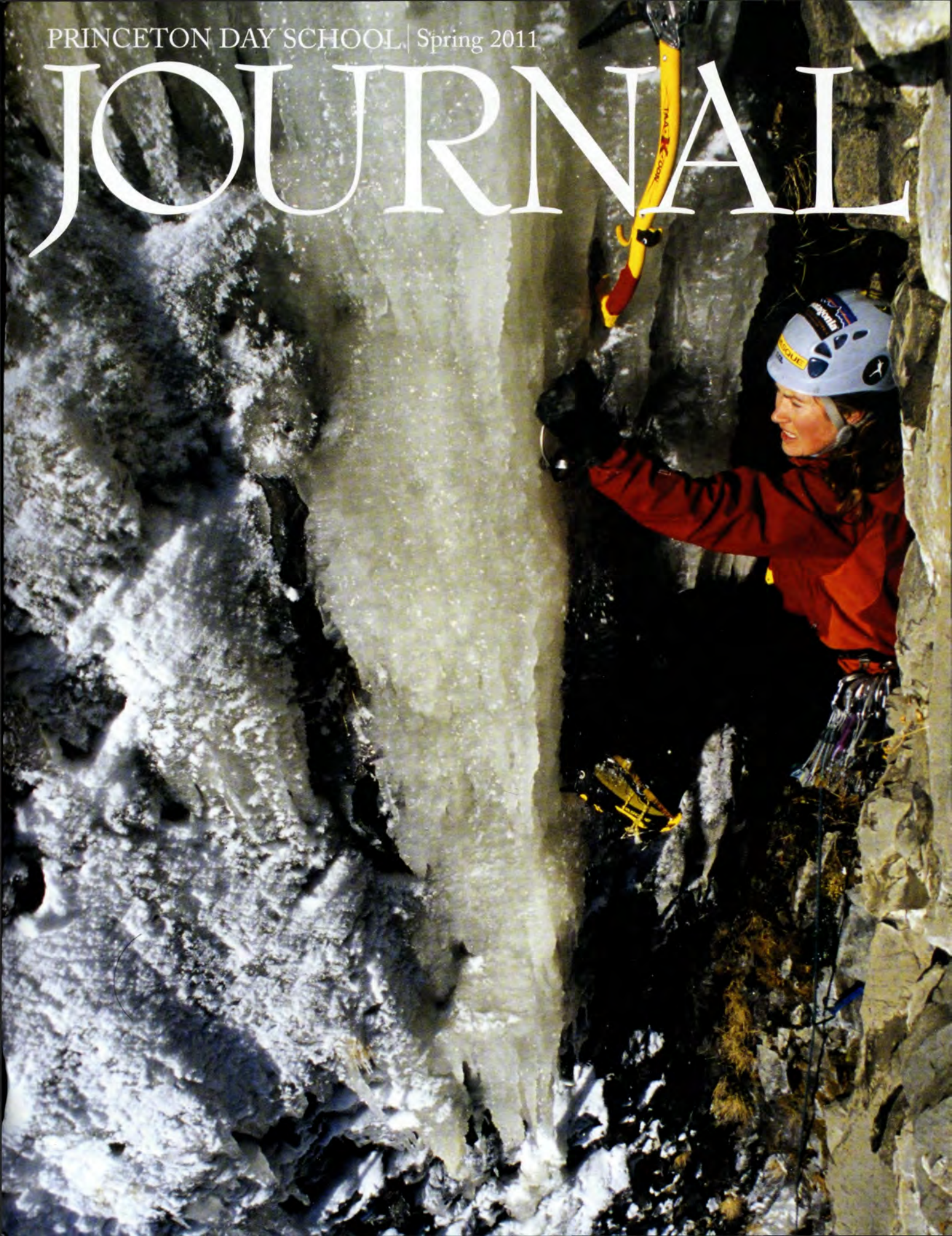


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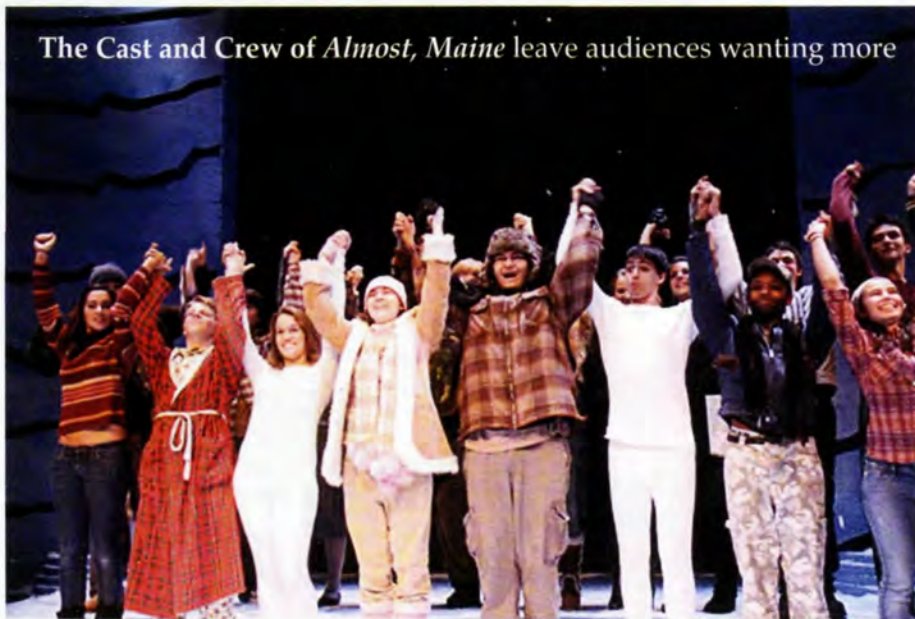
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News & Events

Michael Thompson Visits Campus

Bestselling author and acclaimed child psychologist Dr. Michael Thompson visited the campus on January 4-5. Author of *The New York Times* bestselling



Head of School Paul Stellato with visiting author and psychologist Michael Thompson.

Raising Cain: Protecting the Emotional Life of Boys and *Best Friends, Worst Enemies* (a book that Head of Middle School Steven Hancock and Head of Lower School John Weaver discussed at parent coffees leading up to the visit), Thompson has appeared regularly on national television shows, and has been quoted widely in the national media. Dr. Thompson's visit was a result of research into community building supported by a 2008 David C. Bogle Award to Middle School Dean Donna Zarzecki and Lower School teachers Susan Ferguson and Heather Maione. Dr. Thompson presented a lecture titled "How to Raise Responsible Children," for the PDS community, which drew a packed house at the McAneny Theater.

Middle States Accreditation Process

Princeton Day School completed an eighteenth-month accreditation process this fall, with the creation of the Accreditation for Growth report. The report was created by a core team that included Cecilia Marquez (US Spanish), David LaMotte (US English Department Chair), Beth Yakoby (MS History), and Daniel Cohen (LS Social Studies), as well as teams of representatives, and a steering committee, and focused on academic engagement, stewardship and community. Questions posed to the team were: "What is one aspect of PDS that you believe to be exceptional?" and "What is one aspect of PDS that you believe needs to be improved?" Ms. Marquez remarked that "performing my role as coordinator of the self-study for this accreditation has been a true honor."

Mini-Course Week

February 14 marked the beginning of a beloved annual event in the Middle School: Mini-Course Week. During this week, Middle School students and faculty set aside daily course work for a special one-week, interdisciplinary experience. This year's roster included: Chocolate Immersion, The Amish Experience (with a trip to Lancaster County, PA), Theater on a Shoestring (this year's performance was *Fiddler on the Roof*), and All in the Same Boat (with a visit to Mystic, CT). Besides being an invigorating change of pace during the winter, the students are able to make connections across disciplines and grade levels, and deal with complex, real-world issues.

- Chocolate Immersion
- The Amish Experience
- Theater on a Shoestring
- All in the Same Boat



Kwanzaa Dinner

The PDS Kwanzaa Dinner was held on Friday, December 10, in the campus center. The annual event allows the children to present to the community information about the meaning and origins of Kwanzaa, which is the Swahili word for First

Fruits. Lower School Pre-Kindergarten Teacher Tarshia Griffin mentioned that "the dinner was a true community event, where families devoted lots of time, guidance, and materials."



Students performing during Kwanzaa celebration.

Fall Harvest Dinner

The Harvest Dinner is an annual project run by the EnAct Club, led by Upper School English Teacher and Sustainability Coordinator Liz Cutler. "Our goals are to celebrate the garden, teach folks about sustainable agriculture, and raise funds for the garden," remarked Ms. Cutler about this year's event, which took place in October. The students came up with the menu and cooked the meal with food solely from the PDS garden and other local organic farms. PDS Chef Brian Mochnal worked with the students to create the menu, and supervised the cooking. The students decorated, served, gave garden tours, presented a teaching presentation, and cleaned up. This year's presentation was on the topic of "where does it come from, where does it go," and featured cooking with a tomato from the garden versus a store-bought tomato as the focus. There were student musical performances in the garden and during the meal. Ms. Cutler reported that "this year we served 200 people, and raised about \$3000."



Green Cup Challenge

Princeton Day School participated again in the Green Cup Challenge from January 21-February 18, competing with schools nation-wide to reduce electricity consumption. Since winning this Challenge in 2009, many in-school habits around lights, fans, and electronics have changed as PDS has become much more sensitive to the school's carbon footprint. The motto for this year's Green Cup Challenge was "Taking Home the Green." During the Challenge the focus was on encouraging students, faculty and staff to participate at home and at school in two programs: Low Impact Month and Healthy Me, Healthy Planet.

During Low Impact Month, all students were offered low-impact challenges, with some grades competing against each other to see how well they did with their set goals, and the younger students playing games, such as "eco-bingo." There were also events like the screening of "No Impact Man," in the McAneny Theater, organized by the PDSeeds group of the Parents Association. The Healthy Me, Healthy Planet program focused on the food choices available in the campus center. During the month, everyone was encouraged to eat a nutrient-



dense, environmentally low impact, "Mediterranean-style" diet, high in vegetables, whole grains, fruits, beans, legumes and olive oil and low in animal products, based on recommendations from the American Dietetic Association and the USDA Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

Bridge Project

The 13th annual Bridge Project took place on Monday, January 24. Physics students were individually given ten pieces of balsa wood to design and construct a bridge that would hold the most weight compared to the bridge's weight. Pictured at right are Jake Hall '14, and Upper School Science Teacher Anthony Lapinski.



Innovation Exploration

Eighth Grade Trip to Washington, DC

On November 10-12, the 8th graders visited Washington, DC, spending three days and two nights touring, learning, and socializing in our nation's capital. This year's trip included visits to the Smithsonian museums, the U.S. Capitol building, the Lincoln Memorial, the Newseum, and, of course, the Hard Rock Café.



Scott Siprelle & Rush Holt Visit PDS



Scott Siprelle

In October, Princeton Day School was honored to host both Rush Holt and Scott Siprelle in consecutive weeks, to speak to the Upper School student body in their weekly assemblies. Mr. Holt and Mr. Siprelle, nominees for the 12th District Congressional race, each spoke and took questions from the audience during the hour-long assembly. Upper School History Department Chair George Sanderson invited both Mr. Holt and Mr. Siprelle, and remarked that they “provided our students with an excellent overview of the specific issues associated with the 12th District race, as well as more general points about the differing philosophies of the Democratic and Republican parties.” In addition, Mr. Sanderson said that “in conjunction with the election, my AP US Government and Politics students conducted a survey of students (which they subsequently analyzed in class), which was quite revealing.”



Rush Holt



Upper School Powder Puff Game

The annual Powder Puff touch football game competition between Junior and Senior girls, which takes place between the fall and winter sports seasons, is a highlight of the year. Kate Winton, Upper School English Teacher and Dean for the Class of 2012 remarks that the event is always “a terrifically popular and well-attended.” This year’s coaches were Karthik Nagilingam (12th Grade) and Matt Gluck (11th Grade), and the refs were PE Teacher Jill Thomas and Chris Devlin, a member of the buildings and grounds staff. Each class designed tee-shirts for the big day (juniors wore black, with freshman urged to wear that color and cheer them on, and seniors wore pink, with sophomores following suit). Todd Gudgel, Upper School Latin Teacher and Dean for the Class of 2011 remarked that “the quality of play was impressive this year.” Mr. Gudgel went on to say, “the two quarterbacks, Janie Smukler (11th Grade) and Jesse Frieder (12th Grade) were remarkable.”



Halloween Parade



ArtsNotes



The Upper School Musical, "The Wedding Singer"

In February, the Performing Arts Department presented "The Wedding Singer," a musical comedy based on the New Line Cinema film of the same name, starring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore. Directed by PDS Artist-in-Residence Stan Cahill and choreographed by Artist-in-Residence Ann Robideaux, "The Wedding Singer" featured thirty-three student actors in grades nine through twelve, and a colorful set designed by Technical Director Jeffrey Van Velsor. The projection sequences were designed by Eric Falcon '11.

For this production, PDS offered special VIP On-Stage Tickets, complete with coffee and cake at intermission, which gave audience members the opportunity to be part of the action on-stage. The proceeds from these tickets will help send a group of PDS students to Edinburgh, Scotland, this summer, where they will represent United States high schools at the 2011 Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

**the
wedding
singer**



The Wedding Singer photos by Matt Plesner



The 1,001th Night

In the fall, the Middle School presented the original play, "The 1,001th Night," a clever take-off of the tales of Scheherazade, by Deborah Sugarman, Middle School Theater Teacher and Arts Department Co-Chair. Featuring a cast of nearly seventy students and ten crew members, the play was a great way to feature our formidable middle school talent. The first weekend in May will bring the sights and sounds of our eighth graders performing "Oklahoma!" The annual eighth grade musical allows each and every eighth grade student the opportunity to be a part of a full-scale musical production.

ANNE REID '72 ART GALLERY UPCOMING EXHIBITS

Steve Jenkins • *Down, Down, Down* • April 6 - 29

Imagine the Possibilities artist Steve Jenkins will loan work from his Boulder, Colorado studio which will include early ideas for his recent book *Down, Down, Down*. Jenkins will share his passion for making children's books through his ideas, thumbnails, images, stunning collages, layouts, sketches, notebooks, tracings, formalized manuscripts and numerous published books. He will be a guest artist at Princeton Day School from April 14-15. www.stevejenkinsbooks.com

Princeton Day School Student Exhibit • May 9 - 26

Princeton Day School Senior Thesis Exhibit • June 2 - 10

Anne Reid '72 Art Gallery

In November, the Anne Reid '72 Art Gallery was delighted to feature the works of New York artist Bette Blank. Ms. Blank, whose work is in the permanent collections of the Jewish Museum and the Hunterdon Art Museum, is known for blending iconic images, color and pattern to tell unique stories. Blank's portraits of Condoleezza Rice shopping for shoes with Queen Elizabeth and Aretha Franklin's Pink Cadillac, introduced visitors to her captivating vision.



Bette Blank

On January 20, the Gallery was pleased to present *Campus Themes: The Architecture of Princeton University*, created by University Architect Ron McCoy, FAIA. The exhibition featured architectural drawings and renderings from the earliest, pre-revolutionary days through today, and included photographs, architectural models, and even rare campus videos to illustrate the many dimensions of planning a campus. Mr. McCoy gave a gallery talk about the plans, which hold significant value to the Princeton campus and the wider community.



Campus Themes



Treby Williams '80, with Ron McCoy, and Paul Stellato.

In February, the Gallery presented the paintings, drawings, and collages of two singular artists, Carol Hanson and Stacie Speer Scott. Titled *Carol Hanson & Stacie Speer Scott: Invented Places, Invented People*, the exhibition combined Hanson's paintings, drawing and monotypes of abstracted nature with Scott's collages.



*Invented Places,
Invented People*



Upper School Winter Concert



Lower School Holiday Assembly



The Fourth Grade Operetta

In March, the fourth grade performed their annual operetta. This year's production, "44 Kids and a Cow," was an original production with a script by Cindy Peifer, Middle School Humanities Teacher, and focused on what happens when many familiar and favorite characters (including, Hansel, Gretel, Cinderella, Rapunzel, and the Frog Prince) travel into the woods and get their stories mixed up. Lower School Music Teacher Andrea Shaefer commented, "the operetta gives every fourth grader the opportunity to be a shining star."



APPLAUSE!

Photography Awards

Kudos to the following PDS students who received important recognition in two national photography competitions. **Chris Moyer '11** received an Honorable Mention in the National Wildlife Foundation 2010 Photography Competition. In the Drexel University 2010 National High School Photography Exhibition, the following students had work accepted: **Rob Klein '12**, **Svitlana Lyman '11**, and **Rachel Cantlay '13**. The Drexel show was particularly difficult to get into, as they received over 1600 images from all over the country and could only choose 140 images to be exhibited. And congratulations to **Caitlin Dwyer '12**, who won first prize!



Caitlin Dwyer '12

The Written Word

Mary Atkeson '13 was awarded with a Regional Gold Key in the Scholastic Writing Awards of 2011 for her short story, "The Piano Lesson." Presented by the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, this award, which began in 1923 has recognized some of America's most celebrated writers when they were teenagers. In 2011, more than 180,000 submissions were received, and only 984 received Gold Key recognition.



Mary Atkeson '13

Abha Kulkarni '13, submitted a poem, "Bruised", to the high school poetry contest organized by the Live Poets Society of New Jersey, and her poem was selected as a winner, and will be published in the book *Inside of Me* 2010/2011, a poetry collection by American high school poets.

Young Musicians

Congratulations to **Kevin Chen '11**, who performed a violin recital at the Juilliard Recital Hall on Saturday, February 12. His program included works by Bach, Dvorak, Lutoslawski, and Wieniawski. Kevin has been part of the Juilliard Pre-College Program since he was eleven years old, and this was his graduation recital.



Kevin Chen '11

Kudos to **Mark Schafer '16**, **Michael Kearney '15**, **Meg Wilmott '16**, **Cierra Moore '17**, and **Danielle Hirsch '17**,



Meg Wilmott '16, Michael Kearney '15, Mark Schafer '16.

who were selected for the New Jersey Chapter of the American Choral Director's Association (NJACDA) State Honors Choir. More than 600 students auditioned, and only 200 were selected.

Performing Arts Students

Annika Goldman '18 performed as the Ghost of Christmas Past in this year's production of McCarter Theatre's "Christmas Carol," directed by Michael Unger. This was Annika's second year performing in the annual production, and this year's role was the main youth role that included a substantial speaking part.

Congratulations to **Dominique Jones '12**, who earned first place in the ESU Regional Shakespeare Competition at The Lawrenceville School in February. She will move on to the National Competition held in New York City at Lincoln Center, where the first prize winner will receive the ESU Amanda Steel Scholarship to the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art's Young Actors Summer School in London, England.



Annika Goldman '18

Middle School Choral Concert



Middle School Instrumental Concert



PDS Notable

Marla Pfenninger Saint Gilles '04

Helping the Ecuadorian Kichwa and Their Kallari Chocolate Factory

by Phoebe Outerbridge '84

Last October, Upper School students were treated to a visit by Marla Pfenninger Saint Gilles '04, the North American representative for Kallari Chocolate. The day was sweet indeed—and not just because of the many samples of delicious chocolate provided to students and faculty. The presentations [see “A Chocolate Covered Curriculum”] touched on multi-disciplinary themes ranging from conservation to chemistry to culture, and gave students and faculty plenty to savor.



Marla St. Gilles '04 prepares a chocolate tasting.

comprised of over 900 indigenous Kichwa families from the Ecuadorian Amazon, completely oversee the entire process of producing the chocolate from bean to bar. The chocolate bars are manufactured just miles from where the cacao beans are grown and harvested.

What effect does this have on the product?

Just as produce that is local is usually more fresh and flavorful, chocolate will taste better when the beans are

fresher and haven't traveled across the country or globe. It's also a more energy-efficient process and, thus, better for the environment.

The tagline for Kallari Chocolate is “Sustainable Pleasure for Palate and Planet.” Is sustainability a big piece of this business?

The Ecuadorian Amazon is home to one of the most biodiverse ecosystems on earth, and outsiders are constantly fighting to harvest its wide variety of resources. In particular, deforestation caused by logging and oil interests is a perennial threat to the Amazon land and cultures. By farming the cacao beans these Kichwa farmers now have an alternative to cutting down the forest.

Is the chocolate organic?

Not only is Kallari chocolate organically grown and produced, but it is also produced with the most minimal environmental impact. The cacao is harvested and fermented by hand with no machine power.

How did you find your way to Kallari Chocolate?

I was able to see some of the Kallari communities in Ecuador as far back as middle school, when I was a student at Buckingham Friends School. There, I was part of the Joint Environmental Mission (JEM) program, through which I was able to spend

two weeks in Ecuador studying rainforest ecology. Judy Logback, a biologist who helped established the Kallari cooperative, was my guide while I was there. She asked me if I could work for Kallari doing marketing and distribution. I've been doing this for a year.

“...I have been able to participate in one of the most inspiring business models I have ever seen.”

What is unique about Kallari Chocolate?

Kallari Chocolate is a farmer-owned chocolate company based in the Ecuadorian Amazon that distributes around the world. What's unusual is that the farmers in this cooperative,

A Chocolate-Covered Curriculum



Is it true that the Kichwa receive 100% of the profits from the chocolate sales?

Yes. Initially, the farmers were selling the beans to intermediaries, and were only receiving a nominal amount per pound. Now the farmers control the whole process—they harvest the beans, transport them for the fermentation process, sort, roast, and grind them, and manufacture and package the chocolate bars at their own factory. By cutting out three layers of local buyers and traders, their profit is now more than ten times what they used to make.

Do the Kichwa farmers ever get to taste the chocolate they have helped produce?

Absolutely. During the harvest, the Kallari growers taste their own chocolate. They normally enjoy their chocolate in powder form mixed as a hot drink, but they do like the chocolate bars and the opportunity to taste the end result of their effort. That's a pretty uncommon opportunity for cacao farmers.

Where can someone buy a bar of Kallari Chocolate?

The chocolates are available at over 350 Whole Foods supermarkets throughout the country, as well as a host of specialty food stores.

What have you most enjoyed about working for Kallari?

I've enjoyed working for Kallari because I have been able to participate in one of the most inspiring business models I have ever seen. A high-earning executive does not pay my salary, but a board of indigenous cocoa farmers in Ecuador. I feel confident doing my work every day, because I know that farmers have worked hard to make an excellent chocolate.



Thanks to Marla Pfenninger Saint Gilles' visit in October, the Upper School spent the day immersed in all things chocolate. But the visit was about much more than just eating the dark, rich, sweet substance (though this aspect was arguably the most satisfying). Mary Williams, Upper School English Teacher phrases it this way: "It was a unique, multifaceted educational opportunity through the attention-focusing medium of chocolate."

Accompanying Saint Gilles was Sr. Silvano Licuy Andi, a representative from the Kallari association, who traveled from Ecuador. Licuy led the presentations for the following classes: Spanish language, Biology, French language, Latin American History, Literature and Nature, and Multicultural Writing.



The Upper School learned about fair trade and sustainable farming from Sr. Silvano Licuy Andi.

"Students in these classes

learned about sustainable agriculture, and rainforest conservation and ecology," noted Williams.

"They also discussed the political implications of rainforest conservation, including resistance efforts to protect land from oil company incursions."

Liz Ransom, Upper School Spanish Teacher, remarked, "It was a wonderful opportunity for students in our Spanish classes to reflect on the school-wide theme this year ('Where does it come from, Where does it go?') while using their language skills to interact with the guest speakers."

Upper School Spanish Teacher Doug McLane added: "I found the visit from Kallari to be a spectacular cultural connection for my students. They expressed great interest in the chocolate process, and their reflections on the experience showed that they learned a great deal about a region, culture, and economic perspective that they had little knowledge of beforehand."

There were also chocolate encounters of every kind during the Kallari visit. The InterAct Club sold gift packages of Kallari Chocolate as a pre-holiday fundraiser. Members of the faculty and the Spanish club enjoyed a professional chocolate tasting session, and 450 samples of hot chocolate were sipped away during Upper School lunch.

SportsNotes

Princeton Day School Welcomes Tim Williams, New Athletic Director

This January, Princeton Day School announced the appointment of Timothy Yeates Williams as the new Athletic Director. Williams, now Director of Athletics at Louisville Collegiate School in Louisville, Kentucky, currently oversees and directs all aspects of lower, middle, and upper school athletics at the K-12 independent school of 650 students.



Tim Williams

"PDS is such a dynamic place and I'm looking forward to mixing with the great people there and to using my talents to help drive the athletic program forward," says Williams.

Under his leadership, athletics at Louisville Collegiate flourished. He chaired the school's Title IX Compliance Committee, integrated the boys' and girls' lacrosse teams, and headed up the basketball program as the varsity boys' basketball coach. In addition, Williams focused on increasing participation in athletics at Louisville Collegiate, ultimately resulting in an 87% increase in participation, including the basketball program, which increased by 300% in nine years. "I want every child to get out and play on a team if he/she wants to be there," asserts Williams. "Athletics can be so beneficial for the character development of a child."

After receiving his undergraduate degree at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill in psychology, Mr. Williams earned his M.S. in Exercise and Sports Science at University of North Carolina-Greensboro. He began his coaching career at Greensboro Day School, where he coached basketball, lacrosse, volleyball, and soccer. Mr. Williams then moved to the Collegiate School in Richmond, VA, where he taught physical education and coached basketball and baseball, and also served as Assistant Athletic Director. He joined Louisville Collegiate School in 2002.

Williams is looking forward to the opportunity to work with the staff of the PDS athletic department: "PDS has great people and facilities and I am impressed with the level of both. I'd like to continue to enhance our athletic facilities so we can keep a top-notch program out there," he says.

PDS Boys Hockey: Children of Alumni Take to the Ice

This year's boys' varsity hockey team is unique in that five members of the team are children of PDS alums: John Egner '14, son of Mark Egner '82; Walker Ward '12, son of Leslie Straut Ward '80; Tyler Olsson '12, son of Rich Olsson '76; Garrett Jensen '12, son of Eric Jensen '82; Will Powers '11, son of Howie Powers '80 (and Upper School History Teacher).

