meghan Bencze | Cornell | Stephanie Mann | George Washington |
| Jonathan Benedict | Georgetown | Katherine Marquis | Williams |
| Sarah Berkman | Trinity College (CT) | Timothy McCollough | Rhode Island School of Design (9/93) |
| Chandra Bhatnagar | Vassar | Jerry McMullen | Dickinson |
| Jason Bilanin | Bucknell | Tamara Meade | Boston College |
| Sam Bosque | New York University | Carin Moonin | Johns Hopkins |
| Harvey Bradley | Williams | Gary Moore | Rutgers |
| Adam Bromwich | Princeton | Romi Mukherjee | University of Chicago |
| Anne Bussard | Vassar | Stacey Namm | Washington University |
| Charles Buttaci | Northeastern | Melissa Parker | Emory |
| Kevin Capinpin | Johns Hopkins | Katherine Prescott | William Smith |
| Nicole Cargulia | Southern Methodist University | Deepa Purushothaman | Wellesley |
| Alison Cho | Barnard | James Reed | Georgetown |
| Carolyn Cooper | Johns Hopkins | Pauline Roberts | Wesleyan |
| Ravindra Dalal | M.I.T. | Wesley Robinson | Loyola |
| Natasha Datta | Rutgers | Arthur Rotberg | Boston University |
| Susan Dolan | Skidmore | Frederick Sabb | Carnegie Mellon |
| Matthew Farruggio | Southern Methodist University | Daniel Safer | New York University |
| Shara Feldman | Barnard | Michael Scarlata | Lehigh |
| Brian Ferber | Franklin & Marshall | Michael Schragger | University of Pennsylvania |
| Michael Ferry | Bates (9/93) | Joelle Scott | Colgate |
| James Francomano | Yale | Ami Shah | University of Pennsylvania |
| Patricia Frank | Brown | Jasper Shahn | Reed |
| Danielle French | Tufts | Christopher Sheldon | Denison |
| Benjamin Frost | University of Pennsylvania | Jean Shin | Lehigh |
| Justin Geisel | University of Richmond | Lauren Shuke | Carnegie Mellon |
| Jonathan Getty | Cornell | John Stitzer | Lehigh |
| Andrew Goldenson | Cornell | Marketa Stoy | American |
| James Graziano | Duke | Nathan Tain | McGill |
| Rebecca Grounds | Hamilton | Shannon Tate | Lehigh |
| Jane Grey | St. Catharine's College, Oxford University | Julia Tatsch | Colby |
| Eric Guinta | Berkeley (9/93) | Krista Tefteau | Gettysburg |
| Robert Hall | New York University | Elizabeth Terrell | St. Lawrence |
| Rebecca Hart | Brown | Sharon Thomas | Georgetown |
| Judson Henderson | Hamilton | Joshua Tickin | Princeton |
| Blake Hogan | Vanderbilt | Mark Trowbridge | Choate Rosemary Hall (p.g.) |
| Todd Hovanec | year off | Marcella Webster | Colorado College (9/93) |
| Laura Howard | New York University | Susan Welt | year off |
| Matthew Hurford | Swarthmore | Jayson White | Tulane |
| David Jackson | University of North Carolina | Marc Wirstrom | Hamilton |
| Mrinalini Kamath | Johns Hopkins | David Wise | Brown |
| Kidana Kassahun | Spelman | Eric Wolarsky | Columbia |
| Matthew Katzenbach | Ithaca | Alexandra Woodford | University of Colorado |
| Levina Kim | Smith | Blair Young | Kenyon (9/93) |
| Brian Kohn | Ithaca | Matthew Young | Lehigh |
| Michelle Kornhauser | Washington University | Heather Zahn | Dickinson |
| Matthew Kramer | Dickinson (9/93) | | |



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Schools are always in motion. Course material progresses from the basic through the complex, students move from grade to grade and faculty adapt to the changing needs of the school and their own lives. This section details the transitions that have occurred since June within the faculty and administration: those new to the school, those in new positions and those who have retired.

Five Veterans Retire



Phyllis Bailey retired as assistant librarian after ten years. She first came to PDS at the urging of her sister, Registrar Darlene Byrne. She worked in the upper library and helped in its reorganization and modernization. Through computers, students are now able to access the on-line catalog at Princeton's Firestone Library or select a college through Peterson's College Search Service.

Phyllis was a great friend to both students and faculty who was always available for sympathetic counsel as well as ideas for the annual staff parties. She organized the holiday gnome tree under which mystery "gnomes" leave presents for assigned members of the student body, faculty, staff and administration.

She joins her husband, Tom, in retirement, but plans to spend some time helping her daughter with her craft business. She looks forward to having more time to enjoy her six young grandchildren and her house at the shore.

Dierdre Bannon started teaching at Miss Fine's School in 1960 and, with a few interruptions, has been with the school for over 20 years. She taught middle school science and was the supervisor of the chess club and an advisor to middle school student government. The eighth grade yearbook remembers that

"she was always there ... with an open ear or supportive comment. She was quick with a compliment and put out extra effort to be part of her student's lives and to be in touch with the students and their needs."

Dede, as she was known, was always looking for ways to make science an exciting experience for her classes. Her classroom was the scene of experimentation and laboratory tests and she taught an analytical approach to science that prepared her students for further study. She admired and fostered individuality in her students. Colleagues recall that she asked the hard questions, spoke her own



mind, supported new faculty and "never lost the overview."

Dede plans to return to PDS as a substitute teacher so the school will continue to have the benefit of her knowledge.

Alison Shehadi began teaching math in the Miss Fine's School middle school in 1961. She continued at PDS as an upper school math teacher and saw her three children, Philip '74, Muna '79 and Charles '82 graduate from PDS. In 1969 her husband, Fadlou, a philosophy professor at Rutgers University, took the family to his homeland of Lebanon for a year. In 1977 she succeeded Rudi Carchidi as head of the upper school math department.

She was extremely accessible and supportive to both students and faculty. She encouraged her department to attend math conferences and keep abreast of new developments and she, herself, was continually searching for new perspectives in teaching. While always sensitive to students' problems, Alison was firm in her expectations. Students were able to laugh at her unique grading system in which a poor paper might get an "Oh, my!" at the top of the page, but they also worked hard to correct their errors. Jim Walker, who now heads the math department, describes her approach as a "gentle firmness, coupled with a smile."

Last year, following the tragic death of her son, Philip, she took a sabbatical year in France where her husband is running a program for Rutgers students. She has decided to retire and will return to the US in November.



Markell Myers Shriver's affiliation with PDS goes back to her days as a student at Miss Fine's. She was president of the student council and won the top prize for citizenship at graduation in 1946. She went on to Vassar College. From 1958-1960 Mickey was volunteer president of the Miss Fine's School Alumni Association and, as such, held a seat on the Board of Trustees. From 1960-1965

she continued on the Board in her own right, serving as assistant treasurer.

During the early planning stages for Princeton Day School Mickey worked part-time on fund raising for the new building. The fund drive was headquartered in an office over Hinkson's on Nassau Street. Faith Zeising and Frank Taplin directed the fund raising efforts



which in 1963 moved out to Colross on the new campus. Mickey worked with Jack Livingston, the first business manager for PDS and, later, with Carl Storey. At the same time, she helped out in the alumni office, working with Booie Carpenter, Ginny Taylor and Joan Baker. Eventually she became the full-time alumni secretary.

In order to get to know the seniors better, Mickey served as a twelfth grade advisor. When Huson Gregory left his position as college counselor in June of '77, Mickey took over from him. Under her guidance, a consortium of college counselors from area schools was formed to work together on issues facing college-bound students. They meet regularly and host the College Fair held annually at Stuart School and PDS. Mickey was in charge of scheduling the 150 college representatives that visit campus during the year. She also instituted a college night for parents of juniors and another for senior parents to learn about the college process. She kept in touch with many admission offices through personal visits and was up to date on their requirements and standards. In her 15 years as director of college guidance she made many friends at schools around the country. These contacts gave her a better understanding of the colleges and her advice on the best match for a student was

an informed one.

Her assistant, Marge Whalen, cites "her patience and understanding" as one of her major strengths. The 1989 yearbook was dedicated to both women in the college guidance office and said, "We couldn't have made it through senior year without you. Your knowledge, composure and sense of humor helped us to unravel the mysteries of college applications and your guidance will always prove useful in the future." If her 30 years of effort at PDS are any indication, Mickey's "retirement" should be a busy one.

Arlene Smith also taught at Miss Fine's School, joining the faculty in 1961 as the only art teacher, responsible for kindergarten through twelfth grade classes. At PDS she was head of the art department and oversaw the curriculum for lower, middle and upper school divisions in fine arts, crafts and photography. In addition she taught upper



school classes in painting, drawing and sculpture.

Although she has retired from her teaching position, Arlene will continue as director of the Anne Reid Art Gallery, bringing exhibits by nationally recognized artists to the school and providing a showcase for student work. When the blueprints for the new school were being designed, she insisted that space for an art gallery be included. Since then she has worked to improve the area and transform it into a top quality exhibition space that can be enjoyed by students, faculty and the community at large.

If the measure of a teacher is the success of her students, Arlene has left quite

a legacy. PDS students consistently win state and national competitions and many alumni have pursued artistic careers. (Their talent was obvious at an alumni art exhibit held several years ago. Look for the announcement of another showing next year.)

Arlene will still have an involvement with PDS but she hopes to finally have time for her own painting.

New Administrators Join Staff

Andrew Hamlin heads the development office as director of institutional advancement. A graduate of St. Andrew's School in Delaware and St. Lawrence University in New York, he received a master's degree from the State University of New York in educational administration. He served as director of annual giving at Lawrenceville School and St. Lawrence University and then returned to Lawrenceville as director of development in 1981.

Andy oversees all aspects of alumni and parent relations, publications and fund raising. He plans to focus on completing the funding for the building of the classroom wing which was started this summer.

Andy and his wife, Kathleen Deignan, an associate dean of students at Princeton University, live in Pennington with their three children, Emily, 7, Charlie, 5, and Sam, 3. The older two attend PDS.

Katherine Kraus takes over from Markell Shriver as director of college guidance. She received her undergraduate and graduate degrees from Stanford



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University. She has worked in the admissions office at Princeton University and, most recently, was the director of college guidance at Rutgers Preparatory School in New Brunswick.

Kathy lives in Hopewell with her husband, Stuart Rosse, and their two children. Their son, Julian, is in fifth grade at Hopewell Elementary School and daughter Sasha is in third grade there.

George Sanderson has assumed the new position of associate director of admission. He works with the Student Admission Committee, conducts interviews with prospective students and their parents and reviews applications. He is also coaching junior girls soccer.

George graduated from Noble and Greenough School in Massachusetts and has an A.B. from Princeton University. He was chairman of the Princeton Alumni Schools Committee in Westport, CT for which he recruited, interviewed and evaluated high school juniors.

George comes to PDS from the banking world. He was a vice president in the Structured Finance Division of Chemical Bank in New York. He and his wife, Carolyn, live in Rocky Hill.



sible for maintaining communications with the media and community groups. He develops and organizes special projects and events, working with parents, alumni and friends of the school. He is the editor of a new in-house publication, coedits *Newsline* and assists with the production of *The Spokesman* and the *Journal*. David is also available to assist the trustees in their work for the school.

Harry Rulon-Miller is the assistant to the director of athletics. His focus is the middle school athletic program and the use of the rink by PDS students and outside organizations. Skating has been a part of Harry's life since his days in the Princeton Country Day School class of 1951. He went on to play at Princeton University and to try out for the 1960 Olympic team.

Ann Wiley, a 1970 PDS graduate, has worked in the development office for five years as assistant to the Campaign. She serves now as coordinator of alumni activities, responsible for all facets of alumni annual giving. She is also assisting the admission office with special events and research.

Denise Bencivengo Appointed Interim Head of Middle School

by Arthur C. Aaronson,
Assistant Headmaster

Denise Bencivengo, head of the middle school foreign language department, has been appointed interim head of the middle school for the 1992-1993 school year. Denise came to PDS in 1983 as a Spanish teacher in the middle school and in 1988 was appointed head of the middle school language department. Last year she took on the added responsibility of chairing the upper school language department when Marilene Edrei was on sabbatical. Denise holds a B.A. from Rutgers and an M.A. from New York University in Spanish language and literature. She is just completing work on a dissertation for her Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania.

Over the years, Denise has been described as a truly exceptional "master" teacher. To her, learning a language is an opportunity to broaden students' awareness of the world through learning about the culture and history of another nationality. With this knowledge and new understanding, students can become more caring about other people. Thus, she has been instrumental in the growth and continued success of the language program at Princeton Day School.



Having demonstrated a deep commitment to middle school teaching herself, Denise commented, "Our faculty is an incredibly devoted and creative group of teachers. They care a great deal about the students at this crucial developmental stage and manifest this through sensitivity and good humor."

Denise has met with middle school faculty and Headmaster Duncan Alling to make plans for the coming year and to form a search committee to select a new head of middle school by July 1993. The committee will include trustees, administrators, faculty, parents and students and will begin its work in September.

Although this is a year of transition for the middle school, we are confident it will be a productive one. Denise brings enthusiasm to the job and the ability to work well with students, parents and faculty. Perhaps she sums it up best as she observes, "We are looking forward to a year of continuity yet one that also includes many changes...I am sure that we can make the middle school a vital, exciting voice in independent education."

New Appointments

1st Grade—**Sara Boyd** graduated from Denver University with a B.A. in fine arts and received an Elementary Education Certificate from the University of Colorado. She has been a teacher for early childhood education through E.I.P. Federal Program in Bilingual Classroom at Mitchell and Gilpin Elementary Schools in Denver. Sara was a substitute teacher at PDS last year.

Library Assistant—**Sharon Draper**

Current Staff

Fill New Positions

Denise Bencivengo has become interim head of the middle school. (See article nearby.)

David Bogle is the assistant to the headmaster and director of public relations. In this new position he is respon-

received a B.A. from San Diego State University. She most recently worked as an administrative secretary at Princeton International Bible Study Fellowship. Sharon's son, Bryan, is entering 11th grade at PDS.

3rd Grade — Beverly Gallagher graduated from Pennsylvania State University with a B.S. in elementary and kindergarten education. She received a reading specialist M.Ed. from Temple University. Beverly has worked at Allentown High School as a reading teacher for grades 9-12, a 4th grade teacher at The Peck School and, most recently, a reading/language arts teacher for 3rd and 5th grade students at Chapin School.

M.S. Latin — Wells Hansen graduated with a B.A. in classics from Boston College and an M.A. in classics from the University of Chicago. He has lectured at the University of Chicago and taught at Kenwood Academy (IL), American School (IL) and Mount Alvernia Academy (MA).

Head of Art Department — Jerry Hirniak has been a teacher at Rutgers University since 1983. He also taught at Pingry High School and Dawson College School of Photography in Montreal. Jerry received a B.F.A. from Concordia University in Quebec and an M.F.A. from Rutgers University, Mason Gross School of the Arts.

M.S. English — Elizabeth Hutson is a graduate of Middlebury College with a B.A. in American studies. She received an M.A. from Teachers College, Columbia University in secondary level English education. Elizabeth has worked as a middle school English teacher at Walden School (NY) and Whitingham School (VT).

M.S. History Intern — Garrett Ingoglia is a recent graduate of Williams College with a B.A. in history and English. He was a starting linebacker and letterman on the Williams varsity football team. Garrett will coach football and lacrosse at PDS.

M.S. Math/Science — Jack Madani joined PDS after having spent two years at St. Peter's School (PA) as a teacher of 7th and 8th grade algebra, math, natural and physical science. He was the school's first department head of mathematics. Jack graduated from the University of Pennsylvania where he is working towards a master's degree. He will teach at PDS for one year as a replacement for **Maryann Forcina** who is pursuing graduate studies at Stanford.

Upper School Chemistry — Sunnie Minn received a B.S. in biochemistry from the State University of New York at Stony Brook in 1990 and an M.A. in chemistry from there last May. She did her student teaching in Smithtown High School East in St. James, NY.

Photography — John Mullin is a graduate of Keene State College (NH), and received an M.F.A. in photography from Rhode Island School of Design. His most recent position was at the Parsons School of Design (NY) as a photography instructor. John will teach at PDS for one year as a replacement for **Eileen Hohmuth-Lemonick** who will be on a sabbatical leave for the 1992-93 school year.

M.S. Spanish — Laurelyn Pratt spent a year teaching 11th and 12th grade Spanish and general studies at Marlborough College, England. She is a graduate of the University of Virginia with a B.A. in Latin American studies with highest distinction. Laurelyn will coach JV field hockey and JV lacrosse.

Athletic Trainer — Damian Robertson graduated with honors from Kean College of New Jersey in May. This summer he worked as head athletic trainer at the International Gymnastics Training Camp and the International Sports Training Camp in Stroudsburg, PA. He is a certified instructor in first aid and CPR. He is on duty during all practices and home games.

L.S. Science — Aaron Schomburg joins PDS after having spent a year at Mater Christi School (VT) as a science teacher/coordinator for grades 6-8. He has also been a student teacher in math, social studies and science for grade 6 at Colebrook Academy and Plymouth Academy. Aaron is a graduate of Plymouth State College. He will coach JV soccer and JV volleyball at PDS.

Artist in Residence — Kathy Shelhart is a graduate of the University of Connecticut with a B.S. in music education. She received a master of music degree from Ithaca College. Kathy has been involved in Suzuki training since 1983 and spent a year training with Dr. Shinichi

Suzuki. She has performed with various opera companies and orchestras since 1967. Kathy is here for one year to replace **Louise McClure** who is taking a year's leave of absence.

U.S. Spanish — Barbara Silberman comes to PDS from the Garth Hill School in Berkshire, England where she taught French year 1, 2, 3, 4, and advanced German. She is fluent in French and Spanish. Barbara is a graduate of Barry University (FL) and received an M.S. degree from Florida International University.

Head of M.S. Math Department — Richard Wand is a graduate of Florida State University with a B.A. in math and English and an M.A. in English. He comes from Osborne High School (GA) where he taught algebra, geometry and general math. He was the principal of the upper school at The Walker School (GA) for over 10 years. Richard has taught a variety of subjects, from 7th grade math to college English.

Administrative Assistant to the Director of Institutional Advancement — Dolores Wright has been at Princeton University for the past two years as secretary to the associate provost. Prior to that she was confidential secretary to the president of Trenton State College for eight years. She grew up in Trenton and now lives in Titusville.

Former Faculty

Former Miss Fine's School Headmistress **Shirley Davis** reports that **Elizabeth Davidson**, who taught music there in the 60s, is living in Berkeley, CA. She has just taken early retirement from the music department of the University of California. Another former music teacher, **Mag Gilbert**, is recovering from a series of health problems. *(continued on next page)*



New faculty for 1992-1993.



Last spring alumni from MFS and PDS gathered to honor Arlene Smith (in white jacket) on her retirement as head of the art department.

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ous stroke she suffered last August. Readers will be glad to hear she is now playing the piano again. **Mary Jo Blewett**, who taught physical education and coached at PDS from 1978-1982, was married in September to Sean Timothy Collins, the development director of Children of Bellevue, Inc., the fund raising arm of the pediatric care unit at Bellevue Hospital in New York. Mary Jo is a vice president and securities trader at Merrill Lynch in New York. Former athletic director and football coach **Dan Barren** died in June 1991. We know his many friends join us in sending our sympathy to his wife, Kathy, and to his sons, Mike '76 and Mark '78. The spring *Journal* will contain more on Dan's career.

SPORTS

GIRLS

| | WON | LOST | TIED |
|---------------------|-----|------|------|
| FALL | | | |
| Field Hockey | | | |
| Varsity | 12 | 4 | 3 |
| JV | 8 | 3 | 3 |
| Junior A | 7 | 1 | 1 |
| Junior B | 4 | 0 | 2 |
| Soccer | | | |
| Varsity | 6 | 8 | 1 |
| Junior | 7 | 1 | 0 |
| Tennis | | | |
| Varsity | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| JV | 3 | 7 | 0 |
| Junior | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| WINTER | | | |
| Basketball | | | |
| Varsity | 9 | 10 | 0 |
| JV | 5 | 4 | 0 |
| Junior A | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| Junior B | 2 | 4 | 1 |
| Volleyball | | | |
| Varsity | 10 | 8 | 0 |
| JV | 9 | 4 | 0 |
| Ice Hockey | | | |
| Varsity | 10 | 4 | 1 |
| SPRING | | | |
| Lacrosse | | | |
| Varsity | 13 | 4 | 0 |
| JV | 5 | 5 | 2 |
| Junior A | 7 | 1 | 0 |
| Junior B | 6 | 1 | 0 |
| Softball | | | |
| Varsity | 5 | 11 | 0 |
| Junior A | 3 | 4 | 0 |
| Junior B | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Fencing | | | |
| Varsity | 2 | 6 | 0 |
| JV | 2 | 6 | 0 |



Field Hockey Prep A State Runner-Up

Lacrosse Prep A State Runner-Up

Gold P Award Sarah Berkman, Marcy Webster

Silver P Award Dana DeCore

Honorable Mention Jessie D'Altrui, Merritt Janson



SPORTS

BOYS

| | WON | LOST | TIED |
|----------------------|-----|------|------|
| FALL | | | |
| Soccer | | | |
| Varsity | 11 | 7 | 1 |
| JV | 5 | 8 | 0 |
| Junior A | 3 | 6 | 1 |
| Junior B | 4 | 6 | 0 |
| Football | | | |
| Varsity | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| JV | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Junior | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Cross-Country | | | |
| Varsity/JV | 8 | 4 | 0 |
| Junior | 5 | 2 | 0 |
| WINTER | | | |
| Basketball | | | |
| Varsity | 17 | 8 | 0 |
| JV | 10 | 2 | 0 |
| Junior A | 4 | 6 | 0 |
| Junior B | 5 | 3 | 0 |
| Ice Hockey | | | |
| Varsity | 9 | 13 | 0 |
| JV | 2 | 8 | 1 |
| Junior | 6 | 2 | 1 |
| Fencing | | | |
| Varsity | 2 | 9 | 0 |
| JV | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| Squash | | | |
| Varsity | 1 | 7 | 2 |
| SPRING | | | |
| Baseball | | | |
| Varsity | 13 | 8 | 0 |
| JV | 4 | 5 | 0 |
| Junior | 1 | 7 | 0 |
| Lacrosse | | | |
| Varsity | 13 | 4 | 0 |
| JV | 7 | 4 | 0 |
| Junior | 8 | 3 | 0 |
| Tennis | | | |
| Varsity | 10 | 5 | 0 |
| JV | 7 | 2 | 0 |
| Junior | 7 | 4 | 0 |
| Golf | | | |
| Varsity | 9 | 5 | 0 |



Prep B State Champions
in
Cross-Country
Basketball
Golf
Baseball
Tennis

Prep B State Runner-Up
in
Lacrosse

Gold P Award Mike Schragger, Mark Trowbridge
Silver P Award Jeff Overman
Honorable Mention Mark Gray, Zach David



ALUMNI GAMES

Come to play or to cheer on your team but don't miss the challenge of the season!