Princeton Day School Athletics

It was another exciting and successful winter athletic season for the Panthers.

Our teams had a number of very strong showings in both the Mercer County and Prep State Tournaments. The entire athletic program continues to move forward with so many of our teams competing against the area's top schools. Panther pride could always be seen and heard throughout the winter with the zoo cheering and supporting our teams onto victory.

Winter Highlights

Boys' varsity hockey put together a very impressive season. Highlights include a third place finish at the Barber Tournament in New England, where the team went two and one, with their only defeat coming against the eventual tournament champions, Middlesex School. The team capped an eight-game winning streak by defeating Pingry 4-2 to win its first NJISAA Prep Championship since 2006. The game was played in front of a standing room only crowd at the Lisa McGraw '44 rink. Most would agree that The **JV boys' ice hockey team** surpassed expectations this season. With an 8-1 record going into the final game of the season, the team's discipline, hard work, and, most importantly, chemistry were huge factors in its success.



Conrad Denise '13



Peter Blackburn '11



#11 Sean Timmons '14, #23 Skye Samse '11

The **girls' varsity ice hockey** program had a strong season, finishing with an 11-5-5 record and earning the B-bracket championship in the WIHLMA Tournament. Junior forward Megan Ofner was the winner of the PDS Varsity Award in addition to being recognized as a First Team All-Star Forward. Sophomore Daisy Mase was recognized as the Honorable Mention All-Star goalie for the WIHLMA league. The girls took their league by storm, beating and tying three teams that have defeated them handily in the past. This was the second year the program has supported a **JV girls' ice hockey team**, paving a bright future and creating a wonderful foundation for girls' hockey at PDS and in the community.



Megan Ofner '12



Daisy Mase '13



Ashely Egner '12

Varsity squash (below) continued to play a very competitive schedule against the top private schools in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. They had a successful season, almost doubling their wins from the previous two years. Five freshmen joined the team of ten players, two of the freshmen playing in the top two positions. Even more promising seasons are ahead for Panthers squash!



Winter Highlights continued on next page



The **boys' varsity basketball** team had a very successful year, highlighted by fifteen wins, a Delran Holiday Tournament championship, and exciting crowds at every home game. The team's wins, the most since the 2003-04 season, came against some of the area's toughest competition including Notre Dame, Princeton, Delran, Pemberton, Hopewell Valley, and Pekiomen. The team of thirteen young men was led by six fantastic seniors: Nate Apgar, Bryan Miner, Kevin Francfort, Christopher Bonniag (captain), AJ Rubin (captain), and Robby Smukler (captain). The season was also a success because of the way the players conducted themselves on and off the court, representing PDS well throughout the state.



Senior Class above from left to right: Nate Apgar, Kevin Francfort, AJ Rubin, Robby Smukler, Bryan Miner and Chris Bonniag. Top left: AJ Rubin '11. At left: Chris Bonniag '11. Top right: Robbie Smukler '11. At right: Davon Reed '13



The **fencing** team (above) ended the regular season with a victory to put PDS at 5-4 for the year. Captain Andrew Schroeder '11 (sabre) led the pack as he has for the past four years with an astonishing 88% win-loss record. Alex Ioffreda '11 (foil) also had impressive stats, as did Matthew Cavuto '13 (epee).

Varsity volleyball had a great season.

There was fantastic chemistry on the court with tremendous leadership from our seniors! This year PDS faced some very tough competitors but made it to the Prep Tournament for the first time in five years. The girls lost to ANC, the top seed and eventual champions, but there was no shortage of effort and they made this season an incredible one.



At left: Alexandra McCourt '11 and Rebecca Sokol '12. Below left: Gabrielle Phillips '12. Below: Team huddle.



The **girls' basketball** team experienced an exciting and very competitive season. Facing an upgraded schedule, the Panther season included victories over The Hill School, Pennington Prep, Stuart Country Day, Lawrenceville Prep, St. Patrick's and the Hun

School. Junior sensation Janie Smukler led the team with an average of 19.5 points per game, and the team's only senior, Tiffany Patterson, averaged a double-double with 11 points per game and 10.7 rebounds per game. Both girls reached the 1000-point milestone this year.



Top: Tiffany Patterson '11. At right: Janie Smukler '12.

Faculty Notes

Current Faculty News:

David Burkett, Upper School Architecture Teacher, was honored by the Savannah College of Art and Design this February. He was among twenty art instructors chosen from around the nation for their reputation for preparing their students for the rigorous work of college. "I was amazed by the group of instructors and the planning that went into our four days in Savannah. The school wanted all of us to understand the opportunities that SCAD offers," remarked Mr. Burkett. The honored teachers were given a beautiful place to stay in the heart of the old city, the opportunity to meet with students and faculty, and a chance to experience firsthand the incredible historic preservation program in place in Savannah.

Mary Williams, Upper School English Teacher, has been accepted to participate in the George School's Global Service Program in Ecuador from June 22 - July 10, 2011. She will visit and work with members of the Kallari Cooperative, some of whom presented workshops at PDS in October, 2010 (please see the PDS Notable section, page 10, for more about Kallari). Ms. Williams's trip will be underwritten in part by an Edward E. Ford Foundation Grant, and her participation in the Faculty Training Institute that precedes the trip is made possible by the generosity of PDS Professional Development Funding.

Former Faculty News:

We are pleased to include "Former Faculty News" in this issue of the Journal. It has been a few years since we reported on our former faculty (the last update was Fall 2009!), so there are plenty of new updates.

• **Art Aaronson:** "Lots of snow and snow shoeing in Vermont this winter. During January and February, I led a weekly Great Decisions Foreign Policy discussion group at our local public library.

"With a goal of shortening the Vermont winter Kristina and I will rent an apartment in Buenos Aires for the month of March. Kristina grew up in Argentina when her father worked for the State Department there. We will attend festivities and events celebrating the 75th anniversary of The American Community School."

• **Ray Boyington** has retired after teaching chemistry for 43 years. He and partner Jack Urquhart currently reside in warm and sunny Mount Dora, FL.



Ray Boyington vacationing in Durham, CT, his home state, in October 2010.

• **Mitchell Bronk:** "I have no new news to report from retirement here in Northwest CT. It's very hard to believe that I'm coming up on 40 years since I 'graduated' from PDS. For the last four years I have been the treasurer for the ASSIST program. PDS is a member school currently hosting Natalia Gauza Lasheras from Spain. ASSIST is a great organization and working with them has been very rewarding. I don't meet the students unless I go to the August orientation, which I

did not do the past two summers, but the Board and the staff are a great group of dedicated people. I am pleased that PDS is a member school."

• **Chris Butler:** "I was a math teacher at PDS from 1993-1997. I am now the proud father of two daughters—Charlotte, born in October 2006 and Annabelle, born in November 2009. I'm still the Director of Information Services at St. John's Prep outside of Boston and I'm still living in Arlington, MA, with my daughters and my wife, Jennifer, who is the director of the Elementary and Middle School divisions at Cambridge Montessori School."

• **Mary Jo Collins:** "As for my update: I taught Phys Ed. at PDS from 1978-1982. I also coached the Varsity Field Hockey team and 7/8th Grade Lacrosse team. I earned a M.A. in 1981 from Teachers College, Columbia University in Curriculum Design.

"I left PDS in 1982 and joined Merrill Lynch where I worked until 2003. Since then I worked at Deutsche Bank in fixed income sales until 2008 and am currently a Managing Director at Sandler O'Neill & Partners also in fixed income sales.

"I have been married for 18 years to my husband, Sean, and we have two sons, Sean Jr. (17) and Matthew (15). Both of my sons attend Friends Academy in Locust Valley, NY. A funny coincidence is that when I graduated from

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Douglas College, I only applied to two schools, Friends Academy and Princeton Day School. Isn't it funny how I ended up teaching at PDS and living in Long Island and sending my sons to Friends Academy?"

• **Kay Haartz Cortelyou:** "After leaving PDS in 1974, I moved to Washington DC, had a son and continued to teach math — many years at The Madeira School and for the past 18 years at The Maret School. I also have continued to ride and show horses. I now have four Morgan show horses; consequently I am not planning to retire in the near future. I love teaching math now as much as I did at PDS."

• **Helen Davies:** is "very lucky to have been able to stay in Princeton so far, and to coach a few students in French—both foreign and American—since teaching and learning are difficult addictions to get rid of. An example of how teachers do learn by teaching: my present French student, a 9th grader, brought me a book I did not know, which excited me enough to write and publish a comparative article between the *Old Man And The Sea* and this book, *Le Dernier Voyage*. I would not have known it without her. I am also grateful to adults: French conversation groups, or the French Association reading group called "La Bibliotheque Orange," which brings us the latest of French, francophone or foreign writings in French translation, thus widening our outlook on the world. Princeton is indeed a lucky place to be in!

"My grandchildren are doing fairly well, with ups and downs as in most American families. Hugh still comes regularly from California to advise Princeton Art Museum, an added treat for me; and Christine, from Tennessee, comes to see both her mother and me from time to time!"

• **Holly Fewkes:** "I worked at PDS from 2001-2007 as the Assistant Athletic Director. I coached middle school soccer and varsity softball and won the Prep B State Softball Championship in spring 2006! Currently, I work at Nichols School in Buffalo, NY, as the Associate Director of Athletics. It is my fourth school year and I'm enjoying my new position. I love living in Buffalo where we

don't get as much snow as people think!! I am heading to Costa Rica in March 2011 to chaperone our exchange trip. I miss PDS and think of my colleagues and students often."

• **Steve Hahn (PDS 1968-1972):** "The news of the death of Ginny Stein and Alberto Petrella, two major figures in my life at PDS, brought back many memories. Ginny was a counselor and confidante who taught me, as a very young teacher, about learning differences and the dynamics of both the classroom and the family, and Alberto was a good friend, a Monday night bowling teammate, and a wonderful example of what loyalty, commitment, hard work, and taking advantage of your opportunities can produce. I love returning to PDS for Class of '72 reunions, though my focus continues to be on Portledge School (Locust Valley, NY), where I continue to be head. Thinking about eventual retirement in New Hampshire and more time for family (son, Josh, is assistant head of school for environmental initiatives at Hotchkiss School, and daughter Dianna volunteers as a director for Clowns Without Borders while working for Global Routes, which offers cross-cultural experiences for high school and college students)."

• **Heather Hall '98** is currently teaching 7th and 8th grade English and coaching girls' basketball and lacrosse at Gill St. Bernard's school in Gladstone, NJ.

• **Bonnie (Howarth) Hunter:** "I taught Middle and Upper School English, Middle and Lower School Computer at PDS, from 1969 to 2005. Retirement is great—ushering at McCarter is now a passion, keeping live music, drama, and dance in my life. Because I miss the classroom (but not the meetings, grades and comments, and extra duties), I often teach in the PDS Summer Program. I still have an eBay store and still rent bedrooms to University visitors. Photography (mostly pro bono work & portraits) and traveling shape the year's calendar for me: in 2010 a trip to Senegal, Ghana, Mali, Burkina Faso, Togo, and Benin (where I shadowed a Peace Corps worker with my camera for a week). Next I worked with orangutans at a rehab center in Borneo and dinked around in other parts of Malaysia. Later after stopping off in Trinidad for a week, I did publicity photos for an otter rescue

ranch in Guyana and then toured French Guiana and Suriname. In 2010, I had a one-woman show, "World Women," at Thomas Sweet Cafe and one print in the Philips Mill annual show. In June & July 2011, I'll hang a show, "Festival Dance" at Windrows and perhaps have a repeat of "World Women" at the YWCA. As I write this, I haven't traveled anywhere yet, but have trips planned to Northeast India (tribal countries), the Baltic States and Russia, and Brazil (for the birth of my first grandchild)."

• **Sallie (Leach) Jackal:** "I was the reading specialist in the Lower School from 1978-1980. I moved then to Philadelphia where I was the Lower School vice-principal and principal at Germantown Friends School from 1980-2010. I've just retired from that position."

• **Dean Jacoby:** "I am in my third year at Albuquerque Academy, a 6-12 independent day school that is much like PDS in its caring community and its talented student body. I was describing a junior that I am working with to my wife, and she said, "sounds like he is like Ryan Palsho '05." Our librarian puts out a monthly newsletter citing exceptional resources, a recent edition included a link to Michael Highland's '03 work on video games. The college class I teach includes in its curriculum elements that were developed at the suggestion of Liad Kunle Onitiri '06. And of course I have watched Nate Halpern's '02 and Chris Palsho's '02 web series, "Looking for Grace," since there is a brief shot of me as a prom chaperone in their senior project film (I'm hoping it gets rereleased and my Hollywood career launched). Aren and Julie Irwin have moved out here and we see them from time to time, including a Christmas party with surprise guests Doug and Lisa McLane.

"So PDS is often with me in my current life. My family now includes Karla, Ainara, four years old, and Lur, one year. Our biggest news might be that the whole family attended a wedding in Pakistan last summer. We got to experience a traditional Muslim wedding (a multi-day, multi-city event) and stay in the groom's house. The kids loved that family and friends came over every night to dance and drum. Ainara had a role in the wedding (her godfather was the groom) and got to wear specially made outfits

designed by a famous Lahore fashion entrepreneur. And the return trip took us through Princeton, where we stayed with Will Asch and his family and I got to attend graduation at PDS. So, you see, all roads lead back to Colross, the place where I was married."

• **Monika Jaeckle:** "My time is current-



Monika M. Jaeckle and her grandchild.

ly divided between working at the Clay Studio in Philadelphia as an associate artist and being part of a teacher training course for Iyengar yoga in Madison, NJ. I have started to teach restorative yoga out of my home a few days a week. It didn't take long to love having the freedom in pursuing these passions. My favorite role above all is being an Oma (German for grandmother)!"

• **John Jameson (JJ):** "I am the Science Department Chair at Regina Dominican High School in Wilmette, IL. We are a small, parochial girls school on Chicago's north shore. The school is very much like Stuart. This is my fourth year and I will probably stay another year or two before I finally retire. I enjoy Chicago very much. Great arts, especially theatre. Great sports. Great golf courses. Great food and restaurants. I look forward to coming back for reunions in May."

• **Holly Javick:** "I am back to being a school nurse after having my youngest (who is now five). After I had her, I went back to working in a hospital to gain some of those nursing skills I had lost as a school nurse. It was fun working in obstetrics but when my son was headed to kindergarten three years ago, I went back to school nursing so we would be on the same schedule."

• **Carol Koiro:** "Since graduating and passing the boards to become a physician assistant in June, 2010, my husband and

I have relocated to Vero Beach, Florida where I am working with an orthopaedics, rehab and pain management practice. I am first assist in the OR two days a week and spend the rest of the time seeing patients in four local rehab facilities. I have shoveled exactly NO snow this winter and spend my off time enjoying the beautiful weather!"

• **Louise Topp McClure:** "I taught strings and MS general music from 1972-1992. Our daughter is now in the 10th grade and involved in Sweet 16 parties. She'll turn 16 in May, and wants to throw such a party—and I haven't a clue how to do it! I'm teaching strings from my living room, with over 40 students (ages 3-65) weekly. We run 'chamber music and pizza' groups, a summer orchestra in the Hopewell Train Station, and a summer chamber music and fiddling camp, and collaborate on a Mixed-Age Dance Band (known as MAD Band) for community/family dances, and a summer Suzuki workshop weekend."

• **Nancy Miller '57:** "I took the early retirement package that PDS offered in '01 and have never found myself at a loss of things to do. It's amazing how one can keep so busy. I travel, volunteer pushing wheelchairs at St. Lawrence Rehabilitation Center, and meet up with friends for lunch. Probably one of the highlights of the last few years was a trip to England where we stayed at The Goring, in London, and Hampton Court Palace, where we stayed in Fish Court built by Henry VIII to make his fish pies and pastries. To stay inside the palace was a truly magical experience. I highly recommend it!"

• **Elizabeth O'Brien-Prager:** "We, here in St. Augustine, FL, are just great. Hanging out with our four mini-dachshunds, plus our recent English Setter rescue (from Pennsylvania, no less)...and then, of course, there are the three horses, which we brought down with us. Beyond riding all week, I have been actively involved with animal rescue here and in conjunction with my daughter's animal rescue in Pennsylvania."

• **George V. Packard:** "I've been living here on this island off the Southern coast of Ireland for 30 years and will be here to the end. Then ashes in the ocean. I'm writing for two reasons. If there are any

of my old students out there who would like to get in touch and tell me what they've done they can e-mail to kgpackard@eircom.net. Also it would be nice to know what you all thought of your education at PDS.

"The second thing is three of my books are now available from Amazon with the fourth coming in a few weeks. At the present they are available as e-books (downloadable to PC, no Kindle required) and within two weeks or thereabouts they will be available in hard copy under 'print on demand' also with Amazon thanks to Gail Cleare. To access me you go to 'Kindle Store' under the name of George V. Packard. I would really love to know what you think of them."

• **Tom Palma:** "While I miss teaching, I do enjoy the freedom of not being tied to a schedule. It has allowed me to enjoy fishing and sailing in the unpopulated fall waters of NJ and time to pursue my hobby of woodworking. I have become fascinated with apothecary cabinets and have built several 18 drawer units, working myself up to a large 80 drawer unit. (My wife asks: "What are you going to put in all those drawers?" She just doesn't get it!) Another perk: we missed all the "fun weather" in January as we spent the month in Naples, Florida. We are back in NJ now busy with preparations for my son's wedding in June."

• **Heather McCallum Redpath:** "Greetings from Cincinnati. Yes I'm still here. Can you believe it's been nine years now? My husband, Jason, and I have been married three and a half years now and have an amazing son, Ned, who's two and a half. We are also expecting our second child in March."

• **Doc Ross:** "I just celebrated my 75th birthday by spending a week in Roma."

• **Gabriela Salazar:** "I had the pleasure of teaching at PDS for only one year in the Lower School art room, as an assistant teacher to Tina Dadian. I went on to teach art at Greenwich Academy (CT) for two years, and then went to graduate school at the Rhode Island School of Design for Painting. I am now teaching part-time at the Riverdale Country School, in the Bronx, NY and doing my own work. This winter, I had my first NYC solo show open at

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flatbreadaffair, in Brooklyn (flatbreadaffair.com), and was a fellow at the MacDowell Colony (NH) in 2009. I live in Brooklyn, which I love, and miss PDS all the time! My website is www.gabrielasalazar.com."



Herb Spiegel with his and former faculty member, Regina Spiegel's grandchildren.

• **Herb Spiegel**, father of Jon '78, Suzanne '81 and Adrienne '84 and former husband of Regina Spiegel (deceased) who was on the PDS faculty for 25 years as head of middle school music, began his 26th year at Mercer County

College where he teaches Marketing, Consumer Behavior, and some other business-related classes. He loves hearing from Regina's former students. He lives in Lambertville, NJ, and was remarried in 1999 to Joan Rose Spiegel. News on his children: Jon and Adrienne live in Chicago. Adrienne has two boys, Jack, age twelve, and Henry Finn, age eight; Jon is widowed with three adopted rescued Greyhounds; and Suzanne lives in NYC and is the mother of Sam, age four.



Former US science teacher Norm Sperling.

• **Norm Sperling** lives in San Mateo, California. He continues to teach astronomy to freshmen at University of California-Berkeley, and runs "The Journal of Irreproducible Results", the science humor magazine, www.jir.com.

His latest JIR anthology is *This Book Warps Space and Time* (Andrews McMeel, 2008). His next will be *Don't Try This in High School*, scheduled for May 2011. He blogs about Science, Nature, and the Public at www.EverythingInTheUniverse.com. His older son, Lumin, is a freshman at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. His younger son, Mason, starred as Tevye in his school's

production of *Fiddler on the Roof*. When Mason goes to college in 2012, Norm expects to hit the road, touring the US and Canada in an RV for 2 or 3 years, compiling science books to publish, and giving talks along the way. Norm sees former student Chris Burt in Oakland from time to time.

• **Virginia Kramer Stein** passed away on November 18, 2010. Her obituary is below:

Born in Brooklyn, New York, to pioneering polio researcher Dr. Sidney David Kramer and children's book editor Nora Kramer, Virginia Kramer Stein attended Hunter College in New York and Tufts University in Boston, graduating with a degree in Occupational Therapy. Stationed at Walter Reid Army Hospital in Washington, D.C. during the late stages of World War II, it was there that she met Army Captain Jerome D. Stein, Jr., to whom she was wed in 1947 and to whom she remained married until his death 60 years later.

Moving to California, she conducted her graduate studies at the Langley Porter Psychiatric Institute in San Francisco. Returning east in 1957 and settling in the Somerville, NJ area, Stein joined the staff of Bonnie Brae Farm for boys, where she served as Clinical Psychologist for many years. In addition to a private practice specializing in the testing and evaluation of children and adult therapy, she was the Consulting Psychologist to the Princeton Day School from 1965 to 1985.

Stein was active in her support of mental health and education, serving on the boards of the Somerset County Mental Health Association and The North Country School. In retirement, she and her husband traveled extensively until ill-health forced a move to Reading, Pennsylvania, where she lived at the time of her death. She is survived by two sons, Christopher ('73) of Oakdale, CT, and Jonathan ('76) of Reading, PA, and a granddaughter, Rachael, also of Reading, PA (a sophomore at Sweet Briar College).

• **Martha Sullivan Sword '73**: "We had a mid-winter get together with Head Coach for Life Jan Baker, and Robin Kraut Zell, Andy Katin, Ellen Fisher and Martha Sullivan Sword, all '73." (See photo page 54)



Alan Taback

• **Alan Taback** was given a wonderful opportunity to create an athletic program at the Trenton Community Charter School in Trenton NJ. He,

along with help from his old PDS pal, Jan Baker, began a coed soccer, cross country and track and field program. They also started a girls and boys basketball program. These programs are now in their fourth season of competition and are holding their own against PDS, Hun, Pennington, Princeton Charter, Stuart, Princeton Academy and others as well as the other Trenton charter schools. Alan is the athletic director and coaches basketball and track and field, and he loves it.

• **Kaye Vosburgh**:

"I am now an ikebana teacher in the Sogetsu School. I give demonstrations and teach classes. I am also Flower Show School Instructor in the National Garden Clubs. I have photos on my website www.createwithflowers.com."



Kaye Vosburgh with one of her flower arrangements.

• **Bunny Webb**: "We like Buffalo—many arts activities, and our daughter and her family are in Hamilton, Ontario, which is why we are here in a continuing care community like the one in nearby Princeton that has so many PDS faculty in it."

• **Jan Westrick**: "I seem to stay quite busy these days. I have retired from the Princeton Girlchoir (in 2009) and both my husband and I have retired from our respective church positions, so we are FREE to come and go as we please. Great fun, I must say. With kids and grandkids everywhere, it surely is nice to have a more flexible schedule."

• **Anastasia Yonezuka-Brown**: "I am still teaching, Spanish, German and lately French at BRRHS and Pingry as a substitute. I would like to sell my house and move to sunny Florida."



DEDE PICKERING '71

Alumni Service Award

Bringing Focus to the Needs of Women

by Linda Maxwell Stefanelli '62

Dede Pickering is motivated by her curiosity, sense of adventure and desire to explore the world. Camera in hand, she has traveled to over 90 countries on six continents and the results of her journey have enriched the lives of countless people along the way. In May, she will be honored with the Alumni Service Award for her tireless efforts on behalf of CARE and Women's World Banking.

Not only an inveterate traveler, Ms. Pickering is a passionate, self-taught photographer. "I shoot from the heart," she says. "My keen interest in photography grew out of my wish to record

what I saw during my travels to the developing world. When I found I could combine my love of travel and photography in a way to benefit humanity, everything changed, my life came together."

Over the years, she became deeply moved by the plight of the women and children she captured through the lens of her camera and began looking for ways to improve their lives. She volunteered for CARE

because she had seen the positive impact of its work in the field and admired its philosophy of offering "a hand up rather than a hand out." In 1998, she co-founded and became the chair of CARE's first Women's Initiative Group in New York.

"It was the first time in my life I was given the opportunity to build something from scratch," she says. "I worked around the clock to raise funds and awareness. I worked harder as a volunteer than I had ever worked in any paying job because I believed in what I was doing."

She headed the Initiative for seven years and helped launch chapters in Boston, Chicago and San Francisco. The group's mission is to link women in the U.S. with those in developing countries and raise funds to create opportunities for people in need. Its main focus is the education of girls, which has proven to be the most effective means of fighting poverty and creating productive societies. Ms. Pickering donates many of her photographs to the cause and speaks from personal experience

to audiences across the country. (Her photographs can be viewed on her website: www.dedepickering.com.)

"While we continue to empower women around the world, they in turn empower us by teaching us about their lives," she says. "We have learned that we have similar dreams for a safer, healthier, more peaceful world for all our families. We can accomplish these dreams if we work together, united across cultural divides."

Ms. Pickering served as a New York trustee for CARE and was a member of the Advisory Committee for its Campaign for Education. In addition, she is on the board of Women's World Banking, a global network of 54 microfinance institutions that provide small loans to enable people, primarily women, to start their own businesses and lift themselves out of poverty. Based on her travels and her commitment to make a positive impact on society, she was asked to join the Explorers Club in New York. She and her husband, Bruce Bossidy, split their time between New York City and Bay Head, N.J. with their springer spaniel Dolly.

Ms. Pickering's humanitarian

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DEBORAH MOORE KRULEWITCH '61

Alumni Achievement Award

Mixing Corporate Responsibility with Social Awareness

by Linda Maxwell Stefanelli '62

Deborah Moore Krulewitch, Senior Vice President, Corporate Administration, at the Estée Lauder Companies, and the recipient of this year's Alumni Achievement Award, begins the interview talking about someone else. She is thrilled to report she saw her former intern, Giovanna Torchio Gray '98, at a recent gathering in New York and goes on to relate that she works with Len DeCandia, the father of PDS senior Allie DeCandia. This is typical. Ms. Krulewitch is modest about her own accomplishments but enthusiastic about those of others. Forging friendships and strengthening connections among colleagues are hallmarks of her personality and have shaped the way she does business.

"She has the most amazing ability to connect to people," says Julie Fulper Hardt, Miss Fine's classmate and BFF. "She's completely honest and genuine. She doesn't consider how things will benefit her, but helps find solutions for other people."

Ms. Gray, now Special Advisor to New York Senator Gillibrand, agrees. "I admired her very professional, yet warm attitude," she says. "She constantly checked in on me (during the internship at Estée Lauder) and continued to help me throughout college. She taught me the power of networking and relationship building and gave me the confidence I needed at the very beginning of my career."

At the Estée Lauder Companies, Ms. Krulewitch has risen to the top of a global corporation with net sales of \$8 billion worldwide. She has two separate areas of responsibility. Working closely with Global Communications and Human Resources, she is responsible for overseeing the company's corporate contributions. Among its many projects are the worldwide Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign, which donated more than \$45 million to The Breast Cancer Research Foundation; the Think Smart/Think Green program to save company resources;



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and the coordination of all employee volunteer efforts. As part of her corporate administration duties, Ms. Krulewitch ensures that all the offices in the company's Fifth Avenue headquarters run smoothly and adhere to "best practices" in the workplace.

Ms. Krulewitch did not set out to climb the corporate ladder. She holds an M.S.W. from New York University and her first job was as a social worker at the Bedford Institute for Women. She was also part of the Moreland Commission's investigation into abuses at nursing homes. After twelve years, she entered the business world. She worked briefly at the Celanese fabric company and then took a position in corporate administration at Marsh and McLennan. Although the insurance business did not appeal to her, she appreciated the company's reputation for excellence. Four years later, that position led to a "great job" as Executive Director for the Restoration of Gracie Mansion during Mayor Koch's tenure.

Through her work at Gracie Mansion, she met Evelyn Lauder who introduced her to her husband, Leonard, now Chairman Emeritus of the Estée Lauder Companies. He hired Ms. Krulewitch to spearhead one of his personal charitable projects,

the restoration of the Grand Army Plaza/Pulitzer Fountain in front of the General Motors building. Two years later, upon the successful completion of that project, she was hired as Executive Director at Estée Lauder.

"I knew it was the number one company in its field," she says. "I had been at a first-rate company before and I wanted to be in another one where I could grow and develop my skills."

She has been there for twenty-four years, and has seen the company grow until its products "touch" one and a half billion people around the world. She says, "If someone were to ask me what I need to learn to do my job right now, I'd say, 'I need to know more about social media and how to do business in China.'"

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MARISSA VAHLSING '01

Outstanding Young Alumnni Award

Pursuing Injustice

by Linda Maxwell Stefanelli '62

Marissa Vahlsing has been battling injustice since her graduation from Princeton Day School ten years ago. She has championed the rights of Bedouin in the Negev, sought accountability for mining companies in Guatemala, worked to increase access to health care in Ghana, fought deforestation in Colombia, and continues to work on a case alleging crimes against humanity by former Bolivian politicians. One of the first and most tangible results of her dedication is visible much closer to home, however. When she accepts the Outstanding Young Alumni Award in May, Ms. Vahlsing can look out over eight acres of land that were added to the PDS campus as a direct result of her leadership.

"She was an activist when she was seventeen years old," says Upper School English Teacher and Sustainability Coordinator Liz Cutler. "She helped organize the first Walk for Open Space which raised \$50,000. There were hundreds of participants and it could not have happened without Marissa. She knew what she believed in and she was happy to fight for it. She's never been hemmed in by what other people said she ought to do. She always did what she thought was right."

When Coventry Farm, the property that lies along both sides of the Great Road hill, was threatened with development, Ms. Vahlsing galvanized the EnAct Club and wrote letters to local papers and politicians urging preservation. With a few other students, she made a presentation before the Board of Trustees that prompted the school's purchase of a piece of the land that adjoins the lower school playground. Now the site of the PDS Garden, it is cultivated by students and used as an experiential learning laboratory.

"It was at PDS – and from Liz – that I learned the real meaning of the idea that everything is political: if I cared



When Ms. Vahlsing identifies an injustice, she uses every tool at her disposal to fight it and, if she does not possess the tools, she acquires them.

about something enough, I could find a way to fight for it," she says. "The Coventry Farm Campaign showed me that I could use the mechanisms around me to address situations I found to be unjust."

While working toward a degree in political science at Swarthmore College, Ms. Vahlsing founded the Immigrants' Rights Group and led the Swarthmore Progressive Action Coalition. She won the Eugene Lang Service Fellowship that allowed her to work for the National Labor Committee in New York, reporting on the effects of CAFTA on human rights in Central America. She volunteered for non-government organizations (NGOs) in Costa Rica and Tanzania and was awarded the Truman

Scholarship for New Jersey in recognition of her "exceptional leadership potential." After college she worked in Washington, D.C., at the International Labor Rights Fund.

"Marissa is not only an astounding humanitarian, but also an incredible, loving, and loyal friend," says classmate Lauren Sanders. "I am continually amazed by her passion, intelligence, and dedication. I have watched her dedicate her life to fighting for what is just and fair and to giving a much-needed voice to oppressed people worldwide."

When Ms. Vahlsing identifies an injustice, she uses every tool at her disposal to fight it and, if she does not possess the tools, she acquires them. In 2008, when she learned that foreign plaintiffs may bring cases in U.S. Federal District Court for violations of international human rights law, she entered Harvard Law School to secure the ultimate tool in her arsenal.

"That law intrigued me," she says. "I viewed it as a mechanism within my reach that I could access if I could learn how

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ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME



Dana DeCore Falconi '96

Dana DeCore Falconi is a natural athlete to whom sports have always come easily. But easy is not a concept Ms. Falconi accepts. When she was 13, she played soccer for the highly competitive Olympic Development Program and tried out for the Regional Team, composed of players from fourteen states.

"I didn't make it," she says. "It was the first time I didn't make a team. I realized that natural athletic talent isn't going to

take you to the next level, you have to work for it. That was when I really began to focus on setting goals and attaining them."



She began high school with a new determination to succeed, not only athletically, but academically, as well. She made the Headmaster's List all four years and has the distinction of being the only PDS athlete, and one of only

four women in Mercer County history, to amass the following record during their high school careers: over 100 goals in soccer (reached during her junior year), over 1,000 points in basketball and over 200 points in lacrosse. And as for that Regional Team, she made it for the next five years and became its captain.

"She had high expectations for herself," says Jill Thomas who coached her in basketball and lacrosse. "She was a fierce, fierce



This spring, the Hall of Fame will induct three remarkable athletes who excelled in many sports and earned distinction in all of them. Dana DeCore Falconi, Tim Howard and Peter Morse continue to compete and are generously passing along their skill and knowledge by coaching the next generation of players. Their influence has been far-reaching — from the manicured turf of Princeton Day School to the blacktop of Baltimore to the steppes of Kazakhstan — they have spread their love of the game and made lasting friendships.

DANA DECORE FALCONI PDS '96

Princeton Day School

- Varsity Soccer – 4 years, Captain 1995
 - Prep B State Co-Champions 1993
 - Prep B State Champions 1994
 - All-State Prep B First Team 1992, 1993, 1994
 - All-State Prep A First Team 1995
 - All-Area First Team 1993, 1994, 1995
 - Mercer County Leading Scorer 1993, 1994, 1995
 - NJGSCA First Team All-State 1994
 - 1990s All-Area Second Team
 - PDS MVP 1994
 - 1994 scored 100th goal, first player in PDS history
 - 134 career goals, retired #20 jersey
 - Varsity Basketball – 4 years, Captain 1996
 - Prep B State Champions 1994
 - All-State First Team 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996
 - All-Area First Team 1994, 1995, 1996
 - PDS MVP 1996
 - First girl to score 1,000 points, 1995
 - 1189 career points, retired #20 jersey
 - Varsity Lacrosse – 4 years, Captain 1996
 - Prep A State Champions 1995
 - All-State First Team 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996
 - All-Area First Team 1994, 1995, 1996
 - All-Area Player of the Year 1996
 - 1990s Decade All-Area First Team
 - PDS MVP 1994
 - PDS MIP 1996
 - 208 career points (151 goals, 57 assists)
- Gold "P"
- Only PDS athlete and one of four women in Mercer County history to have achieved over 100 goals in soccer, over 1,000 points in basketball and over 200 points in lacrosse.

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FALCONI STATS continued...

Princeton University

Varsity Soccer – 4 years
 Captain 1998 & 1999
 All Ivy 1997
 Don Betterton Women's Soccer Award 1999
 Graduated second in goals with 25
 Graduated tied for second in points with 50
 Helped team to its third NCAA tournament berth and first in 16 years

1997, Coach, PDS 7th grade lacrosse

Post College

2010, Coach, Girls' Travel Lacrosse Team

competitor and a very talented athlete. In the 1994-1995 season, she played on a state championship team in each of her three sports, and she had a blast doing it."

"I loved representing PDS," Ms. Falconi agrees. "There were so many terrific athletes on our teams. By junior year, we were beating Lawrenceville in all three sports, and every time it felt great."

Jessica D'Altrui Davidson '96 played lacrosse with Ms. Falconi from seventh through twelfth grade and they remain best friends today.

"We knew we could depend on each other," she says. "Dana was one of the most hard-working athletes I've ever seen. She could score goals and feed you the ball, and she was a good leader and a phenomenal person to play with."

Princeton University's Women's Soccer Coach Julie Shackford is a Hall of Fame athlete herself and "the winningest coach in the school's history." She says, "I arrived at Princeton in early 1995 and Dana was my first recruit. Little did I know she would be

an integral part of turning around our program and making it a success. Dana was a fantastic player, captain and overall leader, but it is her personality that enabled her to achieve her goals and dreams. If I had to make a top eleven list of the student-athletes I would take to battle with me, her name would be among the first. She helped us achieve our first-ever NCAA tournament appearance and set the foundation for many future Ivy League championships, NCAA tournaments, and even an NCAA Final Four. (All that) aside, she is one of my favorite people. Our current student-athletes have Dana to thank for driving our program and laying the foundation for Princeton Soccer."

While in college, Ms. Falconi also coached PDS seventh grade lacrosse and last spring, she coached a fifth and sixth grade club lacrosse team with Ms. Thomas and Ms. Davidson.

"Dana's knowledge and expertise, her passion for sports and her desire to help young girls learn to play at a competitive level was unparalleled," Ms. Thomas says. "It was amazing to see the girls respond to her as a coach. She was able to inspire and motivate each player to become the best they could be."

"I think sports helps shape you in every aspect," Ms. Falconi says. "I wouldn't be the person I am without those experiences and, of course, the friendships. My closest girlfriends are still my teammates."

Tim Howard '86

Tim Howard has played basketball all his life and has enjoyed some exciting moments on the court. He likes the fast pace of the game and the competition, but feels its real value is the way it builds friendships, teaches life lessons, and connects players to their community.

"It's such a social sport," he says. "Some of my longest lasting and most valuable friendships began on the hardwoods. Everywhere you go, there's basketball. During medical school, I played in Burlington, VT, then in a Baltimore city league during my internship and also in Syracuse during my residency. It's been such an amazing connection for me everywhere I've gone."

Now a Princeton radiologist, Dr. Howard came to PDS as a sophomore and lost no time becoming involved in sports and gaining the respect of his teammates and coaches. That first fall, he went out for football, a sport he had never played.



"In my many years of coaching football, Tim Howard was one of the best athletes I had the good fortune to coach," says Upper School Math Teacher Jim Walker. "Perhaps more importantly, he was one of the best people that I have met through coaching; dependable, uncomplaining and a natural leader. He was our quarterback and, as much as I would have liked to have kept him off the field on defense to save him from injury, he was too good and too persistent not to use, so he was a defensive



back, as well. He was also one of the hardest hitters and best tacklers we had. Tim let his playing set an example for the team, and what a superb example he set."

Sports are a family passion Dr. Howard shares with his father, Charles, and his siblings, Alan '88, Julie '90 and Laura '92.

"Growing up, we played at the farm for hours and hours," he says. "Even inside, my brother and I drew baskets on the wall of the upstairs hallway and we'd run down the hall with the ball."

Alan Taback, a former PDS coach who was then at Montgomery High School, eased Dr. Howard's transition to PDS by introducing him to (the late) Frank Konstantynowicz '76, the PDS varsity basketball coach at the time.

"Tim was a leader on an overachieving team that surprised everyone by upsetting a powerful Pennington squad to win the state championship," Mr. Taback recalls. "He was very selfless, yet his presence was powerful, steady and very skillful. The pressure of a big game never bothered him. He truly is a person with a generous heart and he played that way."

"What separates Tim is his work ethic," says classmate Rob Chibbaro. "That has resonated throughout his whole life. When you're lining up next to such a talented guy and he's working so hard, he's leading by example."

Dr. Howard pitched for the baseball team during the spring season, and reached the State Finals his senior year when he led the team in hitting. He captained all three of his sports and was honored with the Gold "P," the school's highest athletic honor.

These days, Dr. Howard enjoys watching his two daughters play basketball and coaching his son's travel team. He says he likes coaching but finds it hard to see the boys run onto the court and not be able to join them. However, he gets plenty of playing time when he joins his father in a league that plays in the PDS gym two nights a week, all year long.

"Basketball in high school is fun, but it's only the tip of the iceberg as to what you can get out of it," he says.

Peter Morse '61

As a geophysicist for Chevron, Peter Morse has worked in far-flung and fascinating places such as Colombia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan and Nigeria, and everywhere he goes, he plays and coaches soccer. His athleticism led to an honor that must surely be unique for an American businessman: the Piala Peter Morse. It is a soccer cup established by the people of Sumatra out of respect for his coaching talent and generosity, after he learned the native language, Bahasa Indonesia, in order to communicate with his young players and led them to a tournament championship.

"Sports have really helped me when I go to a foreign country," Mr. Morse says. "It helps me gain entrée immediately because I play soccer, which is unusual for an American. If you're able to play at the same level as these guys, you're immediately accepted. That's been true wherever I've gone. The other sport that's helped is squash. It's enabled me to make cultural connections very quickly."

Mr. Morse is a lifelong athlete who has won recognition in school and college, as well as on the national and international scene. He was voted Best Athlete at Portsmouth Priory School (now Portsmouth Abbey) in 1964, captained the varsity soccer team at Colorado College and



TIMOTHY HOWARD PDS '86

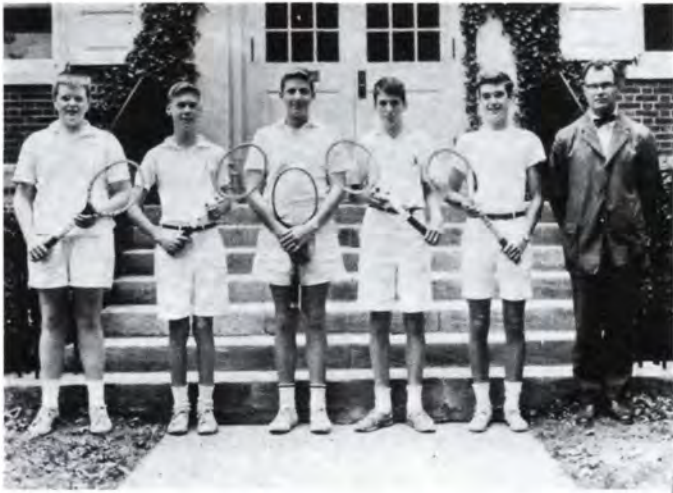
Princeton Day School

Varsity Football - 3 years, Captain 1985
All-Area Prep Team, 1985
Varsity Basketball - 3 years, Captain 1985
State Champions 1985
Prep B State Champions 1994
Varsity Baseball - 3 years, Captain 1986
Leading Hitter
Gold "P"

Post College

1998-2000, Assistant Coach Basketball, Jamesville-DeWitt High School
UVM Intramural Soccer, Basketball, Flag Football Champions
Northeast Regional Intramural Medical School Tournament Softball Champions
Burlington Community League Basketball Championship
Syracuse/Dewitt JCC Basketball Championship
Montgomery Men's League Basketball Championship 2007

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was selected to the All-Rocky Mountain League three times. In 2008, when he last entered, he won the U.S. National Squash Championship in the sixty-plus age group.

"He was always a leader and the epitome of a scholar athlete," says Regan Kerney, his classmate at PCD and Portsmouth. "In prep school, he dominated soccer, hockey and tennis. Peter had amazing speed and reaction time. He had a keen sense of fairness and sportsmanship. He looked out for the younger players, encouraging them and helping them along. In hockey, he had a legendary slapshot that he polished in his family's basement on Battle Road, where the cellar wall was solid black from high-speed puck marks. When he wound up, players hurried to get out of the line of fire. Peter was also fearless. I never saw him have a bad game in four years of prep school together."

Bill Morse '57 describes his younger brother as "a modest, soft-spoken, natural leader. Most impressive to me," he writes, "is his patience and generosity in sharing his insight. More than just a great athlete, he is a natural student of the game, any game, and a gifted teacher. Few teachers come close to Peter's level of insight, clarity, understanding and ability to communicate."

The admiration is mutual. "I'd tag along with my older brother," the younger Mr. Morse says. "I took my cue from the sports Bill played at PCD and, naturally, I followed in his footsteps -- and I could also get his hand-me-downs!"

Mr. Morse has been able to observe the way sports are played and taught in different parts of the world and says, "I think the coaching infrastructure in the U.S. is very good. Everyone has good facilities and good fields and at a very young age, the kids start getting coaching, but what they miss is that kids in other countries are playing pick-up soccer in the streets or in the fields. It's unorganized soccer, but they're playing it for hours and hours a day. So by the time they get to be 14 or 15 and get really good coaching, they've already got incredible skills. It's good to be on a team, but I think there should also be a lot of informal playing."

Mr. Morse can speak several languages but sports will always be his preferred means of communication. He has spread his expertise and enthusiasm to countless players around the world and had some great games along the way.

PETER MORSE PCD '61

Princeton Country Day School
Varsity Soccer – 1 year
Varsity Ice Hockey – 2 years
Varsity Tennis – 2 years

Portsmouth Priory
Varsity Soccer – 3 years, Captain 1963
Varsity Ice Hockey – 4 years
Varsity Tennis – 3 years

Colorado College
Varsity Soccer – 3 years, Captain 1967
All-Rocky Mountain Soccer League, 1964, 1966, 1967
Ice Hockey - Freshman Team

Post-College

- Soccer Player
1969 – 1988, First Division Amateur Club Teams in Delaware, Boston, Denver, Salt Lake City, Houston
1979 & 1980, Quarter-finalist with SC Alemania of Salt Lake City
1991-present, Veterans Soccer in Colombia, Nigeria, Indonesia and Kazakhstan

- Soccer Coach
1975-1980, Player/Coach of SC Alemania Team (Salt Lake City)
1984-1991, Youth Soccer in Houston
1992-1997, Youth and Senior Teams in Nigeria
1997-2002, Caltex Junior & Senior Teams in Sumatra, Indonesia
2002, Piala Peter Morse (Peter Morse Cup) established for Caltex Annual Junior Soccer Tournament

- Squash
2008, Men's 60+ U.S. National Squash Champion
1983-1990 & 2007-2008, Nationally Ranked #2-#4 in age divisions

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Reunion Weekend 2011 • May 13 & 14

Alumni Awards and Athletic Hall of Fame Ceremony

Saturday, May 14, 5:30 p.m.
Reunion Tent on the practice field by
The Lisa McGraw '44 Rink

Remarks by Head of School, Paul Stellato, followed by the awarding of our Alumni and Hall of Fame Awards:

ALUMNI AWARDS

- ♦ Alumni Achievement Award: Deborah Moore Krulewitch MFS '61
- ♦ Alumni Service Award: Dede Pickering '71
- ♦ Outstanding Young Alumni Award: Marissa Vahlsing '01

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES:

- ♦ Dana DeCore Falconi '96
- ♦ Timothy Howard '86
- ♦ Peter Morse PCD '61

For the complete Reunion Weekend 2011 schedule of events see pages 34-35.

LETTER FROM

Paul J. Stellato, Head of School

Eclipsed perhaps by only those of the major league baseball season, the rhythm and routine of the school year are unrivaled in each and every way. From its own version of the rituals of spring training (observed in the yawning days of August), all-star break and pennant races, the pace and prospects of the school year are predictable and unrelenting. The outcomes, however, are as varied and unscripted as are those that emerge from the dust of diamonds across the nation; and their elusive certainty is, of course, why we play the game.

These few lines are composed on the first day of March, when our own baseball teams (along with lacrosse, tennis, and a fledgling middle school track team) have just now taken their respective fields. Promise hangs in the air; the corner we will soon round onto the broad boulevard of year's end is just paces away; and, in true school fashion, plans for



the coming year seem ready to overleap the duties and demands that stretch from now to June. Such haste and appetite, too, are enduring, endearing school traits.

These few lines are written also in anticipation of alumni-weekend festivities, when those who enjoy long relationships with Princeton Day School return to be reassured of two things: that the school remains healthy and strong; and that its qualities, which they held and hold in such esteem, continue to hold sway. The school community eagerly

awaits their arrival to remind them how little – and how much – has changed.

To return to the baseball construct for just one moment: Dynasties (like the true article on the Fenway, not its glossy imitation in the Bronx) are built upon two themes: anticipating change and incorporating its opportunities into long-range planning; and committing itself to moving in only one direction: forward, from strength to strength. Our dynastic aspirations (all school-age children should aim to spend time on The

Great Road) are intact and in process; and are growing stronger and surer each day as we focus on and work to enhance the quality of student experience, our core value.

Still, every dynasty is shaken by change and surprise, although it becomes increasingly tough to tell if we most fear the particular changes, or the inevitability of change. The change forced upon this school community – and every community like it – some thirty months ago has abated, and the school

emerges from a two-year financial-planning process stronger than when its work began and better able to fend off similar future challenges.

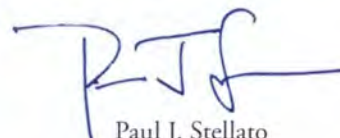
During twenty-four months of work, the trustees, together with members of the senior leadership team

and leaders from among the faculty, built a five-year plan that allows the school to retain every faculty and staff member and provide annual increases in compensation and benefits; limits tuition increases to nearly half of their historic averages, and well below those of our peer institutions; increases need-based financial aid to reflect heightened demand of current and new families; and, to honor its most senior members, funds the school's faculty and staff Voluntary Retirement Incentive Program.

The school was able to achieve this unprecedented level and scope of progress and innovation by asking one question: What do we need to do our best work with our students? And by placing the answer – provide time and opportunity for faculty and students to learn from one another – at the center of all strategic planning. In doing so, the school honors and reaffirms its commitment to the broad educational experiences of its students; and to the men and women – faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees – in whose care they reside.

So one generation gives way to another: a senior class – or senior faculty members – emerge one last time from the dugout to take a bow, to the delight of the crowd, as a new crop of hopefuls rushes forward to crowd the plate and test its mettle. So one season gives way to another, as we are refreshed, renewed, and reminded of what is possible.

*What do we need
to do our best work
with our students?*


Paul J. Stellato
Head of School

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REPORT FROM

The Chair of the Board of Trustees

Quotes from Trustees on the Annual Trustee/Student Spring Dinners

"Having dinner with students is one of my favorite events."

"I thought it was great; we got to ask a lot of questions; the students were fully responsive."

"I thought the dinner with the students was a great treat for the trustees. The Peer Group Leaders are great representatives of the self-assured, mature Upper School students that the school should be proud of. I think this is a great venue for Trustees to interact with the students and get the buzz of what makes this school tick."

"The open-ended discussion at our table was terrific and informative."

"I loved spending an evening with the students and faculty."

It has been an exciting and dramatic winter at Princeton Day School, with the weather playing a starring role, and we are all looking forward to the new beginnings and connections that arrive with the spring. With that in mind, I want to share with you one of the Board's initiatives, the Annual Trustee/Student Spring Dinner.

Three years ago, trustees worked to design an opportunity to deepen their understanding of the PDS student experience and to share with students the Board's role in the school community. The idea was to create space for meaningful conversations with students that would expand the trustees' knowledge of student life and at the same time give students an understanding of the trustees' work and motivation for serving the school. With those goals in mind, we pursued the idea of a trustee/student dinner, which we felt would offer students an opportunity to interact with adult leaders in a supportive environment, and give trustees a chance to engage with the students in small conversation groups to learn more about the ways in which the school fulfills its educational mission.

Each year, trustees work with Head of School Paul Stellato to identify and invite a particular group of students to the dinner. Once the student group has been selected, affiliated faculty and staff advisors play a critical role in organizing the program and attend the dinner, as well. Our aim is to have equal numbers of students and trustees in attendance. While casual conversation is certainly the goal, we often pose a question or a theme that can serve as a topic for tables to consider and discuss. The annual dinner is held on the PDS campus and takes place before the start of a scheduled Board meeting.

At the inaugural dinner in April 2009, we invited students from the Student Ambassador Program, which represents a broad segment of deeply engaged PDS high school juniors and seniors who are role models promoting the interests, goals and traditions of the school to all external constituents, including parents, alumni and friends of the school. Last spring, we invited students from the Peer Leadership Program, a group of seniors who are selected and are trained by faculty supervisors in group dynamics and leadership techniques so that they



C. Treby McLaughlin Williams '80

One of the goals of the Board of Trustees is to connect with our community in a meaningful way.

can guide freshmen through the transition into the Upper School. This year, on April 18, we will dine with the student members of Community Council, the community governing body of the Upper School, comprised of junior and senior students, as well as a faculty advisor, that serves as the center of discussion for all aspects of school life.

The feedback I've received from students and trustees who have attended these dinners has been overwhelmingly positive. In fact, after the first dinner, I received notes from no fewer than seventeen trustees, writing to express their delight with the evening. (Please see previous page for quotes from past dinners.) We also felt that we received helpful and important observations from the students on key components of the PDS student experience.

One of the goals of the Board of Trustees is to connect with our community in a meaningful way. With the Annual Trustee/Student Spring Dinner, we are engaging in a dialogue with our students that truly contributes to the direction and future of PDS.

On behalf of the Board, I extend to you my own thanks for your ongoing and crucial support of PDS. We share your deep affection for Princeton Day School and our work is inspired by the parents, students, faculty and staff, alumni and friends who contribute in so many ways to the life of our school.