November 27, 1992

11:30 a.m. Alumni vs. PDS Boys Varsity Soccer Team

December 26, 1992

2:00 p.m. Alumni Family Skating Party at the Rink

4:00 p.m. Alumnae vs. Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team

6:00 p.m. Alumni vs. Boys Varsity Ice Hockey Team

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: LESLEE ATIRAM

EDUCATION: B.A. Brooklyn College,
M.S. University of London

YEARS AT PDS: 10

POSITION: Fourth Grade Teacher Leslee
also serves as the coordinator of lower
school mathematics.

WHAT MAKES PDS SPECIAL: "PDS
attracts the most wonderful student
body. Every year I become quite at-
tached to my students and try to keep
up with them. The students at PDS are
special and make my job come alive."

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT: "My
first year at PDS I had a sixth grade
homeroom that I shared with (former
PDS teacher) Chris Page. We named
our homeroom the 'A&P' (Atiram &
Page) and used the food store logo as
our coat of arms. We made ties and
belts to uniform the class. We were
very close to that particular class."

MOST PROUD OF: "Making a positive
change or opening a new door for any
one of my students. When their eyes
light up...you know!"

FAVORITE MOVIES: Books: *Caps For
Sale*, *Helen Keller*, *The Diary of Anne
Frank*, *Catch 22*, *Sons and Lovers*, *The
Mother Book*, *Watership Down*. Movies:
West Side Story, *The Graduate*, *Fiddler
on the Roof*, *E.T. The Extraterrestrial*.

INTERESTS: At school Leslee enjoys cre-
ating new programs for students such
as the fourth grade novels program
and the "Friends" exchange between
first and fourth graders that brought
those classes closer together. At home
she works every day in stained glass,
making pictures and lampshades and,
sometimes, teaching the technique at
adult school. She enjoys needlework,
creating wild Halloween costumes,
collecting antiques and supporting her
sons' athletic endeavors.

PERSONAL PROFILE: Lives in Old
Bridge with husband Zam Atiram (her
high school sweetheart) and their sons,
Zak, 7, PDS '04 and Max, 3.

"In the Spotlight" is a new Journal feature designed to familiarize readers with the extraordinary faculty and staff at PDS. Each issue will highlight a teacher from lower, middle and upper school and a member of the administration or staff. - Editor



IN THE SPOTLIGHT: PAUL EPPLY-SCHMIDT

EDUCATION: A.B. Princeton University, M.A. Middlebury College

YEARS AT PDS: 4

POSITION: Middle School French and English Teacher Paul also helps with the middle school chorus, runs the middle school talent show, is the faculty sponsor of Amnesty International and the upper school fencing coach.

WHAT MAKES PDS SPECIAL: Imagination and individualism are encouraged. Stellar students. Amazed by the imagination of these 13-year-olds and their ability to articulate and write.

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT: Fencing team victories. Invigorated by the progress of the team and their individual achievements.

MOST PROUD OF: Reading club for 8th graders he started last year. Reintroduced Amnesty International to PDS.

WOULD LIKE TO: Have space for fencing practice. (They now use hallways but the new gym in the classroom addition will provide the needed space.)

FAVORITE BOOKS/MOVIES: C.S. Lewis science fiction trilogy/Annie Hall.

INTERESTS: Playing the piano, calligraphy, tennis and fencing. (Paul is the New Jersey State Champion in men's foil.)

PERSONAL PROFILE: Lives in Pennington with his wife, Joanne, who is an Episcopal priest. They have two sons, Alexander, 3, and Aiden, born in July.



IN THE SPOTLIGHT: EAMON DOWNEY

EDUCATION: A.B. Princeton University

YEARS AT PDS: 20

POSITION: Head of History Department
Eamon also acts as the moderator of Model U.N. and coaches the varsity cross-country team.

WHAT MAKES PDS SPECIAL: "Love the stimulation of the faculty and students. Love the freedom to develop creative curriculum in a supportive atmosphere. Still wake up looking forward to what I'll be doing each day."

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT:

"Two years ago at Veteran's Park, Justin Geisel '92 was the new Mercer County Cross-Country Champ. I stood with him near my old and dear friend, Ritchie Geisel, whom I ran with in college, and my college coach Pete Morgan who would live only for another four months. There was a feeling that some circle had been completed, of several stages of my adult life suddenly connected."

MOST PROUD OF: "The moments when past students tell me that they've chosen academic paths in history or area studies as a result of my influence."

WOULD LIKE TO: "Help develop the ideal history curriculum! Hang around here long enough to see my daughter in a graduation gown on the Colross lawn."

FAVORITE MOVIES: Books: *The Third Policeman* by Flann O'Brien, Adam Hall thrillers, mystery novels, essays of Edmund Wilson and George Orwell, John McPhee's and Peter Mattheissen's books. Movies: *Apocalypse Now*, *Treasure of Sierra Madre*, *Midnight Cowboy*, *Lion in Winter*.

INTERESTS: Distance running, gardening, landscape design, biking, cooking, sailing.

PERSONAL PROFILE: Lives between Flemington and Ringoes with his wife, Paula, and daughter, Brett, 6.



IN THE SPOTLIGHT: CHARLENE ELMORE

EDUCATION: B.S.N. University of Tennessee, Center for Health Sciences

YEARS AT PDS: 13

POSITION: School Nurse

WHAT MAKES PDS SPECIAL: The people. "I had always thought I would leave when my youngest daughter graduated in '86 but when that time came, I couldn't imagine not seeing my first kindergarten class graduate and that happened last June. What I had not anticipated was how much I had become attached to *every* kindergarten class and the thrill each year of returning to PDS to see them and hear about their summer - and meet a new class of JK and kindergartners."

MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT:

"There have been many. From the removal of dog food pellets in the shoe of a JK student who hobbled in complaining of 'hurting feet' to the administration of CPR in emergency situations. During the times when we have tragically lost a member of the community, I have been most impressed by the depth of concern and support as PDS mourned and healed together."

WOULD LIKE TO: See less self-imposed pressure and more fun and relaxation among students.

FAVORITE MOVIES: *Dances With Wolves*, *On Golden Pond*.

INTERESTS: Sewing, knitting, needlepoint, woodworking and tennis.

PERSONAL PROFILE: Lives in Princeton with her husband, Jim, a psychiatrist at Carrier Foundation. Mother of Kirsten '81, Tonya '85, and Leslie '86.



ALUMNI DAY '92



*MFS Class of 1942
(with their husbands)
celebrate their
50th reunion at Colross.*



**ALUMNI DAY '93
SATURDAY, MAY 22**

Don't miss it!

*The Class of 1977
at their 15th reunion.*



*Fifi Laughlin Keller '77
is congratulated on winning
the 1992 Alumni Award
by her brother, Jim Laughlin '80,
a PDS lower school teacher.*



LOWER SCHOOL FINAL ASSEMBLY



Third graders Natasha Pittman and Gina Piscopo persuade David Bogle to join them in a tap dance to the tune of "Once in Love With David," a tribute to his years as director of development.



Retiring lower school science teacher Tom Drake joins his students in a rousing rendition of The Big Black Hat.



MIDDLE SCHOOL FINAL ASSEMBLY



Avery Brooks, father of Ayana '96 and Cabral '98, delivers a moving graduation speech.



Katie Jamieson '96 (left) and Mandy Rabinowitz '97 (right) read the inscription in a special scrapbook created for retiring Middle School Head Mary Williams.



COMMENCEMENT



ALUMNI CHILDREN



Marcy and Dede Webster MFS '62. Marcy was a member of the American Field Service and Spanish Club and was a Peer Group leader. She won the school's top athletic award, the Gold P, for excellence in athletics, sportsmanship and participation on teams. She played varsity tennis, ice hockey and lacrosse. Dede coaches junior boys and girls tennis and varsity squash at PDS and this fall initiated an intramural athletic program for fifth and sixth graders.



Jamie Francomano and Harry Rulon-Miller PCD '51. Jamie was copy editor of The Spokesman and an editor of the upper school literary magazine, Cymbals. He sang in the Madrigal group, participated in the French Club, played on the Ultimate Frisbee team and served as goalie for the varsity ice hockey team. He won a Headmaster's Award as a most valuable member of the senior class. Jamie is a freshman at Yale University. His mother, Nina Rulon-Miller, teaches third grade and his step-father, Harry Rulon-Miller, taught in the middle school and coached ice hockey for many years and is now assistant to the director of athletics.

ALUMNI NEWS

MISS FINE'S SCHOOL

PDS Alumni Office
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Princeton, NJ 08542

'21-'25

21 We were delighted to get not only news, but a photograph, of **Helen Smith Shoemaker**. Her nurse/companion writes that she likes to reminisce about her days at Miss Fine's and her world travels and enjoys watching her three great-grandchildren play. She also has two children and six grandchildren. Although she uses a wheelchair because "her legs get stiff at times," she manages to go bowling every other week! Her health is good and she looks great, as the nearby photograph shows. Unfortunately, the rest of the news is not as good. **Dorothy Love Saunders** died on February 9 and we send our sympathy to her family and friends. **Alice Erdman Cleveland** died in June in New Hampshire. She was very involved in theater and started the Barnstormers Theatre in Tamworth, NH with her husband (and MFS classmate) **Francis Cleveland**, son of the late President Grover Cleveland. Alice was involved in many Tamworth organizations and was an avid tennis player, swimmer and gardener throughout her life. Our sympathy goes out to Francis and their daughter, Marion Cohen.



Congratulations to Helen Smith Shoemaker '21 who celebrated her 89th birthday on March 16.

22 **Alice Olden Wright** was kind enough to send the following note: "The most exciting thing so far this summer was when the Tall Ships were in the New York Harbor in July. My son, Mark, took me and several friends on a cruise around the ships for a close-up view. All were a bit different, each with their own beautiful flag flying and crews waving. On the day before the big parade of ships on the 4th of July, we went aboard the big Russian four-masted barque, Sedov. We toured the ship, met some of the crew and some of the cadets. Many of the cadets speak English very well and were our guides and answered our many questions. All very fine young men. It was a once in a lifetime experience."

25 **Florence Clayton Smith** brings us up to date with the following: "Although long-distance tours are not on the calendar these days, Boston Symphony concerts, the North Shore Music Theatre and the Cloister Garden concerts with friends provide enjoyable music and social entertainment. Activities at Wellesley, M.I.T. and church offer stimulating experiences. Painting, watering and weeding the garden bring the joy of (being) close to nature. The television brings the world to your living room as the recent thrilling visit of the Tall Ships of 37 countries to Boston Harbor. Who can complain? **Dorothy Auten Sutton** had the misfortune to be knocked down by a hit-and-run driver in Hartford and is still recuperating from the accident."

C. Lawrence Norris Kerr
43-02 Meadow Lake
Hightstown, NJ 08520

Needs
Secretary

The class will be saddened to learn of the death of **Katherine Mitchell Osborne** in July. She served as class secretary for years and was involved with PDS in many ways. Our deepest sympathy to her children, Lydia Sierra '65 and Fred, Jr. PCD '55, and her sisters, Anne Dielhenn '29 and Elizabeth (Bishie) Beatty '28.

Elizabeth Dinsmore Chick
3333 N.E. 34th Street, #206
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308

Needs
Secretary

Jean Hering Rowe writes, "My husband, Roy, and I founded the New Age Mission in 1956 and moved to Oregon January 1, 1964. Built 16 buildings. Four ponds, one lake, river runs through middle of the 65 acres. Taught all aspects of metaphysics but from now on are specializing in natural healing. The well-known healer, Clarion Chandler moved in to our river house from Arizona. Only problem - too much furniture and art works for size of house! Clarion treats Bushes in White House, George's mother in New England, a senator, a bishop in Washington, etc. when their energy gets zapped and sickness takes over. Healing usually appears to be gradual, not sudden with one touch, as the Bible seems to give the impression. Yes, once in a while it occurs suddenly, but mostly it's gradual. Too gradually in my case of Lyme's Disease. I almost croaked between the tick and the doctor, drugs and hospital. Can't walk yet, but am waiting for the day. It took a long time to rid the poor body of drugs which I have always been strongly against. Am recovering gradually at 80½ years of age."

Miss Margaretta Cowenhoven
442 Heron Point
Chestertown, MD 21620

Needs
Secretary

31 **Margaret Brooks Van Dusen** writes, "My husband and I are enjoying living at Beaumont in Bryn Mawr with several old friends from Miss Fine's

- my cousin Margaret Lowry Butler '29 and Bishie Mitchell Beatty '28 and Lily Lambert McCarthy '33 (and) Anne Mitchell Dielhenn '29. Just like old times!"

32 **Margaret Russel Edmondson** says, "We continue to stay well and busy - two children, five grandchildren, four great-grandchildren keep us happy. Recently our youngest granddaughter was married in New Jersey and the next day in Ithaca, our younger grandson got his Ph.D. in physics."



60th REUNION

Wilhelmina Foster Reynolds
508 Ott Road
Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

Needs
Secretary

Florence Dell Macomber died in March, not long after her sister, Louise Dell Macomber '37. We send our sympathy to their families.

Needs
Secretary

In the spring *Journal* we listed the death of **Louise Dell Macomber** in the obituary column. Because of the time constraints, we were not able to mention her loss in this column. On behalf of the class, we extend our sympathy to her family. After serving many years as class secretary, **Cornelia Sloane McConnell** would like to retire. We thank her for her efforts on the class' behalf and urge a classmate to take on the secretarial duties for a while.

Barbara Kennedy Bremer
304 Knoll Way
Rocky Hill, NJ 08553

Margorie Munn Knapp writes, "My beloved brother, Mark PCD '41, died February 6, 1992 (see spring *Journal*) in Hobe Sound, FL. Our house at Seabrook Island, SC is for sale and we hope to move to a retirement village, Heron Point in Chestertown, MD, where Margaretta Cowenhoven '30 and Mary Cowenhoven Coyle '35 live."

Theresa Critchlow
11 Westcott Road
Princeton, NJ 08540

Louise Dolton Blackwell reported a great winter from Fort Myers, FL. She had a reunion with New Jersey and Pennsylvania friends wintering in Florida: Roberta Harper Lawrence '38 and Ginny Travers Stevens '37. Her grandson will be married on September 12. I enjoyed a pleasant two-hour lunch reunion with **Margery Williamson Halliday** as we shared news and photographs of old Miss Fine's days. By the way, William Selden has written a fine short history of PDS, Princeton Country Day and Miss Fine's with nostalgic photos including two or three 39ers. (It is entitled *From These Roots: The Creation of Princeton Day School* and is available



No generation gap here! Mary Pettit Funk '41 (center) is surrounded by family: her husband, their seven children and spouses, 14 grandchildren and her mother.

through the alumni office.) We have lost track of **Adrienne Curtin** and **Eleanor Ward**. (Anybody know where they are?) My sister, Agnes '41 and I will sail to Bermuda from New York City on August 23. Then, on September 19, we plan a trip to Vancouver, BC and another cruise on the Westerdam through the Alaskan Inland Waterway. Best wishes to all.

Phyllis Vandewater Clement
640 Santa Barbara Road
Berkeley, CA 94707

'40

Pinky Peterson writes, "I'm back in the figure skating press saddle again. Nationals in Orlando, Worlds in Oakland, and heavily involved in running Skate-America International in Atlanta, come October. Grandchildren count remains at nine. Oldest will graduate from University of Colorado next June, next oldest just entering the Naval Academy in Annapolis as a midshipman. Time is really marching...fast!"

Dorothea Kissam
26 Taylor Street
Amherst, MA 01002

'41

It is now midsummer in Amherst. The Japanese Beetle has made its unwelcome appearance and is ravishing my old-fashioned pink rose bush. I do not use inorganic sprays, but I am torn when I see the ragged, chewed flowers and leaves eaten to look like lace. In June, I saw **Mary Pettit Funk** and she gave me a picture of her family for the *Journal*. The picture was taken in 1990. It shows Mary and Peter with their seven children, their spouses and the grandchildren. Mary's mother, Estelle Pettit is pictured sitting next to Mary. Estelle Pettit will be 100 in December. Mary has written the following. "My life has been very blessed. I grew up in a family that focused on strong principles and loyalty. I had excellent, imaginative teachers at Miss Fine's, Shipley, Vassar and various art schools. I married the best man in the world for me. We have raised a most loving and happy successful family of seven, and a fine new generation is now growing up. Peter and I have a very active association with our church that has deepened and enriched our entire life. As to career activities: I have co-authored books, cassettes, word-games and projects with Peter who writes fiction, non-fiction and the monthly feature in the *Reader's Digest*: "It Pays to Enrich Your Word Power." I co-authored the Japanese feature of "It

Pays to Enrich Your Word Power," and currently co-author the Canadian and Russian editions. Our last venture is a cassette just released called *Dynamic Vocabulary* published by Penton. Peter and I are looking forward to our fiftieth wedding anniversary November 25th. We plan to gather together all our children, their spouses and grandchildren for a celebration." When I saw Mary last she told me about the plans for this celebration. Peter and she have reserved space on the Walt Disney Big Red Boat that will leave out of Port Canaveral on a three-day Bahamas cruise for all thirty-two members of their family.

Anne Reynolds Kittredge has sent the following thoughts on a post card: "I seem to be going through a 50's period: 50th reunion of Miss Fine's June, '91, our 50th wedding anniversary in June, '93, and a 50th at Sarah Lawrence College, June, '95. How can this possibly be when most days I feel like I'm only in my late 50's? Reality training time?" Andee says it for most of us who believe we are *young*. It is all those other folk who are *old*.

A letter came from **Mollie Grover Shallow** dated May 9th written from their summer home in St. Jean de Losne, France. Mollie gives a taste of what has been her travel-filled life. She writes, "A flying leap into the past! With a hop, skip and jump by way of Wexford, Ireland, Woodstock, Vermont and Fort Myers, Florida...How could I have missed our 50th reunion? Only because Bill and I live in France during the summers, May through August, on a small canal boat. I flew from Paris to Boston in June, 1990 for Bill's 50th at Harvard. I, unfortunately, did not find **Anne Reynolds Kittredge** but was spotted by **Mary Greey Woody**. Delightful! Three members of our MFS class married Harvard '40. Remarkable. We are furnishing a flat in Key West to occupy next winter, and of course we hope classmates will visit."

A telephone call to **Mary Greey Woody** who lives in Columbus, Ohio brought me up-to-date on some of her activities. Mary commutes between Columbus and Princeton. Her mother still lives in the family home on Ridgeview Road. She is 96 but now is invalided and requires total care. Mary goes monthly to spend a week at a time with her mother. Her sister, Patience, and brother, Elmer, also take their turns as do other members of Mary's family. Mary spoke about her work following MFS days. She received a master's degree in biology from New York University. She married McIver Woody, a delightful person whom we all met at the MFS

50th. Their three children are grown. Charlotte is a banker, David a lawyer working now in Toronto, and Alexandria is a manager with the Ford Motor Company.

A post card from **Agnes Critchlow** states: "I am studying music at Westminster Conservatory of Music...We are going on another cruise, to Alaska."

Finally, a card and a telephone call from **Suzanne Glover Cottingham** have come. Suzy and her sister, Sally, live in a 14x70 foot mobile home in Fairless Hills, PA where she gardens and reads "historical novels, thanks to Mrs. Albion." Suzy worked for the New Jersey Department of Higher Education until 1989 in spite of suffering a major heart attack in 1970. Suzy attributes the advances of modern medicine with keeping her going. (A triumph of spirit, also.) Her health currently is not good. Suzy says she keeps in touch once in a while with **Marion Miller Mayer** and **Martha Heath Yerkes '42**. She sends her best to everyone and was very sorry to have had to miss the 50th.

The mail has just come and I am typing. In case there is a last minute card from a classmate I'll go check it. No, no last minute note to include. Now on this hot August day, I'll begin to get ready for my stint delivering Meals-on-Wheels this afternoon. It was good to hear from many long-ago classmates and friends.

We have "lost" the following classmates. If anyone knows their whereabouts, please contact me or the alumni office. **Patricia Cook, Grace (Tikki) Clark, Lavinia Wicoff and Natalie Runyon**.

From other sources we learn that **Peggy Bayer** continues to win tennis tournaments. Her latest triumph was in the mixed doubles (B division) of the Princeton Tennis Classic that benefits the Princeton Tennis Program. **Peggy and Dick Woodbridge**, brother of Mary Woodbridge Lott '67 and mayor of Princeton Township, were partners.