Sincerely,
Treby McLaughlin Williams '80
Chair, Board of Trustees

The **Board of Trustees** is comprised of alumni, parents and grandparents of current and former students, and friends who contribute their time, talents and experience to guide our school. They bring to board deliberations expertise in a host of areas including secondary and higher education, business, finance, law, architecture and construction. Trustees work closely with the Head of School and the administration on long-range planning, strategies in support of the school's mission, stewarding the school's assets and facilities, and overseeing the institution's finances. The Board is not involved in admission decisions, student discipline or faculty and staff hiring. For more information about the composition of the Board of Trustees and its committees, please visit pds.org and click on "Meet The Board of Trustees" at top of page.



Trustees Laura Hanson and Lisa Stockman meet with the Community Council, the governing body of the Upper School.

Meet The Board of Trustees



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DEDE PICKERING '71

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efforts were foreshadowed by some of her early academic choices. She remembers loving geography and history at PDS, and studied psychology and sociology in college. But it was travel that changed her life. Upon high school graduation, she journeyed to Africa for the summer.

"That trip opened my eyes and changed the way I saw the world forever," she says. "It was my first real adventure, but there was no way I could have possibly known the impact it would have on my life."

In the 1980s, Ms. Pickering worked in New York City as an executive recruiter placing senior management. "I found myself in my midtown Manhattan office, staring out the window, wondering what lay beyond the concrete," she says. "I felt restless and unfulfilled. Interviewing others made me question my own life. I wanted more than just a job. I wanted to make a difference in the world. I felt my life shift in a different direction."

She has traveled to all corners of the globe and her passport is filled with stamps from such exotic places as Tibet, Bhutan, Cambodia, Vietnam, Nepal, Albania, Patagonia, Peru, Kenya, Tanzania, Mongolia, Rwanda, Uganda, Myanmar, and Antarctica. She has been on humanitarian missions to Guatemala, Kosovo, Ghana, Togo, Benin, the Dominican Republic, Cuba, and to India many times.

"My travels led me up mountains, down rivers, through villages and beyond familiar places and comfortable facilities," she says. "I believe that all the steps I have taken throughout my life have led me to what I'm doing today. I believe that every individual can make a difference for good in this world, that one must have conviction and courage to stand for principle, even against grave odds, and that even the biggest dreams and most ambitious goals begin with the actions of individuals."

DEBORAH MOORE KRULEWITCH '61

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Currently, she has what she calls a "reverse mentor," a young woman who helps her navigate Twitter, YouTube, Facebook and other currently indispensable technological tools. Ms. Krulewitch points to the success of the company's M.A.C. cosmetics line which has a million Facebook followers. With the help of spokesperson Lady Gaga, it gives 100% of its profits from lipstick and lip gloss to the M.A.C. AIDS Fund. She says the company's presence in China is "exploding" and she could use a mentor for that market alone.

Beyond her professional duties, Ms. Krulewitch volunteers as co-chair of the Historic House Trust of New York City and vice-chair of the Mayor's Fund to Advance NYC. She is a member of the Executive Committee at the Coalition of the Homeless' First Step Program, which provides job-training for women, and the Director Emerita for Publicolor, a non-profit organization that transforms public school spaces with color. She also serves on the board of the M.A.C. AIDS Fund, The Breast Cancer Research Foundation, and serves as advisor to the Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation. She lives in New York City with her husband Peter, a real estate executive and beekeeper. Their son David works in Washington D.C., in urban planning.

Ms. Krulewitch entered MFS in tenth grade and says, "Miss Fine's had a big impact on me. Everything I was exposed to — the academics, the sports, Princeton, the people, the friends — was a great experience and a life-changing moment."

Flip through the pages of the 1961 *Link* and one finds she is still the person the yearbook describes as "sharp and open and she loves...people and living... (We're) glad she's everyone's friend and will never change."

MARISSA VAHLSING '01

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to use it. I knew that U.S. corporations were carrying out violations of human rights and causing environmental injustice abroad, while largely evading scrutiny for that activity in the United States. I wanted a way to challenge what they were doing out there — but by fighting it in here — in U.S. courts."

Through the Harvard Human Rights Clinic, Ms. Vahlsing has been able to help address those injustices. "They're the best at what they do," she says. "I'm very fortunate to be keyed into that network and have the support that I do."

She is co-chair of the Harvard Law School Chapter of the National Lawyer's Guild, an editor of *Unbound: Harvard Journal of the Legal Left*, and recently received a Covey Fellowship in Public Interest and Environmental Law.

Fighting injustice on a global stage takes patience. For years, Ms. Vahlsing tried to find U.S. legal representation for Tanzania's Maasai who were pushed off their land and deprived of their water by a foreign safari company. In February, she learned two law firms she had been pursuing were taking the case.

"That felt really good," she says, "because even though I have limitations, I am part of a network of activist lawyers and law students that help me transcend those limitations."

"My hope is to one day start my own NGO that would deal specifically with human rights and environmental justice," she continues. "Right now we have a lot of heart and a lot of ideals, but we have no money so we'll be applying for fellowships and seeking donors. The battle is totally uphill. Many of the cases we work on take years. We often lose. But what small gains we do make are symbolic, and they exceed us."

**Join Us on Alumni Weekend May 13 & 14
as we honor these outstanding alumni!**

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Greetings from the Alumni Board!

We have been on the move over these past few months hosting alumni events in California, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Illinois, New York and New Jersey. It has been great fun spreading the PDS spirit to our alumni far and wide. Please contact us if you are interested in assisting us in planning an alumni event in your hometown. Local alumni, please join us on May 25th at the Arts Council of Princeton for our Spring Fling Gathering.

It is with great pleasure and pride that I share with you the names of the recipients of the 2011 Alumni Awards that will be presented on May 14th at Alumni Weekend. Dede Pickering '71 will receive the Alumni Service Award, Deborah Moore Krulewitch MFS '61 will be awarded the Alumni Achievement Award, and Marissa Vahlsing, '01 is to receive the Outstanding Young Alumni Award. Please join us on Alumni Weekend as we celebrate reunions and congratulate these distinguished alumni on their achievements. We hope to see many of you on campus for Alumni Weekend on May 13th and 14th, particularly those of you in class years ending in 1s and 6s, as you are celebrating milestone reunions.

Congratulations to our incoming President Ben Frost '92 and our incoming Vice President Whitney Ross '84. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our newest board members, **Lucy Brinster '78, Aly Cohen '91, Pat Courtney '85 and Chris Gerry '99.** I would like to thank our departing board members, Sally Fineberg '80, Tony Dell '80, Giovanna Torchio '98 and Rosalind Hansen '81 for their dedication to the PDS community.

Whether you're in the neighborhood or at the far reaches of the globe, you can stay connected through issues of the Journal and the PDS website. Visit our virtual Alumni Community at www.pds.org to access an up-to-date Alumni Calendar, share photos and news, update your contact information, and post your class notes. Also check out our Facebook page — just look for the Princeton Day School Alumni Group.

As this will be my last letter to the community as President of the Alumni Board, I would like to thank all of you who have made my experience so memorable and fulfilling. As a graduate of PDS, I first saw the magic of PDS through the eyes of a 14 year old. Having served on the Alumni Board for the past 4 years, I have had the honor of experiencing PDS as an adult, witnessing firsthand the compassion, love and pride that the faculty and administration have for the entire PDS community. It has been a thrilling experience, one that I will never forget; one that I will cherish always.

Galete J. Levin '96
President, Alumni Board



Did you love your time at PDS? Have you graduated within the past 15 years? Do you want to help create opportunities for our newest alumni to come together? If so, then we want you! To join our newest interactive alumni group, go to

www.pds.org/pantherpatrol

My Life is My Message

Chris Breitenberg '99



by Phoebe Outerbridge '84

When talking about the work he does, Chris Breitenberg '99 frequently invokes the words of Mahatma Gandhi: "Be the change you want to see in the world." The well-known mantra is not only personally meaningful to him but is also one of the overarching principles of the work he does both in the U.S. and internationally through Initiatives of Change (IofC), an international organization committed to trust-building, racial reconciliation, and religious tolerance across borders throughout the world.

"Our identity ought to be formed and informed by a combination of both 'What I do' and 'Who I am,' ultimately leading to the idea, 'My life is my message,'" he asserts, highlighting some of the key elements of his organization's mission.

Breitenberg, who last December paid a visit to the Upper School to talk to students about social entrepreneurship, building bridges, and creating positive change, is in charge of developing programs for American youth based on trust-building and leadership for IofC, based in Washington, DC.

"His story was exceptionally inspiring. The way he communicated his passion for self-improvement and world betterment was absolutely captivating. He made a huge impact on our community; the entire school was buzzing for days," recalls Emily Clippinger '13.

Breitenberg joined IofC after earning a B.A. in religion from Davidson College. "I wanted to address the breakdowns of understanding be-

tween Judaism, Islam, and Christianity—and faith, in general. There are so many misunderstandings and there need to be bridges."

He worked at IofC for two years before embarking on one of the organization's signature programs, Action for Life, in 2005. He characterizes this nine-month intensive leadership-training program in Asia as "life-changing," and as the catalyst that directed him to the work he enjoys today.

After living and traveling in China and India during his Action for Life experience, Breitenberg started thinking about his native country, and about returning there to plan and lead an Action for Life program on his own. "The influence of America is profound, given its huge economy and population. I wanted to get back to working with American students and focusing on trust-building and leadership," he explains.

Breitenberg, who now lives in Virginia Beach, VA, came to the PDS campus not only to talk to the student body about his work with young people around the world, but also to gauge

interest in an experiential program that he is organizing. The program, called Daraja, will take a handful of students to Oaxaca, Mexico for two weeks in June to learn about leadership through the lens of social entrepreneurship.

Breitenberg's job is two-fold. He serves as the director of communication for IofC International, leading a team whose latest projects include launching a social media endeavor. "My job is to help us keep focused on a vision,



Social entrepreneurs don't measure their work in net profits but in new social capital.

and to be sure we're telling the stories about people who are trying to live out their values," he explains. The other half of his work is in trust-building leadership, which ultimately includes organizing seminars and lectures for students.

The goals are lofty and almost utopian, but there are plenty of success stories in Breitenberg's realm of peace building, measured in student accomplishments throughout the world. Breitenberg cites one such example: "A young Ukrainian woman returned to her country to address the painful history that exists between various ethnic groups in the country. She organized a group of ethnically diverse young Ukrainians to take a six-week trip to explore the roots of this painful history and to begin taking steps to heal the history through forgiveness and to build bridges through collaboration and teamwork."

As part of his duties last spring, Breitenberg was assigned to tag along for two months as a communications agent for the IofC president, who happened to be Mahatma Gandhi's grandson, Rajmohan Gandhi (his term ended in January 2010). Having a boss with the last name Gandhi had been inspirational in itself, Breitenberg noted. But to watch the younger Gandhi in action was to catch a glimpse of his iconic grandfather, he said. "He was a most remarkable leader with a steady confidence, but at the same time was so humble."

Chris Breitenberg, too, shares a quiet confidence, and hopes it is infectious. His ultimate message to the PDS students was



essentially: "Our courage to move out of comfort zones helps us shape our convictions."

Social entrepreneurs don't measure their work in net profits but in new social capital. Though the work Breitenberg does with IofC is not always tangible, its value will ultimately benefit the stakeholders—the global society.





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Friday, May 13

12:00 p.m. • Alumni Golf and Lunch with Head of School, Paul Stellato, Springdale Golf Course, Princeton, NJ

Come and challenge your classmates in the Blue & White Cup 12:00-1:00 p.m. Check-in and lunch. Tee off at 1:00 p.m. Register early as space is limited.

6:00-10:00 p.m. • Alumni, Faculty, Former Faculty and Staff Reunion, Behr House

Cocktail reception and buffet hosted by Head of School, Paul Stellato and his wife, Maureen, at Behr House (Head of School's home across from the Lisa McGraw '44 Rink). At 8:00 p.m. join us for a champagne toast as we honor retiring faculty and induct long time faculty members Wesley A. McCaughan and Lester "Bud" Tibbals into the PCD class of 1961 as honorary class members.

7:00-9:00 p.m. • Friday Night Lights, Bill Smoyer '60 Turf Field

Boys varsity lacrosse vs. The Pennington School. Come cheer on PDS future alumni as they play under the lights.

Saturday, May 14

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. • Patrick Kerney '94 Fitness Center Open
Come and work out in our new state of the art fitness room. Wear your old gym uniform and win a prize!

9:00-10:00 a.m. • PDS Boot Camp • Patrick Kerney '94 Fitness Center

Get in shape or stay in shape with PDS trainer, Darius Young, as he guides you through an hour long circuit program that combines cardio, core strength, and muscle endurance utilizing medicine balls, weights, tubing and other stability equipment.

9:30-10:30 a.m. • Breakfast with the Head of School, Paul Stellato, Behr House

Come for breakfast with Paul Stellato and his wife, Maureen, and enjoy made to order omelets, bagels and fruit and conversation about your alma mater. Stroll over to the theater together at 10:30 a.m. to hear our Alumni Speaker, Sara "Zoe" Hart '96.

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. • Student-led campus tours, Meet at the front entrance.

If you haven't seen the renovations to the school yet, now is your opportunity. See the amazing Patrick Kerney '94 Fitness Center, Matthews Arts Wing, dance studio and community garden.

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. • Alumni Speaker Sara "Zoe" Hart '96, McAneny Theater, "From The Great Road to Great Heights: Stories from one of the World's Most Accomplished Mountain Guides"

Sara "Zoe" Hart '96 was the fourth American woman to achieve international certification as a high mountain guide, amongst 10,000 men. She will share stories of culture, climbing, adventure and travel in the world's mountainous regions. Sara currently works as a full time mountain guide, professional climber for companies such as Patagonia, Scarpa, and Black Diamond, and a freelance writer and photographer. When not working in the mountains she is the Director of the Chamonix Adventure Film Festival, completing a Masters in Environmental Management and Sustainability, and helping to develop ecotourism in Chamonix.

12:00 p.m. • Moment of Remembrance, Matthews Arts Wing courtyard
Please join us for a brief "Quaker-Style" ceremony honoring alumni, faculty and friends who have passed away during the past year.

12:30 p.m. • Alumni Picnic, Reunion Tent on the practice field near The Lisa McGraw '44 Rink

This is the place to be. Bring the whole family and enjoy a delicious old fashioned barbecue. Children's games and activities to entertain the younger guests. 1:00 p.m. - Welcome by Alumni Board President Galete Levin '96. Prizes awarded for the class with the highest dollar and participation to the PDS Annual Fund and to the alum who has traveled the farthest.

2:00 p.m. • Alumni Games

- ◆ Coed Alumni Soccer Game • Bill Smoyer '60 Turf Field
- ◆ Bob Krueger Memorial Alumni Lacrosse Game • Krueger Field
- ◆ Kim Bedesem Memorial Alumnae Lacrosse Game • Baker Field
- ◆ Alumni Family Softball • PDS Baseball Field, by the rink
- ◆ Tennis Round Robin • PDS Tennis Courts
(we will have extra equipment available)

5:30 p.m. • Alumni Awards and Athletic Hall of Fame Ceremony, Reunion Tent on the practice field by The Lisa McGraw '44 Rink

Remarks by Head of School, Paul Stellato, followed by the awarding of our Alumni and Hall of Fame Awards:

ALUMNI AWARDS

- ◆ Alumni Achievement Award: Deborah Moore Krulewitch MFS '61
- ◆ Alumni Service Award: Dede Pickering '71
- ◆ Outstanding Young Alumni Award: Marissa Vahlsing '01

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES:

- ◆ Dana DeCore Falconi '96
- ◆ Timothy Howard '86
- ◆ Peter Morse PCD '61

7:30 p.m. • Alumni Reunion Class Parties

Various locations around campus and in the community.

Sara “Zoe” Hart ’96: Becoming an Alpine Princess

by Kathryn Rosko

Princeton Day School is pleased to welcome Sara J. Hart ’96 as our guest speaker for Alumni Weekend this May. Many people around Princeton Day School surely have fond memories of Sara, who attended PDS from 1st through 4th grade, then did a brief stint at Toll Gate Grammar School in Pennington before returning in 7th grade to graduate. Sara’s father, Michael Hart, taught at PDS—English in the Upper School before leaving to become a professor at Rutgers—and Chris Hart, Sara’s mother, got her start teaching Math in the Middle School and currently teaches 4th grade in the Lower School.

What may come as a surprise to some is that Sara Hart now goes by the name Zoe Hart, and she is a world-class international mountain guide. In fact, she is the fourth American woman to earn International Federation of Mountain Guides Association (IFMGA) status, the highest level of credential available to mountain guides in the world. Based in Chamonix, France, Zoe (whose website has the moniker Alpine Princess—www.alpineprincess.com), has become one of the most visible alpine climbers on the scene, with profiles on the Patagonia website, where she serves as an Ambassador for the outdoors clothing company, as well as on the Black Diamond and Scarpa websites, where she tests and provides her feedback on the climbing products and shoes and boots for the companies. And, when she isn’t climbing the sheer icy face of a mountain, Zoe spends her time writing on her blog, taking photographs, directing an adventure film festival, and working as a glacier activist.

How, one might wonder, did she go from point A to point B? Pennington to Chamonix? PDS to ski mountaineering?

One event that truly changed the course of her life was the unexpected and shocking death of her father in 1996. In an interview, Zoe shared that “when my father died, I was a freshman at Boston College, and it really changed my perspective.” Up until that point, Zoe figured she would get a degree in English Literature and become a teacher, like her father. Now things seemed uncertain. She moved back to New Jersey to be closer to her family, but soon started feeling a bit trapped. Zoe really wanted to travel, and as it turns out, it may have been in her genes. She recalls, “my parents told me that after they got married, they traded all their wedding presents for camping gear and hit the road.” After spending some time out West, the Harts decided to come back East to settle down and start a family. Zoe grew up hearing stories of the Great West, and it definitely proved an inspiration for her to explore the country.

Zoe decided to take a month-long National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) Course in Washington State in the Cascade Mountains that proved to be a pivotal experience. She absolutely loved it, but made the decision to finish her degree at Boston College. After graduation, she was paralyzed about her career choices. She felt that she wasn’t quite ready to take a job that would force her to settle down in one area doing one thing, but also felt the pressure of being a recent graduate and needing to start a career. She decided to join some fellow grads at a local job fair. Zoe remembers, “I had to borrow my mom’s one suit—a really nice tan one, actually—to go to a job fair, and I made exactly two stops: the Peace Corps, and the Marine Corps. Then I left.” Not long



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after that experience, she went back to Washington, where she swiftly became an apprentice guide on Mount Rainier in 2000.

By then, she was hooked on climbing, and busy building her climbing resume, taking courses and exams. By 2008, she achieved IFMGA status, and had moved to Chamonix. After years of living a somewhat transient existence—she remarked “for ten years, I lived nowhere for more than three months”—she was ready to settle down in one place. A big reason for this was meeting her now fiancé, Max, a fellow climber, whom she is planning to marry in June. They live together in an apartment at the foot of the mountain, and it’s truly become a home base, a retreat in between the traveling and climbing.

When Zoe speaks of her time at PDS, she has a lot of fond memories. She loved the close relationships she had with her teachers, and the level of intelligence, inspiration, and drive all around her. The death of her father was a turning point for Zoe in many ways, but it did allow her to open up to different ideas of achievement and success in her career and life. And it encouraged her to take risks, and be in the present. Zoe realized that time is precious, and it’s crucial not to get caught up in the everyday grind. But, how to stay in the present with the business and distractions all around us? Zoe recommends stepping outside of your comfort zone—something she does regularly while climbing mountains. “People aren’t used to pushing themselves or suffering these days. Life is easy. But when you take these risks, you are forced to live in the moment, and you develop confidence in yourself. It is empowering.”



Sara “Zoe” Hart on a climb.

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Lucy Law Webster '49 and Ben Frost '92



Stephen Moseley, husband of Whitney Ross '84, and Alison Brower '87



Marie Shock, PDS staff



Katie Poole '71 and Jenny Gault '71



Whitney Ross '84, Galette Levin '96 and Tony Dell '80



Louise Mason Bachelder '54 and Hilary Bachelder '88



Katie Babick '02 and Steve Bailey US Teacher



Annie Jamieson '99 and Jan Westrick former faculty



Tom Gates '78 and Rob Whitlock '78



Class of '88 members: (l-r) Julia Herr Smith, Elaine Chou, Andrea Hall Elish, Kit Greenberg, Arianna Rosati, Mike Lingle, Hilary Bachelder, Jamie Salkind, Courtney Shannon, Taylor Hwong



Amanda Smith, Kristen Tomlinson '06 and Sean Dickson '03



Brad Batcha '87, Erinn Batcha '89, Alex Batcha '94 and Courtenay Batcha '92



Julia Herr Smith '88 and Stephen Pollard '90



Dan Lyons '96, Justin Krebs '96 and Justin's mother Susan Krebs



Bonnie "Howarth" Hunter and former faculty Sean Merriweather '99

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Tony Dell '80, Mea Kaemmerlen '64, Adrena Cunningham '99, Ben Frost '92, Nick Perold '03, Galette Levin '96, Stephen Pollard '90, Giovanna Torchio '98, Sara Lott '96, Director of Alumni Relations Tracey Gates and Ariana Jakub '99.



Nick Perold '03, Katie Fanok '03 and Elizabeth Sayen '03



Marc Wirstrom '92, Todd Hovanec '92, Ben Frost '92



Kristen France '01, Nick Sardar '01, Adrena Cunningham '99, Alex Nanfara '99, Ariana Jakub '99, John Griffith '99, Nikhil Agharkar '99 and Sean Merriweather '99.



Allison Paz '04, Brian Smith '07 and Giovanna Torchio '98



Michael O'Neill '96, Mark Chatham '96, Stephen Nanfara '96, David Lyons '96, Sara Lott '96 and Galette Levin '96

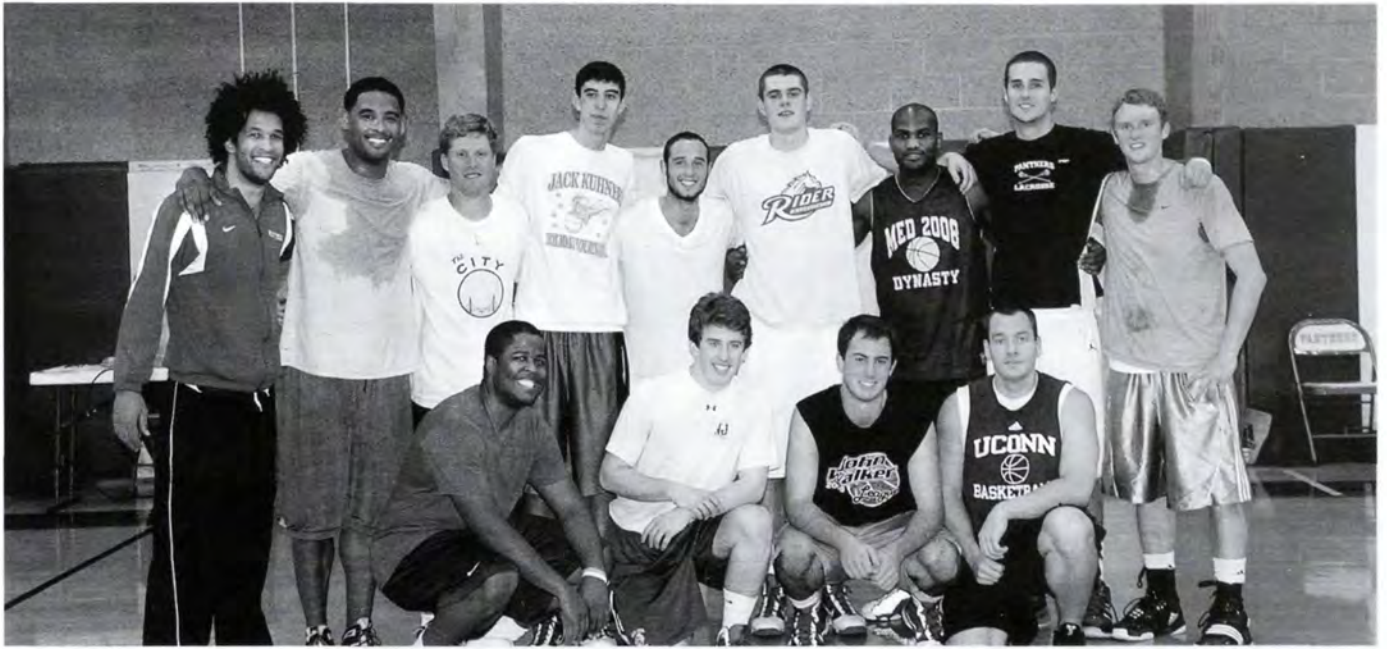


Justin Revelle '03, Marlee Sayen '02, Andrew Gentile '03 and Katie Fanok '03



2010





Alumni Thanksgiving Games



ClassNotes

Miss Fine's School

1925-29

PDS Communications Office

1930

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1931

80th Reunion

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1932-1935

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1936

75th Reunion

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1937

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1940

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Phyllis Vandewater Clement wrote that she feels so lucky to be near to most of her family - and in benign California weather, too. She had a good trip to Vietnam in January and sends her love to all.

Joanne Sly Hicks wrote that

she and her husband, Lige, have moved into an assisted living retirement home named Waterside Retirement Estates in Sarasota, FL.

1941

70th Reunion

Correspondent needed

1942

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1943

Marjorie Libby Moore
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1944

Correspondent needed

1945

Correspondent needed

Sesaly Gould Krafft sent her Christmas letter (which is edited here; please contact Ann Wiley at awiley@pds.org for the whole letter) to update us:

"Last Christmas was again a joyous occasion at the Gohns' with Susan; Greg's three sons, two daughters-in-law and two granddaughters made brief appearances. We again spent several days in Williamsburg; then I returned to Ginger Cove and packed for the winter in Hope Town, with a Florida stop with old friends. Caroline and Jason again had the house ready for me, which is great. It was a chilly winter by Hope Town standards, but I missed the roughly three feet of snow that hit Annapolis in February, so I was very glad to be in the Bahamas.

"I was home for the rest of April and almost all of May,

then to Reston and on to Minneapolis for Jennifer's graduation from Carleton, with visits to Jo Krafft, Bruce and Dianne, and Caroline and Jason. The day after graduation Caroline was off to Cairo for a summer internship, studying the effect of education for women, especially in rural areas, on future jobs.

"I returned to Reston for Elizabeth's high school graduation, then home for a week before a five-day cruise to Bermuda. There were a dozen of us from Ginger Cove, 2,600 passengers, a pool, delicious food, all very well done but just not my style; I like the small ship river cruises. There was a really fast unpack-repack and off to Bethany for a week with the Gohn family, always a fun time. After ten days at home I headed to Ithaca for two weeks with Susan, seeing Dean and Catherine, Kathy, Victoria and Victoria's new house, bought a year ago. I missed Jennifer, who had already left for a year, at least, in Japan, where she's working in Kyoto supervising Americans teaching English to Japanese and also doing some spoken translating.

"From Ithaca I went to Kathleen and Greg's, for a Gohn family weekend in Somerset County PA. Greg's ancestors left Germany for Pennsylvania in the 1730s and he has been deep in genealogical research since retirement. My German ancestors were there too, so it was an interesting weekend with lovely weather in beautiful country. Home for three weeks playing doctor catch-up, then back to Reston for Sue's family 50th birthday. Once again briefly, then back to Kathleen and Greg's for what became 'American history month.' Elizabeth is a freshman at William and Mary, in Williamsburg, so we were there for Parents' Weekend, then Kathleen and I visited Richmond and Appomattox (Civil War history) and Charlottesville

(American founding fathers' history). The following weekend we spent at Gettysburg, a pivotal three-day battle of the Civil War, about which Greg is very knowledgeable.

It's now November and I'm in California to celebrate Thanksgiving with Alison and Steve and our extended family."

1946

65th Reunion

Correspondent needed

1947

Barbara Pettit Finch
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1948

Correspondent needed

1949

Correspondent needed

Mary Byrd Platt wrote that she has enjoyed living in Concord, NH, for the past 22 years and spending 46 years on Newfound Lake, NH. She has two great sons and three marvelous grandchildren.

Joan Budny Dawe wrote that she hopes to get back to the U.S. this year for a visit to see family and old mates.

1950

Correspondent needed

1951

60th Reunion

Nellie Oliphant Duncan
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Gordon McAllen Baker wrote that she recently moved from NH to Lexington, VA, to a Kendal retirement community.

She wanted to be nearer her one granddaughter, Ellie Morgan. She loves her new home; she thought she would never leave New England, but the extreme cold finally got to her. She is enjoying interesting conversations with lots of retired professors at Washington and Lee and VMI. Another MFS alumna, Mary Roberts Craighill '53, who has been very welcoming, is there, too. Her mother, Frances Markley Roberts, taught Gordon English at MFS and she also taught Gordon's mother, Betsy Hun McAllen '27.

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The class extends heartfelt sympathy to **Nancy Shannon Ford** whose husband, George Ford, passed away in March of 2010. At Christmas, in addition to talking with Nancy, I had a phone conversation with **Aggie Fulper**, a poor substitute for our usual Christmas lunch in Princeton, but still we had fun catching up. Ted and I are adjusting to our life in a retirement community in Exeter, NH, from which we can travel more quickly to our home in Maine.

1955

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1956

55th Reunion

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First a word from our hostess with the mostest, **Pamela Thompson Sinkler-Todd**: "Last October I had the privilege of being in charge of our Class of 1956's 54th Reunion! We gathered nine classmates and **Joan Pearce Anselm's** husband Klaus, for a rousing good, sunny Philadelphia weekend.

"I kept everyone moving at such a pace—so rapid, in fact, that the bus to the Barnes Foundation left its gathering point early and without **Betsy Thomas Peterson**! Fortunately, we were able to turn the bus around by cell phone ten minutes later and let Betsy embark at last! We counted passenger heads far more carefully for the next few days.

"One of the highlights of the Reunion was a van ride down to Kennett Square, PA to have a scrumptious fresh lobster salad lunch with our classmate **Betsy Hall Hutz** and her husband Rudy. It was terrific to see her again, and their gorgeous 18th-century stone farmhouse was an added bonus! After lunch, we visited the Brandywine River Museum and soaked ourselves in Wyeths!

"All in all, I loved it. Yes, it is work to organize a reunion, but when I saw the first of my classmates appear at my door, it was more than worthwhile many times over!"

Speaking for all the lucky visitors, we missed those who couldn't be with us and thought and spoke of you often. We also loved our trip. Pam gave us a superb glimpse of her city, its history, its beauties and its accessibility. And we wine and dined on delicious fare in Pam's home and a Colonial tavern, as well as outstanding Mexican and Greek restaurants.

Lockie Stafford Proctor summed it all up shortly after her return home. "It was a wonderful time and we must do something again soon.... I think it really is remarkable that this bond is so strong and I know we are the envy of many other MFSers I see here in the Princeton area. It truly is something I cherish."



Enjoying a laugh during the MFS '56 reunion in Philadelphia are (from left) **Margy Pacsu Campbell**, **Pam Thompson Sinkler-Todd** and **Cicely Tomlinson Richardson**.

In fact, the two Betsys and **Kay Dunn Lyman** have cooked up a gathering in Maine in mid-September to feature an authentic clambake a la Betsy Hutz and hoping to draw in other classmates who couldn't make it last fall. (Then there are **Anne Harrison Clark's** invitation to Williamsburg and **Beth MacNeil Boggess's** to Albuquerque... oh, the adventures ahead!)

Turning to other news, **Molly Wade McGrath** reports, "My husband, Norman, and I produced a wedding and a book in 2010. Our daughter, Helen, and Lee Keiser were married at our house in Patterson, NY, in June. The book is called *Rooftop Gardens* and it is a collection of terraces, conservatories, balconies on New York buildings. Norman took the photos and I ghost-wrote it for Denise LeFrak and Roberta Amon. Look for it in April from Rizzoli."

Marina Turkevich Naumann and Bob will miss the Maine trip; they will be celebrating their golden wedding anniversary on September 16. "We're hoping for a long weekend bash with all our 'childrens' at the Mt. Washington Hotel or the Balsams," Marina said, adding, "This celebration has been in the planning for nearly half a century!"

Anne Harrison Clark reports the last few months have been "very different" with Bob Vaughn recovering from knee surgery. She expects a "quiet spring" (punctuated by visitors lured by the charms of spring in Williamsburg) before resuming her law school studies in June

when she will immerse herself in a one-month intensive course.

Meanwhile, **Anne's** granddaughters are following in her recognizable footsteps: **Sequoia** is becoming a serious figure skater even though there is no rink in Williamsburg—wonder how long it will take Anne to remedy that! And, in Columbia, SC, **Madeline Anne** has taken up horseback



MFS '56 in Kennetts Square: from left are **Cicely Tomlinson Richardson**, **Pam Thompson Sinkler-Todd**, **Betsy Thomas Peterson**, **Joan Pearce Anselm** (kneeling), **Lockie Stafford Proctor**, **Margy Pacsu Campbell**, **Betsy Hall Hutz**, **Charlotte Cook** and **Kay Dunn Lyman**.

riding. Grandson Robert has taken a different tack and is SC state chess champion for his age group.

Charlotte Cook quickly answered the January plea for news with "my not very earth-shattering news: We are going to Yellowstone National Park for eight days in February to cross-country ski and take several snow coach tours focused on wildlife viewing. I'm interested to see how I will fare in weather that typically hovers around 0°F during the DAY! We're hoping to experience the magical world we have seen in TV documentaries of Yellowstone in winter."

By the time these notes are printed, winter should be just a memory. But right now in New Hampshire, we're caught in the magic of a wonderful white winter, and I (**Cicely Tomlinson Richardson**) can be found snow shoveling, roof raking, snow shoveling, dog walking, snow shoeing, snow shoveling, or recuperating.

1957

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Susie Smith Baldwin wrote: "I have personally experienced the sad pain of losing a child. We all send our heartfelt condolences to **Sue Barclay Walcott**. Her son, **James Dexter Walcott, Jr.**, 48 (PDS '80), died suddenly of heart failure in late January. Some of his fondest times were spent as camper and counselor at Camp Timanous in Raymond, Maine. Donations for a camp scholarship in memory of Jimmy may be made to the Al Furniss Scholarship Fund, 25 Marlborough Road., St. Mark's School, Southborough, MA 01772." Sue added: "A lot of Jimmy's PDS and camp friends were with us for his service."

Anne Gildar Kaufman wrote: "My eighth grandson was born February 1. He's close by in NYC for visits to help my daughter, Julie, with her first child. Yes, I plan to be at our reunion in 2012."

Eugenie Rudd Fawcett wrote: "This is a very hectic time of the year for me, as we are closing grades and writing comments about our students. All is well with us and our four 'children,' their spouses, and our seven grandchildren. Looking forward to the end of this 'old fashioned winter.' Jim & I hope to attend the 55th reunion."

Nancy Hagen Spaulding wrote: "This week I had wonderful catch-up talks with **Tina Burbidge Hummerstone** and **Anne Gildar Kaufman**. I love my life here in Windsor, Colorado. I have missed Vern so much these past three years. I am not planning to break in a new husband, but you never know. My son, Peter, 41, is an honors student in architecture and urban planning at UC in Boulder. My older son,

Lance, 43, in Marin County, CA, is still surviving in investment management. Yes, hope to be at our 55th, but come visit me here if any of you are out this way."

Ros Webster Perry wrote: "Last year I curated two exhibits of my grandmother's quilts in her hometown, Merion, Indiana. I'm still a docent here at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. Dick and I are travelling to the Yucatan this winter. I hope to be at our 55th next year."

Sandy Strachan Froehlich wrote: "The whole family was able to get together for Christmas. Otherwise the winter has been uneventful. Not too many inches of snow this year in northern Maine. Most of it is going south. It would be good if I could make it south again for our 2012 reunion (O.M.G. 55 years)."

Susie added: Some good news (and a photo!) from the following Princeton area classmates:

Alissa Kramer Surphin wrote: "Our son, Andrew, married Helen Keane in County Mayo, Ireland, September 25, 2010. The wedding was beautiful, elegant and happy! They continue to live in New York City."

Nancy Miller wrote: "I had hip pain 24/7 and got a second hip replacement. Now I have two new hips and I am pain-free. Yippee!"



Molly Menand Jacobs '57 writes: I am getting older along with all the ladies in my family shown here on Christmas Eve 2010. Behind me is my daughter Kimberly, 39. At far right is my daughter Anne, 47. Next to her is my daughter Cricket, 40. Next to me is granddaughter Emily, 7 (one of Cricket's twins). Then comes Parker, 8 mos (Kim's daughter), Megan, 10 (Anne's daughter), and Lyla, 7 (Cricket's other twin). That's it! No sons or grandsons, just three really nice sons-in-law.

Molly Menand Jacobs wrote: "I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our 55th in 2012. Susie, here's the family photo and caption you requested."

Susie added: "Life is good in VT... playing grandma and teaching gentle exercise to seniors. I look forward to Gouch-

er's 50th this April, MFS 55th in 2012. **Nancy Miller**, our faithful class agent, will kindly serve as liaison for reunion logistics with PDS. Save May 11-13, 2012 for our 55th Reunion Rendezvous.

1958

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Immediately after sending emails asking for class news, I had responses from **Linda Mullaly Masten**, **Betsy Carter Banerman** and **Ellen Freedman Dingman**. Linda, a tax attorney, has been traveling a lot and "avoiding" her offices in Stockton and Carmel, California. She is a member of a very active choir, but skipped participating in their concert at Lincoln Center to visit the Holy Land. She and her husband also have a home in Christchurch, New Zealand; on their last trip there went to Tasmania, searching for the "Tasmanian Devil." The Mastens' daughter and her husband live in Portland, Oregon and homeschool their children. He is a stay-at-home dad and excellent teacher. After work, the mother teaches the children violin, Italian and math! Linda and her sisters are in training to walk across England this

summer - coast to coast - and her mother, who is 96, has warned them not to leave her home! The Mullaly energy quotient seems to be at its usual high level! Betsy is also busy, busy. She has retired from various careers, with teaching being the most recent, and lives in "my little house in San Francisco." Cody, her 25-year-old son, is about to enter Army National Guard boot camp and then hopes to pursue a career in emergency services. Betsy has lots of hobbies including making soft baby toys and quilts. She writes and is considering organizing all her craft projects into a book, as well as writing a memoir. Active in several choirs, and a volunteer at a soup kitchen and a hospice, she ended her email with, "Every morning I deal with the various

old-age accoutrements - hearing aids, glasses, wrist brace, shoe inserts, knee lotion, blood pressure medication - and stumble out to the exercise class. But for all that, I don't feel as ancient as I thought 70-year-olds felt when I was younger. Sometimes I miss the East Coast and last spring went to a family reunion on Banerman Island in the middle of the Hudson in New York state. Life is pretty good!" Many of us are experiencing health challenges and Ellen wrote, "Last June I discovered I had breast cancer. It's not something I would usually share publicly. But I truly feel fortunate that it was caught early and want everyone I know to report anything irregular to her doctor. I spent the summer having a lumpectomy followed by many weeks of radiation therapy. But after that, we went to our favorite place on Lake George and celebrated. We think the cancer is gone now and I feel great! Please know how important it is to check out even the slightest irregularity in your health."



Class of '59 Mini-Reunion (left to right) **Susan Stevenson Badder**, **Jean Schettino Conlon**, **Lucy James** and **Anne Kinczel Clapp** in Manas-quan feeling good though 70 is rapidly approaching.

1959

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Wendy Yeaton Smith recently became a deacon at her local First Parish Church Congregational, but has still had time to co-organize a Princeton University event on medicine in the 21st century, visit Williamsburg with her sister and take another flats fishing trip in Mexico. **Cecilia Aall Mathews** traveled to India and Nepal. **Lucy James**, **Jean Schettino Conlon**, **Susan Stevenson Badder**, and I planned a mini-reunion in Manasquan, NJ, which was held in February. Lucy's son in law is secretary of HUD and arranged a tour for

her and her family to the White House where they were greeted by Obama himself!!

1960

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1961

50th Reunion

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From Fiona:

Joan Yeaton Seamon: Joan's Christmas letter included reports of a wonderful overland tour of the Baltic States in September with final stops in St. Petersburg and Helsinki. She and Hal are thriving on everything that Williamsburg, VA has to offer; her kids and grandkids are all doing well.

Nancy Smoyer: "After stopping work as a therapist at the Vet Center last November, my life has been filled with travel. I had a great trip to Morocco last January with Overseas Adventure Travel. Then in March, Daddy fell and never really got back up to speed. I made several trips to Princeton until he died December 15 at 98, after a long and happy life.

"I managed to fit in another trip in September to the Normandy D-Day beaches with Elderhostel, aka Road Scholar, which included a passage on the Queen Mary II. Both aspects of the trip were wonderful in their own way. This January, I did a road trip in the southeast which I called 'Civil War, Civil Rights and Big Old Houses.' During my wanderings, I visited Joan in Williamsburg and Trish Ward White in Vero Beach--great to see them both. My next trip is to Princeton in May for our 50th reunion!!!"

Sheila Long: "Cynthia and I touched base by phone on our birthdays (Feb. 2-3) and are looking forward to seeing each other at reunion. The return to this country after 25 years in a French cloister is a bit of a Rip

van Winkle experience. I feel very blessed to be here, and am especially enjoying renewing contact with old friends. My new community here in upstate NY is trying to learn Italian, and I've been appointed the job of Italian teacher, even though I know very little Italian. The challenge is good for my brain, and Italian is a whole lot easier than Japanese!"

Polly Busselle Bishop: "Don and I are happily residing in a new (for us) house in Eastham -- we had tried an experiment and moved to Portland, Maine, which though excellent for my practice in teaching English to immigrants and refugees (I particularly fell for several Iraqis and Somalis) and a truly fabulous city, losing track of the Cape and friends of three decades just was too sad. And Don allowed as how he hadn't lost his affection for this area, so here we are. So I teach, volunteer in a preschool, play a huge amount of paddle tennis. As I've had quite a struggle with my illness and the attendant medications, I lost most of my coordination for several years, so now it gives me inordinate pleasure to play with some competence. And it's getting better, most days! A great piece of news is that Don took up oil painting last year and is unbelievably good. He's always been extremely artistic, but the quality of the work is astonishing! And, on another note related to Maine, it is always a joy when Julie and Bill return to Brooksville, our shared tiny town in Maine."

Julia Cornforth Holofcener: "As I conclude packing for the next four months in Europe and Hong Kong, I want to stop and write a few words for the *Journal*. Although I am excited about our trip, it is with great sadness that I am going to miss our 50th reunion. The class of '61 was an extraordinary class. Everyone seemed to excel in some area or another, and it was a true privilege to be surrounded by such a varied and gifted group of girls, now women. Our mini-reunions over the years have brought smiles, tears, but mostly great laughter remembering the teachers, the boys, the music and the personalities. To this day, the education I received at Miss Fine's continues to serve me well, as I know it does the whole class. To you all, I say thank you.

"The reason I am missing the reunion is because Larry was selected to create a life-size sculpture of Sir Horace Kadoorie, a greatly revered gentleman who believed in Practical Philanthropy in the Far East. Through his and the Kadoorie family's support and training, thousands of Chinese peasants, as well as Nepalese, were able to become self-sustaining. Larry is creating the sculpture on the Isle of Wight, where we lived for so many years, and the unveiling is on May 21 in Hong Kong. I will have lots to report next time, I'm sure."

Cynthia Weinrich: "Oh, and I really have no 'news' this time, other than that my broken elbow has been healing well, and I've been savoring my post-Christmas mid-winter hibernation time. It reminds me that we're related to small furry mammals too - I have quite a fellow-creature feeling with groundhogs and other hibernators (is it an 'o'? Mrs. S. would know)."

Lucia Norton Woodruff: Highlights of 2010 in Lucia's Christmas letter include a trip to Arizona where she and Paul, with no special agenda, were on *sun and milky-way time*. Lucia left the Austin Symphony this year, but continues to play chamber music with several groups.

Fiona Morgan Fein: "Our most interesting news of late is a fabulous trip to New Zealand in October. It was Harvey's 70th birthday trip. He planned everything and all I did was go along for the ride. He did it so well that I have officially handed over the job to him. I'm still working away at classical guitar and even making progress. I find it amazing and wonderful on the days when I don't want to throw it through the window and jump out after it! Mostly I'm just happy to be making music again.

"Reunion update: Coming so far are Polly, Jeanie, Tibby, Fiona, Tucky, Julie, Debbie, Sheila, Cherry, Joan, Trika, Nancy, Cynthia, Lucia. Thinking about it are: Elise, Kasa, Janey, Ann. Unheard from are: Sandy Cornelius, Linda, Trudi, Trish, Peggy, and Jan. Not able to come are: Julia and Barbara."



1962

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Winifred Dickey Kellogg wrote that it has been great fun reconnecting with classmate **Gail Cotton**. They even included their husbands the last time they had lunch; the husbands seemed to have behaved themselves so well that they plan to gather again.

1963

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I was so pleased to hear from **Ellen Levy, Sally Campbell Hass, Laurie Rogers, Kathleen Sittig Dunlop, Sharon Stevenson Grifith, and Pamela Sidford Schaeffer**. As we have done for the past almost 49 years (!), our classmates are involved in interesting, fulfilling lives.

Ellen sent her updated web site (www.waverlyart.com). It features her latest project, art bags. You send a photo (perhaps of your dog or grandchild) and Ellen puts it on a great looking tote bag. I invite you to check out her site and see what she's up to.

Sally wrote that she saw **Polly Miller** in Nantucket in November. Polly went to visit her son and grandchildren in Laramie, Wyoming. Sally also saw Sharon and her husband, Chuck, in Connecticut on her way home. Sally would love to join Pam, Laurie, and me for a mini-reunion; however, we never seem to be able to be in the same place at the same time!

Laurie had a busy traveling year in 2010. She took vacations to St. Louis, Carmel, and France, this last with her sister, Cath. "All good for clearing the mind, catching a breath, changing perspective." Over last summer, Laurie did lots of bike riding, went to theater in Manhattan, and saw Willie Nelson in concert. Laurie's mother turned 96 in August. Laurie lives near her and visits often.

Kathy's holiday letter was filled with pictures. She and her family went to Jamaica last May and to Kenya and Tanzania in October, a "once-in-a-lifetime trip." Many of the pictures were of the animals and birds they saw. Kathy is involved with Bible study, and this past year concentrated on the Book of Revelation. Her husband, Richard, is the mayor of Orchid, FL, and he is involved with building homes for Habitat for Humanity.

Sharon wishes all a Happy New Year. For the past 10 years, she has been a teacher at a school for children with learning issues. She and Chuck have been married for 42 years. Their older son, Cable, is an artist and gallery curator at Cornish College in Seattle; their younger son, Alden, is finishing a fellowship in environmental biology and interviewing for permanent positions. He is married, and has two children. "It's really cool being a grandparent."

Pam would echo that sentiment! She loves being Grandma to her son's two children, Samantha, 3, and Benjamin, not yet a year. By the time you read this, he'll be one. David, their father, has opened a sports facility centered on the trampoline, in San Francisco.

1964

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1965

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Karen Fraser (kmf1320@gmail.com) has agreed to serve as the class Calendar Girl beginning this summer, 2011! Hooray and Thank You, Karen

Barbara Putnam wrote that she was "out of the loop for a long time." She brings us up-to-date as follows: "I live on farmland in Litchfield, Connecticut, that my grandparents bought when they retired in the forties. My brother Brock (PCD '60) and his family live in their old house. I'm married, almost 30 years, to Bob Berson; our 26-year-old daughter Emma is in Boston

working two part-time jobs, and searching for a way to make a career in performing arts. Bob is a retired psychologist, tends the fields and keeps us in firewood. I have a small architectural design practice (I designed our house) and a large garden from which I sell produce in the summer. I am chair of the local planning and zoning commission and just joined the vestry of the local Episcopal church. I am blessed with good health. I am interested in learning about and promoting things that will help us survive in the post-petroleum era. I expect the times to become ever more interesting as that scenario unfolds."

Peggy Woodbridge Dennis wrote "...for fun I'm singing and hamming it up in the women's ensemble with the Victorian Lyric Opera Company. My son, Alex, and I enjoyed a hilarious romp through *HMS Pinafore* including a competition in the International Gilbert & Sullivan Festival last summer. And I enjoyed being in *The Mikado* almost as much this autumn. [See photo!]

"Bob will retire from the Congressional Budget Office this month. After 30 years, he's looking forward to a job doing something other than macroeconomic forecasting. I'm looking forward to having him home for a few weeks so we can finish the house we started 20 years ago. But after that, I'm sure I'll want him out from underfoot again. We may be 'baby boomers' but we're much too young to actually retire!

"... I had a most wonderful lunch reunion with **Marita Raubitschek** Hopmann this summer. We caught up on what she had been doing since leaving MFS after 9th grade and moving to Palo Alto with her family."

Phoebe Russell Ozuna lives in Pasadena with her husband, Ron Ozuna. She has been teaching English at Roosevelt High School for many years. She and Ron, who teaches

marine biology at the same school, plan to retire in June. Phoebe is also a poet and has published five books of poetry, the most recent being *Strange Grace* with Cahuenga Press (website: www.cahuengapress.com), a cooperative literary press that Phoebe runs with four other poets from Southern California. Her next book of poems, as yet untitled, is due out in 2012.

Phoebe has two sons: Ocean MacAdams, who works for Current TV, Al Gore's network, and lives in Brooklyn with his wife, Suzanna Moritz MacAdams, and their children, Astrid and Axel; and William MacAdams,

who also lives in New York with his wife, Mikiko Suzuki MacAdams. Will and Mikiko are both theater people: Will is a director specializing in community-based theater and Mikiko is a set designer.

Phoebe wrote that she "would love to hear from people and has a Facebook page which she does look at occasionally!"

Karen Fraser became a grandmother in late September with the birth of Simon Fraser Bret Coffeen [see photo] to her son Fraser and his wife, Jen Coffeen. She reports that Simon is "advancing nicely in the achievement department thanks to the dreaded 'tummy time' wherein the parents put the baby on his stomach, with great frustration for all, so that he learns to lift his head, roll over, etc."



Peggy Woodbridge Dennis in *The Mikado*.



Karen Fraser '65's young grandson Simon is shocked, shocked, at Mr. Darcy's insufferable rudeness.

Karen and I (Elise Rosenhaupt Noble) have been exchanging grandbaby photos. Tom and I were present at the birth of our

grandson, Zachary Noble Tappan, on December 12, 2010. Now we get to dote on him for a few hours at a stretch as our daughter goes back to work (City of Santa Fe, Economic Development Division) part time. We all believe in the first three months being the baby's 'fourth trimester' and are happy that Kate doesn't have to choose work over motherhood. Our son Patrick [see photo of him with baby Zach] joins us in doting.



Elise Rosenhaupt Noble's avuncular son Patrick holding his nephew Zachary Noble Tappan.

Sally Stewart Gilbert's father William Watson (Wat) Stewart "passed from this Earth on January 22, 2011, at age 88. He lived a full and wonderful life, and was blessed with a fabulous wife, great and talented children, and countless friends, colleagues and admirers." We send love and sympathy to his family.

Ed. Note: Many thanks to Elise for serving as a great class correspondent and for recruiting Karen Fraser as the new "Calendar Girl," aka class correspondent.



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1936

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1939

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We were all saddened by the death of **Burr Fisher** in late January. We attended his memorial service on Friday, January 28 at All Saints' Church and the reception at the Nassau Club. He is survived by his brother, Peter Fisher, his four children, ten grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren, a large wonderful family.

Owen Roberts continues to amaze us all with his tournament playing in world championships in tennis singles, ranking number 13 in the "over 85" bracket.