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'42

May 16th was rainy enough to cancel the morning alumni activities but not the luncheon for the 50 year class of MFS which was held at Colross. Nancy Young and Linda Stefanelli from the alumni office were the gracious hostesses. **Johnnie Thomas Purnell** came all the way from Arizona as a stop on an extensive eastern trip; **Lonie Schulte** Haulenbeck and Jack drove down from New Hampshire, **Jane Cook Taylor** and myself trekked the two miles from Princeton and, surprising us all, **Martha Heath Yerkes** and her husband, Bill, appeared from West Chester, PA. Martha and **Sally Kuser Lane** seem to have tied with seven children each! **Isabelle Guthrie Sayen, Barbara Lutz Rinehart, Joyce Hill Moore, Charlotte McPherson Fenton, Betty Dolton Bidgood** and **Sally Lane** were all unable to be with us but were remembered as we spent those few hours together. I had heard from Isabelle and passed on the sad news of the death of **Betsy Brigham Jensen** at her home in Norway last March after a long illness. After lunch we all trooped over to the school for a guided tour which obviously impressed all those who had not yet seen the facilities. Johnnie, Jane, Peggy and I then called on Mrs. Guthrie which was a treat as she was the only one of the staff from the old MFS days we were able to see and reminisce with. Dudley and I enjoyed having Johnnie spend the night with us and the next time she comes east we will get together another group. Another note from Isabelle arrived just too late to read at the luncheon, but here it is, to all of you '42 survivors.

"May 13, 1992

Dear Polly,

I am terribly disappointed to miss our 50th anniversary of graduation from Miss Fine's School. It is so momentous, it seems completely unreal. I just can't feel it. If it weren't for

my loss of central eyesight I would be there with you catching up with everyone's afterlives. Then it would be real. Please extend my fondest greetings and felicitations to all the class of 1942! My memories and curiosity about their succeeding years are focused on all of them with friendship and nostalgia born of our school days together.

As much as this reunion is an occasion of gladness, it is also one of sadness, as I am remembering the loss to us of all the departed ones; Sally Pardee in childhood, Roxy Wadsworth, Kitty Meredith, Carol Monas, Ursula Winant, Clemmie Lenihan, Lucy Keller and Betsy Jensen on March 22, 1992 in Norway. Such a large and vital core of our class!

I am up here in Chilmark, 350 miles away, taking in the miraculous beauty of the 6,000 daffodils and narcissus that Harry planted – it is breathtaking. I am thinking of my old classmates with great fondness and appreciation.

Love to you all, Isabelle."

On behalf of the class, we send our sympathy to Sally Kuser Lane and her brothers, George PCD '42, who lives in Istanbul, and Jim PCD '48, in Ohio, on the death of their mother in July. Mrs. Kuser was 93 and died in her sleep.



50th REUNION

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Thanks to those of you who have sent notes. It's much easier to write a column if there is something to write. A nice note from Julie Lee brought me up to date on her activities. Julie has taken up the study of the piano again and is taking classes at Julliard and giving concerts there. She goes to Princeton

regularly to see her mother who is doing well at 95. She mentions seeing Betsy Anne Howe Smith from time to time and a visit last Christmas in Washington with Roz Earle Matthews. Most of her other MFS contacts are members of her sister's class of 1946. Lorna McAlpin Hauslohner writes that she has had a busy year settling into her new house and seeing her grandchildren. She also took a great three-week vacation to Australia in June. She'll begin committee work again come fall. From Connie Kuhn Wassink comes a photo of her at a joint Park Service, BLM, Alaska Public Lands Information Centers, US Forest Service and US Fish and Wildlife Service exhibit at the Annual Great Alaskan Sportsman show. Connie was the convener/organizer of this very successful Land Managers group exhibit called "Highway to Adventure." She also continues as president of the Alaska chapter of the Society for Technical Communication and is still very active in matters relating to the Point MacKenzie dairy farming project. I remain active, hiking, fishing and swimming in the summer and hiking and skiing in the winter. I keep data-base records for the Jefferson County, CO League of Women Voters and for the Vassar Club of Colorado. Those of you who remember worrying at the time of Pearl Harbor over the fate of Patience Greey's father who was stationed on Wake Island at the time will be sorry to hear of his death last December. Our sympathy goes to all his family.

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I know that the class joins me in sending our deepest sympathy to Barbara Cart Macauley and to Charlotte Crocker Cleveland on the recent deaths of their mothers. They were both marvelous ladies, and will be sorely missed. Nothing I wrote last time produced a shred of a reply! Shame on all of you for not wondering about my MFS allusions. So, for the Heals! Beth PDS '69, our eldest, after living on East 81st Street, NYC since 1973, has moved to New Hampshire. She lives in Dublin and works in Petersborough for the Millard Group, Inc., a list brokerage, list management and consulting group. As account manager for the brokerage division, she uses her skills in developing marketing strategies and business and development plans. She loves the view of Mount Monadnock from her kitchen window and the glories of New Hampshire. Anna

PDS '71 continues to enjoy her job as art director for *The David Letterman Late Night Show*. Sarah left New York, with all her possessions, on August 1... Destination: Boulder. She got there today, August 4. Anyone out there, give her a call. Mo and I are fine. Please write!

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Jean Geisenberger Cranstoun is keeping busy studying word processor tutoring at a local library. She's enjoying her summer and her garden. Jean, herself, continues, "Am tutoring school students and adults in Trenton Public Library. (Hope to expand the range of duties.) Very spiritually and mentally rewarding work. This fall studying word processing (\$5 an hour salary – first paid work in 14 years – yipee!) in Democrats for Bush this year. Hello to all." Markell Meyers Shriver is retiring on September 30 after 30 years at PDS and 15 in college counseling. (See page 16.) Even though she has mixed emotions about retirement, she's looking forward to "smelling the roses." Mickey writes also that Janet Elderkin Assoni and family have moved to Maine.

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How truly delightful it was to hear from my dear friend Addy Comstock Roberts. Through the years we have somehow drifted apart but she was on my mind. In our childhood she was my best and greatest of friends. Many happy vacations were spent with the Comstocks in Newport, RI. Addy and I spent endless hours playing tennis, riding donkeys, swimming, sharing secrets and special longings. As the years have passed I often marvelled at Professor Comstock's patience and endurance in taking me up on the train from New York to Rhode Island – a good four-hour trip – for my yearly visit. And Mrs. Comstock whose constant interest and enjoyable play with us has been a lovely memory through the years. She was the one who taught me how to play bridge. I'm happy to say she's still alive today and just as enthusiastic and charming as ever. I saw her when I returned to Newport on a brief journey five years ago. Addy's news is about her recent move to Washington Depot, CT, a small town of 3,000 people near Washington in the southern, slightly western part of the state. To quote Addy, "You know everyone in the village, if not by name, at least by face. We love it!" Who wouldn't, Addy? I often long for that well-remembered time in Princeton when it was just like that. To further quote her, "I still ride on a now-aged thoroughbred who occasionally thinks he is 2. Fred and I have taken up tennis again (after 35 years for me) and play daily. We see mother, now 91, who is fine and still in the red house where we were married in Newport. Our three children are all alive and well and we have two lovely grandchildren ages 6 and 8." I'm not going to let you get away this time, Addy. We'll get together sometime before the year is out. I promise. Sadly, I have no other news to report. Each and every one of you classmates are important to one another. We need and want your news. Though not a big class in number, let's try to make up for it by staying glued together. Our 50th (that's scary) is five years away now. Perhaps with a little bit of luck some of us may make it back to our reunion. My news is limited. It's not been a particularly pleasant summer here at the shore. Mostly gray and windy. The only good thing about it is that it's been cool. I've cut back my time in the travel agency but still travel. Dave and I took two delightful cruises this spring. One to Bermuda, always a great favorite of



Connie Kuhn Wassink '44 (right) at the Great Alaskan Sportsman Show last April which she helped organize.

mine and a second one to Aruba, Curacao, Caracas, Grenada, Barbados and St. Lucia. A different type of cruise schedule and absolutely wonderful. David, Abby and Sandy (Alexander) are all well and fine, as is my mother at 100 years. How lucky we are to have such long-lived special moms, Addy. May your fall and winter be good to each one of you, and know that your classmates care about you, particularly when the going gets rough. Friends are friends forever.

One more piece of news from **Blaikie Forsyth** Worth who writes, "Various forms of work took place in the interval, but last year I returned to full-time employment after 27 (!) years: social work with adolescents and families at Manhattan's Family Care. It has quite a bit in common with my AFS International Scholarships job of years back. One of all four children is a Princeton graduate student currently. Bob and I have been spending time on the environment, especially with the Environmental Defense Fund."



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'48

Due to printing deadlines, we were able to list the death of **Mildred Roberson** Anderson in the obituary column only last spring. We take this opportunity to send our condolences to her family and friends. She was known for her lifelong interest in horses and equestrian training.

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'49

I have been remiss about my class notes. The last two years I have spent planning and carrying out retirement and a move from Ann Arbor to Concord. My daughter is here and my son in Boston. Between them I have three grandchildren and two expected this spring (1992). Michigan was too far away. I am busy here with politics, fixing up a derelict Victorian house and becoming acquainted with some kind and welcoming people. **Lucy Law** Webster writes, "I continue to work in the United Nations Secretariat in the Department for Disarmament Affairs. At the 1991 Congress of the World Federalist Movement, I was quite honored to be elected vice president—especially since Sir Peter Ustinov became president at the same time. He is delightful. My son, Daniel, his Swedish wife and their two small children live in Tampa, Florida where Daniel is managing editor of the CBS-affiliated TV station. My younger son, Alexander, is an artist, photographer and entrepreneur in upstate New York; he now has a Swedish girlfriend." **Marty Jamieson** Crowley wrote in 1989 and I may have put it in the notes earlier. I haven't found the box with the alumni *Journals* yet. It does take a long time to unpack! Anyway she wrote, "Have been spending a rainy day cleaning out my desk and thought I'd surprise you by responding. Jim and I are fine. I'm still teaching Basic Skills Reading in Trenton and volunteer as a school board member in Lawrenceville. Jim is president of Delaware Valley United Way. Kerry (our oldest) is married, living in Williamsburg, Virginia and produced our first

granddaughter June 1, 1989. Kerry is the executive of the Williamsburg United Way. Kate, our artist, is living at home and working for the state. Sarah just graduated from law school." **Barbara Smith** Herzberg wrote me after Christmas that she is creating an arts center in Maryland. What energetic girls, or rather old ladies, we are! When notes begin to arrive saying, "I'm still living in my own home," we'll know we're slowing down! Hasta luego.

Another note came in from **Mary Byrd Platt**. "Concord, NH has been home since 1988 and we love it here. Charlie and I are the revoltingly proud grandparents of little Charlie, born 8/23/88, and Meg, born 6/25/90." You and Kirby should hook up!

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The *New York Times* reported on July 15 that **Marina von Neumann** Whitman will retire September 1. She is the most senior female executive at General Motors and heads the public affairs and marketing group. Marina plans to teach at the University of Michigan.



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In the spring *Journal* there was a photograph of our 10th grade class. I asked the readers to send me any information that they might have about one of our classmates, **Lorinda Ockletree**. Lo and behold, I soon received a very informative letter from Betsy Hall Hutz '56. I followed up with a brief phone call to Lorinda. She told me that she graduated from Vassar, is living in Kennebunkport, Maine with her lawyer husband, John Bradford, a Bowdoin graduate. Their address is RR 1-Box 1022, River Road, Kennebunkport, ME 04046. This is very near Betsy's summer place. Lorinda is an avid tennis player, likes to bike, custom designs needlework, plays bridge and is a docent at the Portland Museum. She particularly asked for news of **Hope**, **Hilary** and **Ginny**. Betsy added that Lorinda has a "beautiful head of grey hair, but who doesn't these days!" At last count, she had two children and five grandchildren. Thank you, Betsy, for putting us in touch with our lost classmate. Remember the 40th reunion is coming up. Alumni Day is May 22. Who in Princeton would be willing to host a reunion dinner on that date? Write or call me at 804-784-4343.

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Thanks to **Joan Kennan** who sent the accompanying photo taken at the time of her marriage to Kevin Delany in February 1991. No other news received so far this year. Classmates, help! Please send me something.



Joan Kennan '54 married Kevin Delany in Washington, DC, February 1991.

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Joan Pearce Anselm and Klaus became grandparents in January! Jeric Pearce Anselm was born in San Diego where his parents, Rob and Kim, are in the Navy. Joan's mother has moved to Boston and brother John PCD '54 to North Carolina. The Anselms plan to go to China in the fall for a visit attending some medical lectures and looking in on some hospitals. **Marine Turkevich** Naumann and Bob have moved to Norwich, VT (RR-1, P.O. Box 483A, 05055). They left Princeton 54 years after Marina "turned up" there, almost to the day. Bob has retired from Princeton University and they are delighted to be leaving the malls, developments and bypasses for the Green Mountains. **Betsy Hall** Hutz writes: "In May I spent four days chez Naumann helping Marina pack for the move. In June we went back for our final Princeton filing together for Bob's retirement dinner at the Grad. School and Reunions. **Pam Thompson** Todd and her husband Donn came down from Philadelphia one evening in June for lively get-together. In August Marina has lured me away from Maine for a few days to unpack the same boxes, or as she says, 'the omega of the alpha.' " Pam Thompson Todd reports another busy year of business travel with husband Donn and paint box. This summer she's had two one-woman shows of her water colors: one in Bryn Mawr, PA and one in Stone Harbor, NJ. Downtime is spent bobbing about Chesapeake Bay on their boat. She had a delightful reunion with Betsy Hall Hutz and her husband, Rudy, at their beautiful home, an 18th century farmhouse nestled into the country landscape of Kennett Square, PA. They tried to catch up on everyone's news during the evening and Betsy showed her magnificent photos she's taken worldwide. Pam's children are still far-flung: daughter Paige is in London working as an editor with Planned Parenthood at their international headquarters; eldest son is in Tokyo for six months on a grant from the Japanese government to study their documentary films and film-makers. Too late for the last *Journal*, I received a card from **Betsy Thomas** Peterson who got together with Marina several times last summer. Marina's daughter, Kris PDS '82, lives a few blocks away from Betsy. This summer she hopes to catch up with Betsy Hall in Maine. Betsy's still lawyering for Houghton Mifflin.

From other sources we learn that **Charlotte Cook** is now a full professor in special education at Sacramento State College and president of the College Senate.

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35th REUNION

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We learn from the papers that **Ann Lea** Erdman has been promoted to chief operating officer of Liberty Science Center in Jersey City. She is responsible for financial and administrative management, retail operations and computer systems implementation at the interactive science museum, scheduled to open in October. We send her our congratulations and also our condolences on the death of her brother, John "Biff" Lea PCD '58.

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Dana Conroy Aymond writes, "I am the assistant to the deans at Thomas Cooley Law School in Lansing. Working with the students keeps me on my toes! My youngest son, Colin, graduated from Colorado College last May. He starts a wonderful job in Pittsburgh the end of August. Chris, the eldest, is busy working in North Carolina. Charlie and I are still collecting antiques and busy with a colorful perennial garden. I just wish summer would come sometime this year!"

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Sally Hagen Schmid had a wonderful Easter in Carmel, CA with "Dad and daughters - Barbara and Katie and son-in-law, Steve, and grandbaby, Sara, age 2." As I write, Sally is en route aboard the Crystal Harmony for the Shetland Islands. She hopes to connect with **Eileen Baker** Strathnaver, **Judy Taylor** Murray and **Harriet Gaston** Davison in London. **Cathy Otis** Farrell is enjoying a quiet summer with both boys, Andy, age 13, and Neil, age 11, at camp for eight weeks. Cathy visited **Nancy Davis** Sachner recently in her beautiful new home in Middleburg, CT. Nancy's daughter, Heidi, and son, Peter, are both getting married in a few months. Nancy has her M.S.W. and her own practice. **Louise Scheide** Marshall's very special surprise 50th birthday party, hosted by her Dad and stepmother, included guests Mrs. Shepherd, Mrs. Black (5th grade history) and **Amanda Maugham** Pearson. Two weeks later she graduated from Glassboro State College with a master's in counseling which she'll immediately put to work at Planned Parenthood. Son Peter graduated from University of Redlands in California and daughter Jenna finished a happy first year at Vassar. Husband Gordon completed his 20th year at the Library Company of Philadelphia. **Deri Bush** Jetties "is happily and hectically keeping busy at her farm on Maryland's Eastern Shore training dressage horses and riders, judging dressage shows, competing, managing competitions, etc. and trying to find time to maintain a normal life with ten horses, three dogs, three cats, one husband and twelve-hour days! Twice a summer she escapes to Deer Isle, Maine for some R&R. She'd love to hear from her Princeton friends!" Your trusty secretary approaches fifty with some

trepidation. Somehow I'm still not ready...Son Peter, 23, is taking a glorious post-college sabbatical in Aspen; son Matt is about to begin his third year of law school. My job with the Rouse Company takes me to Miami monthly so, if nothing else, I'm maintaining an excellent tan. Please write in for "the next time" and coach me on how to enjoy being fifty!

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It was great to hear from **Trika Smith**-Burke who wrote a long letter describing her last year. "This academic year was not the most rewarding for me, since my colleague, who administers the project was on sabbatical. This meant a life bogged down in grant writing and adminstrivia. However, I am happy to report that my early literacy intervention program, Reading Recovery, is alive and well...[I now have] another colleague who can share the instructional load with me for this rather demanding program. She is English and received her training and experience in teaching in England during the "infant school" movement...I cannot tell you how happy I am to have some additional support! "This summer I helped plan and attend the first International Reading Recovery Institute in Maui, Hawaii. It was very exciting to meet teachers and teacher leaders...from New Zealand, Australia, Canada, and England. Reading Recovery has expanded extensively. Next year, RR programs will be operating in 42 states in the USA and 4 provinces of Canada, 3 states in Australia and in several sites in the London area in England (our newest location). Several of us also presented a session called "Reading Recovery: Beyond New Zealand Shores" at the World Congress of Reading, also held in Maui and sponsored by the International Reading Association. "Don Booth, my significant other who is working in South Carolina for a year and a half, commuting relationships are not the best!) joined me in Maui. We spent 10 days having the first real vacation we've had in about four years in Maui and Kauai. We like Kauai better than Maui, since it is not as developed. We loved every minute of the vacation!! I had an interesting visit in Princeton not too long ago. I stopped on my way out of town at the Italian restaurant on Witherspoon Street...I started chatting with the waitresses about growing up in Princeton and it turned out they are old-timers and knew lots of people we all knew." Trika is hoping to have some more time for her personal life in the coming year now that she has someone to share the her work load. I figure that means she might have time for a reunion and so might others who were unable to make the last one. I'll work on setting something up for sometime this coming year. How does a reunion in New York during the winter sound? **Julia Cornforth** Holoicener sent a quick note en route to England. "I'm at the airport and had your post card. Big business conference entitled "Business Leadership in the New World Order" September 29 with an unveiling of Larry's "Allies" sculpture of Churchill and Roosevelt. All is wonderful! Address: Watermill Lane, 2 Cklesham, Winchelsea, E. Sussex TN36 4AP, Tel. 011-44-424-813788." **Polly Busselle** Bishop came to New York not long ago and we had a wonderful visit. She wrote in June that she was gearing up for the tourist season at her shop, Spindrift, and that she and Don had just returned from a wonderful sail in Maine. **Cynthia Weinrich** is on her way to New Hampshire for a vacation. I think she'll be staying in **Tibby Chase** Dennis' family's house again. I sadly report that Prue's '63, Patience's '66 and my father died this past June after more than five long years in the Lawrenceville Nursing Home. **Janie Smith** sent a note saying that her Dad too, had passed away in

the last year. We all send our condolences to Janie and her family and I know you send them to me and mine. I talked with **Barbara Pearce** Williams, who Daddy always considered his fourth daughter, in June. She and Tom are well and very content; working hard training dogs at their place in Oakdale, California.

Melissa Dilworth Gold's twins, Ari and Ethan, graduated from Columbia and Harvard respectively this spring. Harvey and I went to a graduation dinner for Ari in New York and **Cherry Raymond** and Polly went to one for Ethan in Cambridge. It was wonderful to see Melissa's family, especially at a time of celebration. The Mozart Bicentennial at Lincoln Center will be over on August 22nd and then I'll spend a week closing down the office. We'll be on vacation at our house in New Jersey during September, though Harvey will certainly work a couple of days a week. I have a few ideas for what comes next which I want to explore this fall. And I want to spend some time contemplating the next 15 years or, to start with, maybe the next five! Some friends from college and I are planning a 50th birthday celebration. The latest idea is bicycling in Wales in September 1993. Does anyone have interest in and/or an idea for our class to mark this anniversary? Let me know and I'll be happy to start the planning. I have current address lists for anyone who wants one. Don't you each wish there were news from more classmates in this newsletter? I do!!!

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From Jane: Many thanks, Wendy, for sending the current class address list and the news about the recent class reunion. I was so sorry to have missed seeing the class at our 30th and hope that I will see you all at the 35th in 1997. Since the reunion **Susan Mathews** Heard sent the following news to share with you. "Bruce and I moved to Pasadena at the end of July, due to Bruce's transfer by Amtrak to be director of public affairs for the 11 western states. I left the Department of Energy after 17 years and will be a senior energy management analyst at Southern California Edison. We bought a townhouse in downtown Pasadena and hope to have lots of visitors. Before leaving I had a lovely lunch with **Pat Halcomb** Phillips and a good chat with **Susie Shea** McPherson." I have spent the past year working with a small company that charters yachts for tours of the Galapagos Islands, a destination at the top of the wish list for many people. Next week I am off on a three-week vacation, driving north through the Tetons, Yellowstone, Glacier National Park and up to Calgary and Edmonton to visit relatives. In early October I will be in California, as usual, and hope that you will call me if and when you are in the neighborhood. I look forward to catching up with all your news from Max who promised she would add to these notes.