1940

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1941

70th Reunion

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1944

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1946

65th Reunion

Correspondent needed

1947

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David Rogers wrote: "This is written in February 2011 in Casey Key, FL (19 miles below Sarasota) to which we escaped from Boston at the end of January – great timing. It's the top half of a beach shack on a deserted beach and just right for beach campers like us... great walks, beach reading, and sunsets with a martini in hand. I am still working as a financial competitive intelligence defense analyst for a Fortune 200 pharmaceutical firms and defense contractors. I just finished three big contracts due 12/31, 1/10 and 1/17 before leaving for Florida the next week."

Peter Rossmassler sent news that: "**Paul Roediger** retired in 2005 and has worked since as

a volunteer physician in a free clinic. His wife, Janice, passed away January 14, 2010. I have seen and/or talked to all our living classmates. Their health varies, but has not deteriorated significantly since last reported in prior PDS publications."

1948

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1949

Correspondent needed

1950

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1951

60th Reunion

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2010 was a very good year for **Hugh Fairman**. Three of his technical articles passed peer review and were published in *Color Research and Application*. His consulting customers are mostly large coating companies offering computerized matching, blending and mixing of as many as 3,000 colors. Hugh lives six miles from the Delaware Water Gap, on a farm raising chickens. He is often seen at Princeton University football and lacrosse games. His mother, still with excellent memory, will be 100 years old next November. Hugh's children include Spencer with a son and a daughter in Austin, TX; Ginger with two girls in Scarsdale, NY; Adam without children; and Julie with a son in San Diego, CA.

We were surprised to learn **John (Jack) Henderson** died

February 12 after fighting cancer for over a year. His obituary in the February 15 edition of the *Trenton Times* shows he graduated from Princeton High '54 and attended Rider University. He worked for 35 years in State of New Jersey agencies and was active in musical groups (playing drums) and civic organizations in Plainsboro, where he lived. He enjoyed travel and being with family on Captiva Island, FL. The PCD Class of 1951 extends its sympathy to Marcia, his wife of 47 years, two daughters, three grandchildren, and one great grandchild.

George Hess is now a half-time professor at the University of Virginia and will be retiring in January 2012, but he expects to continue some analysis and write-ups in his specialty of surface physics and single layer molecules. George has had to give up skiing due to a bad back and knees, but continues to travel. He and his wife visited Alaska last June and will be on the Danube this June. They have two unmarried sons.

Oakley Hewitt has retired from orthopedic surgery. He now focuses on singing choral music in a club and painting in watercolor. Oakley is married and has two grown children: one in TX and the other in CA, each with two children.

After failing his first effort at retirement, **Bob Kales** has been successful on his second try. Bob is now painting portraits, training a new golden doodle (golden retriever and white poodle), and traveling with his wife largely in the U.S. and Canada. His four daughters are married. Jennifer is a nurse practitioner in Boston and has a son. Susie is in pharmaceutical research in Lincoln Park, NJ. Sarah is an artist and furniture designer in Cranston, RI, and has two children. Emily is a nurse practitioner in Worcester, MA, and has two children.

Doug Levick and a friend have successfully started an Outward Bound program for San Francisco teenagers. The program, run by classroom teachers, is during the school day in classrooms and nearby parks. It develops self-confidence and teamwork. Doug and friend persuaded the schools to adopt the program, raised financing, and hired support staff. They have 1,200 in the program now and hope it will grow to 4,000 students. Doug also takes advantage of activities at nearby Stanford University. He has had two back surgeries and two hip replacements. He and his wife recently took a week-long Disneyland Cruise to Mexico with their two daughters, son, and four grandchildren.

I, Edwin Metcalf, spend two days a week learning ice dancing most of the year. My partner and I enter nearby "friendly" competitions and the Adult National Figure Skating Championships. Also, I skate with Princeton Skating Club and enjoy ice dance weekends. To keep mentally balanced, I audit courses at Princeton University, participate in a nonfiction book club, raise funds for a Rocky Hill library, and organize monthly lunches for nearby Princeton classmates. My wife and I travel. Recently it was Egypt (left several hours before airport closed), Israel, and Jordan; Madrid to visit son Ebe (PDS '83) and his two children; Rome to see son Benton and his two children; and family adventure trips with two of three sons of daughter Anne (PDS '82).

Bob Miller is completely retired. His legs are still good thanks largely to Scottish Country Dancing and lengthy walks, but he recently fell down a whole flight of stairs at home and broke his arm badly. Bob donated funds for water wells on a native Indian reservation and is now the proud recipient of the Order of Eagle Feather (and more requests for native Indian causes). Bob's daughter Ann (PDS '86) is married with two children in Brooklyn. His son Andrew (PDS '01) is a newspaper photographer.

Absolutely free of cancer for



From l-r: Class of '51 PCD classmates: Harry Rulon-Miller, Bob Kales, Hugh Fairman, Ed Metcalf.

five years is Harry Rulon-Miller! He has just completed physical therapy for a knee replacement that replaces an earlier knee replacement. Harry continues as the PDS Rink Coordinator and Scheduler of PDS Hockey Teams (now up to six) and helps coach two of the less experienced teams. Harry and his wife, Nina, an English professor in Philadelphia and designer of crossword puzzles, visit Emily (PDS '88), a Spanish professor in Georgetown. Jamie (PDS '92) is a city planner in Presque Isle, ME. Peter (PDS '03) works for a moving company outside Los Angeles and is into martial arts.

Walter Wilmerding has moved from Griggstown to Monkton, VT, where he shovels snow and helps with his wife's three horses in the cold months and mows and plants in the warm months. Walter is semi-retired from Wilmerding Miller & Company, now located at Carnegie Center, and works largely by Internet and trips to the office every other month. The Wilmerdings have one daughter in Lander, WY, with the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS); a second daughter in the Congo (where her husband works for a French oil company) with two college age children. A third daughter is in Brooklyn, married, and in the furniture business. A fourth daughter is married and in VT.

Peter Wright continues as full-time Professor of Theatre at Roger Williams University in Bristol, RI, with no plans to retire and is active in a community summer theater. But he is slowing down as he no longer leads students on theater trips to England. Peter and his wife have a married son working with families having a tough time for

the State of Connecticut. They have a daughter who is a dean at a private day school in RI. This daughter has two children.

The Class of PCD 1951 has the above ten members plus Jimmy Kerney (who we could not reach) with addresses known, seven members who have died, and two members (John Fisher and Henry Steele) with addresses unknown.

1952

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John Wellemeier wrote that he returned to Princeton in 2005 after spending the previous 19 years in London. John and his English wife, Louise, have identical twin boys who now are in fifth grade at PDS.

1953

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Henry B. Cannon III met classmate Elov Rosenblad at the Sarasota Yacht Club this past December. Henry wrote: "Great to see a PCD alum so far from home."

The Alumni Office has learned that Ken Scasserra was the guest of honor at the dedication of the new Friends Room at Princeton University's Baker Rink in recognition of his lifetime service to Princeton hockey.

1954

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1955

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1956

55th Reunion
Correspondent needed

1957

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Tim Carey sent the following news:

From Bob Smyth: In the last six months, I have celebrated my summer community's centennial, Princeton High School's class of 1960's 50th reunion (Gildar, Thompson, and Robson also in that class), and my athletic club's (Harrison Athletic Club) 50th reunion. The last celebration was the most recent (October) and notable in that of the 20+ guys who showed up, some came from Florida, Massachusetts, Maryland, Virginia, and upstate New York. The guy from Florida, in explaining why he came so far, told me that he didn't want to be morbid, but that playing sports for the club back in the '60s was part of his growing up in Princeton, and the friendships he developed then are still strong today, and he didn't want to pass up an opportunity to see the guys, because, quite frankly, you don't know if you'll see them again. A lot of the guys felt the same, and we agreed not to put 20 years between reunions (we had one in 1990). Anyway, our PCD '57 50th was also special, and we shouldn't wait too long before having another. May 2012 will be our 55th, and we should make an effort to get there. It will be sometime in the middle of May, and I will coordinate the arrangements. Those of you who attended the 50th in 2007 will recall how amazing it was to catch up with each other, after all those years. Those of you who couldn't get there will have another chance.

Tim added: "I continue to teach at Noble and Greenough and will do so for the foreseeable future. You see, I have a kid in the 11th grade and that makes it a necessity. But I also still find



Tim Carey '57 and his wife Mary and daughter Zoe taken last summer in Utah.

the work fun and stimulating. I have enclosed a photograph of my wife, Mary, and daughter, Zoe, taken last summer in Utah. I will be going on a school trip in three weeks to Vietnam and Cambodia with 18 kids from Nobles, my third trip with students to Southeast Asia. Hope you all are well and that you are thinking of the 55th. As Bob suggests, our 50th far exceeded my expectations. I am not a 'reunion guy,' but I had a wonderful time."

1958

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1959

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1960

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Karl Pettit writes:

It's taken me too long to report on our 50th Class reunion, which occurred last year...so, I apologize for that. Our class has not had a very good track record regarding reunions, which is unfortunate, because I maintain that many of our deepest memories and true friendships were developed during our years at PCD on Rollingmead. Our last real reunion was our 40th in the year 2000, which actually had a surprising turnout (I recall that Lawrence Kuser, Davy Davis, Peter Wright, Tommy Reynolds, Alex Patton, Bloxy Baker and

I all returned for that one... doesn't sound like a surprising turnout...but you must appreciate the fact that we only had 13 students in our graduating class!).

For our 50th reunion we were only able to bring four classmates together and we were only able to do it on Saturday, April 17, 2010 because everyone seemed to have some sort of a commitment during PDS Reunion's weekend in May. The four included Bloxy Baker, Jonny Howland, Alex Patton and me. Davy Davis was in California to honor the birth of his sixth grandson (Xavier Robert Davis), Brock Putnam had commitments to his students at New Milford HS, Lawrence Kuser had a wedding (I think) and I wasn't able to round up Peter Wright or Roger Marcus, even though he lives in Princeton.

Just to account for a few more of our classmates...Peter Wright lives in Manahawkin, NJ, and Johnny Odden lives in Bozeman, Montana. Those we know who have passed away include Billy Smoyer (Vietnam), Peter Hart, Johnny Brinkerhoff and Tommy Reynolds. We have lost track of Jimmy Aul, Van Blakeman, Dudley Blodgett, Walter Edwards, Rogan Fagan, Ray Goodrich, Teddy & Tommy Goodridge, David Greene, Burton Jackson, Doug Mackie, Peter Wood and Freddie Sayen. Where are you guys??

Our reunion started at a Princeton-Dartmouth lacrosse game...where the four of us rendez-vous'ed; Jonny Howland brought his son Jon along and we were even joined by Huck Fairman of the Class of 1959! It was a sunny-warm day and Princeton won 16-2. After the game we convened at the Nassau Tavern Tap Room for drinks and dinner where we were joined by Huck's wife Pam, Barbara Rose MFS

'64 and her daughter Elizabeth Hare PDS '88. The evening was full of catching up and life story comparisons after so many years. Jonny Howland's story was most incredible. In fact he even has had a book published to account for it - *A Cry of Absence, the True Story of a Father's Search for his Kidnapped Children* by Andrew Ward (1988, Viking Press)...a gripping story and extremely well written. Jonny is a professor at Boston University, and his son is working at the FBI under Robert Mueller PCD 1959. Jonny and his wife Liz spend their summers in Merion, MA - a magical shore community on Buzzards Bay.

Huck Fairman is also a published author having written novels entitled *Hymn*, *Tale of the City* and most recently *Noah's Children* - one man's response to the environmental crises. Bloxy and his wife Nancy live in Lakeville, Connecticut; Bloxy is still playing hockey! Alex Patton resides in New York City with his wife, Pog. When asked recently to provide me with some "news" he simply said: "Let's see...Alex Patton is still writing about baseball and living, more often than not, in New York (that's Alex). The good news is he is happy and healthy and very accessible.

As for me, I have recently taken the new position of Campus Architect and Project Manager for large projects at Philadelphia University - it's a fantastic position. My current project is a new 38,000sf classroom facility being design by Shepley Bulfinch in Boston. I also am doing campus planning and space planning studies to deal with the ever shifting and growing academic space requirements. My wife Kay and I live in a small farm house in New Hope, PA where I am the Chair of the Township's Land Preservation Committee and where we are both members of the Pidcock Creek Watershed Association.

Here is some more news from the class of 1960. It comes from one of our most colorful classmates, Brock Putnam. I had contacted Brock during the months before our 50th reunion and unfortunately his schedule was such that he was not able to make it down to the big event. It would have been absolutely great to have seen him again to catch up after so many years and a lifetime of experiences, losses and successes. But in true Brock fashion, he was



Brock Putnam '60.

more than eager to share his life's story that to me was so moving I wanted to share it with you all.

In our email exchange, Brock wrote (which is edited here; please contact Ann Wiley at awiley@pds.org if you wish to receive the entire letter):

"A bit of an update on me: I finished Amherst in January of 1970 with a BA in Dramatic Arts, sticking around for a semester to assist the technical director of the theater and remain closer to Mount Holyoke sophomore Deb Hamlet. Did summer stock at Williamstown and then headed to UCLA's Master of Fine Arts program, where I stayed for one quarter.

"Returned to Princeton, boomeranging in with my parents, and landed a job acting at McCarter under director Arthur Lithgow. Worked at Herb Hobler's FM station for a while, then moved to Bridgeport where I continued working as a disc jockey and writing and producing advertising copy.

"Moved to Boston, got an advertising agency job. Deb and I married in September of 1973. The rise in energy prices from the Arab oil embargo undercut lots of businesses, particularly advertising. Deb was working as an artist at another ad agency, and she survived the hit. I was in a small mom and pop agency - last hired - first fired. I schlepped my portfolio of work all over town. Everyone said it was great, but they weren't hiring.

"Finally, I decided that I couldn't continue this way and decided to try teaching. I ended up at Fessenden, a junior pre-prep school. Did a stint as English teacher, drama director, history teacher and dorm master. Deb took over the art department.

"After three years at 'Fessy' I decided I wanted to get a master's and enrolled in the nearby Brandeis MFA program in Acting and Directing. Just as I was about to finish up, Deb was diagnosed with Hodgkin's disease.



(left to right) Bloxy Baker '60, Huck Fairman '59, Barbara Rose, Alex Patton '60 and Jonny Howland '60.

"I returned to Fessy for the time being. I had assumed I would be teaching English again, in addition to running the drama program, but in June, I was told I'd be in the history department the following year: they wanted an infusion of writing instruction in that department.

"Our son, Ben, was born in 1981. At the same time, we discovered that the Hodgkin's disease had returned.

"In 1986, I had a dust-up with the new headmaster.

"On a near-whim in the summer of '86, I applied to and was admitted to Harvard's Graduate School of Education. It was a one-year Ed.M. program.

"We moved to Litchfield at the end of June 1987 and I began teaching at New Milford High in the fall. Ben entered the local Montessori School, where Deb quickly found an opening as an art teacher.

"To try to make myself as 'fire-proof' as possible, I entered curriculum award contests and won a couple of awards. I took over the school's High School Bowl team. We were VERY successful early on.

"It was never worse than in 1989, when Deb's Hodgkin's disease reappeared. Having been through two courses of chemotherapy, the only alternative was a bone marrow transplant. A registry search was unsuccessful. The only other alternative was an autologous transplant. The only hospital doing the procedure was in Omaha. We headed to Nebraska early in the summer of 1989 for a barrage of tests. The BMT went forward in late September.

"Once again, we thought we had it all behind us, but four years later, the disease returned. This time, there was little to be done. After 14 years of some tough struggles spaced out between long and optimistic remissions, Deb succumbed on October 6, 1993.

"I had been a fan of 'Jeopardy!' for years. After several years of trying, I was invited on the show. Unfortunately, I made a couple of major goofs in the first half and trailed badly. I roared back late in the second half to take the lead with a minute to go, but couldn't hold it on 'Rocks and Minerals' and eventually finished third. It was a fun experience.

"Three weeks after my *Jeopardy!* excursion, I got a letter telling

me I'd been accepted for a grant for a seminar in Europe from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

"In the span of a month and a half, I think I was in almost every major Gothic cathedral and a good many Romanesque ones in northern and central France.

"Once back at school, I was approached by a history colleague who taught a course in Russian Studies; he had found grant money and a program that arranged for homestay exchanges between a school in Russia and New Milford HS. Each year, several kids went and stayed with host families, and entertained visiting Russians in turn. Because there was government money involved, there were 'conditions.' One of them was there could be no 'repeat chaperones' from previous years. The idea was to reach as many people as possible. I was approached, knowing I had a valid passport and that I had some facility with French (Frank Gorman and Bob Smythe might have thought otherwise!) and German (was he thinking I could read the Cyrillic alphabet as a result??). I would host a visiting Russian teacher for three weeks in October and November. The teacher's charges would stay with NMHS kids. In February, we'd go to Russia.

"The language teacher introduced me to a very elegantly dressed woman with thick dark hair. 'Marina, this is your host, Brock Putnam. Brock, this is your guest, Marina Razhova.'

"Marina and the Russians went off to tour Washington, DC, New York City and Boston at various points, but we still had plenty of time to get to know one another. In February, I flew with six New Milford kids to Moscow and then took the overnight train to Nizhny Novgorod. The Russian hosts met us at the station and we fanned out to various homes. Marina lived in a tight one-bedroom apartment building. The apartment was compact, barely big enough for the existing family.

"The intensity went past my professional side: as a result of our mutual visits, I invited Marina and her children, Anna and Anton to visit Litchfield for the summer of 1997. We continued to court – a third of the way around the world. We married in December of 1999.

"Ben now lives in Seattle, acting and doing theatrical

design. Anna is a manager of a department store on Long Island. Anton is in Minnesota, working in an auto parts store. Marina teaches English as a Second Language in nearby Torrington; she became an American citizen three years ago."

1961

50th Reunion

Correspondent needed

Peter H. Raymond teaches 11th/12th grade English, at Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, MA. He is raising bees, and may soon be raising chickens.

1962

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Mark your calendars for May 11-12, 2012 for our 50th PCD reunion. (*Ed. Note: This is the tentative date for 2012 reunions; official date will be set by July 2011.*)

Near and Far. From **Lee Maxwell** in Australia: I'd like to get over for the grand occasion next year. I can fill in the blanks (1962-2011) then over a cold beer." Until that beer, an update about Lee. After attending the University of Arizona with **Hal and Tommy Knox**, **Davy Mather** and **Woody Johnson** and a stint in the US Army, "Maxwell, L." settled in Australia and married an Aussie, Bronwyn, in 1976. Son Chris (now 33) is engaged to a Florida girl and is living in Melbourne, Australia. Daughter Ashley is married with a 16 month old boy and grandson #2 on the way. Youngest child Betsy runs marathons. Lee has worked in various fields, most recently in the timber industry, doing training and consulting in occupational health and safety.

Closer to Princeton, **John**

"Jock" Baker just stepped down from the PDS Alumni Board last summer after eight years of distinguished service. Well done! He also retired as the "Voice" of the Rutgers University Marching Scarlet Knights after 10 years writing and announcing their scripts for home, away and bowl games. John produced 19 CDs in 2010 including ones for Princeton University singing groups, the Tigertones and Tigerlilies. His music work this year will include programming for the nationally-syndicated Classical Network radio station, sessions involving the Westminster Choir College and a project in England.

Paul Ford lives and works in the San Francisco/Oakland area. Having left a position with Macy's, he now works for non-profit community organizations.

Rick Eckels, Rod Myers, John Gaston and **Rick Delano** are already planning to come back next year for the greatest gathering of a PCD class in history. Hope you can make it to our 50th reunion. Friday night dinner will include a special option—invite an old girlfriend from Miss Fine's.

1963

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1965

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The class of 1962 First Form (4th grade) photo

ClassNotes

Princeton Day School

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1966

45th Reunion

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Debbie sent the following news: If you subtract 1966 from 2011 you will get 45. How do I know that? Mrs. Campbell taught me in 9th grade. If my math is right, this means it's the 45th reunion of the Class of '66, and you're all invited to come back to PDS to celebrate it during the weekend of May 13 and 14. Forty-five years is an incredibly creative age; in their 45th year, George Orwell finished his *Nineteen Eighty-Four*, J.R.R. Tolkien published *The Hobbit*, Chuck Berry released "My Ding-a-Ling" (no comment), and Nathaniel Hawthorne published his first major novel, *The Scarlet Letter*. How do I know that? Mrs. Shepherd taught me. (Despite the fact she said I never listened to her) So there are both mathematical and literary reasons



Margery Cuyler Perkins '66's The Barracks

to celebrate our 45th reunion, as well as social aspects to catch up with all our classmates, all of whom of course *LOOK 45*. Let's see what we can create for our 45th! Our star event is dinner on Saturday night, generously hosted by Margery Cuyler Perkins, at her home, "The Barracks," where James Madison and Alexander Hamilton stayed as guests in 1783. Margery invites us all to join the ranks of the rich and famous by attending her dinner. You can't miss this! Who knows, maybe Lady Gaga will arrive on The Barracks' doorstep in an egg shaped 18th century carriage?



Hope Rose Angier '66's new home

After 10 years, Hope Rose Angier and her husband, Fred, are no longer homeless. They're coming close to finishing their new home in Hope, Maine (building it for over seven months now) and plan on moving in sometime in the spring. Congratulations on finally being landlocked! Have you considered bringing a picture of your completed home to our reunion?

Patience Morgan-Irigoyen, with husband Mario and son Morgan, celebrated Christmas by



Patience Morgan-Irigoyen '66 (left) with her husband Mario and son Morgan.

sharing this wonderful photo of her family. Patty has announced she will be attending our reunion in May, in addition to the soon to be or already registered Andrea Hicks, Margery Cuyler Perkins, Lynn Wiley Hoffman, and me.



Jack, Steve, Charlotte and Sally Harries Gaudie holding Maddie.

Charlotte Cathryn Gaudie, born in September, is the new granddaughter of Sally Harries Gaudie. She joins her big sister, Maddie, in Boston, and her cousin, Jack, who lives in Edinburgh, Scotland. For Christmas, Sally and husband Jack flew back to England, traveling to Sally's hometown, Ashbourne, to be with her entire family. It was only the second time in 40 years that she's spent Christmas in England. Edinburgh was next on their itinerary to visit her son, David, and his family. It looks like a fourth grandchild is now on the way, due to arrive at David and Sandra's in May. Perhaps given the number of trips Sally has in store this year we should make donations of our frequent flyer tickets! She is seriously

considering coming back to our reunion. Please? In early March, Sally and I will get together in Los Angeles for a play day while her husband Jack attends a scientific conference in Glendale. If you read of an earthquake occurring in Southern California that day, you can bet it will be due to Sally and me!

In December, Gail Hood Adams and her husband Joe arrived in Santa Barbara from Houston (they drove!) for a visit with his Dartmouth college roommate and his wife, and stopped in to see me for a lovely afternoon of tea, pastries and talk. It turned out that Joe's Santa Barbara

friends were also friends of mine; it's a small world. The Adams proudly announced the arrival of their first granddaughter, Jordyn Eleanor Carlson, to their daughter, Kate, and her husband, Jonathon, in Marina del Rey. I've seen pictures of Jordyn; she's adorable. I also read the fabulous article about the Adams' latest architectural project (now completed) in the November/December 2010 issue of *Eco Structure Magazine*. They won the Greenhouse Award for their design of an ecologically friendly, sustainable and beautiful home in Houston. Go to adamsarchitectshouston.com to see for yourself. Or might Gail be willing to bring the architectural model to our reunion?



Joe Adams, Gail Hood Adams '66, Debbie Hobler '66

Sarah Jaeger, in the middle of a major remodel of her Victorian home in Helena, Montana, has been living with dust, dirt, the smell of fresh wood, contractors, and Visqueen walls, with zippers no less. While the construction is going on, she's been living in three small rooms in her house, and has confessed it makes life easier, as she has much less to vacuum. In addition to her porting and her annual Holiday Sale in December, in the fall she added another Wheaten terrier puppy, Oona, to her canine family. Sarah is also working for the Prickly Pear Land Trust, a local land trust that works on protecting open space around Helena, and the fabulous trail system, and does conservation easements in a three-county area. I think PDS has some extra land that has conservation needs that Sarah might attend to at our reunion.

Moving from Southern California to New England is a gutsy thing to do given this winter's fierce snowstorms, but Kirsty Pollard Lieberman was willing to do it. She is now Vice President and Assistant Counsel at the NY Life Investment Management Company in Boston, where she is residing in nearby Canton, MA. Congratulations on the new job, Kirsty, and here's hoping we can see you at the reunion. Somehow despite our both living in close proximity in Southern Cal, we never got to see one another. Will our meeting finally be in Princeton in May?



Mettie Whipple '66 and her kids, Arthur Schiro and Stephanie Schiro.

Mettie Whipple and her kids, Arthur Schiro and Stephanie Schiro, in a Christmas picture, taken in between major snowstorms of 2011 in the Northeast. Mettie, please come south to Princeton in May and warm up with us?

Dale Marzoni Kellogg keeps in shape by skating regularly in Santa Fe. I'm encouraging her to skate her way to our reunion in May. We would like her to con-



Dale Marzoni Kellogg '66.

duct one of her astute astrological counseling sessions for our class to see what the next five years will bring us.

Another avid sportswoman is Barbara Sullivan who reports that she and her husband, Michael, climbed Half Dome in Yosemite National Park in September. For those of you who don't know, it's a 17-mile-round trip hike that takes 10-12 hours and involves an elevation increase of 4,800 feet to the top of Half Dome which stands at 8,842 feet. GO Barb! Have you thought about hiking your way up to Princeton in May?

I, on the other hand, am exhausted from a heavy workout of sitting, having just completed a nine-day film festival marathon in Santa Barbara (my annual vacation). On my best day, I sat in dark theaters for a record eight hours (four movies, two shorts) which reversed my aging process from 62 to a mere 45. To compensate for lost exercise time, I will walk to Princeton for the May Reunion.

1967

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Julia Lockwood lives in South Freeport, Maine. Her oldest daughter, Rachel, is doing a master's in history at USM; Shradha is a freshman at St. Joseph's College; and Priyanke is a sixth grader. Julia wrote that she has many fond memories of PDS.

Susan Fritsch Hunter sent the following tributes about Chris Otis:

We lost a classmate much too early and way too young. Chris Otis died in October, and this column is dedicated to her. We have included our memories of Chris and a few photographs that capture her style and her spirit.