From Max: A promise is a promise. Here goes...Our 30th reunion last May was great fun. Many of us convened for Alumni Day at the school but Sunday's brunch at **Susie Shea** McPherson's house in Lawrenceville gave us a change to really catch up. The group was a different one than gathered for the 25th and many of the returnees were classmates who had gone off to boarding schools or moved before graduation. That made it all the more fun, seeing friends from so long ago. Enjoying Susie's hospitality were **Paige Aaron**, **Cindy Brown** Haas, **Wendy Coppedge** Sanford, **Gail Cotton**, **Win Dickey** Kellogg, **Kathy Elsasser** Worthington, **Carol Estey**, **Pat Halcomb** Phillips, **Mary Liz Keegin** Colley, **Suzi Mathews** Heard, **Susan Shew** Jennings, **Dede Shipway** Webster, myself, and various husbands and children. We

proved that you *can* go home again and we encourage the rest of the class to try it for our 35th!

Our sympathy goes out to **Paula Cook** Sculley and her brothers, Pete PCD '53, John PCD '56 and Steve PCD '59, whose father died in September. Peter Cook was a trustee of Princeton Country Day School and painted the portraits of Henry Ross and Doug McClure that hang in Colross. Classmates will remember the wonderful parties at the Cooks' farm in Kingston and the hospitality that her parents always extended to friends. Peter's kindness and sense of fun will be missed by many. (See also PCD '53.)



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Laurie Rogers has earned her real estate license and is now working for Prudential Ct. Realty. Laurie is pleased with this new field and praises her company's training for newcomers. Laurie visited Mrs. Shepherd at her Madison, Connecticut summer home and reminded me of the trip (pilgrimage?) we made together when we were students. Laurie concludes with a plea for all of us to attend

the '93 reunion - our 30th!! **Kathy Sittig** Dunlop is a reunion goer. She attended two college 25th reunions because she went to Hollins for a year and Penn for three. She and Richard will celebrate their 25th anniversary this year with a trip to the Galapagos Islands. Kathy spends her time winning golf tournaments and volunteering for a hospital, a church and the American Cancer Society. Kathy also writes poetry and was kind enough to send three poems. Here's one:

OVERANALYSIS or EnABELing

Today
Would we say
That Cain
Was no pain
But rather that Abel
Deserved a label
Because Abel "was an enabler"
Whose lifestyle brought
On him the misery
Some say his brother wrought?

Sally Campbell Haas has been in touch with several of our classmates. She spoke with **Jane Aresty** Silverman and **Cindy Bull** Tyler when she was in Princeton in May. She also visited **Colleen Coffee** Hall on that trip. During a visit to Washington, DC, Sally visited **Bobbie Schiede** Berger. Sally reported on their activities while in DC which included a trip to Sally's old home there. I am doing fine. I spent a week in the Colorado Rockies learning how to be a better college president and two weeks on vacation in northern California. My college was fortunate to pass a \$61 million bond issue for construction last May despite a taxpayer revolt in Oregon. We are about to start construction on a library and

a theater on my campus, and I am deep in discussions with local neighborhood associations on the impact of our students on the immediate communities around the campus. Talk about things they never taught me in graduate school! This job is a never-ending challenge! **Bonnie Grad** Levy writes, "I have begun to play flute professionally in the Boston area and recently appeared with Annon, a violinist in the Boston Symphony, on WGBH public radio's *Morning Pro Musica*. Stay tuned. My estate planning and benefits law practice is expanding (sometimes seven days a week!) near Boston's waterfront."

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Tanny Madiera Clark was last seen in Vail, CO during the late spring onslaught of eastern visitors. Imagine my surprise when she and her mother - here on a skiing holiday - appeared in my shop! She looks the same as ever and it was great fun catching up after so many years. She has left the world of politics and is contemplating not only a career change, but relocation. **Peggy Woodbridge** Dennis writes that she and Ann Hughey PDS '66 have re-established their old friendship after 25 years thanks to the PDS Journal. They have children the same age and get together often. It seems they are in the minority in the Maryland area, being full-time moms!

PRINCETON COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

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'25-'36

29 With sadness, we report the death of **Richard Graham Kirchner** last May. He was a faithful *Journal* correspondent and we all enjoyed his annual Ground Hog Day letters. The last such letter included news of his daughters of whom he was so proud. Martha married Jean-François in Paris and Graham visited them for the birth of their son in February. He also had a long visit with daughter Gretchen who was recently promoted to full-time Radio Ranger at KICE in Wyoming, hosting the all-night show. Graham also reported in his letter that he had been diagnosed with liver cancer. "I decided to keep my hair and do nothing except depend on my own immune system and the help of God...I'm 77 now, have had a good life with just about everything one could ask out of one, so I keep thinking positively." Graham made his Broadway debut in the mid-1930's and was best known for his roles in all 37 plays in the Shakespeare canon for which he was honored at the New Jersey Shakespeare Festival in 1980. He also acted on television and in film.

31 **Dick Baker** writes, "My wife and I visited London for two weeks in July to visit our daughter, Lady Eileen Baker Strathnaver MFS '60, and our two granddaughters, Rachel Sutherland, 22, who has just graduated from Manchester University, and Rosemary Sutherland, 20, who has just finished her first year at Oxford Polytechnic. Eileen is now

special assistant to Michael Hezeltine, Minister of Trade and Industry and president of the National Trade Association in the British Cabinet. He had to get permission from the prime minister to have an American in this position."



Sandy Maxwell '32 (left) selects a stetson for his trip to Texas with the assistance of retailer **Henry Gross**. Sandy and his band have been hired to play at a wedding in San Antonio in October "setting a new long-distance record" for the group.



35 The lack of news from PCD's early classes prompts new class secretary **Stephen Dewing** to write, "Hey! Please take advantage of your new channel of access to PDS and 'days of auld lang syne' in one of the very important phases of the education of all of us. Any or all items of your personal lives and careers would be (appreciated) by all." Good advice and our thanks to Stephen for taking on this position. Now it's up to all of you to make his job worthwhile! Surely, there must be some news between the classes of 1925-1936!

(No sooner had the above been written than Stephen received the following news from **John Bender**. Maybe it will inspire others to write! - Ed.) A letter has come from John L. Bender PCD '35. John bridged the gap between PCD and college at Phillips Exeter Academy and commenced Princeton University, but left for four years active duty with the US Coast Guard. On return from duty in both the North Atlantic and South Pacific he was able to complete both A.B. and M.A. degrees at Princeton. There followed overseas duty with our embassy in the Philippines and in Israel, and then the second half of his government career was in the Department of the Army. Upon retirement he held the rank of Captain in the Coast Guard Reserve. Since then he has kept busy with civilian activities, mostly as a guide at the Vietnam Memorial and former director of the Friends of the Vietnam Memorial. Besides, he has worked as a driver for the American Cancer Society and a day care association, and handyman for a day care center. John married Fredrika Pratt (Vassar '43) in 1944. They have four children, all of whom attended Exeter. John and Freddy have eight grandchildren.

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We send our sympathy to **David McAlpin** on the death of his wife in May. She was the mother of David, Loring PDS '78, Ann PDS '77 and Jane PDS '81 to whom we also send our condolences. **William Harrop** is the American ambassador to Israel. His mother died this year and we extend our sympathy to him, his brother, David '48, and their children. (Also see PDS '72 notes.) **Sam Howell**, former associate director of athletics at Princeton, was honored by the Princeton University Racing Association this spring. A new heavyweight four-man racing shell was named in his honor and Sam had the pleasure of christening it just after Princeton's heavyweight and women's crews beat Rutgers in a morning regatta.

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Richard K. Paynter III has a son, David, who is an archivist at the National Archives in Washington, DC. David is married and the father of Dick's only grandchild. Dick is retired, lives in Princeton, continues as secretary of the Princeton class of 1951, writes a newsletter for class secretaries, and volunteers in church and local community affairs. **MacDonald Mathey** has a son, Roderic, in the Princeton class of 1995. Don still lives in Princeton. I have been in Washington since 1951, at the AFL-CIO since 1962. As your PCD '44 secretary pro tem, I'm eager for news from you about yourself or about other classmates. Drop me a note and you will get a gold star.

(And Markley gets a gold star from the alumni office for being interested enough to take on the role of class secretary. Our thanks to him. Now, please class of '44, don't let him down by declining to send him news! - Ed.)

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It is with deep sadness that we report the death of **Pieter Fisher** in May. He had recently bought a vineyard in the Napa Valley and built a winery, Clos du Montagne, on the property. Our sympathy goes out to his children, Ellen PDS '73 and Pieter, Jr. PDS '72.

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Secretary

It is with regret that we report the death of **J. Robert Dennen** in September. We send our deepest sympathy to his twin brother, **Bruce Dennen**, and to Robert's wife, Ann, and their two daughters. Robert was a commercial and investment banker in Radnor, PA and had continued his athletic interests, winning numerous paddle tennis tournaments over the years. At Yale, he was a three-year varsity soccer player and made All-Ivy and All-New England squads. Shortly before Robert's death, Bruce wrote to resign as class secretary. He had planned to have Robert fill in for him but we hope that another classmate will now come forward to take on the position.

A welcome note from **Wallace Palmer** relays the following information. "Enjoying living in Maine. Just finished up duty as commodore for two years at the Bucks Harbor Yacht Club in Brooksville, Maine. Daughter Jolie (Pomfret School and Union College) has given us three wonderful grandchildren. Our son, Mark, (Lawrenceville and Kenyon College) was married last summer in Connecticut."

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Secretary

From the papers we learn that **Bob Hillier** was awarded an honorary M.B.A. degree by Bryant College on the occasion of the college's 20th anniversary of its move to its present campus in Smithfield, RI. The award was established to honor those who contributed to ensuring the college's successful transition from one campus to the other. Bob was cited for his "visionary foresight" and "meticulous adherence to detail" as principal designer of the college's facilities.

Friends will be shocked to learn of the sudden death of **Mickey Shannon** on September 26 while vacationing in Bermuda. We send our deepest sympathy to his wife, Dede, and to their children, Courtney '88, Lawrence '81, and Mike '79, and to his brother, Christopher '56.



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'48
'49

Last November I was in Boston as the president of the Princeton University Hockey Association at a reception for the new hockey coach and I saw **Gren Culyer**. We had a very enjoyable visit. Since then Gren wrote me to let me know that he had just played in the Groton School alumni hockey game which the alumni won 8 to 4. Way to go Grenny!!! In addition he mentioned he was in the Steve Martin and Goldie Hawn film, *Housesitter*. He was in the party/reception scene chatting with Steve Martin. Gren continues to do freelance film, TV and theater work around Boston.

As evidenced by the above report, ice hockey was an important part of the PCD program. Alumni will be saddened, therefore, to learn of the death of Peter Cook, one of its champions, who died in September at his home in Kingston. He was a trustee of PCD and he painted the portraits of Henry Ross and Doug McClure that hang in Colross. On behalf of the class, we send our deepest sympathy to his sons, **Peter Cook**, John '56 and Steve '59, his daughter, Paula Sculley MFS '62, his fifteen grandchildren including alumni Jack '85, Robin '87, Mike '89 and Matthew '05, his sisters, Grace Ramus MFS '30 and Jane Taylor MFS '42, and his wife, Joan.

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We send our sympathy to **John McKenzie** whose mother died in May after a long illness.

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Bob Smyth has put in 20 years as a government worker in the state of New Jersey. In May he became the manager of fiscal and administrative services. Previously Bob had worked 10 years for the Department of Community and the last 10 years with the Department of the Treasury's Office of Management and Budget. He continues to play ice hockey and serves as general manager of the newly formed Kingston Hockey Club whose players include John Cook '56, Steve Cook '59, Colie Donaldson '62, Regan Kerney '61, Arch Reid '65, Jim Rodgers PDS '70, Aubrey Huston '64 and Buzz Woodworth PDS '73. **Tim Carey** is back as head of the middle school at Noble & Greenough School in Dedham, MA after taking a sabbatical year in Zimbabwe last year. **Jim Shea** died last spring in Washington, DC where he lived. On behalf of the class, we extend our deepest sympathy to his brother, Bill Shea '61, and his sister, Susan Shea McPherson MFS '62.



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Lending support at John Sheehan's '61 ordination as a Jesuit priest in June are proud classmates Rob French, Bill Shea, Randy Hobler and Ward Kuser. John is in the front.

John White called our development office on business but it gave us a chance to catch up with his life. He has been the very popular headmaster of Elwood Franklin School in Buffalo, NY for the last 10 years and has decided to explore other opportunities after June '93. The school has about 330 students in nursery school through eighth grade. John is responsible for creating the development office at Elwood Franklin and his director of development visited PDS in August. John is married and has two daughters, one a junior in college and the other, a senior in high school. It was a great shock to learn of the death of **John G. "Biff" Lea** in May. Biff went into the Peace Corps and served for two years in Kenya after graduating from Princeton in 1967. Since returning to this country, he had worked at Tower Publishing Company in Portland, ME, a family business he eventually bought. He was active in many wildlife and conservation organizations. He was married and the father of a son and three daughters. Our sympathy to them and to his sister, Anne Lea Erdman MFS '58, and his brother, Tom '63.

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Ward Kuser prefaces the following report with a note of his own. "I believe this is a first—a member of the class of '61 reporting about **John Sheehan**. **Rob French** and family and my family will witness John's ordination as a Jesuit priest. Gosh, he's been talking about it for years...now, what??" For the details, and the personal touch that only John can provide, we turn to his account. "The ordination and first mass weekend was a great success. There were 260 some priests concelebrating, and at one point in the ceremony, each places his hands on the head of each of the men being ordained. That's 260 times 5. As one of the ones kneeling to receive this welcome, I can say with some experience that this is a long part of the ceremony. Between bad knees, bad back and priests who believe that the infusion of the Holy Spirit is somehow related to the force with which they push on your head, it was something of an ordeal. Greatly moving, but painful. My

First Mass the next day was a little simpler. Only 40 concelebrants, I arrived at the sacristy early (my old theater training) and the Pastor said I should check the hall where the tables and chairs for the reception were all to have been set up, so that the caterer could move in quickly. Naturally, 9AM, nothing had been done. (11:00 Mass, reception to follow.) So, I grabbed the janitor, took off my coat and clerical shirt and spent an hour moving tables and chairs. Not exactly how I had planned to prepare, but fortunately everything else was in good shape and it kept me from worrying in anticipation. The Mass itself was lovely and went off without a major hitch. I went down to visit my mother in Maryland for two weeks, and celebrated a major Mass of Thanksgiving there. One of the assistants at her church was just leaving, and his replacement wasn't due for several weeks, so the Pastor immediately put me to work. It was a great way to start out. Then I spent a week with some friends in Virginia, who have two hundred acres in the woods, and then back to Toronto where I celebrated the last of my "triumphal tour" Masses. The parish celebration was fairly extravagant. One of the women in the parish had arranged a Papal blessing which she had had framed and presented to me at both the Italian and the English Masses. The English Mass featured the children from the Carmelite Day Nursery —

probably 150 strong — all trained and scrubbed to within an inch of their collective lives. They did the readings (very well, thank you), they sang the responsorial psalm and they led the singing of the hymns and the responses. And boy did they know them! Of course, in the process of training a lot of little kids, the parents had heard these songs around the house for several months, so they too sang. Participation was at an all time high. A couple of Jesuits showed up, several Franciscans — all in all, a gala event. Afterwards the reception was similarly extravagant. The church hall was decorated with pictures and posters that had been drawn for me by the wee ones, and they had ordered eight (!) sheet cakes. Here, a sheet cake is about five layers deep, so there was lots of rich food. And one huge cake, shaped like an opened book, with "God Bless You, Father John" on one page and a golden cross and yellow roses on the other side. I took it over to another Jesuit community, where it fed people for a week. I have settled back into working, a regular routine of research and writing. Promises to be a full couple of months. The Provincial has indicated that he would prefer me to finish my thesis before I leave for Nigeria, even if it takes an extra month, so that is my primary focus right now. But lest I get bored, I am also singing the Canadian and American national anthems at the SkyDome for a Blue Jays game on August 1st and my mother is going to come up to Toronto for that weekend. I am also proceeding with eye tests, teeth repairs and physical examinations. I figured that getting everything checked out before I head out for Africa was judicious. I will head out for Nigeria sometime in late October."

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'62

The class celebrated their 30th reunion with a party at **Jack McCarthy's** house in Princeton. For those present, see the picture nearby. Jack's ties to PDS have become stronger as his wife, Robin, coaches junior girls and junior boys tennis with Dede Shipway Webster MFS '62 and his son, John, was in kindergarten here last year and will be entering first grade in the fall. Jack was elected a member of the Alumni Council in May.



Jack McCarthy hosted the class of '62's 30th reunion on May 22. Standing are former faculty Bud Tibbals, Herbert McAneny, Wesley McCaughan, John Gaston '62 and Stu Robson. Kneeling are Rob Myers, Walter Brower, Jack McCarthy and John Baker.

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'63

Our sympathy goes to **Kevin Kennedy** and his brothers, Alexander PDS '73, Shaun PDS '77 and Charles PDS '69, on the death of their father in March.

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'64

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'65

Chris Bush has sent in a postcard from (I think) the Caribbean asking how to get in touch with former classmates. So far as I know, the best way is to contact the alumni office at PDS who keep our class records up to date. Chris adds, "Here visiting with my mother from France with the wife and kids (7). Still landscaping.... What are you doing?" Chris has the right idea. Here I have been your correspondent for some time, and yet I haven't told you a thing about myself or my life since I last saw you at PCD. Here we go. **Hector Jaeger** and I both went on to Exeter where we both had creditable careers. Since no one else wanted to, I ended up running the school newspaper my senior year even though I was fifth down from the top of the masthead. I was a proctor in my dorm which meant that I was supposed to enforce discipline when necessary and I also represented my dorm on the student council

This was a treat. I graduated with a classical diploma and prepared for Harvard which I entered in the fall of 1968. The Vietnam War was then at its height and Harvard began to fall apart as soon as we freshman moved in. By spring, the University was shut down by attacks on the administration and finally the main administration building was occupied by SDS and its followers. I myself was opposed to the war, but I saw no point either in the occupation nor in the use of force to end it. Whether anybody did the right thing is still beyond me. I did feel, however, that my own life had fallen apart, and it took much time and care to get it back together again. I left Harvard in 1972 with a degree in classics (Latin), magna cum laude with the expectation that I would have a career in academia, probably teaching classical philosophy. (I had written my B.A. thesis on Plato and Gorgias on What Is Not.) I decided to learn German and then attend a German university so I enrolled in a Goethe Institut in the Black Forest and spent two months acquiring the basics of German. I then proceeded to Göttingen where I had been recommended to Professor Gunther Patzig, the world authority on the Aristotelian Syllogism. (!) I became a member of a graduate seminar and didn't understand one word. Things did not improve, so I finally moved to Paris where I wrote poetry. This was what I really wanted to do anyway. Soon enough, I ran out of money so I came back to the USA and took a number of jobs: stableboy, dishwasher, lunch cook, apartment cleaner and bookseller. When I had had it with that, I went to Oxford to revive my academic career as well as to study economics which I thought might



Nat Hutner '65.

come in handy. It did. My father offered me a job with the family firm and I have been there ever since.

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'67

I was delighted to hear from a record number of classmates this spring, as well as to attend the class reunion and catch up with others. Thank you, everyone! **Laura Peterson** writes that she missed the reunion due to a law/economics conference at Yale. She still teaches at Suffolk Law School on Beacon Hill in Boston and lives in Back Bay. **Linda**

Willis writes that she is working on three books on genealogy research on her computer. She has learned that her family originated in the southern states, moved north and fought for the Union in the Civil War. She has uncovered the existence of colorful ancestors: Dr. Jean Pierre Bondurant of Lyons who immigrated via London about 1700, George McDuffie (U.S. Representative, Senator and Governor of South Carolina from 1820-1840), and William Hatcher, member of the Virginia House of Burgesses (1645, 1646, 1649, 1652 and 1659). She is joining SAR, DAR, and Sons and Daughters of the Republic of Texas. For anyone who wants to swap genealogy tales or say hello, her address is: 15914 Stillwood #2078, Dallas, Texas 75248. I would have fun researching my forebears who include a pirate off North Carolina and a witch burned at Salem. Congratulations, Linda. **Pam Erickson** MacConnell writes that she is director of marketing for a large health care plan. She is busy with her two daughters, Sarah, 7, and Courtney, almost 3 and, to top it off, her husband, John, is running for county judge. **Susan Fritsch** Faber gets the prize for the most PDS '67 contacts this spring. She visited with **Mary Young** Bragado who spent a week in the US settling her son, Julio, at the American Ballet School. Mary lives in Valladolid, Spain with her husband, Max, who is conductor of a symphony orchestra and her two children, Julio and Llya. Both children are serious about dancing, go to a French school and are fluent in three languages. Mary's address in Spain is: Mary Bragado, "La Corala", Parula 43, Puente Herrera, Valladolid 47080, Spain. Susie chatted by phone with **Phoebe Knapp** Warren who is happily pursuing her stone and wood sculpture in Montana and has taken over a lot of family business matters.

I had a wonderful visit with Susie and daughter Lauren (now 5), **Jennie Bergerhoff**, **Marta Nussbaum** Steele and daughter Liza, **Chris Otis**, **Franny Gorman** and **Mary Woodbridge** Lott at the 25th reunion. We had dinner at PDS where we could admire the beautiful surroundings and see old friends like Anne Shepard and Herbert McAneny. We had



Last July Susan Fritsch Faber '67 spent time with classmate Mary Young Bragado who was visiting from her home in Spain.

brunch the next morning at Chris' house in Rocky Hill. What a fascinating experience to see how far we have come and to share common concerns. I had a nice visit with Susie Fritsch Faber, Lauren and



Jennie Bergerhoff and Susan Fritsch Faber with daughter Lauren share stories at the '67 reunion brunch.



Chris Otis hosted a 25th reunion brunch in May. Pictured are (L. to R.) Franny Gorman, Jennie Borgerhoff, Mary Woodbridge Lott, Julia Lockwood, Chris Otis and Marta Nussbaum Steele with children, Lauren Faber and Liza Steele.

Mrs. Fritsch at Rossmoor. She is still reporting for the *Watertown Town Times*. Jennie Borgerhoff very kindly drove me to the Newark airport which gave me a chance to catch up on all her doings including her work with her crime victims support service in Philadelphia. **Martha Miller Ricci**, her husband, Steve, and daughter, May, visited us in Maine where their older daughter, Eliza, is a camper this summer. Hopefully other classmates will be inspired to send me their news for the next issue. Again, many thanks.



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'68

As summer comes to an end and school buses begin practice runs, I am reminded it is time to write the news for the *Journal*. I enjoy writing the column when there is news, and so I am pleased again this time. **John Claghorn** dropped me a card with a new address (only a block away from his former habitat!). It seems his three kids require a bit more room in NYC. He is working at Tucker Anthony, an investment firm. He noted, "Three kids keep us moving — from hockey rinks to baseball fields to ballet recitals." Another move, but out of NYC to Boston, was made by **Beth Schlossberg** earlier this year. Beth had been with American Express and Citibank in NYC. Now she is vice-president/management supervisor for the direct marketing firm of Orsatti & Parrish. Good luck, Beth! Across the Great Pond, **Gillian Gordon** notified me that she is still in London but also has moved within the city. She lives with her husband, Bob Crozier, and has two children, Mirren and Isla.

Rick Ross sent me a copy of the lead article in the

Sunday *New York Times* Business Section of July 19, 1992 — "Crazy Eddie's Insane Odyssey." It seems Rick was sent to Israel, as the attorney working with a court-appointed trustee to find Mr. Antar's (a.k.a. "Crazy Eddie") assets. Pictured nearby is Rick in Old Jerusalem on the Islamic Plaza with various Israeli Patrol Border Guards, representatives of the Securities & Exchange Commission, and Yossi Zamory. Mr. Zamory, who is Chief Superintendent, Head of Intelligence of the Israeli National Police, was Rick's "guide, mentor and protector while in Israel. During the nine-day trip we managed a day and a half of touring to Jerusalem and Qumran and a dip in the brine of the Dead Sea.



Sent to Israel to find "Crazy Eddie," Rick Ross '68 (far left) pauses in Jerusalem with Israeli Patrol Border Guards, representatives of the S.E.C., and the Head of Intelligence, Israeli National Police.



Meg Brinster Michael '70 and Mary Hobler Hyson '68 enjoy a day at the beach.

It was hot and stinging — 114 degrees air temperature. The trip (business-wise) was a great success." Rick was quoted in the *Times* article after he had seen "Crazy Eddie" Antar in Israel. "He was like a character from the Yiddish theater — the slumped, round-shouldered lost little man. He was looking for sympathy but as far as I'm concerned he was just playing a role." Rick resides and works in New Jersey with his wife/law partner, Judy Heim.

I received a wonderfully long letter from **Susan Koch** LaTulippe in March. Her oldest daughter, Rebecca, is a student at UVM and engaged to be married. (Will this be the first marriage of a child of a member of the class of '68?) Her middle daughter, Sarah, graduated from high school this year and will probably be heading to UVM too. Next in line is Elizabeth who will be a junior in the fall. She is an accomplished dancer and tennis player. Cayce is a basketball and soccer star and she's an excellent student. Last, but not least, is Corey. He was chosen best goalie at the squirt level in New England. Susan has been running a unique day-care facility and kindergarten center for several years. Susan and husband, Steve, and crew live near Burlington,



Sia Godfrey Bauer, Punky Brewster Rutledge and Mary Hobler Hyson hold a '68 mini-reunion in Cheshire, CT.

Vermont. There's a photo nearby of **yours truly** with Meg Brinster Michael '70 on the beach at Mantoloking, New Jersey. My son, David, and I were touring the coast of Maryland and New Jersey and stopped in for a visit. She is hoping to move into a new home with husband, Geoff, daughters Alexis, Katie and "Z" due in October. Hope the house is finished on time. We were able to sneak in a mini-reunion in Cheshire in August. Pictured, **Sia Godfrey Bauer**, **Punky Brewster Rutledge** and I all gathered poolside at my house. All the kids had a grand time (Stephanie and Justin Bauer, Erin and Luke Rutledge, and Chris, Katie and David Hyson). Sia is now comfortably living in a remodeled home in Burlington, CT and Punky has been enjoying singing in a community choral group in Manchester, CT. The three of us began to "brainstorm" for ideas for our upcoming 25th reunion in 1993. Look for information in the mail this fall. If you have any ideas as to when, where and what type of gathering you'd like, please drop me a line. The kids and I will be heading to Madison, CT to visit Anne Shepherd at her summer home next week. Look for photo of our visit in the next issue. That wraps it up for this column. Cheers.

The alumni office received the following note from **Andrew Fishmann**. "My second daughter, Addie Lee, was born Feb. 18, 1992. Megan Alix is soon to be 9 and will start fourth grade in the fall. Yes, we survived the L.A. riots. Closest fire to our home was eighteen blocks away. Closest fire to work — three blocks!"

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'69

Deborah Merrick Estes writes, "I haven't written in so long, I'll have to report some old news. I married Charlie Estes in August 1989. We are happily living in Washington, DC with my daughter, Alison, 10, and his, Catherine, 17, and Christine, 15. I left my job in the US Senate in January and became director of congressional relations for the American Gas Association. We represent natural gas utilities. Charlie recently opened his own consulting firm. I'm sorry to have missed our 20th — maybe the 25th!" From **Ed Purcell** we hear, "Effective August 1, I will be taking the position of assistant professor in the department of anatomy at the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences in Des Moines, Iowa. The opportunity to devote the past two years entirely to my research (interactions between the nervous and immune systems) has been very fruitful — first of three publications is the



Brita Cooper, the daughter of Blair Lee '69. Picture was taken in the fall of '91.

July issue of *Experimental Neurology* (117(1):44-50) — but I have missed teaching. My new position will allow me to continue my research and participate extensively in medical education. I will be teaching neuroanatomy, the cell and tissue biology of the immune system and (yes) gross anatomy with cadaver dissection. I hate to leave the Lawrence (Kansas) — Kansas City area but Des Moines is a very nice, modern and progressive city with a booming economy (third largest insurance center in the world) and the surrounding countryside is gorgeous." **Ashby Adams** writes, "Looking forward to seeing you all in '94. If you're watching summer TV reruns, I'll be on *FBI: Untold Stories* (ABC) and, in the fall, *Silk Stalkings* (CBS)." **Susy Schnur** Fishman also wrote to say, "I happened to open up our PDS '69 yearbook the other day and I saw that page with the grid — you know, down one side all of our names and across the top, categories. My eye fell on "class laughs at" and I followed the column down and the little square was filled in "Susy." And I thought, "Oh, no! Did they all know something that I didn't know? It was so depressing to think of one's adolescence and stupidity and rank absence of self-knowledge." Susy goes on to say that 41 seems a lot more fun than 17.

The papers tell us that **Mary Lou Delahanty** has been named a partner in the Trenton law firm, Picco Mack Herbert Kennedy Jaffe & Yoskin. She served as assistant deputy public defender and then as assistant city attorney for the City of Trenton before joining Picco Mack in 1989. She specializes in litigation and holds a degree in psychology from Trenton State College and received her law degree from Seton Hall Law School where she was associate editor of the Seton Hall Law Review. In the last issue, we overlooked an adorable picture of **Blair Lee's** daughter. Look for it near this column.

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'70

Margaret Meigs sent in a great picture of her family and writes, "All is busy here. Paul is now directing CIGNA's legal activities in Asia so he travels there. No trips for me yet although those frequent flyer miles are adding up. I am returning to the working world this fall for three part-days per week, helping with marketing research at a large insurance firm. Also co-chairing the Germantown Friends School Craft Show, a scholarship fundraiser. (Phila. area PDS grads take note: March 6-7, 1993 is the time,



Margaret Meigs '70 with her children: Ellen, 3, Sarah, 7, and Nick Laskow, 6.

It's a great show.) The kids are wonderful, look just like Paul but act like me (except they have their father's athletic ability). Belatedly, I want to say how much I loved our 20th reunion. I was so nervous before that party but when I walked in and saw all those friends it felt like 20 years had just melted. Can't wait for the 25th. Shelly and Leslie: BE THERE OR ELSE." **Wendy Lawson-Johnston** McNeil writes, "It has been an exciting, yet chaotic year as we have endured a renovation project at home which nearly brought us all to our knees on top of the every day bustle with a son (15) at Lawrenceville and a daughter (12) at PDS. In addition, the long awaited reopening of The Guggenheim Museum finally took place after 2½ years of restoration and expansion efforts. I'm fairly active with the organization so it was a welcome new beginning for those involved. Otherwise all is well and skipping along at the usual insane pace. Nothing unusual for any of us, right?" **Eve Robinson** sent in a photo from her gala 40th birthday party held at a friend's loft in Tribeca. PDS was well represented by **Brita Light**, **Porter Eubank** and, great as ever, but not pictured, **Calvin Johnson**. Eve reports it was great to have this mini-reunion and renew old ties. Eve, her husband, Tom Fraioli, and daughter, Sophia Fraioli, moved to Montclair, NJ in September. They purchased a home and both Tom and Eve are Jerseyites again after more than 20 years. Here's to more reunions! I had quite an unusual spring! I went to Florida for spring vacation and ended up the day we were to leave for home going into the hospital with a fever of 104.9 de-



Brita Light (left) and Porter Eubank (right) offer support to their 1970 classmate, Eve Robinson, on her 40th birthday.

grees. (I started with a sinus infection two days before and began taking an antibiotic which I had taken several times before.) My kidneys shut down (I had three rounds of dialysis), I had a disgusting mouth fungus, I had a rash all over and I couldn't move my arms and legs. Nine doctors, hundreds of tests (including one for Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever — I had the classic symptoms) and 10 days later (and a hospital bill you wouldn't believe), they guessed I had an allergic reaction to the antibiotic. (Cipro, by name — don't ever take it!) I am fine now except my hair is falling out which they think is related to my illness; they tell me I won't be going bald! This summer I am spending a week in Wyoming and two weeks in the Adirondacks. I have a new job at PDS — I am in charge of the alumni portion of the Annual Fund. I am depending on all of you to make me look good by sending in your gifts early and often! And when you do send in your gift, please send some class news. We really want to hear from you; three letters is not a very good response!

In case anyone missed it on television or in the papers, **Chris Reeve** was married April 11 to Dana Morosini, an actress and his companion at the 20th reunion. They are living in Williamstown, MA and New York City. We wish them well!

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'71

Short and sweet is the phrase to apply to our column this time around. I have news from only two classmates for you. And I thank both of them heartily. Without their postcards, my mailbox would be totally empty. **Dede Pickering** Bossidy wrote, "I've just returned from three weeks in Albania. This was the first scientific expedition to enter Albania since before World War I. We rafted the Black Drini River — never previously navigated — and climbed the tallest mountain in Albania. A fascinating and unforgettable experience. Now I'm back in my office in Greenwich, CT working hard in the executive search business." Another classmate who has been on the road, strictly domestically, is **Natalie Huston Wiles**. She has just moved with her family to Virginia. All seems well with them and will be even better after they get unpacked. Nothing new in my corner of the state, or world, depending on how global you'd like to be. I did tune into a wonderful show on cable this summer. **Suzy Waterman** Becker's father, Stan, was featured on a program called "The Man Who Loves Sharks." It was great fun to see Suzy's family — including the pig — and the incredible under-water photography. I can still remember an assembly at Miss Fine's given by Mr. Waterman. It must have impressed me, because there is so much that escapes my recall these days. It would be wonderful to hear from you all. How about everyone who received a phone call before our 20th reunion, who hasn't been in touch since, send in some news for our next column? I know that sounds ambitious, but you gotta shoot high!

The papers report that **Lisbeth Warren** and Robert Cantley were married on May 17. Lisbeth is an attorney with Johnson & Johnson in New Brunswick and her husband is a software developer with Computer Associates in Princeton. They are living in Bedminster, NJ. Congratulations!

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'72

Dear Class, Well our 20th has come and gone. I enjoyed seeing all of you who attended and for those of you who were unable to make it, plan to attend the next big one as it was well worth it! For those of you who asked about getting a copy of the notes I collected I am including them here. I would



The class of '72 at their 25th reunion.

like to thank **Alex Laughlin** for allowing us to descend upon his house after the festivities at PDS, also thanks to **Jody Erdman** for all her work on the **Harriette McLoughlin** memorial; it was well worth it! I'd also like to thank Linda Maxwell Stefanelli '62 for all her help and suggestions for making this a great 20th reunion. So, now on to the news! **Brigid Moynahan** has two children, Julian, 9, and Lucia, 5. She is married to an Italian photographer, Andrea Brizzi. "I have my own management consulting business. We help people in large organizations get along and talk to one another. (Team building, communication skills, etc.) We live in a nice old Victorian that is driving us into bankruptcy. We've become boring suburban people who complain about making mortgage payments." I guess things could be worse, Brigid! I had a great time catching up with Brigid once she recognized me!! I will be getting in touch at some point, Brigid, as I still need to get Barbara Kass' address and number. **Karen Turner** writes, "I am single — no children except for my 7-year-old son, a bearded collie, Sancho. Workwise — after bagging the legal profession I went into journalism. I worked in radio for several years. In February, I went to work for Philadelphia Mayor Edward G. Rendell as his press secretary — stay tuned for other exciting news!" **Kobby Gulick** Hoffman is presently a senior planner for Thomas Jefferson planning district (one city, five counties) doing housing development and planning. Last two years acting director of new county community development foundation to address low and moderate income housing needs, write grants. I also work as staff part-time in another county in local government citizen committee housing strategy. Still involved in National Organization for Women. Two children ages 2 and 6. Spouse teaching architecture at Vermont College, working on getting him back to VIRGINIA!

Brice Hereford is married with two kids, Alex, 3½, and Dylan, 3 months. Bogey is a national sales manager with Lamson and Goodnow (oldest cutlery company) and he is "happy living in the country and raising my kids like Indians!" **Fairfax Hutter** is a free-lance graphic artist, illustrator and writer. She is still painting at least one day per week. Semi-living in Lawrenceville, studio in Hopewell. "Still single — so nothing much is new, living the hard, lonely life of an artist. Want to flee to Vermont!" **Anne Robinson** lives and works in NYC. "Still single, but searching for a significant other. Took my high school glee club experience and didn't sing for 17 years. Started singing again with the Madison Frenell Presbyterian Church — St. Andrew Chorale and love it. Singing two Bach cantatas in concert tomorrow afternoon. Work is definitely a challenge. Was hired a year ago by a small company to market them out of a shaky financial situation. The business is now growing but the finances are still shaky. Most of the big

customers like Sears, Ames and others are not faring well in the recession, and potpourri and fragrance business is tough. So I've become a specialist on herbs-cooking, medicinal, mystical and otherwise — and that part of the business is booming. The business may survive — but in a very different form than when I took over last April." **John Kalpin** has been living in Ringoes since 1981, "renovating 18th century farmhouse, still! It is perennially under construction, currently installing a walled water garden. Married, twice. Have a great son, John III, a freshman at PDS this year. Yikes. Assisted in the family business after a major fire in 1977. Still there, it is a gray and ductile iron metal casting operation serving industrial equipment manufacturers on the East Coast. Have been back to PDS numerous times for Architecture Career Day. Often saw **Steve Foss**, Robin Murray '70, and Fran Treves '74. Great to see the other people attending from our class today." **Rob Gips** is "living in South Portland, Maine; married to a wonderful woman, Karen Harris, and father to three girls — Sara, 7, Allie, 4, and Rachel. I make my living working as a partner in both a law firm and investment bank that primarily represents Indian tribes. Twenty years; I'm still trying to figure out whether it seems like yesterday or the opposite. I miss seeing friends from PDS and have really appreciated the chance to catch up with everyone who came tonight."

Steven Silverman is living with his parents in the San Fernando Valley. "Unmarried...recovering from heart transplant surgery back in August 1991. When I work, I make my living in the military/industrial complex...integrating payloads into the space shuttle. Most of my expertise is in computers and programming. My parents and I live in a house that overlooks the eastern end of the S.F.V., surrounded by Hollywood-types (movie and TV stars, producers, directors, etc.). Mom and Dad moved to Sherman Oaks in September 1991 after my surgery. Dad is currently working in EMS Room of Children's Hospital of L.A." And a more recent update from Steven finds him doing even better as far as his health is concerned. "I am more alert than before. My health is so much better...I can't believe I didn't have this operation sooner...NOT!!! Unfortunately, I've gotten caught in the Republican's fiscal crunch along with the rest of the aerospace industry...I might be forced to pull up stakes here in L.A. and move to Silicon Valley or maybe Houston, Texas. We visited with Mary Chapin Carpenter July 15. She was in town to play the *Tonight Show* with Jay Leno, with her band. She looks and sounds marvelous." I wish you continued success in your recovery, Steven, and we expect to see you doing even better at our 25th! **Michael Clagett** "gravitated to the computer business and took a job recently in NYC with a large insurance company as a programmer/analyst. Major culture shock as I had previously worked for the 10-person office of *Country Music*

Magazine. Great to see you all again. "Hey, Michael, shouldn't that be ya'll? That's the way they say it down here in Florida!" **Kirk W. Moore** "graduated from dental school in 1981 — from there I did a one-year residency at Robert Wood Johnson Hospital in New Brunswick. From there I practiced in other dental offices and clinics and then struck out on my own in the summer of 1988. This is my first reunion and after seeing everyone here this will not be my last. After 20 years the class of '72 hasn't changed." I am not sure all of our classmates would take that as a compliment, Kirk, but I do agree that we all seem to be aging gracefully! **Lit Lyness Anderson** is "mother of three girls — ages 6, 4, 1½ (yes, we're done). Wife of Gregg Anderson. Former employee of Compton Advertising — Doyle Dane Bernbach Advertising. Worked in sports marketing including the 1984 Olympics. After our first child, worked for *Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous*. What a wonderful job! — *Video People Magazine*. After second baby, Greg (a former Wall Streeter) and I bagged our old jobs and opened a child care center. We service 110 families, 82 children a day, ages 8 weeks to kindergarten." Lit, you certainly have more energy than I do!

Beth Johnson is still in NYC and she writes, "I can't believe I'm still fantasizing about a farm in the country. Have a wonderful 5-year-old daughter, am a free-lance magazine writer, I'm still in touch with some friends." **Tom Reynolds** writes, "Nothing has changed in six years since I last did this, Andy. Except the kids are older; Thomas, 10, Grace and William, 6. I am in the commercial beef business (old family business), commercial real estate, and am playing guitar whenever I can, which lately has been a lot. This has been big fun and I still think you should seriously consider Forth Worth." **Giaff Ferrante** is "a vascular and general surgeon working in my own practice in a medium-sized community hospital (South Shore Hospital) on the south shore of Boston Harbor. I love cutting people open, doing things inside, and sewing them back up again. Even more than that I enjoy the strange and mysterious interplay of trust between the patient ('he might kill me') and surgeon ('she might sue me') before and after the operation. I work hard at keeping the relationship on an old-fashioned level and trying to ignore the extraneous influences of money and liability. It is most rewarding when I feel that I have surprised someone into liking me and trusting me even though they weren't planning on it. It is also great when they get better because of something I did. Even if they don't get a lot better, I hope I have helped some of them to accept and deal with their illness. Alison and I have three children; Francesca, 9, John 6, and Cam, 4. They are wild, but loving (the children), and I'm sorry I can't spend more time with them for the time being. This reunion has been wonderful and has made everyone here more real to me. They all look so happy and well. Hope to see them all at our 50th." Well Giaff, I hope that you plan to show up at a reunion prior to our 50th and I hope that we are all around to join in our 50th!

Anthea Burtle Orlando is "currently employed as a systems administrator in the circulation department of the *Hollywood Reporter*. This is a trade publication concerned with the entertainment industry. Married, no kids yet. Write soaps in my spare time that Frank, my husband, ends up revising and editing." **Susan Stix** Fisher "lives in New York City with my husband and two children; Willy, 4½, and Matthew, 1½. We love NY and take complete advantage, from Dim Sum many Sunday mornings in Chinatown, to expeditions to all outer boroughs and museums, etc. My husband has a food services company and other interests in the food industry, however, I still can't cook and am glad for all the excellent 'local' restaurants and take-out shops! I am an active volunteer with community groups

such as running a reading group for nursery kids who live in welfare hotels and other projects. I am enjoying the reunion although hate to admit 20 years have passed." I second that emotion, Susan! **Jody Erdman** is "in Boston painting in my studio. I also put up a temporary sculpture at a beautiful museum in New York State. It was created out of straw and wax. That's my life." **Kacey Constable** writes "Well...I love reading about everyone else. That's what makes 20 years later so interesting! Marital status (my husband-to-be leaning over my shoulder, watching as I write this) still single until July 4th this year. Then I try out what everybody else (95% of my classmates) have already done before me. Paul is an Irishman — fun, a scientist — keeps me laughing, etc. I graduated from Penn (landscape architecture) last year and am working in Center City Philadelphia now...all in all things are going well. By the way, **Howie** is fine, living in Nantucket — a builder, contractor — living the life of an athlete between building houses — he's doing well. Go up and visit him and see for yourself. Cheers!" And recently I received an update from Kacey as follows: "I'm married now. Wedding was on July 4th. We've been in Nantucket a week. Played tennis with my brother Howie three times at least. He's well and fit. Paul, my husband, and I are off today to Ireland with our bikes for two weeks and then we return to Philadelphia." Hope you had a great trip! **Jamie Figg** "came back to Princeton today for the first time in almost 25 years except for a quick drive thru or to. Dumped the wife and kids at home — actually, they refused to come. Ran into **Tui Duncan's** father on Nassau Street and spent the day with them (Stu and Petie MFS '51) in Lawrenceville. Enjoyed seeing everyone and must say that we've all aged well."