Marta Nussbaum Steele



Chris Otis' senior picture in the 1967 PDS yearbook.



Phoebe Knapp '67 sculpting a portrait head of Chris Otis during a PDS art class.



Franny Gorman '67 and the late Chris Otis '67 at a brunch at Mary Woodbridge Lott's house at their 40th reunion in 2007.

wrote: "Chris was the most serene, calm person I knew at PDS. Quiet – you hardly knew she was there, but people with strong and eccentric personalities were drawn to her. We had a most pleasant interaction at the reunion Chris hosted at her house. She had really come out of her shell. I always respected her."

Julia Lockwood described Chris as "always kind, gentle and appreciative." And though Julia said she didn't know Chris well, she remembers her curly hair worn in a headband and the "down drop" in her voice.

Phoebe Knapp Warren wrote: "Chris was a great friend and pal to me in high school. Meeting as freshmen, we became natural partners-in-crime during school hours at Miss Fine's and at PDS. My fondest memories are of passing notes in class, exchanging heavy analysis of pertinent issues and people and doing our best to flout convention by our dress, accessories or attitude. A wonderful buddy for that time and place! Chris had remarkable ideas, a discerning eye and a caring, artistic soul."

Martha Miller wrote: "It was great seeing Chris and everyone at our 40th reunion. Chris and I spent a great summer at a sailing camp in Maine. It was mostly a camp for younger boys, and there were only five of us teenage girls. We sailed nearly every day, and I have great memories of Chris and that summer."

Francoise Foassier wrote: "I only have dear memories. What a wonderful, soft-spoken, elegant person she was. I am looking at the photos taken at Franny's in 1991 where we had a great barbecue party with Sue, Mary Woodbridge, Chris and Ruth. We all looked so well and had

such a lovely evening with PDS memories and a lot of laughs. Incredible to think that was 20 years ago."

Mary Woodbridge Lott wrote: "When I heard the news, I was surprised since I didn't know she had been ill. At least we had the chance to spend the day with her at our reunion and have recent fond memories."

Susan Fritsch Hunter wrote: "I remember Chris at PDS as someone with a gentle voice, a smile and a sense of humor. Our paths met again when we both lived in Manhattan in the early 1980s. We exchanged tales of city life, sampled food at street fairs, sat next to the fountain at Lincoln Center and spent a few days one summer at a beach house in the Hamptons. I was so glad to see Chris at our reunion in 2007 and never thought it would be the last time I'd see her."

The class sends its condolences to Chris' father, Sandy Otis, and her brother, Kim Otis '72.

1968

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Rick Ross wrote: "All is well. Visited La Maremma in September, Scottsdale in October, Miami (trial) in November and San Francisco for Xmas (golf at Olympic Club, Stanford U and Harding Park). 'Dolce far niente.' Saw Sally Lane Graff '66 and Sam in Trenton along the way. Spent most of 2010 running a cheese manufacturing company

as the court-appointed custodial receiver - great fun and my expertise in pecorino romano and parmigiano vastly increased."



Ellie Armstrong '68 (left) and Gail Smith Cleare '68 (right) enjoying time together.

Gail Smith Cleare had dinner with Ellie Armstrong in Durham a few weeks ago. Gail reported that "It was great catching up! She and Bill are divorced and he lives in Florida. She has two daughters and four grandchildren. She is an occupational therapist with a private practice in the Chapel Hill area, and is doing great!"

From Mary Hobler Hyson: After a record-breaking amount of snow in Connecticut in the month of January, I am pleased to report that as I write this on Valentine's Day, the sun is shining, the mercury has risen to 50 degrees, the snow is slowly melting and I can almost see over the piled-up snow at the end of our driveway!

On the other weather extreme, classmate Gillian Gordon is living in Singapore. She wrote: "My blond daughter, Mirren, 26, is living in LA and working as a costume designer. Isla, 23, my brunette daughter works for the photographer Mario Testino as assistant. Both of the girls came out to Bali for Xmas where we rent a beautiful house every year near Ubud, Bali. This is my second year at NYU Tisch School of the Arts graduate film program. I am the chair of a very new and exciting program in International Media Producing. It's a two-year program that includes film, TV, new media, theatre, music and animation producing. Very cool.

Students make amazing films all over Asia. We travel constantly here. Just got back from a trip down a deep green river on the Thai-Cambodian border and now we are in Hong Kong for a fundraiser for the charity, 'FilmAid,' of which I am a trustee and very involved with. We are working in a Burmese refugee camp in north Thailand now. Also, in Africa and Haiti. It is amazing. It is fascinating to be in Asia as the axis of power swings this way and developed nations crumble. Singapore is all work and little play so we

are always eager to see any PDSers should they be passing through. My email is gillian.gordon@nyu.edu. My husband, Bob, claims to be a 'trophy' husband and lounges by the pool. He is actually media consultant and works at home. So, all is

well. It is weirdly wonderful to be back where I started at NYU film school. But great to teach and challenging to do some of my own work here executive producing. Regards to all."

More news of travels. Anne Fulper dropped me a note on 1/1/11. Her daughter, Ella, is presently living in Paris and working at an art photography book publisher. She loves it.

"Life is good."

Sia Godfrey Bauer and husband, Charles, have spent most of the winter shoveling snow at their home in Burlington, Connecticut and at their Rhode Island getaway almost every weekend. Rumor has it that Charles will have a little free time now that he is no longer judge in the town's Probate Court.

Your Class Secretary managed to check off one thing on her bucket list: to be in a community musical. Yup, at age 60, I managed to earn a part in the ensemble of a Rodgers and Hammerstein revue called, "It's a Grand Night of Singing." Memorizing the lyrics and the alto voice and the movements was

challenging but, oh, so satisfying. I met some interesting people and learned a lot about theater productions. You may recall at PDS I stayed behind the scenes doing props and lighting (with Bob Spears). But I never dared try out for a part. I'd love to do it again. I'm waiting in the wings for the opportunity to be on stage again. When I told Susan Koch LaTulippe about this, she immediately reminisced. She recalls how we used to spend hours at the piano at her house, singing Rodgers and Hammerstein songs with hopes of being in musicals! (A little foreshadowing, eh?) She remembers that we both tried out for "Finian's Rainbow" (with the PJ&B Players at McCarter Theatre). She got a part. I didn't. She was in a few local musicals for three years. During that time she also did a lot with backstage makeup. She did Christopher Reeve's (PDS '70) makeup for three years until he announced one day that he wanted to do it himself. And he did! I wonder if any of Susan's eight grandchildren will get involved with the theater?

Happy Spring.

1969

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Susan Denise Harris wrote:

"I am in Wisconsin with some Amish friends attending a board meeting for their blue cheese plant which Stan and I own.... As for me, besides the continuing Amish connection, we purchased a second home on the Isle of Palms, SC, off of Charleston and rent it when we aren't using it if anyone is interested. It's at 801 Ocean Boulevard. Our son, Thomas, is co-owner of the only full-service lacrosse store in South Carolina, Lowcountry Lacrosse (lowlax.com) and also has an apparel and uniform line, Top Left Lacrosse. He is marrying Shanna Switzer from Marshall, IL, on June 4, 2011 on Sullivan's Island, SC. We are expecting our eighth grandchild and third grandson on my 60th birthday, March 5th. Please send news to me at sahbulldog@aol.com."

Bertina Bleicher Norford and her husband recently returned to their home in Massachusetts af-

ter a six-month stay in Singapore, where Bertina's husband was doing research. She reported that the warm climate, tropical foliage, and wonderfully varied and reasonably priced food helped to make Singapore enjoyable. The place is really booming — construction everywhere. They were grateful that they could take off enough time to have some fun adventures in Malaysia, Cambodia, Vietnam, and Australia.

Bob Rathouser wrote: "On a really cold weekend in New Jersey, my first thoughts are about a recent communication from Ed Purcell (hadn't heard from him since graduation) on Facebook (it's great to reconnect and go back in time). Ed recently moved to a Caribbean Island where he is teaching anatomy, I believe, at an offshore medical school. He decided to torture me with a description of exactly what he was eating for lunch at a beachside, outdoor restaurant.....no, I didn't tell him I hoped he choked on his sandwich. Actually, it was really nice hearing from my old, even-before-PDS, Trenton friend.

"On a similar note, Susan Denise Harris rubbed my face in the proverbial sand by telling me she was out on the beach in Charleston this weekend (Jan 23), even as I was sitting by my fireplace unable to warm up. It turns out, she wasn't swimming (only her dog was) and it was only 40 degrees out (who ever thought of weather.com as a tool for truth)? There is solace in the fact that New England (and Wisconsin, Karen Hoffman Friedlander..... anybody else?) classmates of ours are worse off than I am.

"Debbie and I recently went on a 300-mile bike ride in Israel (5 days of riding over 7 days.....you can watch it at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NDk3PQZzSpU>), but I haven't been on a bike since then (I was sore for the first few weeks afterwards, then the weather turned cold.....anybody need any more excuses.....I have plenty?). Hope to rectify that soon with a ride in Dallas on February 6, over Super Bowl weekend (no, I'm not going to the game....I was one of the stupid ones who bought this ticket months ago not realizing the Super Bowl was being held in Dallas and that hotel and restaurant prices jump during mega-events.....oh, well).



Class of 1968 member **Gail Smith Cleare's** first grandchild, Camila, daughter of Gail's son, Justin and Judy.



Mirren Grodon-Crosier, daughter of **Gillian Gordon '68**, on a windy night in Bali.

Our son, Daniel, works for Expedia, and by coincidence, is in charge of the Dallas market....so, I'm holding out for a last minute cheap room, or we're staying at his apartment (a good incentive for him to find me a room). After the Dallas weekend, we're off to Cabo, and, at least, one more good bike ride. In the early spring, we'll be up in Montreal visiting Jonathan (our middle son) during a spring lacrosse tournament (in light of the focus of this communication, is there any one of you wondering why they play lacrosse (at McGill) in the fall rather than the spring.... in CANADA?). Our youngest, Ben, is visiting Jonathan this weekend in Montreal....got him a last minute continental.com 'special' (bahaha)....OK it's 1 degree there....no, I don't routinely practice child abuse....

"I'm still waiting for that oft-promised (by the New England folks) New England mid-reunion reunion.....so I'll leave it off now with that challenge. Best to all."

1970

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Rebecca Bushnell wrote that her term as Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at Penn was extended until July 1, 2013; she finds the work to be "valuable and satisfying work (overseeing a school with some 800 full- and part-time faculty, 600 staff, and 10,000 students)," but she will be glad to return to being a garden-variety faculty member when it's all over. Her daughter Emily graduated from Brown last spring with a joint major in Medieval Studies and History of Art, and is now doing library and museum work, while her daughter Ruth is finishing a Ph.D. at Cambridge University in high-energy physics and looking to return to the U.S. to do a post-doctoral fellowship. Rebecca thinks of herself as the mother of the arts and sciences.

Bob Peck wrote and sent photos. He wrote: "It was really special seeing



Bob Peck '70 and friend.

everyone at our 40th Reunion last May. Hi to Bobby and Erik, Ann and Brita, and Meg and my Trenton Sista Eve. Good to talk to you, Harriet. You've become the kind of shrink I've had need to rely on, at times. Suzanne and I are having a boy in May. I like Cyrus, but she is intent on Ian. She always wins. My 18-year-old, Schyler, lives with us. In the past year he wrecked his 300 Z and two motorcycles. I live vicariously thru his exploits. I bought a foreclosure in Oakland last April that needed everything, and now I know how to fix everything, sort of. It's on a hill overlooking the Coliseum, with periodic firework displays marking the Raiders latest losses. I can now play 'A Lighter Shade of Pale' on clarinet, organ and guitar. Love to all."

Wendy Lawson-Johnston McNeil sent a wonderful photo of her family at her son's wedding. She wrote: "Our winter news is pretty uninteresting...we are selling our house in Princeton and going to spend much more time in our cabin in South Carolina. I will be north a lot for the museum and hanging with family and friends during the spring through early fall. It's hard to say goodbye to the house we raised the children in but it is definitely time to downsize and get to some warmth a little more often. Fortunately, internet



Wendy Lawson-Johnston McNeil '70, second from right, and her family at her son, Tucker's '95, wedding.

communication makes such a transition a bit easier. Otherwise, all is the same...work, riding out west and down south and growing insanely attached to my two adorable grandsons."

Robin Murray reported exciting news: she has been elevated to fellowship by the American Institute of Architects. She is one of 15 women and 89 men in the U.S. that AIA recognized this year. She was elevated for her leadership in sustainability, smart growth and livable communities. As an example, she taught a graduate planning studio this fall at Rutgers Bloustein School on municipal renewable energy generation that was written up in local papers, the *Star-Ledger* and a national solar energy website. She also is a founder and now recently elected president of a tri-state non-profit, the Delaware Valley Smart Growth Alliance, which provides education on smart growth and recognizes and supports pre-approvals planning projects that meet smart growth policies. She also finally finished her master's of infrastructure degree in May with a thesis on comprehensive net zero development. And this winter, she is shoveling snow constantly!!!!

I, on the other hand, did not do any shoveling; there are some benefits to having had a medical blip... I enjoyed the snow days, one of the pluses of working for a school; every week in January, I had at least one day off. In December, my sister, Jane '69, a friend and I went to Cleveland for the weekend. Yes, Cleveland in December.... Jane is a huge Bruce Springsteen fan and she wanted to see a special exhibit on him at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. We had a terrific weekend; Cleveland seems to be a great town, and we were fortunate to have snuck in between two huge snowstorms....

1971

40th Reunion

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Glenna Weisberg Andersen is still busy delivering babies in Virginia. Her kids are good; they're both happy (KJ in NYC and Brett Caroline at the University of Virginia). Glenna and her husband are enjoying their empty nest status!!!

Martha Sullivan Sword, Robin Kraut Zell, Andy Katin and Ellen Fisher had a mid-winter get-together with Head Coach for Life Jan Baker. (see photo in former faculty notes section.).



A mid-winter gathering with **Robin Kraut Zell '73** (in hat on left), Jan Baker, **Andy Katin '73**, **Ellen Fisher '73** and **Martha Sullivan Sword '73**.

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From Molly:

Old friends are best: "King James used to call for his old

shoes, they were easiest to his feet." John Selden (1584-1654)

There have been lots of Class of '75 friends reconnecting with one another, and reports include some wonderful long distance support provided by old friends.

Amy Stover Garofalo's daughter, Livia, is spending this year at the University of Chicago in a post-graduate program after completing university in Italy. Amy and Livia were welcomed with open arms to Chicago by Sally Blodgett Carton, who provided a home base for Amy while she helped Livia get settled. Amy also got to visit with Jody Myer Lynch and Amy Ahrens in Wisconsin, and it sounds like they all had a blast together! Some of the McDonoughs got to see Livia during a holiday visit to her Aunt Lucy Stover '70 in Pennington; Livia is an extraordinary young woman! Our daughters, Livia and Sarah McDonough '07 were born about 10 days apart in 1989, and they have been friends since birth, including visits in Pennington, and Sarah's visit to the Garofalos' in Italy last year.

Peter Lawson-Johnston checked in with some news and photos of some of the "guys." The Three Petes were together during the summer of 2010 on



(left to right) **Tad van Dusen '75** and **Peter McLoughlin '75**.



(left to right) **Three Petes of 1975: Peter Chalverus, Peter McLoughlin, and Peter Lawson-Johnston.**

Martha's Vineyard: Peter L-J, Peter "Fritz" McLoughlin and Peter "Chevy" Chalverus. The summer of 2009 found L-J hosting Fritz and Tad van Dusen on the Vineyard. L-J also reports that Peter McLoughlin was hired to be the President of the Seattle Seahawks NFL team. He now lives in Seattle.

I vote for the next Class of '75 reunion to be held on Martha's Vineyard!



Gregory Dunn and Sarah Dunn, children of **Eric Dunn '75**.

From Eric Dunn: "Gregory is 16, Sarah is almost 14, and Domino [the dog] will soon be 10 years old. We parents would rather not state our ages! In January, Gregory will start the college application process in earnest. It has been interesting for his parents to learn how the rules have changed in a generation. All participants seem more sophisticated, and powerful market forces are at work. There are wonderful educational opportunities, however, and we are looking forward to exploring them. Sarah continues with her horse vaulting. She will enter high school next year, and already is nearly as tall as her mother. Advancing age has made Domino more timid. He avoids larger dogs when out on walks and hides under a table when he hears a loud noise. We see a little of our own futures in

his changing personality. Both Eric and Susan have new jobs. After a 10-year hiatus, Eric has returned to Intuit as Senior Vice President of Strategic Payments Initiatives. Susan now works part-time at

Bill.com, a four-year old company founded by Rene Lacerte, who also founded PayCycle, Susan's former employer. As our children grow more independent, we find ourselves with more free time, and look forward to spending it with many of you."

Alex Smith Gunderson and her husband have purchased "The Belle of Florida, the Lakeside Inn" in Mount Dora. From the Orlando Sentinel: "MOUNT DORA — The Lakeside Inn, long one of this city's iconic treasures, was sold this week to a Naples man with a long history in hotel management. Jim Gunderson, 51, said he and his wife, Alexandra (Smith Gunderson), plan to move to Mount Dora and renovate the 87-room hotel. 'The inn is a wonderful icon in the community and I feel very, very fortunate to have the opportunity to purchase it and do what I can to ensure that it is preserved, protected and restored,' Gunderson said. 'This property is just so rich with history.' Built in 1883, the inn is listed in the National Register of Historic Places."

Alex reports: "Jim is already living up there in Mount Dora and running the place and I'll be moving up as soon as our home here in Naples sells. I hope some classmates check in! First night's stay is on me. www.Lakeside-Inn.com

Okay, the next, next reunion of the Class of '75 should be at "The Belle of Florida!"

The Sword family gathered in Florida over Thanksgiving to celebrate my Mom's 85th birthday. Sally Pitcher Sword (former



Left to right: **Carl Erdman '76**, **Fred Erdman '70** and **Buzz Woodworth '73** competed for the fifth time in the 50 and over division of the 2011 US Pond Hockey Championship in Minneapolis on Lake Nokomis in January. They play on the St. Nicks team of former Middlebury College hockey alumni. This year they made it to the semi-finals.

PDS trustee) was surrounded by all of her kids, their spouses and all of the grandchildren, including daughters Molly '75 and Sarah '81, daughter-in-law Martha Sullivan Sword '73, Martha's brother, Bob Sullivan '70, grandchildren Sarah McDonough '07, Tom McDonough '10 and Will Sword '09. Other family members who did not attend PDS were also present, but your valiant reporter refuses to recognize those people. HAH!

With love to all, Molly

1976

35th Reunion

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Our condolences to **Jonathan Stein** on the passing of his mother, Virginia Stein. Jonathan sent us a copy of her obituary.

Virginia Kramer Stein, July 22, 1924-November 18, 2010 Born in Brooklyn, New York, to pioneering polio researcher Dr. Sidney David Kramer and children's book editor Nora Kramer, Virginia Kramer Stein attended Hunter College in New York and Tufts University in Boston, graduating with a degree in Occupational Therapy. Stationed at Walter Reid Army Hospital in Washington, D.C. during the late stages of World War II, it was there that she met Army Captain Jerome D. Stein, Jr., to whom she was wed in 1947 and to whom she remained married until his death 60 years later. Moving to California, she conducted her graduate studies at the Langley Porter Psychiatric Insti-



Sarah and Tom McDonough, children of **Molly Sword McDonough '75**.

tute in San Francisco. Returning east in 1957 and settling in the Somerville, NJ, area, Stein joined the staff of Bonnie Brae Farm for boys, where she served as Clinical Psychologist for many years. In addition to a private practice specializing in the testing and evaluation of children and adult therapy, she was the Consulting Psychologist to Princeton Day School from 1965 to 1985.

Stein was active in her support of mental health and education, serving on the boards of the Somerset County Mental Health Association and The North Country School. In retirement, she and her husband traveled extensively until ill health forced a move to Reading, Pennsylvania, where she lived at the time of her death. She is survived by two sons, Christopher of Oakdale, CT, and Jonathan of Reading, PA, and a granddaughter, Rachael, also of Reading, PA (a sophomore at Sweet Briar College).

Gwyneth Hamel Iredale wrote: "Looking forward to our 35th reunion and seeing how much Princeton and PDS have changed since I moved to California in '91, then Oregon in '04. I miss walking down Nassau Street and bumping into high school classmates and the friends I left behind when I moved.

"I work in sales for an Internet company that provides websites and marketing tools for top producing real estate agents. I have two young children, 8 and 11, and the hectic schedules associated with sports, music lessons, Boy Scouts, etc.

"It's hard to live in Eugene without being a U of O 'Duck' fan, especially this year when they are off to the BCS Bowl vying for the top spot in Pac 10 football.

"I'm on Facebook and Linked In, if anyone wants to connect there. And certainly, if anyone finds their way to Oregon, perhaps for a fishing trip or our spectacular scenery, forests and fresh air, please look me up. Go Ducks!"

1977

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Jennifer Weiss wrote that she

won re-election to the North Carolina House of Representatives and is in her sixth term. She and her husband, Bruce Hamilton, are keeping busy balancing work and family. Their son is a junior at Washington University in St. Louis, and their daughter is a high school junior.

Former faculty member Norm Sperling wrote: "It was good to see **Nancy Bonini** featured in HHMI Bulletin, February 2011, p 30, for her U Penn research on fruit fly models of ALS."

Alice Graff Looney wrote: "I was thinking about our yearbook, 'The Link.' I loved the chart where we filled in, 'will most likely end up' and 'lost without'. I also remember that **Tony Knott**, I believe, had a very funny quote about talking to one of the school custodians about the meaning of life. My son, now 17, is a senior in high school and I can't help but think how simple things were for us compared with the lives of today's youth. Thinking back to the chart in The Link, I chuckle to myself thinking I ended up doing Pilates at the library and am lost without my ability to text. Times change, possibilities are endless and Lady Gaga is today's Bette Midler. As e. e. cummings once wrote, 'it takes courage to grow up and become who you really are.' I hope that everyone is enjoying the beginning of our 50's phase. Please take a few minutes to send in some news for the next Journal. We'd love to hear from you."

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Ed. Note: Many thanks to **Nick Donath** and **Evan Press** for their many years of service as class correspondents. And thanks to Cathy and Martha for taking

over this role.

Sam Bryan's parents wrote that Sam and Ann now live in Seattle where Sam continues to work for Boeing. They are busy working on fixing up a "fixer-upper."

From Martha (and Cathy):

In recent weeks, people all over the globe have been asking themselves the same burning question: Isn't 30 years of unbridled tyranny enough? Well, this wasn't exactly a case of smart mob organizers deposing entrenched autocrats, but after 30 years of keeping tabs on our very active class, **Nick Donath** and **Evan Press** didn't put up much of a fight when offered the chance to hand over the reins to **Cathy White Mertz** and me, **Martha Hicks Leta**. The timing is fortuitous because with the advent of social networking, it's suddenly much easier to track down our former classmates, who, as it turns out, populate just about every corner of the globe. So, without further ado, let's get to it.

Linda Eglin Mayer: Linda left PDS to complete high school at Hotchkiss and from there graduated from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she was a Morehead Scholar. Linda says, "I have been living in Paris for about 19 years. I'm married to a Frenchman named Pierre (what else?) and have three children (Louise, 13, Eva, 11, and Max, 9). My official work is doing voices for ads (you may have heard me as Linda Evangelista on some L'Oreal ads!) and I also run a small NGO (<http://www.facebook.com/l/b3243531v-FRtj2GxjHx4IM9Uclw>; www.childrenofningxia.org). All is well."

Jeff Hirsch: Jeff moved on to Lawrenceville after seventh grade at PDS and hasn't stopped moving since. Most recently, Captain Hirsch has been recalled to active duty in support of Operation Enduring Freedom for a year-long tour as a Maritime Subject Matter Expert for the U.S. Navy. Currently stationed with the Combined Joint Task Force at Camp Lemonnier in Djibouti, Africa, the thrust of the mission is "to build and sustain enduring partnerships by fostering trust and confidence with our partner nations." More specifically, Captain Hirsch's team is responsible for "implementing

and sustaining maritime and port security." Along with his duties, Jeff has had the chance to swim with whale sharks, float in Lake Assal, and play Djibouti-style golf (picture Springdale Country Club, but with no grass and lots of camels). Jeff also sent along a bio, which I hope to have space to share more of next time. Suffice it to say, if you get the chance to tip a few with Jeff, do so. You won't be bored. Other sources of information on CJTF-HOA can be found at: <http://www.hoa.africom.mil/index.asp>. Thank you for your dedicated service, Captain Hirsch. Stay safe and GO NAVY!

Lisa Hurowitz is living in Baltimore and working for Johns Hopkins Hospital in the Pharmacy Informatics Department managing some of their computer systems. I remember Lisa as a quietly scrappy competitor and recall staring into that steely gaze in a vicious game of bombardment in which we were the last two standing. Lisa's athletic ability continued to develop beyond her post-college years when she played short field in a softball league and never failed to catch a fly ball. "The hitters stopped hitting toward me as I would always get them. I had a blast. I am still 5' nothing, but size has not much to do with ability. I ran the Phoenix half marathon in January and love to ride my bike. I have three cats and one dog and am still unmarried... know any eligible guys?" Yeah, but I'm pretty sure they couldn't keep up with you, Lisa!

Joe Lapsley: Those of you who had the chance to chat with Joe at our last reunion know he's officially Dr. Joe, having earned his PhD from the University of Illinois at Chicago. "I teach history at Loyola University, Chicago and Columbia College of Art. I teach a lot of race, class, gender and how history has shaped and/or created these concepts over time. I live with Jana Measells and two dogs in Evanston, IL." Joe periodically reunites with the Memphis band he's been in for around 25 years called Neighborhood Texture Jam (www.neighborhoodtexturejam.com). If you remember Joe at all, you'll be able to guess that this is no moldy cover band. Known for tip-of-the-knife stage performances involving things like hubcaps, dog food and chainsaws, NTJ fuses punk, industrial and funk into a heady

stew of rhythmic rock. His second solo album is SLIP: Songs of the Late Imperial Period, http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=ntt_srch_drd_B003BRL9RW?ie=UTF8&search-type=ss&index=digital-music&field-keywords=Joe+Lapsley.