Stephen Foss "gave up trying to practice architecture a few years ago and started trading options on the stock market part-time. Now have several rich clients I manage accounts for, but still designing residences and additions when I can find clients with taste. Unmarried and having a fine time staying that way!" And now news that I have collected since the reunion: **Jan Hall Burruss** "got back in touch with PDS in spring 1992, just in time for the 20th, which I missed anyway due to the imminent birth of our third child. Since college and grad school (Smith '76, Brown M.A.T. '77), I've been in the Boston area, first teaching high school English, then doing technical writing and editing. I married John Burruss (Harvard '77, Princeton M.A. '79) in 1982 and we now have three children (Oliver born 1986, Meriwether born 1989, Georgiana born 1992). Last year we moved to my family's ancestral home in Sherborn (since 1690 we've lived here). My parents and brother also live in town. My yearbook said I'd end up on a farm — I did. We have three horses and five cats, so far, and love country life. I'm in touch with **Mary Mills** and **Giaff Ferrante**, but I'm sorry not to see more of others in our class." **Kenzie Carpenter** sent along a photo of her twins, Leslie and Stephen, at 6 months. "It was great seeing everyone — however briefly — at our reunion,



Mackenzie Carpenter's '72 twins, Leslie (left) and Stephen.

(especially to talk to **Tom Reynolds**, also a parent of boy-girl twins) and I'm looking forward to our 25th." And from a very long-lost classmate, **Olivia Kuser**: "Bought a house in San Francisco a year ago — a ten minute commute from my studio at the Naval Shipyard. I'm housepainting for a living; painting, drawing and printmaking for my real living. Homeownership is great but exhausting. I know more about plumbing and electricity than I ever wanted." Well I think that's it. I hope I did not leave anyone out. By now you all should be used to hearing that I have moved and I didn't want to disappoint you this time around! I am going to be working in a new (brand new that is) clinic that my employer is opening. This clinic will be closer to the beaches here in Jax and it may require yet another move! One of these days I hope to be settled! In order to prepare myself for the solo practitioner role that I am about to undertake, I am taking the month of September off (and perhaps part of October). I plan to drive northward and will eventually end up in Maine at the Scasserra/Stewart family house on Kezar Lake. I find that there are many Bostonians amongst our ranks so if I find myself in town I'll get in touch. It was great seeing everyone and I'd once again like to thank Alex Laughlin for opening his home to us. I'd also like to thank my good friend Marc Elie for being such a good sport and accompanying me to the reunion and doing an excellent job as photographer! Hope that you're all planning to attend the next reunion! That was a marvelous job, Andy! Your column was very thorough but a few more bits of news have made their way to the alumni office and deserve to be printed here.

Mackenzie Carpenter writes, "Am currently on maternity leave from my job as a reporter for the *Pittsburgh Post Gazette*. After years of putting off motherhood I hit the Daily Double Jan. 14 when I gave birth to twins — a boy, Stephen Marshall Rotstein (6 lbs. 3 oz.) and a girl, Leslie Chapin Rotstein (7 lbs. 2 oz.)! My husband, Gary Rotstein, is an editor at the newspaper and we hope to be happily ensconced in Pittsburgh (a great city, come visit) for many years to come." **Steve Bash** says, "Am moving back to USA this summer after three great years in Hong Kong. I will be working in New York City for Congress Talcott, a subsidiary of CoreStates. Don't know where we will be living yet. My wife and three daughters are excited to come back to fresh air and open spaces. I am sorry that I will miss our 20th reunion but I look forward to 21."

Susan Stix Fisher is also on the move: "For a complete change of pace from New York City, my husband, two boys and I will spend July and August in the Dominican Republic at the beach. We expect to be completely relaxed and 'air-headed' come September! Our Spanish should become excellent, something that is useful back in New York!" **Mark "Mau-Mau" Harrop** writes that he's become director of publicity for McGraw-Hill's public affairs department. He spent some time travelling in Charleston, SC, Naples, FL and Granada, W.I. recently with his wife, Lucy. He also "reports sadly the passing of his grandmother, Mrs. George Argale Harrop, a long-standing member of the community and PCD/PDS parent. (Also see PCD '43 notes.) She left the world in her sleep on March 17th. Classmates may remember our ninth grade barn party at the Harrop home at 62 Cherry Hill Road. Oû est Arthur Minuit?"

Our sympathy to **Jacqueline Webster** Armiger on the death of her father in May.



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'73

Laura Schleyer is now in grad school at Evergreen State getting her master's in environmental studies. She says it's great to have brain food again! She and friend Steve just climbed Mt. Olympus — their first mountain summit — how wonderful! Thanks in part to *Good Morning America*, *Skinny Spices* sold out its first printing and is going into second edition one year after **Erica Levy** Klein published it. The book was also selected as a featured choice by the Better Homes and Gardens Book Club. Erica says it is amazing she has come so far from cooking grilled cheese sandwiches in her PDS days. We had a note from **John Mittnacht** who is changing jobs and playing golf a little. So little news after so long, John! Tell us more when you have a chance! **Glenna Weisberg** Andersen has been extraordinarily busy with her two children and work. There's little time for Mom. She says her kids are super and they love seeing them grow. The Andersens are also building a house. **Ginna Vogt** had a lovely daughter on October 6, 1991, Persephone Rose Hernandez-Vogt. She is beautiful, good-natured, alert, curious, and has been sleeping through the night since 2 months. Ginna is working as a psychotherapist in private practice. Mrs. Vogt retired from teaching last fall, but has not slowed down one iota. She is an ecstatic grandmother. Ginna says that after her mother's years "of guiding students through state spelling competitions, George Bush has appointed Mrs. Vogt to be a special consultant to the vice-president!" **Winn Thompson** added Charlotte Alberta to his family on January 22, 1992. He says Charlotte, like her brother and sister, is a true joy. Winn, did you know my first name is Alberta! I applaud your choice in names! We would like to send our sympathies to **Liz Pratt** Bliss on the passing



The Chimney Rock Winery in California was the scene of Daryl Janick's '73 marriage to Bruce Kent in July. Anne Macleod Weeks '73 (left) and Daryl seem to be enjoying the event.



Larry Tan '69 (second from left), his wife (left), Anne Macleod Weeks '73 and Fraser Macleod PCD '64 got together at the wedding of Daryl Janick '73 in July.

of her mother and to **Zander Kennedy** on the loss of his father. Finally, congratulations to **Daryl Janick** on her recent marriage to Bruce Kent in San Francisco's wine country. It was a beautiful wedding as well as reunion for many of us. Larry Tan '69 and Fraser Macleod PCD '64 were there with me. It was a grand time. Bruce and Daryl honeymooned in Alaska. I also recently spoke with **Susan Ross Cusack** who is living outside Boston, has three children and is doing well. Having spoken with or seen so many old friends of late, I realize how the years fly by. Hope all of you had pleasant summers.

Peter Moore writes, "After eight exciting years in Alaska, my wife, Louise, and I returned to the east coast, primarily to be back in the family fold more than we were able to be from 5,000 miles away. Landed in Maine first where I worked with the aquaculture industry as director of the Maine Aquaculture Innovation Center based at the University of Maine. Lack of financial commitment induced my wife and me to enroll in the master's program in Maine Affairs at the University of Rhode Island from Sept. 1991-Dec. 1992. Will be working this summer in Maine and Alaska."

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'74

Laura Mail-Astrue writes, "After several years in the DC area (two moves, two kids, several jobs including two years teaching high school French!), we're heading back to our house in Belmont, MA. Glad to be back." And from **Cathy Kindquist** we hear, "Living happily in mountains of Colorado. Working on my dissertation (in historical geography). Doing research in Colorado history. Involved in local politics." In March Nancy Kendall McCabe wrote, "My husband, Patrick, and our two children, Willie, 2, and Katie, 1, are enjoying our new house in Santa Monica and we do wish **Camilla Carpenter** would phone a little more often!"

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'76

Mary Chapin Carpenter's career has really taken off. Ads for her various television appearances are on almost every night! Her latest honor was her induction into the Starwalk at Opryland along with Roy Acuff, Garth Brooks and Hank Williams, Jr. **Laurie LaPlaca** is moving with her family to their horse farm in Charlottesville, VA. Her father is retiring after 47 years as owner of Nassau Interiors where Laurie also worked. **Sandy Shaw** Strong writes, "Living in Ketchum, Id. Working as controller for Scott USA. Dedicating much of my spare time to Taekwondo, I am now an advanced blue belt. Encourage anyone to visit this wonderful place and, when they do, look me up for some skiing and mountain bike riding — whatever the season." We extend our sympathy to **Michael Barren** and his brother, Mark '78, whose father, Dan, died this spring. He was a football coach at PDS in the 60s and 70s.

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'77

With all the course work completed for her master's program in occupational therapy, **Celia Schulz** is busy working on her thesis. "I am interviewing members of a support group for head injury to determine what they think is helpful about the group." "Lots of good news," was sent in from **Rachel Abelson** Hickson. Rachel started a new job

The class of '77
celebrates their 15th reunion...



Sara Rothrock, John Haroldson and Anne Dennison.



Anne Dennison and Alexis Arlett.



Claire Treves, Stephanie Cohen Fippinger and Leigh Faden.

in April conducting research on disability for the State of NJ. In May she graduated with a master's degree in sociology and in June, daughter Meredith celebrated her third birthday while Rachel and her husband celebrated their tenth anniversary... "with big parties for both occasions." After a busy spring, she was looking forward to a quiet summer with a trip or two to Long Beach Island. Annette Compton had a great time at the reunion and seeing **Fifi Laughlin**, **Pete Buck**, **Sandra Benson Cress**, **Holly Burks Becker**, **Claire Treves**, **Alexis Arlett** et al, "really brought back memories!" Congratulations to Annette whose first illustrated children's book entitled *God's Paintbrush* is coming out this fall by Jewish Lights Publishing. "Look for it in bookstores, written by Sandy Sasso and illustrated in watercolor by Annette Compton." **Beth Johnson** and her husband moved to Tokyo this spring. Beth will direct the liaison office for the documentary film production company she had been working for in Chicago and her husband will continue in international bond sales. "Everything is going well for me," writes **Chris Johnson**. "My wife is expecting our third child in late August. I enjoyed seeing everyone at the 15th Reunion. **Ted Stabler** and I attended **Alex Zaininger's** Bavarian wedding this past January. He married a

lovely German girl and they're expecting a baby." Sandra Benson Cress loved seeing "you all" at the reunion. "For those who weren't there, I am loving my job with the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games. I am overseeing the management of six sports and went to Barcelona this summer as an official observer. Just bought our first house, Atlanta being far more affordable than L.A. Saw **John Kerin Lifland** last weekend. He is designing and building custom furniture and is engaged to one of his old college sweethearts." As for me, I am managing to stay very happy and somewhat sane. In June we vacationed in the Florida Keys and spent our days snorkeling at Bahia Honda. Fishing for tarpon, barracuda and dolphin made early retirement seem like a great idea. And now with a hint of fall already in the air, we're heading down to Lewes Beach, DE for a final summer fling. We bought a new boat this summer and spend most weekends fishing in the

...more reunion photos.



Carrie Bachelder Dufresne, Bill Roebing '65 and Eric Keller.



Jennifer Mezey, Babette Mills Henagan and Ted Stabler.



History department head Eamon Downey, unidentified friend, Mathieu Roberts and Rob McClellan.

Delaware Bay. Thanks to those of you who shared your news with us; and to those of you who didn't, please do!! We'd love to hear from you.

From other sources we learn that **Annabelle Brainard** Canning is moving to Philadelphia in July and expects her first child in May. Let's see pictures for the next issue! **Pete Buck** hosted a pre-Alumni Day bash at his new (at that time unoccupied) house to commemorate '77's 15th reunion. Pictures of the festivities can be found near this column and on the Alumni Day page and we hope they speak for themselves as that's all the news we have on the evening. Pete has returned to the business world and started work for Tucker Anthony's Princeton office in August—after a vacation in Cape Cod and a trip to Wyoming. We wish him well but things sure seem quiet around here!



15th REUNION

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Congratulations to **Michele Plante** Kemp who married Eric in Bodrum, Turkey on May 16th. Michele is a national sales executive with Adrienne Vittadini's children's clothing division. **Bob Cottone** and his wife, Lauren, wrote to announce the birth of their first child, Emma Carolyn, on April 6th. All is well with them and regards are sent to everyone. After a very long silence, **Jennifer Johnson** surfaced. She is living in NYC and working at Lehman Brothers as a fixed income salesperson. She spends most weekends windsurfing at her place in Amagansett. She sees a lot of **Alice Lee Groton**, **Lydia Thompson** Fox and **Barbara Vaughn**. Jennifer also sends best wishes to all. Alice Lee Groton wrote a ton of information on a small card and I thank her for it! Here are the highlights: **Kerry Faden** organized a dinner for Arlene Smith's retirement. Attending from our class were Kerry, Alice, **Betsy Murdoch** Maguire and **Celia Manning** Tazelaar. There were about 35 "old aries" in all. At the end of July, Alice went to Colorado to check in on our old exchange student friends. **Nelly Higginbotham** and husband Doug have their own mountain bike company called Manitou. The company is doing very well selling bikes with front and rear suspension. Last year's top racer even rides one. Nelly is expecting their first child any day now. **Blake Wilson** has an art and oriental rug store in Colorado Springs. He is fine and he has three young boys! Way to go, Blake. (Blake, are you still on this mailing list, and if so, get your #@& in gear and write me!) Well Wouldn't You Know It award goes to **Jenny Chandler** Hauge this issue...She wound up on stage at the Democratic National Convention campaigning for Bill Clinton. She made it to national TV by crossing the party line primarily due to the pro-choice issue. Jenny is also starting a legal consulting company that will put together a network of lawyers who are willing to serve non-profits at a very discounted rate. Her girls lacrosse team at Morristown-Beard school won the Prep B NJ State Championship this year. Wasn't it recently that Jenny was looking for coaching tips? Congratulations, coach. Her children are now 2½ and 4½ and doing great.

A terrific update from **Suzanne Vine** who was, at the time of her writing to me, sitting in a cafe in NYC with Dr. **Sabrina Barton**! Zanne is still with the Legal Aid Society, Juvenile Rights Division, working in Brooklyn representing children in Family Court. She and husband Peter Drucker bought a

house in Maplewood, NJ Sabrina, who was their maid of honor, is starting a job in the English department at U. Texas/Austin in the fall of '93. Suzanne also said she sees Anne Warner '79 who is working hard in her clinical psychology program. These three got together for Sabrina's birthday to relive the beauty of a Barton-made daiquiri! Zanne also saw Caroline Hartshorne '79 and her "angelic child, Rosalie," and Laura Farina '79 recently. **Donald Gips** and **Liz Berry** had a boy named Samuel Berry Gips on July 1st. Congratulations to all three happy folks in Washington, DC. **Michael Walters** plans on November 7th to walk down the aisle in Tampa, Florida. He is teaching and coaching at St. Petersburg High School. After a visit home in mid-August (temperature was 60°), Wally decided that Florida was definitely his kind of climate. Thanks again to all who wrote. Please keep it up. Though it takes me forever to type the darn thing, and I always get home extra late on these nights, I do enjoy this. AGAIN, keep on the lookout for info. on our 15th. Let's all be there.

The alumni office received the following notes. **Lee Ross** writes, "I'm heading up a real estate company in Winston-Salem, NC. The main thrust of the business is to help educate and get first-time home buyers into their dream home. BUT what I like to do most is help out-of-staters locate resort properties of their dreams. Good friendly advice and service to help you find golf, tennis, beach, mountain, retirement or second home properties in North or South Carolina is what I do best. Please thank Cecilia for the nice note. I miss my Princeton Day buddies." **Sue Fineman-Keitelman** writes, "It's hard to believe that as of July '92 my son is 18-months-old. While in Vermont recently, I saw **Bethlin Thompson** Proft and met her family. They are happy and thriving on their Vermont farm raising organic veggies, pheasants, free-range chickens, turkeys and a few pigs. Have finally been in touch with **Nora Cuesta** Giffen. She sent me photos of her new house which is quite nice and her dog, Elvis, who is a real 'terror.' (Elvis must weigh all of three pounds!) I have the PDS Journal to thank for reconnecting me to these old friends. While at a college reunion, I met Barbie Russell Flight's '77 aunt and uncle. It's a small world." And from **Rob Olsson**, exciting news: "First daughter, Lindsey Kate Olsson, was born on January 19, 1992!"

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It was great to get the following letter from **Chris Horan**. Maybe it will inspire the rest of the class to write in. "The rumors are true. I got married on February 8, 1992 to Laurie Lehnert. Laurie is also from Princeton but she attended PHS. **Chris Price** was my best man. Laurie and I are living in Lexing-



Chris Horan '79 (left) married Laurie Lehnert in February with Chris Price '79 (right) acting as best man.

ton, MA. Laurie is a site planner for Larson Associates in Arlington, MA which means she designs the layout of roads, locations of buildings, drainage, etc. for construction projects. I have just started a new job with Mabbett and Associates in Bedford, MA. This is an environmental consulting and engineering firm which provides a wide range of environmental services to industry including the design of air pollution control, water pollution control, health and safety and — my specialty — hazardous waste site investigation and remediation. My position is hydrogeologist/project manager. That's all the news for now." Several notes from the class arrived in the alumni office. From **Cory Powers** we hear, "Now living in Santa Fe, NM where husband, Patrick, is technical director of the Santa Fe Opera Company. Still occasionally working as free-lance stage manager, most recently at the Metropolitan Opera on the world premiere of *The Ghosts of Versailles* and the Bolshoi Opera's 1991 American tour." Class secretary **Nick Donath** notes that he's "working with start-up businesses in search of capital in Los Angeles area. Hi to **Laurie Knowlton Kerney**!" **Laura Farina** (and Laurie Kerney) serve on the PDS Alumni Council. Laura F. is working in the area as deputy attorney general. Your other class secretary, **Evan Press**, appeared in *The Last Breeze of Summer*, a short subject film nominated for an Academy Award last year.

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Sophie Carpenter Speidel writes, "Rusty and I are the proud parents of Chapin Cordes Speidel, born June 16, 1992. I had a great visit with **Amy Stackpole Brigham** in March. She's expecting at the end of July. We had a lot of fun playing tourist here in Washington and comparing pregnancy notes. That's it for now!" Tim Murdoch sent a great picture from his January 18th marriage to Pascale Lemaire in Quebec. **Bill Haynes** was the best man and Carl Reimers performed the ceremony. **Sally Fineburg** writes, "I'm still living and working in New York and loving every minute of it! I have recently embarked on a career in film production. Keep your fingers crossed!"

Jennifer Dutton Whyte has volunteered to be class secretary and we've taken her up on it! Thanks

for your help, Jennifer. Now, please show your appreciation by sending her some response to our pleas for news!

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From Kristie: With one semester to go before I complete my master's degrees (one in environmental studies and one in public policy), I'm looking forward to making the move this winter from Duke University to Washington, DC. I spent the summer in Washington working for the EPA and hope to land a job in environmental policy analysis. I'm also looking forward to my wedding in June to Michael Manning, a classmate from Duke who is also an environmental policy analyst. While in DC last summer, I had the pleasure of visiting with **Mandy Katz** and her newborn daughter, Emily. Mandy and her husband, Jonathan, recently bought a beautiful old house in Chevy Chase which they have renovated and filled with animals and, of course, the baby. Mandy took several months off for motherhood but is planning to resume her free-lance writing career this winter. **Jayne Gerb** survived last summer's layoffs at the General Motors plant in Tarrytown (would we have assumed otherwise?) and has moved from forewoman on the Chevy Lumina minivan assembly line back to her former position in (I think) marketing and engineering. Jayne survived a grueling year as chief disciplinarian and troubleshooter and is somewhat relieved to be off her feet and back at her desk. **Mark Goodman** graduated from Columbia Business School in May and immediately began applying his school experience to the marketing of his two bands, My Dog Homer and Foggy Notion. You can catch either one of these bands in various clubs around New York. One or the other is always playing somewhere! That's all I have to report: if you're tired of hearing about Mandy, Jane and Mark and no one else, then send me your postcards with news of our classmates!

Some postcards have found their way to the

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alumni office. **Doug Bailey** writes, "Have just returned from four months as a visiting fellow of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences. Emma and I are expecting our first "infant" in September!" **Jon Drezner** is "still in L.A., making architecture with Frank O. Gehey." **Hilary Bing Butera** says, "I am a research associate for a psychological testing firm, Caliper, in Princeton and I will receive my master's in statistics and measurement in June 1992 from Rutgers."

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'82

Many thanks to **Suzie Haynes Halle** for taking over as class secretary (after this issue) and to **Leslie Pell** for doing such a great job for the past few years. The news this time is in bits and pieces but we'll start with the weddings. **Molly Frantz** was married on June 6 at LaCaille, Quail Run, Utah. Her husband, Creed Clayton, works at the Jackson Hole Land Trust as manager of resources and funding. They both graduated from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Science. **Tom Eglin** followed with a June 20th marriage to Daphne Gerstell in Watch Hill, RI. John Crocker PCD '38 officiated. Daphne is studying acting in New York where Tom is a vice president at The LCP Group, a real estate, money management firm. **Lauren Goodyear** was married the same day as Tom in Princeton. Her husband, Jacob Schramm, is the director of the Good Shepherd Teen Center in Washington, DC and Lauren teaches English at Potomac School in McLean, VA where the couple live. Molly Frantz Clayton was matron of honor and **Amanda Lake** was a bridesmaid. Laurence Goodyear '84 was a groomsman. Another alumni couple for PDS: Sarah Griffin '84 and **Newell Thompson** were married June 27 in Princeton. Sarah's teaching at Collegiate School in New York and Newell is a sales manager for USA Weekend, a division of the Gannett Company. They honeymooned in Italy. **Dan Besking** writes, "I am presently in an Emergency Medicine Training Program at the University of Arizona. My fiancée and I will be getting married in April '93. Her name is Christine." That other alumni couple, **Lea-Lea Erdman** and **Tom Marshall** will be starting their own business this fall. "It is called Futurekids and we will be opening in Princeton. Our company will be conducting computer classes for children ages 2½ to 13. Other news. We have been to a few PDS weddings this spring. **Anne Metcalf** and John Hurt were married May 9th." (The rest are detailed above.) **John Vine** graduated from Brown University Medical School and is doing a one-year medical residency at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill before entering a three-year residency in dermatology. **Lindsay McCord** is the head of the lower school at the Schutz School in Alexandria, Egypt. She was home to visit her parents (and PDS faculty), Pat and Quinn McCord, this summer along with her husband and young son. She will also finish up her master's degree in English as a second language. **Lindsay Suter** writes, "After my brief career in rowing, I have settled in San Francisco where I work as an architect and teach furniture design at the California College of Arts and Crafts." Suzie Haynes Halle writes that she's working at *House Beautiful* magazine as an advertising manager. She's looking forward to getting lots of mail from classmates for the next issue!



The PDS contingent turned out in force for Tim Murdoch's '80 wedding in Quebec last January. Top row: (L. to R.) Bill Haynes '80, Suzie Haynes '82, Chris Wallace '80, Sam Finnell '74 (PDS Faculty), Rev. Carl Reimers (PDS Faculty), Tim Murdoch '80, Bo Scott '80. Bottom row: Kate Murdoch Kern '82, Molly Murdoch Finnell '75, Betsy Murdoch Maguire '78, Bill Ross '80, Robert Jordan '80.



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From Rena: Greetings from the land of Dixie. That's right, this Yankee has now become a damned Yankee. What's the difference between a Yankee and a damned Yankee, you ask? The way they tell it down here in Atlanta is that a Yankee comes down South to visit and returns home; a damned Yankee comes down to visit and ends up staying. Before I left New York City, I ran into **Dawn Crossland** on the street. At the time, she was still working with the Limon Dance Foundation, but getting ready to move to Micronesia for a year with her boyfriend. If my memory serves me well, Dawn plans to teach English and theater in the school system there while her boyfriend plans to clerk for a judge in the capital. **Bonnie Bershad** has completed law school at Seton Hall University and is studying voraciously for the bar. Rumor has it that she is engaged to be married. Congratulations Bonnie! I can't help but find it entirely appropriate that **Sarah Cragg** has gone back to school to study accounting. That number thing must run in the family. Many of you will remember **Beth Barclay Livingston**. Beth and her husband, George, gave birth to a beautiful baby boy in mid-February of 1992. Mom, Dad and baby Parker West are all healthy and happy and living in a house built by George in Bozeman, Montana. Beth keeps busy taking care of both the baby and her antiques shop.

I hear **Andrew Benioff** is living in Hawaii but that's all I've heard about him through mutual friends of ours at Connecticut College. What's new, Drew? Tiggy says "hi." Apparently, **Carrie Stewardson** is working very hard at the Boston Architectural Center (BAC). She recently was awarded an honorable mention — the second highest award given — by the BAC board for her academic scholarship and portfolio work. Congratulations, Caroline! She spent her much-deserved summer break smoking bluefish and clamming on Nantucket with her family. Earlier in the summer, she had the chance to catch up with **Geordie McLaughlin**, **Craig Phares**, **Joe Pagano** and **Thomas Foster '85** at the highly competitive Phares Invitational Tennis Tournament in Princeton. Craig graduated last spring from the University of Michigan with an M.B.A. and is now living in New York City; Geordie is living in Puerto Rico and imports leather goods from Ecuador; and Joe and his wife, Amy, are at the Princeton Theological Seminary where Joe has one more year. I heard through the grapevine that **Julia Katz** has completed two years of medical school at New York University. She spent the summer in the City doing laboratory research and was looking forward to a fun internship this fall. That's all there is to report this time around. Please keep in mind that it will be our 10th reunion in May of 1993 — surely an event that is not to be missed. You will receive more information later on in the year but start planning on being there.

From Noelle: Elizabeth Reichard is back in Princeton hunting for a job and considering going back to school. But Liz seems like a somewhat happily "yet-to-be-employed" lawyer as she will enjoy two weeks in Paris during August. (Liz, we all need to be more optimistic. Never ever use that word unemployed!) Hope your flying-fear was minimal and that all the French with Mme. Noel paid off!

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Stephanie Bogart graduated from Washington University School of Law this past May and was furiously studying for the bar when she wrote, "It takes some heavy-duty, industrial-strength, mega-procrastination to get me to write in to the PDS *Journal*, eh?" Are those legal terms, Stephanie? She will begin her master of laws in environmental law at G.W. because she can't find a job. She promises to write back to us in another nine years and let us know if she's employed yet. I am still lurking in the Princeton area. I was ordained a United Methodist minister last June and pastored a church in Mays Landing until January when I returned to Princeton Seminary to do additional master's work in aesthetic philosophy. I've just finished learning German at P.U. and am also a "yet-to-be-employed" and looking for a job while I hunt for Ph.D. programs in philosophy. While at Princeton Seminary I wound up in a mysticism class with none other than **Joe Pagano** who is also studying here with his wife, Amy. Joe you're also looking at Ph.D. stuff too — or am I having a mystical vision? "Hello to all!" from the only employed person in this bunch of cards, **Jon Firester**. And not only does he have a job, but he has his own business, Niederhoffer, Firester, which is still growing and keeps 10 people gainfully employed. Hey Jon, how about adding two lawyers and one philosopher to your staff? Dam, I knew I should have been messing around with computers in the learning center rather than doing drama club (no offense to Mr. Gilpin intended). Jon has moved with his fish and other fine-finned friends to 115 E. 27th St. #3B, NY, NY 10016 with a new telephone number (212) 689-5824. Or you can pop by his 635 Madison Ave. office if you're in the city. That's all for now because I'm a pragmatist not a magician — please write!

In the last issue of the *Journal*, we mistakenly identified **Clay Smith** as a teacher. He's actually a field supervisor at City Volunteer Corps, a youth development program in New York City. He writes, "The CVC is a cross between an education and a job training program and a youth service corps. Young people aged 17-20 join the program for a year to do team-based volunteer work for city, state and non-profit organizations such as schools, hospitals, nursing homes and community groups. They take classes (ESL, GED or college) twice a week and can receive \$5,000 in scholarship money after a year of service. Most volunteers in the program come from disadvantaged backgrounds and have dropped out of high school. My job is to serve as a team leader, a work supervisor and a counselor for a team of 15 young volunteers. Prior to my work with CVC I worked as a teacher trainer and curriculum developer with an agricultural education program in Liberia through the Peace Corps." Thanks, Clay, for bringing us up to date. Sounds like fascinating work! **Tom Haroldson** has "answered America's call for more lawyers and am now finishing my first year at Harvard Law School. Will be working this summer in Pittsburgh, PA, 'the Venice of southwestern Pennsylvania.'" **Chris LaRiche** writes, "I divided an other-worldly 1991 between the salsa ridden tropics of steamy Colombia and the lambada-based rhythms of Bahia, Brazil. The typical gringo with expanded tropical consciousness, right? Left Brazil with a splitting headache and a ten dollar engagement ring on my finger. (This is starting to sound like a Tom Waits tune.) Inez (my fiancée) and Amana (our daughter) check their Bahian mailbox hourly for the visa to arrive while I sit in my San Francisco flat pitching loteria cards into my ageing habanera." **Suzanne Utaski** has announced her engagement to Derek Gibbs, an operations management trainee with Franklin Fund in San Mateo, California. They plan a September wedding.

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From Adrienne: Whitney Ross writes in with news that she recently graduated with a master's degree in counseling psychology from Harvard's School of Education. While planning to apply for doctoral programs in the fall, she is going to test her knowledge in the fair city of NY. More importantly, Whitney is marrying Stephen Moseley (PHS '82) on November 7th! Steve just graduated from the Yale School of Organization and Management and heads to NYC in the beginning of August. They will be joined in holy matrimony at St. Bartholomews Church in NY. We hear that **Karen Hamel Simas** is adjusting well to married life with John. They just bought a house in NH and Karen is working with the Tyco Corporation as a tax accountant. Congratulations on your marriage! I received a wonderful letter from **Lisa Richardson Leonard**. Lisa went to Douglass College at Rutgers for three years before returning to Trenton to work for NJ Cure Auto Insurance. She married Herbert L. Leonard in 1989 and on March 2, 1990, Delipse Antoinette Leonard was born. Now that she has a family, going back to school is the next priority. Lisa was kind enough to fill us in on **Christine Sampson Clark**. Chris has three children: Devin Christopher (born April 16, 1986), Richard Drew (born February 29, 1988) and Michael MacKenzie (born April 27, 1989). Even with three boys and her husband, Ronald Clark, she still finds time to work as a teacher's aide at the Princeton School for Exceptional Children in Titusville. Chris is also looking to pursue her teaching certificate. Thank you everyone for writing to me throughout the year. It's nice to get letters from you anytime!

From Ted: Chris Hayes received his M.A.T. from Brown University in May and soon after married Katherine Kennedy on June 20th. He'll soon begin teaching secondary history at Shady Side Academy in Pittsburgh, PA this September. Congratulations and best of luck. He can be contacted at Shady Side Academy, 423 Fox Chapel Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15238. **Wendy White** was married in March to Peter Brockelman, followed by a honeymoon to Jamaica. Even though she's anxious for children, she realizes that will have to wait until Peter finishes his final year at graduate school. In the meantime, she is still working as a mental health worker in the psychiatric E.R. of Yale-New Haven Hospital, which she still loves. After two-plus years, she's yet to find the work boring, with each day an adventure. She talks to **Adrienne Spiegel** and **Megan Nape** regularly, although ends up playing telephone-tag with **Lynne Faden** most of the time. Her new address is 186 Elm Street, Apt. 18, West Haven, CT 06516. As for me, not much has happened over the past year. I've completed my second year in the personal credit department at U.J.B. Central, N.A. Although it was never a long-range career goal for me, all things considered, I've learned a lot and can see myself there for quite a while. Hopefully everyone is secure and content in their respective professions. If anyone has something to boast of, or brag about, please write in next time.

The papers reported the marriage of **Sarah Griffin** and **Newell Thompson '82** on June 27th. Our newest alumni couple enjoyed a honeymoon to Italy and are living in New York.

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From Andy: I first must apologize to those who sent postcards last time. It came at a very busy time and I did not get around to it until too late. This time around I must extend my congratulations to our classmates who have gotten married or engaged in the last few years. Last year **Teresa McBee** was married to Michael Riha. As of the writing of the postcard, she was living near Indiana University and working in Indianapolis, IN. By now her husband should be finished school with a master's in fine arts. I have enclosed the picture she sent me. **Laura Bye** became Mrs. Ernest "Bucky" Angle, Jr. in the fall of 1991. She is currently residing in Flemington, NJ where she and her husband are training racehorses. **Jim Hall** is engaged and will probably be married by the time this article gets published. He will be moving with his new wife to Chapel Hill, NC to begin his studies as an M.B.A. student. **Adam Sternberg** returned east from his adventure in Aspen, CO and is now living in Arlington, VA and working at a mental hospital. **Chris Tanner** is continuing his studies towards his master's at William and Mary. **Lynch Hunt** continues to work in Princeton for GE Aerospace and he sends his regards to everyone. As for me, I will finally be finishing my third year of law school at University of Miami in Florida. In addition to my studies, I have been working as a technical director, designer and producer for a few theater productions and a television shoot. If anyone is in Miami, stop by. I look forward to receiving your postcards. For those of you that have not sent your cards, it is time to start. Keep in touch.

From Louise: **Becky Stoltzfus** is back in the States after a stint in the Peace Corps. She is planning a trip up the West Coast culminating in a visit with her sister, Winnie '80, and her husband, Chris Host, in Seattle. Rumor has it that **Chris Mrazek** was in Seattle on business but that is all that I have heard. **Kate Reavey** is studying poetry at UC Davis under Gary Snyder and loving it. She wants to go on and teach at the university level when she is finished. **Lynne Erdman** spent the summer working in New Jersey and is looking forward to coming back to Portland to finish her master's in math at Portland State. **Lizzie O'Leary** has moved to Cambridge but that is all I know. **Jane Erdman** is entering her third year at BU Law School and rumor has it that she is engaged. **Liz Socolow** has very exciting news. She has been hired by the Soros Foundation to work in Moscow as a program coordinator. She will be helping the minister of education revamp the history that Russian students are taught. She plans to be there at least one year, maybe more. She spent the summer in Seattle studying Uzbek. She came to



Teresa McBee Riha '85 and her husband, Michael.

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visit me in Portland before she left for Moscow and we had a great time. I had a big surprise at the Portland Brewers Festival this summer when I ran into Britt Bromley '86. He is a beer brewer in St. Paul, Minnesota for Summit Brewing. It was great to see him! **Brad Smith** has left Portland to go back to New Jersey. He is planning to go to Rutgers and work full-time. He is taking classes so he can go to graduate school to get his degree in environmental engineering. As for myself, I still love living in Portland. I work in the human resource department of one of the largest wholesale nurseries in the country. I am planning to start work on my master's this fall in secondary Spanish education. However, my most exciting news is that I announced my engagement to Eric Larsen, just two weeks ago. We don't have a date, but Brad said that since he found me a husband, I owe him a wife! Tough call. Keep sending in those cards.

From other sources we learn that **Hei-Ock Kim** graduated from Juilliard in May with a master's in piano. She won the Artists International in New York City and has a performance scheduled at Carnegie Hall on December 5, 1992! She will be in the Princeton area this fall and is interested in teaching piano. Interested students should contact her at home or through the alumni office.

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From Susi: Hey everyone. I will have to rely on gossip and hearsay for most of this column but I did receive a few postcards. **Cleis Nicolich** Murillo writes, "Well, I now live in Costa Rica with my hubby, Ronnie, and my 3-year-old, Bianca (see photo). We own a taxi business down there and had a house built, so we are quite settled in. I am here (NJ) for the summer because my sister, Zoe '83, is getting married September 5, 1992. I travel back and forth a lot and often think how fun it would be to have another reunion!! But that's not for a few years!" I received this note from **Stephen Carpen-**

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Bianca Murillo, three-year-old daughter of Cleis Nicolich Murillo '86.

ter. "I am currently working at a nursing home, primarily as a Bible reader. I also am known to read short stories, play checkers and anything else to keep the patients happy. I am going to three church services and three Bible studies per week so I guess you could say I'm a fervent Christian." Stephen's address is 1700 Street Rd., Warrington, PA 18976. **Pamela Bye** married Mark Ertz on October 26, 1991. According to the clipping I received, Pam is working as a secretary at A.M. Best Co. in Tewksbury, NJ and living in Raritan. I finished up my tour of duty with the Park Service at Grand Canyon in February and after a few weeks of camping, skiing and living out of my truck, I took Route 66 back across the country and found myself in, of all places, Rocky Hill, NJ. I ran into all kinds of people with all sorts of wisdom all across the country (again) but what I learned first and foremost this time is that a place is just a place, but Rocky Hill is a black hole. I am currently living with **Henry Clancy** in Hopewell and working back at both



The Rocky Hill Inn Open attracted a respectable number of PDS alumni: (back row) Laurie Knowlton Kerney '79, Whip Burks '86, Susi Franz '86, Bob Skinner, (front row) Steve Judge '77, Karen Judge, Mark Taylor '77, Sally Eckroyd '77. Missing from picture, Eric Hatke '83.

Princeton Survey Research Associates and the Rocky Hill Inn where I am still known to gut shrimp on occasion. Henry is working as a carpenter for Lasley Construction and playing the blues in his spare time.

Brit Bromley came home for reunions and made me promise to tell you all that he finally saw Spinal Tap on their last world tour. Thus Brit has realized another long-standing dream. I got back here in time to see **Rich Pagano** before he realized a long-standing dream of his own. Rich is working as a trout guide on Colorado's White River. Keep an eye out for the Ram Charger if you make it out that way. Also living on a river is **Karl Chiang**. Karl is working as a white-water rafting guide in West Virginia. **John Totaro** was home earlier in the summer before beginning a job with legal aid in Richmond where he will be entering his third year of law school. His brother, Vince '88, plans to join him in Richmond after a trip cross country. **Scott West** spent the winter in Colorado working the lifts but is rumored to be back in the area working for **Jon DeRochi**. **Sam Lambert** was recently spotted in *Field and Stream* magazine, or this, at least, is the rumor. I spotted myself walking through Yosemite Valley recently on CNN. Spotted driving on Route 1 recently: **Kelly Bencze** (grey BMW), **Whip Burks** (Ford Taurus with dealer plates), **Dave Sullivan** (large, gas eating Bronco with a bad transmission). Dave works in New York as a salesman for Minolta copiers. I never did catch up with **Andy Smith** in California. His job with Price Waterhouse involves a lot of travelling, but I came home the other day to a postcard from Santorini, Greece. Andy spent a month back in the Greek Islands this summer but is back in LA most weekends. Whip Burks, who gave me grief for not mentioning him in the last column, organized a PDS alumni picture at the second annual Rocky Hill Inn Open. This yearly event, held at the Hillsborough Country Club, was organized, once again, by Mark Taylor '77. A fine time was had by all those who could remember it the next day. That's it for now. Let me hear from you.

From other sources we've learned that **Russell Mathews** appeared on the television special that documented the search for Amelia Earhart's plane. He went on the first expedition as a senior researcher and video photographer.

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From Craig: A weekend in June I spent kicking around with Scott Miller: first, discussing the finer points of gear at EMS while Liz Bylin '90, working there, rolled her eyes and sighed; and later dining with the company of **Kipper Large**, **Kerry Sullivan** and **Seth Woodward** '88. Kip is working on Wall Street learning a lot about financial dancing and not too little about when-at-work wardrobe etiquette either. Kerry is working in the garment district, looking for a promotion soon that will enable her to travel overseas as a buyer. All of us having little to say in favor of Marita's, we ended up hanging out at a couple of bars in Conshohocken, Pennsylvania, a town I had known previously only by WYSP traffic reports. **Peter Biro** spent the summer working for Morgan Stanley in London where he ran across Jane Heap '89 once at the theater, and once at the city's other main cultural hub, McDonald's by Victoria Station, where Pete ordered a McDLT and then had to fend off verbal abuse of two 11-year-old animal rights activists-in-training. He asked to use this space to publicly tell SKJ to cut his hair, which puts me to realizing that he probably hasn't

seen me in some time. His address for the coming months is in Brooklyn. Call the alumni office for details.

Andrew Blechman was jumping between jobs last spring and managed to visit me at Princeton Reunions on the way. This column almost didn't get written for the incident of — in my absence — Andrew Blechman spending an inebriated evening in my room at school grossly disorganizing my desk and renaming computer files with epithets that only Andrew could summon and develop variations thereof (with which, I have to concede, he truly outdid himself). Andrew is heading for journalism professionally, having written for some internal Washington DC rag, a stint during which he toured the capital with **Lisa Lavinson**, **Tim Jaques** and **Susie Curtin**. Andrew then went on to spend the summer writing for an English language paper in the Dominican Republic, a paper which he confessed to me the day before his departure, he had never read. At this point in time he is scheduled to be at Columbia's J school in New York, no doubt making anonymous sources out of cab drivers. **Becca Royal** is working as a middle level manager at A&S in Manhattan and last summer while patrolling the floor she ran across **Liz Hoover** in the "Infants" section of the store. Appropriate as that may seem, Liz was not shopping for herself but for a friend. Liz has trained as a midwife and works with mothers who rely on welfare.

From other sources we've learned that **Sarah Mannino** is living in Strasburg, France and working at the Council of Europe. **Alison Ufford** was married on April 23rd in Tucson, AZ to Dr. Muhammed Salem. He was originally from Cairo, Egypt and is a member of the Royal College of Surgeons of London where he is a nose, ear and throat surgeon. Our congratulations to them. **Dafna Tapiero** writes, "I received my master's degree from Johns Hopkins Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in Washington, DC in May. I will soon begin working for a non-profit organization promoting economic development/trade in the former Soviet Union." **Matt Lustig** joins the PDS faculty as a science intern in the middle school. He will be team teaching with science teacher Dave Reeve and will be coaching as well.



Helene Dawn Feldman '88 visits former AFS student Christian Frieze in Hamburg, Germany.

at Johns Hopkins because he just decided to go pre-med. Meanwhile **Jessie Robertson** and **Lily Wise** will be roommates at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. Jessie spent the summer doing Outward Bound in the Sierra Nevada, CA. Speaking of California... **Holly Greenberg** has been living in Berkeley this summer and will be finishing school in the fall. **Heidi Puchner** has also moved to California. Her new address is 2301 Broadway St., Apt. 105, San Francisco, CA 94115. And then there are those who did that "European-find-yourself" thing. **Helene Dawn Feldman** was touring Europe and stopped by Hamburg, Germany to spend the weekend with **Christian Frieze**. Christian is still at the University of Hamburg and is majoring in Russian. Helene Dawn will be going to the Harvard School of Public Health to get a master's in health and social behavior. **Mike Lingle** was also seen in Europe with some fraternity brothers. **Marc Collins** was teaching English in the Ukraine (Kiev) and is off to Mexico this fall to lead the Rutgers University Study Abroad Program. He hopes to go to Germany next year as he pursues a career in the foreign service. **Chris Moody** graduated in England with first-class honors which is the highest honors he could get. As he writes "only five people in the politics department get first honors, I was only the second person in my course to do so in 13 years!" Now that is something to be proud of. However, he is still looking for a job (isn't everyone?) and may end up as a representative for a travel agency. Germany seems to be the country to visit this year. **Abby Eden Zimskind** took a year off from Williams College to spend in Germany learning the language and travelling. She has one more year at Williams and is majoring in history and foreign language. **Marc VanDyke** graduated from Princeton with a degree in chemical engineering. He will be going to Israel for another year of study abroad before starting on his Ph.D. at M.I.T. in the fall of '93. **Andrea Hall** will also be in Europe this year working on her master's in foreign business at a university in Paris. She will be there for two years, so if you are in France, look her up. Last but not least are those of us who have decided on the working world. **Emily Francomano** will be teaching French and Spanish at the Day School in NYC. Her new address is 378 West End Avenue, Apt. 404, New York, NY 10024. **Reed Newhall** is also in New York working at Commodities Corporation, but commuting from Princeton. **Wendy Chapot** will start as an accountant with Price Waterhouse in Morristown, NJ. She has spent her summer getting her pilot's license and riding horses. **Krista Braswell** has landed a job with Johnson & Johnson and is working as an auditor and drug representative. And I am working at the Princeton Medical Center in the medical records department. So if any of you come by the hospital, please be sure to stop in and see me! That's about it for now. Thanks to all of you who wrote in — it was the largest response I've ever received!

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From Amy: Congratulations for those of us who graduated in the spring and good luck for those who still have another year. Still there are those of us who have not had enough schooling and are going onto grad school. The list includes **Jivan Datta** who will be attending law school at NYU, **B.J. Matelson** will stay at Univ. of Penn. for law school, **Elaine Chou** will be at Fordham Law School. **Rich Schragger** is in London at University College London where he was given a fellowship to study legal and political theory. He will be there until July 1993. He will then go to Harvard Law School in the fall of '93. The other half of our class has aspired to become doctors. **Brian Kral** will stay another year

'88

Keep up the good work. See you all at our 5th reunion in May!

Other sources report that **Taylor Hwong** will be attending Berkeley for a master's in materials science. He was recently commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army Corps of Engineers. **Julia Herr** graduated from Denison in May and is working in the Chanel Boutique in Paris. **Collins Roth** graduated from Princeton last June and is also among the employed: he started at Salomon Brothers in August in their international banking department. He says he'd love to hear from anyone else moving to NYC. Another June Princeton grad, **John Mislow**, received a degree in geophysics and geology and moved out west where he was a mountaineering instructor this summer with plans to be an intern for a public policy group during the coming year.

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Notes from various sources give us news of the class. **Jay Eckardt** graduated from Berklee College of Music on August 14th with a degree in classical composition. In September he begins graduate study at Columbia University, the youngest student accepted into that program. At Berklee he won the Richard Levy Scholarship Award which is given annually to an exceptional composition student for outstanding contributions to the musical and academic life of the college. On leave from Tufts, **Jane Felton** worked for Bob Kerrey for President and was in California for Anita Perez Ferguson's congressional campaign. "Having fun and working very hard. Living at house on beach in Rincon which is near Santa Barbara. On May 19th, flew back to be on a panel, 'Why Jenny Must Lead — Raising the Next Generation for Group Leadership' at the Celebration of Work conference sponsored by the Rutgers Institute for Research on Women." **Laine Alston** has been voted co-captain of the Wesleyan lacrosse team for her senior year. She's played varsity there since her freshman year and served as co-captain the past year as well. She ranks second on the team in goals. Laine plays field hockey in the fall and volunteers to help the mentally retarded through Wesleyan's community service program. She's a religion major. **Greg Gordon** made the dean's list at NYU for both the fall and spring semester. He went to Spain with the Dean's Scholars in January. On April 30th he appeared on PBS in a film, *Lodz Ghetto*, with Jerry Kosinski. He's also been busy with radio commercials for Pepsi, Macy's, Campbell's Soup, J.C. Penney and others.

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From Debby: Greetings from Ithaca! After spending the summer working at Resorts International in Atlantic City, I was shocked to discover a stack of postcards with alumni news! Congratulations...In May yet another made the hellacious flight from NJ

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Jay Espallat '90 visits Stephanie Gendler '90 in Montana.

to Montana. **Jay Espallat** went to Kalispell to visit **Stephanie Gendler**. They spent most of their time in Glacier National Park, except for the last of Jay's trip which they spent psyching themselves up for a most exciting experience — bungee jumping off a crane in Coram, MT! **Edith Roberts** writes that she has transferred to Concordia University in Montreal, (the same school as Ara Baronian '91). Her major is exercise science and she hopes to become an athletic physical therapist. As always, she spent the summer working at Princeton Community Pool. **Lien Price** spent the summer travelling, visiting Disney World and Epcot Center, attending a wedding in Texas, and visiting her grandfather in Hawaii. **Tameka Brooks** and Lien report that on their way to PDS commencement this June they discovered **Jim Marvin** working at the Quakerbridge Mall in the Electronics Boutique. **Leslie Powell** spent the summer at Wash. U. taking physics. She recently joined Delta Gamma and is having a great time. Jay Espallat joined her there second semester after transferring from Bucknell. She also writes that **Jason Hollander** stopped to see her on his way to a summer job in Arizona (working in a hospital?). It seems that **Randy Zagorin** spent another productive summer here in Ithaca. He is busy planning the celebration of Ithaca College's 100th anniversary. He also is an orientation leader and marketing chair of the Bureau of Concerts at J.C. **Laura Welt** writes that it only took her two years to get her postcard in before the deadline. She joined Pi Beta Phi her freshman year, is majoring in English literature and minoring in psychology. This summer she travelled in England, Russia and Scandinavia. That's all for now. I hope everyone enjoys our junior year, and I look forward to discovering a larger stack of postcards in January.

From other sources we learn that **Matt Farkas** had three photographs accepted and received a junior achievement award and a purchase award. **Juliet Johnson** and **Beth Kahora** '91 are sorority sisters in Chi Omega at Vanderbilt University. **Jason Posnock** was enjoying the summer preparing for a solo recital in Princeton in October. "Also, I finally decided to become a music major. I see Rod and

Jim Marvin often. They are both doing well at Stanford and UMass, respectively." **Rob Biro** will spend his fall semester at the Moscow Energy Institute. Hope to hear all about it in the next issue! **Lylah Alphonse** writes, "Hello, everybody! I've been working at the *Princeton Packet* this summer, writing for the lifestyles and news departments. (One of Lylah's articles for the *Packet* can be found in this issue.) I'm still majoring in newspaper journalism and I love it! I spent some time in Melbourne, Australia in mid-June, taking care of my friend's 9-year-old daughter. It's beautiful there and I'm seriously considering going back (as soon as I've raised the funds). I have not had too much free time this summer but I have seen **Arne Knudson**, **Won Kim**, **Eric Carlson**, **Dan Graziano**, **Chris Baker**, **Doug Adderly**, **Robbie Biro**, **Edith Roberts** and **Claire Brown** at various times and all seem to be doing well at their respective schools. Best of luck to all of the class of '90 as we start our junior year."

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From Sarah and Campbell: We haven't officially heard from anyone this past semester and so we assume you are all doing well. However, through the grapevine we've gathered the following. **Stuart Katzoff**, **Steve Eaton**, **Tim Babbitt**, **Charlie Baker**, **Mike Moyer**, and **Navroze Alphonse** were up on Martha's Vineyard this summer. Stuart tried his hand at Harvard Summer School. He will be joined at Tulane by Mike in the fall. Steve, Nav and Charlie all found work, but Nav unfortunately found himself in the hospital after falling from a chair when dancing to "I'm too sexy." Martha's Vineyard seemed to be good preparation for the upcoming school year. The classmates we found in Princeton follow. **Beth Kahora**, a newly initiated Chi Omega at Vanderbilt, who continued her lifeguarding career at Stony Brook. **Hillary Kahn** spent her summer relaxing, travelling and babysitting. **Jason Wasserman** supervised a group of College Pro painters. Among his crew were **Sean Rishko** and **David Suomi**. Dave quickly left this job and decided teaching tennis was more his style. **Chris Jones** worked for his father again and left Princeton early to play soccer at Georgetown. **Aly Cohen**, a Tri-Delt, also stayed in the area to further her education at U. of Penn. **Fayna Stansbury** is loving school and, of course, is preparing herself for a high-powered career. **Paulash Mohsen** was spotted selling men's wares at Lord & Taylor. **Rachel Bridgeman**, **Carrie Zubblatt**, **Missy Rosendorf** and **Liz Ross** are happy as well as eager to return to their respective schools.

Down by the seaside **Christian Batcha**, **Missy Collins** and **Colleen Priory** kicked up their heels and found work between their leisure hours. Colleen ended her summer early with the removal of her tonsils and will be taking her sore throat to Georgetown this fall. **Julie Marcus** did not return to Princeton but, instead, spent her summer on the opposite coast in Palm Springs as a restaurant hostess. As for ourselves, **Campbell Levy** is trying to adjust to his parent's move to France. He spent his summer as a camp counselor in New Hampshire. Campbell is excited to return to Yale and continue playing lacrosse. **Sarah Beatty** found the commuter's

life both hectic and exciting as she travelled into New York City each day to work in the Knick's public relations department. She is looking forward to moving into her sorority house, Kappa Alpha Theta, along with eighty of her sisters at DePauw University. Well, that's all the dirt we could dig up on our class. We hope everyone's year goes well, and **please** keep us updated on your present and future endeavors!

From Irene: I trust that everyone had a restful summer, so it's back to the grind! Most of the news that I picked up was from people I met and talked to over the summer, as only *one* person wrote back! I ran into **Mark Abramovich** in Marita's Cantina on Nassau, where he was working as a waiter. And I bumped into **Christina deGoma** at the Kiosk (nice haircut!) and I ran into **Paulash Mohsen**, who was working in the men's section of Macy's, and he had a great year at Brown, although "it was kind of rough being the only one from my class there." I also saw **Lahnie You** at Quakerbridge—she worked as a receptionist this past semester. Everyone says hello, especially Lahnie who is much better, out of danger, and entering Columbia in the fall as a second semester freshman. "Thanks for everyone's concern!" she added.

Speaking of bumping into people, in May I was walking to a party on the waterfront and I nearly walked by **Jason Steinfeld** in the Baltimore Inner Harbor (a fantastic place to shop and eat for all you Baltimore Oriole fans.) Talk about coincidences! He was just visiting Baltimore for the weekend and was returning to Dickinson by Monday. Needless to say, I felt a bit awkward speaking to him while I was in formal dress and he in T-shirt and jeans but it was good seeing a PDS face again. By the way, who was that girl you were with, Jason?

Brendan Lucey came home in August, after spending the last year in South America. "I wouldn't want to live there, but it's a great place to visit!" He'll be starting as a freshman at Carleton in the fall. His mother threw a party for his return and there I ran into a half-dozen people. **James Hearney** is taking courses at Rutgers where he goes during the year and sees **Dan Szyper** from time to time; **Sherri James** and **Tameka Brooks '90**, are simply having a fun time at home; **Amy Livingston** is working for a temp agency; **Missy Rosendorf** saw a whole bunch of Class of '91 folks at the last Horde concert at the Garden State Arts Center.

And I received a hastily scribbled letter from **Aly Cohen** who had a great first year at Penn. Now a member of the TriDelta sorority ("Delta Delta Delta, how may we help ya?" — SNL), she writes: "Seems like everyone is pre-med. I've heard that **Julie Marcus** is living in Palm Springs this summer with a college friend and working at a Mexican restau-

rant. I'm beginning physics II this summer—I just finished physics I—and I'm planning to visit Julie in the beginning of August." As of July, she was still waiting to hear if she got a position at the Ronald McDonald Camp for kids with cancer, and riding the Yardley-Makefield ambulance to take in the sights in her spare time. She's psyched for September (as I'm sure everyone is) and hopes that everyone had a great freshman year and summer, and if they are in Philly during the year, come to the Spring Fling at Penn and *look me up*. Amen to that.

The only other few things I heard was that **Aliza Mezrich** was a summer counselor at a camp in the Berkshires, and I saw **Ron deVilla** who is (and always was) a fencing freak. I took the opportunity to twit him about Columbia football—hey, with a record like that, they're just *asking* for it! Hey Class, remember **Crystal Delahantay**? She left PDS our sophomore year and went on to be tutored at home for the next year and a half. She entered Mercer County last fall and accumulated enough credits to enter Barnard this semester—good show! As for other M.I.A.'s, **Wendy Pinder** visited Princeton towards the end of August, before her second year at Vermont U., and last I heard, **Sian Killingsworth** was over at Rutgers. Well!

I'm spending the remainder of my summer trying to convince my mother not to vote the Bush-Quayle ticket, but so far, it's been fruitless. How can I convince her otherwise? Any suggestions? The rest

of the time I was working as a purchasing assistant at a small manufacturing company, taking a psych 101 course at Rutgers and watching scores upon scores of foreign movies. (It's like caviar—an acquired taste!) Next summer, I want to do something really grand—bike hike across Europe or work for a special-interest group in D.C.—*something*! Well, I'll let you know what happens. Ta!

Just a bit more news: **Liz Ross** won the E. Francis Riggs Prize in directed studies at the end of her freshman year at Yale. **Tom Galli** was appointed to the class of 1996 at the US Military Academy at West Point and received an award of merit from the Military Order of World Wars for academic and military excellence at Rutgers this past year. **Dany Cheij** is spending the summer in Beirut and will major in mechanical engineering at M.I.T.

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Collecting news of '92 will be class secretaries Meghan Bencze (far left), Blair Young (second from left) and Nicole Cargulia (center). Checking their mailboxes for Annual Fund donations will be class agents Sarah Berkman (front row, left), Rebecca Grounds (front row, right), Fred Sabb (second from right) and Benjy Frost (far right).

IN MEMORIAM

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the families of the following alumni and friends.

Alice Erdman Cleveland MFS '21
Dorothy Love Saunders MFS '21
Katherine Mitchell Osborne MFS '27
Elizabeth Noyes Stockman MFS '27
Mary Cooley MFS '35
Florence Dell Macomber MFS '35
Ann Wood Owens MFS '40
Elizabeth Brigham Jensen MFS '42
J. Robert Dennen, Jr. PCD '49
A. Vernon Shannon, Jr. PCD '52
James M. Shea PCD '57
John Gilbert Lea PCD '58
Dan Barren - football coach at PCD and PDS from 1964-1971.
Peter G. Cook - former Princeton Country Day School trustee.

OTTER CREEK BREWING: A Visit With Lawrence Miller '84

by Craig C. Stuart '87

As a travelling house guest, I usually try to make the effort to arrive with a six-pack of beer. On my way to visit Lawrence Miller '84 in Middlebury, Vermont, I realized that this gesture would be, at best, a dumb joke.

Lawrence has built himself a microbrewery, Otter Creek, and always has his own Copper Ale on tap. In fact, the tap just sticks out of a wall in the brewery, giving the impression that hidden somewhere is an endless supply of beer, or at least a vat the size of a small lake. Actually, the tap protrudes from a huge walk-in freezer and draws on a typical half-barrel.

Copper Ale pours out in a glowing orange-brown color, looking not unlike molten pennies, I suppose. Lawrence describes it as a medium bodied amber ale, inspired by the Altbiers of Northern Germany. In any case, it's good beer with a personality, because it does not taste like any other beer.

"It has that home-brewed taste, you know?" compliments a woman who is returning a five gallon keg she had had on hand for a Saturday night party. Pressed to be more specific, she cannot, but Copper Ale clearly talks back, where more mainstream beers are mute from being ultra-processed.

Lawrence began brewing beer while at Reed College, in Oregon. He had befriended the people at Portland's Widmer Brewery, and when one of them left for a Beer Institute in Germany, Lawrence inherited a small home-brew set-up. He experimented with batches of five to 15 gallons, and when his friends kept coming back to his parties, Lawrence figured that maybe he was on to something. "Before I graduated I was pretty sure I was going to open a brewery," he recalls.

When Widmer expanded its operations, Lawrence again scooped up second-hand equipment (though this time for a price) and "looked around for a place to live." He and his fiancée, Ginger, landed in Middlebury and, after filing a weighty stack of forms with the federal government, opened Otter Creek Brewing in March, 1991.

Copper Ale is the "year round flagship brew," backed up by a rotation of four seasonal ales. For these brews, Lawrence took the most popular recipes from his home-brewing experience, and carefully scaled them up to batches of

about 600 gallons, or around 40 kegs, "It's always plus or minus a keg or two." As of this past summer, Otter Creek beers were only available in kegs — Lawrence now sells 100 barrels a month to pubs and restaurants in Vermont — yet plans are afoot to start a bottling line.

"People want to drink beer in their home, so I've got to accommodate that," explains Lawrence, adding that 85 percent of beer in this country is drunk from bottles. The lighter weight of a case of bottles, will also expand distribution at a lower cost. Until then, however, the only place to get a cold glass of an Otter Creek ale outside of participating Vermont watering holes is the brewery itself. And people stop by all the time.

The brewery sits in an aluminum-sided warehouse barn on the outskirts of Middlebury, which on a Vermont scale puts it about 300 yards from the town center. In a neighboring portion of the warehouse is a Middlebury College fraternity which relocated there after the entire Greek system was banned from the school's campus. But the fraternity brothers are only a fraction of a regular flow of visitors through the brewery.

Being Otter Creek's brewmaster has made Lawrence a local celebrity of sorts. Home-brewers, especially, like to come by and talk about beer and brewing it.

One such visitor says he is planning to brew mead, an alcoholic drink made from honey that Lawrence describes as a remnant of the middle ages, when people were brewing anything out of everything.

These days, Lawrence brews beer in a fairly conventional way. It is essentially a process of taking malt-germinated and roasted barley — and mashing it into mush with the help of extremely hot water (from Middlebury's Otter Creek) in order to change the starch in malt to sugars. The exact temperature, between 148 and 158 degrees Fahrenheit, determines the nature of the sugars, and thus the eventual flavor of the beer. After an hour, hops are added for an additional 90 minutes of seasoning. The mixture is then cooled and dumped into a fermenter. There, yeast, an active ingredient, is added and over three or four days it converts the sugars to alcohol and carbon dioxide. Another week of cooling and conditioning, and then filtering to remove the yeast, and the beer is ready to drink.

Yet, Lawrence barely has enough time to brew beer and still keep a grip on the paperwork piling up on his desk, much less make beer talk. So for the last few months, his brother Scott '87 has been helping out. Scott readily admits the small irony in his working at a brewery after



Lawrence Miller '84 samples some of his Otter Creek brew.

encouraging alcohol abstinence while at PDS. But he notes that he has since become aware that responsible drinkers do exist, and that they may be interested in beer to savor good taste.

Savoring taste is what Otter Creek is all about. The four seasonal ales are each brewed to dovetail with prevailing mood and weather of its season. For example, the wheat of the Summer Wheat Beer makes a light-bodied, slightly tart ale, advertised to quench thirst on a hot day, somewhere along the lines of an alcoholic lemonade. The Stovepipe Porter, on the other hand, is much darker and richer — “excellent as a midafternoon respite, a finish to a winter meal, or as a complement to chocolate confections,” according to Otter Creek propaganda. Also available is Hickory Switch Smoked Amber Ale in the fall, and Mud Bock Spring Ale, “making its appearance with the thaw.”

These are not ordinary beers. The Hickory Switch of Autumn got snagged in some bureaucratic red tape on its way to government approval, because the feds had never before heard of a smoked beer. The government, which Lawrence might consider meddlesome, is a major contributor to the pile of paperwork on Lawrence’s desk. Even the graphic design on the proposed bottle labels needed Washington’s stamp of approval. And each month requires six forms between the state and federal governments for such details as the exact poundage of hops used.

If Lawrence finds keeping up with the government to be the least appealing part of brewing beer, getting out to microbrewery festivals, where he can meet people who try the ales, is the reward. Lawrence suggests that people who like microbrewery beers are those who like variety in other areas of their life as well. Those who don’t like these beers would likely also scoff at the idea of Indian food, or be deaf to anything but classic rock.

Yet the overwhelming majority of beer drunk in the United States is brewed precisely so that it will not challenge people’s acceptance. Brands like Budweiser or Coors, Lawrence calls the lowest common denominator of beer — a trait which simplifies marketing tremendously. He adds that from a brewer’s perspective, these beers are also technically flawless.

“Bud is the logical conclusion of technological improvement. What they’ve done is come up with the essence of beer. Any more embellishment and some people don’t recognize it as beer,” he says. Lawrence recalls one festival where he held a T-shirt raffle, in the midst of which a man from New York complained, “You ought to give me a T-shirt just for trying this beer. This is the worst beer I’ve ever had. It’s too dark.”

When Otter Creek first opened, the beer wasn’t just dark, but cloudy. It was served and sold unfiltered, which means

that it still contained the yeast floating in it. “I like it aesthetically, because you’ve got a living beer. I think it’s cool. But some people have an idea that beer should be incredibly clear.” Bartenders didn’t feel confident recommending a cloudy Copper Ale to people, according to Lawrence, so eventually he bought a filtration system. “It’s kind of a shame from a purist’s perspective, but not from a business perspective,” he says.

From any perspective, Lawrence’s business is just bubbling along.



Scott Miller '87 (left) lends a hand at brother Lawrence's brewery.

This article is the first of what we hope will be a series of profiles on alumni and their careers. — Editor

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