Libby O'Shea was with us at PDS for only a short time, but Cathy was determined to track her down and did. Libby says, "I have been doing a lot of writing lately and my old PDS cohorts have been on my mind. It's always good to hear former acquaintances have prospered. I am currently single with a daughter in college. I live on the South Jersey shore, actually the bayside (nothing like that idiotic TV program). I received a degree from Rutgers in journalism and, like so many of our fellow Americans, I am looking for a job."

Karen Polcer Bdera still goes by "Kipi" and says, "I continue to live in Queens, NY with my husband of over 21 years, Nick. I work in development for a nonsectarian, not-for-profit in Manhattan called 'God's Love We Deliver.' We prepare and deliver nutritious meals (and nutrition counseling) to people in the midst of life altering illnesses (HIV/AIDS, cancer, Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, etc.). I continue to raise money for the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer (this year will be my 13th walk, and I have raised over \$162,000 to date for this cause), and Nick volunteers for the event. We both continue to racewalk and run. Last November was my 22nd marathon (20 New York City, one Portland, and one Oregon). I am so excited to stay in touch with my friends from PDS, both through the class notes and on Facebook — we have turned out to be quite an interesting group of people. I'm so happy to be considered an 'honorary member' of the graduating class of 1979!"

Kent Wilkinson: We found Kent on Facebook, though he's hardly the junkie that some of us (Cathy and I) are. Kent says, "Although I teach in an Electronic Media and Communications department, I'm not much of a social media maven. I'm director of the Institute for Hispanic and International Communication at Texas Tech

University. I'm having fun teaching 'Rock and Roll Media' to 160 undergrads this semester and am looking forward to taking a smaller group of students to Seville in May. I'm still riding a nearly classic BMW R90/6s for sanity's sake. Older son, Davis, is a junior at Case Western Reserve University but is in Washington, DC, this semester doing a public policy internship and taking classes at Georgetown. Younger son, Shane, is a sophomore at Princeton, studying evolutionary biology and playing football (WR). Wife, Carol, and I are still adjusting to the empty nest and traveling when we can, including visiting **Andy Jensen** and **Mark Brunner** and their (young!) families when



A Laurie Knowlton '79 photograph from her recent trip to Death Valley.

we visit Colorado."

Laurie Knowlton: "I live on the Maine coast and spend the winter months on Culebra Island in the Caribbean, where I lived for ten years. I am a photographer studying contemplative landscapes and have worked extensively with John Paul Caponigro and George DeWolfe. I teach photography both privately and at local galleries. I am lucky to be able to travel doing photography and recently returned from two glorious weeks in Death Valley and Joshua Tree Parks, as well as the Sierra Nevada and Inyo mountains. I live with my wonderful partner, Phil Roberts, and several pets. I have a gallery as well as gift store and website selling hot sauces and spice rubs

in Maine. I've enjoyed reconnecting with fellow alumni and former PDS teachers through Facebook." Cathy had the pleasure of meeting up with Laurie at her gallery/shop in Boothbay Harbor two summers ago — Laurie's breathtaking photography covers the walls, and the Saucy Contessa has a mind-blowing, tongue-numbing variety of delectable sauces and spices! Check out Laurie's passions at www.KnowltonPhotography.com and www.TheSaucyContessa.com.

Fellow correspondent **Cathy White Mertz** says: "So, here's my nutshell history: Graduated from PDS, majored in economics at Smith College, married almost 27 years to an architect, 16-year-old son, Noah, who

makes me feel proud and lucky every day, living outside of Boston, practiced law for eight years but gave it up when it became too difficult to find balance. For the past ten years, I have developed my post-career career in administrative support/office management. After this past year of being underemployed, fully employed, unemployed, and partly employed, I am now back to fully employed, happily working as an Executive Assistant and Human Resources Coordinator at a local company."

My family joined Cathy's family recently

at their home in Needham, and I can tell you she has reason to be proud. Aside from her family being wonderfully entertaining and gracious hosts, son, Noah, is bright, funny, charming, musically gifted and plays a mean game of Trivial Pursuit. My daughters asked if we could keep him.

In closing, it's been wonderful catching up with many of you by email and on Facebook. As we do our best to keep track of everyone through the years, please know that any time something comes up you wish to share, don't think you have to wait for us to hunt you down. We're always glad to hear from you. Find us on Facebook or, if you prefer, my email is mhleta@aol.com and Cathy's

is pettifog@verizon.net. We were under a tight deadline this time around, but we hope to report on many more of you in the upcoming issues. I'd also like to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to Evan Press and Nick Donath for 30 years of dedicated service as Class Secretaries to the Class of '79.

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Jonathan Brush wrote: "My three kids Patrick (12), Kevin (11) and Teagan (6) are busy playing hockey. My wife and I are busy driving them to practice!!"

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25th Reunion

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Susi wrote: "I just want to thank my classmates and the PDS community for the tremendous outpouring of kindness you have shown to me and my children in the months since the death of my husband, Robert Murphy, this past November. Your kind words, calls, letters, and emails have been bright spots in a dark time."

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Ben Mezrich, author of *The Accidental Billionaires*, the book that was adapted into the screenplay for critically acclaimed film, "The Social Network," received a shout-out at the 2011 Oscar Award ceremony. "The Social Network" was nominated for 18 awards, and received one for Best Adapted Screenplay. In his acceptance speech, screenwriter and Hollywood heavy-hitter Aaron Sorkin made sure to thank Ben. Congratulations!

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Marc Collins is finding life in Washington, DC to be quite fun. His boys are growing quickly; he is busy with work with lots of travel in South America, and his sister, Alicia '89 is making movies.

Arianna Rosati wrote: "It's early March as I type, and the year has gotten off to a bang, with marriages, babies, and businesses on the horizon. But just as often the news breaks are quiet, homey, and perfect.



Ariana Rosati '88 and Christine Grounds '88.



Mike Lingle '88 and Brooke Murphy '88.



Jim Strugger '88 and Kit Greenberg '88.



Elaine Chou '99 and Courtney Shannon '88.

To wit, Dr. **Jessie Robertson** reports: 'my ten-year-old broke her toe and my eight-year-old is brilliant to the point it scares me.' **Laura Heins** has a lot to look forward to; she had twins in January, John Brewster Hubbs IV and Conrad Hunter Hubbs (excellent middle names) and promises photos for the next Journal. "They are such a joy. It is crazy how quickly they grow and change. In the past year I have been in contact with Heidi Puchner, Dorsey McQuaig, Taylor Reed, Holly Greenberg,

Ben Travers, **Pete Sienkiewicz** and **Gill Flato**. They're all in the Bay Area.' On the East Coast, we're also pretty connected. I hosted a party at my new apartment in January with **Brooke Murphy**, **Collins Roth**, **Jamie Salkind**, **Elaine Chou**, **Courtney Shannon**, **Christine Grounds**, **Julia Herr**, **Mike Lingle**, **Jim Strugger** and **Kit Greenberg**. (See photos.) Collins brought his photojournalism binder with him from DC, and we had a great time looking at photos of everyone. We'll do it again this spring when the weather makes trips into NYC easier for those outside Manhattan. Speaking of the NJ set, when asked about the Life of Mir, **Miriam Pollard** replied, 'It was way more exciting when I was living in Colorado and Alaska. I am enjoying living in Randolph, NJ, with my husband, Jeff, and two kiddos, my son Harper (8) and daughter Talia (5 - going on 25, I might add). I have a private practice in Chatham as a Pediatric Physical Therapist. We have been spending the winter skiing just about every weekend up north and spending our summers on our road bikes. I did my first century ride (100 miles) this past fall and plan to do at least one or two more this coming summer.' While on the theme of impressive physical prowess, **Dawn Feldman Fakuda** reports that she 'ran a half marathon on honor of my 40th birthday last year, and now find myself officially bitten by the running bug, which I never would have imagined possible in high school. I signed up for another half marathon in May, and I am starting to toy with the idea that a full marathon might not be totally beyond the scope of reality.' **Julia Herr** recently joined Redwood Capital as General Counsel, 'so find myself commuting from NYC to NJ.' And hats off to **Jamie Salkind**: 'The big news for me is that one of the shows I worked on, Lewis Black's 'Stark Raving Black,' won the 2011 Grammy Award for best comedy album. I was the production manager for the album. Other than that, I'm living in NYC with my girlfriend, Starlet, and working as a production manager, post supervisor, and editor for music and comedy TV specials.' Speaking of television, stay tuned for

Brit Eaton's TV debut. He's been fielding lots of offers. I'll round out this update with reports from around the globe: **Marc Collins** is director for Latin America in Group Business Development at BAE Systems, and 'as such I'm sometimes accused of always being on travel to a naval industry show in a warm coastal city in South America when it's snowing in Washington. (I plead guilty.)' **Kit Greenberg** recently went on a whirlwind honeymoon in Southeast Asia - Hong Kong, Vietnam, Bali - with her charming Peruvian husband, Pedro, who, in that weird small-world way, I was supposed to travel around Peru with a few years ago on a group trip. I ended up in Southwest France instead. All my wanderings will hopefully pay off in Fathom, the website that I'm launching this spring at Fathomaway.com. I continue to ratchet frequent flier miles on the NY-LON circuit, though I'm just as likely to show up on the NJTransit heading to Hamilton for dinner at Chick and Nello's.

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20th Reunion

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1992 classmates (from left to right) **Courtenay Batcha, Ben Frost, Jared Bilanin, Michael Scarlata, Jason Bilanin, James Francomano, Todd Hovanec and Mike Ferry.**

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Kate Marquis is enjoying working in the Netherlands the past few years but she looks forward to coming back to the States soon, where it will be easier for her to visit PDS.

Joelle Scott has just published a book called *Digging for Disclosure: Tactics for Protecting Your Firm's Assets from Swindlers, Scammers, and Imposters*. (http://www.amazon.com/Digging-Disclosure-Protecting-Swindlers-Imposters/dp/0131385569/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1295538986&sr=8-1)

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According to the Princeton Packet, **Alex Wei** was married on July 18, 2009. He married a Vassar classmate, Catherine Anne Rothenberg Wei. Catherine is an English teacher at the Westridge School in Pasadena, CA, and Alex is an art director for feature films and commercials. Congratulations!

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From Missy: Hi everyone - Well, as always, it seems like everyone is very busy these days. I'm living in Newtown, PA, with my husband, Kevin, and my sons, Connor, 5, and Jackson, 2. We're super excited about welcoming baby McCormick #3 in May. I'm loving being home with the kids and I'm still directing/choreographing the musical at Chapin School, which is really fun. Here is some news from others in our class. **Blythe Quinlan** recently moved back to Princeton with her family, and **Deb Pollard Wepman** relocated with her family to Seattle, WA. All the way over in Switzerland, **Andrea Morrison Eckert** is anxiously awaiting the April arrival of baby boy #3, who will join big brothers Eli, 6, and Ethan, 4. **Phil Glassner** decided to join in on the relocating/having babies bandwagon. He, his wife, Kyla, and their son moved to Stockton,

NJ, and they're expecting twin boys in March. In other happy news, **Zaneta Shannon** became Zaneta Shannon Chambers when she married Darrell Chambers last October.

1996

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Kathy Knapp Schaeffer welcomed her second child, a baby boy named Cody Paul Schaeffer in September. Older sister Addison reportedly is thrilled.

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Hi everyone. As I write this we have a temporary respite in NYC from the long winter; I hope everyone survived. The last time I remember this much snow was our junior year at PDS, and if memory serves correctly it was right after the holidays and completely threw a wrench in the Upper School exam week—it was great! I have heard the following from **Ali Johnston**: "I am living in San Francisco and teaching

photography, among other things, at a public school in Oakland. I am lucky enough to live near **Julia Hathaway**, **Connie Hwong**, and not too far from **Kelly Hoffer**, so we have shared some meals and fun times together. I love the Bay area and feel sorry for all you living in cold climates. I know NYC is awesome, but don't miss the gloomy long winters. I hope you are doing well". I am sure after this winter, there are more than a few of us who are thinking that anywhere but here sounds great! I hope everyone is doing well and please send me any news you might have — it really is always wonderful to hear from classmates.

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Heather Hall is currently teaching 7th and 8th grade English and coaching girls' basketball and lacrosse at Gill St. Bernard's School in Gladstone, NJ.

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The Alumni Office has learned that September Iris Bodel was born to **Michael Bodel** and **Alehandra Parra Bodel**. According to her grandmother, PDS teacher, **Helen Bodel**, September was born a gorgeous 7.5 lb. baby girl!

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Brendan Hart '00, Charlie Denby '00, Paris McLean '00, Pierre Downing '00 and Rob Farina '00, former PDS basketball teammates, with Rob's new wife, Maresa at Rob and Maresa's wedding on October 16, 2010 in Santa Barbara, CA.



Anna Soloway '00 who has begun nursing school at NYU School of Nursing.

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Marlee Sayen wrote: "Happy Spring! I hope this Journal finds you well. We have lots of exciting news to report from the Class of 2002 including new jobs, engagements, weddings, career developments (and discovered and/or pursued passions), updates

from worldwide travelers, and new babes on the way! Personally, I don't have too much to share aside from the fact that I'm living and working in New York and am happier than ever. As always, feel free to send updates my way. It's great to share what everyone is up to since their PDS days." Here's what we rounded up for this issue...

Micaela Concool is working at Discovery and living in New York City. She recently got engaged to Rick Gold; she met him at Cornell and is getting married over Labor Day weekend in 2011!

Rebecca Bramlett wrote: "I just wanted to include that I received my Master of Arts from the University of Chicago in August 2010."

Timon Lorenzo is working for the NBA Bobcats in Charlotte, NC, until May. He encourages any PDS alums to "holler if you're there!"

Pat Southern wrote: "Since graduating from Sarah Lawrence I've spent as much of my free time immersed in music as possible. After playing in a few bands and doing some touring, I've settled into a project called Tidal Arms. We are releasing an LP this coming Sunday, which is also the first day of a national tour. Incredibly, we're playing Starland Ballroom in NJ, which is something I don't think I ever

thought I would get the chance to do. My main focus, however, has been setting up a recording studio in Brooklyn (where I now live) called Spaceman Sound. We've got a website: www.spaceman-sound.com and on it you can find a series of live videos we put together this summer, of which I'm really proud. Business is going great and I really couldn't be happier with this somewhat accidental career path."

Mike Battaglia shared that he and **Brett Haroldson** are currently collaborating on some cooking and beer demonstrations, and had their first successful one at the Meadowlands recent annual Beer Fest.

Sarah Maloney Schoenholtz wrote that she and her husband are happily expecting a baby boy late this May! Early in May, Sarah hopes to receive her MFA in Creative Writing. One of her poems is set to appear in the spring issue of Oberlin's *Field*.

Johanna Dickson shared the following news, "I left my job at Conde Nast in November to become the Social Media Manager and Blog Editor at Bernstein & Andriulli, an artist representation agency in Bryant Park. We represent artists in photography, illustration, cgi, and styling. So far I love it. I'm still living on the Lower East Side with my pup, Molly, but will probably be moving later in the summer."

Jennifer Urs is still living in Atlanta and is currently working as a graduate assistant in Compliance within the Georgia State Athletic Department and studying to get her master's in sports administration.

Erica Lanni defended her thesis in organic chemistry at the University of Michigan in January and is currently looking for a job! She will graduate at the end of April with a PhD in chemistry and a graduate certificate in science, technology and public policy. In February, she got engaged to Jonas Locke. They met as students at UM in 2008 and have been dating since late 2009.

Nathaniel Memoir Smith sent in the following update: "I am currently in Israel on birthright. Remember I was voted most likely to become a rabbi? I am leading songs with Brazilians, Israelis and Americans. I will stay until April and work on a kibbutz

doing some organic farming and songwriting and would love to hear from you guys." Nathaniel can be reached via email at: Nathansmithdrums@gmail.com.



Aviva Perlman '02 in front of her grandmother's former apartment building in Poland.

Aviva Perlman also sent an update from Israel: "I am continuing my year-long studies in Israel and having a transformative experience. I recently got back from a week in Poland on a heritage seminar with a group from my program in Israel. We visited different key parts of the country in order to explore Jewish life before, during and after the Holocaust and get in touch with our Polish-Jewish roots. I was fortunate enough to visit many places that had significance to my family, including stopping by the building in which my maternal grandmother lived before the Holocaust. It was a very powerful, meaningful and intense experience. I am eager to see what my remaining four months will have in store!"



Carolyn Dorazio English '02 and her husband John English last September on their wedding day.

Carolyn Dorazio English wrote, "I married John English last September in Boston where we live. I work at Rue La La (all you online shoppers should join)! **Stacy Kalafer** made the trip up from Miami as a bridesmaid and my brother, John '00, was a groomsman. It was a great time!"

2003

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Nanette O'Brien's mother wrote that Nanette will complete her degree in English Literature from St. Anne's College, Oxford University in June 2011. She is enjoying playing the violin with the Oxford University orchestra and various ensembles. She will be working in London in 2011.

Erin McCormick sent the following news:

Kate Chimacoff Dickens wrote, "On 1.1.11, I GOT MARRIED! My husband is a jet pilot for the Navy. We are stationed in Texas while he does more training. We are headed either to California or to Virginia in the fall. I'm working as an event coordinator and executive assistant director to the economic development council in Kingsville, Texas. We are hanging in down here just north of the border, but it's part of our world travels thanks to the Navy. I'm making the best of each day and each place we live in. It's been three moves in one year... yikes!"

Brett Downey got engaged to Nick Riggle this past June. They're getting married this coming June in the West Village. **Allie Rubin**, **Lily Mitchell**, and **Susannah Blair** are all bridesmaids. Brett wrote, "We're planning on honeymooning in Portugal this August. We also moved to a new apartment in Cobble Hill, Brooklyn, and got a kitten!"

Scott Rosenberg wrote, "Life is good in Philly! I'm a 2L at Temple Law, and planning to go into litigation (of some kind). While school is tough, golf and skiing still monopolize my free time. I'm enjoying it while I can! My best to the rest of '04!"

Jayne Basso and **Daniel Bergan** '03 are engaged.

Erin McCormick is currently working as an Interactive Producer at EatingWell Media Group. When she's not writ-

ing for or producing content for EatingWell.com, she's in the test kitchen taste-testing recipes. Erin bought her first house in Middlebury in June, adopted a six-month-old ((xx)) Heinz 57, and started a small graphic and web design business.

Emily Penick hasn't written a class note in years, so she'd like to say "Hello!" and get everyone up to date. Emily is a working director/choreographer/stage manager, and is currently earning her MFA in directing at Ohio University. Emily is loving her freelance theater career and the traveling that comes along with it. In December, Emily stage-managed a tour of the show 'Alice' in Hong Kong (a city that she now loves). She's currently choreographing a production of 'The Misanthrope' and is about to go into production for Theresa Rebeck's 'Spike Heels,' which she is directing. Emily wants to give a shout-out and a big hug to her classmate and mentors who are still living the dream in theater: **Nick Benacerraf**, **Ross Hindley**, and **Jim Ruttman**.

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Sunny Anuzis wrote: "After an extended internship, many shifts at the Bent Spoon, and much searching, I have finally landed a job at Princeton University Press! I'm the sales assistant and paperback copywriter, which basically means I get to talk about REALLY interesting books all day... couldn't be happier!"

Chris Haldane's mother proudly wrote that Chris is a junior at Penn State where he has a 4.0 GPA and is in the Schreyers Honors College. He is an engineering major.

2006

5th Reunion
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We will, I hope, all see each other at the 5th reunion in May and get updates in person then, but for those of you who can't make the reunion or can't wait for updates, here are a few things I found out about the Class of 2006.

Clark Bristol wrote in with the exciting news that he got engaged to **Jessie Love**. This marks the fourth person in our class to get engaged or married, by my count. The engagement took place on Christmas Day 2010. I have no word on when the wedding will be.

Misha Hill didn't get married, but she finally turned 21. She wrote that since her birthday, she has "thoroughly enjoyed using my real ID to get into clubs and to buy alcohol."

Hill now has a job in administrative support for HomeFront, an organization in Lawrence that works to relieve poverty in central New Jersey. Hill is part of a team in the WorkFirst NJ program "trying to help mothers who receive public assistance further their education and/or move back into the workforce."

Hill says she enjoys what she is doing and explains that even though her work "can be emotionally draining," she likes "to think I'm making a small difference for at least one person."

Currently, Hill lives at home, but she wants to save up enough money to move to a metropolitan area, "as nice as central Jersey nightlife options are for 20-somethings."

Sarah Mischner is also living in the Princeton area again, after a 24-national park detour. Mischner graduated from Smith with a BA in music last spring. She then "road-tripped around the USA for the next two months." On her travels she "painted, hiked in 24 national parks, met up with friends new and old, and tried lots of different local beers." Mischner claims she can now give advice on "how to dodge grizzlies, take the scenic route, or what to do when your brakes give out."

When she's not loitering in Small World with **Beth Wei**, Mischner is "interning at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, singing with Princeton Pro Musica, and enjoying sleeping in a real bed."

In addition to loitering in

Small World, **Wei** works for Galup & Robinson, a marketing research firm in Pennington. Wei graduated from Stanford last fall with a degree in Human Biology. She worked for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation before moving to her current job, and will be starting medical school in the fall. Wei is spending the time until medical school teaching herself how to cook. She wrote that she is "making delicious baked goods with her new stand mixer."

Charlie Turndorf is also in the area, and has started working for a company that writes software to sense color. Turndorf hopes to study game design, for which he will need experience with computer programming. He hopes to gain some of that experience at his job.

Arvind Thambidurai also has a job lined up for the summer. He plans to graduate from Rutgers in the spring and work at a co-op at Johnson & Johnson through the end of the summer. In the fall, he will begin working at Crowe Horwath, a consulting firm in New York City.

Neil Sharma wrote that he and **Zach Cherry** are working on a film project, which they are planning to release at the beginning of March. They don't want to reveal details, but Sharma wrote that he and Cherry "know the subject matter is something very dear to the hearts of their classmates." Sharma names as his influences: "Ricky Gervais, Michael Moore, and Flo from the Progressive commercials."

Sharma's description of his and Cherry's other activities is too big of a masterpiece not to be quoted in its entirety:

"Zach has begun performing at stand-up comedy clubs in the NJ/NY area, and should you get the time, you should absolutely go see him and support him. During his off-days, he spends time pwning n00bz on his Xbox, and watching multiple episodes of the cult classic '3rd Rock From the Sun.' Neil is also still looking for a job, although he claims it has become difficult to send out that many job applications in a day whilst juggling an engaging group GChat with **Mike Sarvary**, **Kevin 'Bones' Smith**, and **Kiran Vepuri**. He is going to run a 5K in April in a move that he hopes will make

him more 'aesthetically pleasing' to the female gender."

In the months leading up to our reunion, I hope to finish my thesis, which is about a dam in Turkey, and graduate from college. You can check in with me at the reunion in May to find out whether this was successfully accomplished.

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Antoine Hoppenot's mother sent news that Antoine, a junior at Princeton University, was named the 2010 Ivy League Soccer Player of the Year, an All American, and semi-finalist for the Hermann Trophy.



Hannah Epstein '08 and Tessica Glancey '08 met up in Copenhagen.

From Tess:

During their fall semesters abroad, **Hannah Epstein** and **Tessica Glancey** met up in Copenhagen and Amsterdam. Epstein studied film through NYU Tisch Dublin and directed, shot, and edited an official music video for the Irish music group, Alterosa's "Never Been Scared", while Glancey studied European history and Copenhagen's contemporary issues at the Danish

Institute for Study Abroad in Copenhagen.

Becky Tamayo is currently studying abroad and perfecting her Spanish in Seville, Spain.

Alexa Maher is currently sailing around the world with the Semester at Sea Program. She left from the Bahamas and will make her way to Dominica, Brazil, Ghana, South Africa, Mauritius, India, Singapore, Vietnam, China, Japan, Hawaii, and end in San Diego, CA.

Greg Francfort was recently appointed the Chief Financial Officer of the Georgetown University Credit Union and is very excited about the opportunity to lead the entirely student-run financial institution over the coming year.

2009

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2010

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*The school has learned of the passing of the following members of the PDS community.
We wish to extend our deepest sympathies to their families and friends.*

Ronda Binkowitz

Grandmother of Dominick Gasparro '16,
Vincent Gasparro '19 and Gianna Gasparro '21

Alexander (Whip) K. Buck,

Husband of former trustee Sally Buck; father of Alexander (Sandy) Buck, Jr. '74 and N. Harrison (Pete) Buck '77; grandfather of N. Harrison Buck '04, Henry Buck '08 and Caroline Buck '09

Margaretta Sergeant Harrison Calvert

Mother of Craig Battle '62, David Battle '65,
John Battle '71 and Kemp Battle '74

Francis X. Critchlow '38

Sister of Therese Critchlow '39

Joseph M. Conroy

Grandfather of Erin Conroy Welling '98

T. Burnet Fisher '39

Frank Garry

Grandfather of James Garry '09 and Matthew Garry '11; father-in-law of Julia Penick Garry '77

Richard R. Gilbert

Father of Allison Gilbert Kozicharow '70
and Virginia Gilbert '80

Anne Welch Gordon '39

Aunt of Elizabeth Meredith Riga '71

George Gordon

Father of John Gordon '72, Sandy Gordon Rounds '73, Richard (Dich) Gordon '75, and Margaret (Maggie) Gordon '78

Julius J. & Samuella Perlman Hafitz

Father & Mother of Miriam Hafitz '72, Michael Hafitz '73, Rebecca Hafitz Hull '77 and Andrew Hafitz '80

ALBERTO PETRELLA

Princeton Day School lost a beloved member of the community, long-time groundskeeper and rink manager extraordinaire Alberto Petrella, who passed away in January.

Beginning in 1968 and stretching until 1993, Mr. Petrella's tenure at Princeton Day School was remarkable for its length and memorable for its reach. Alberto passed on his enthusiasm and knowledge of sports to countless Panther athletes. In 2000, he was inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame in a special category that honors the contributions of those "whose example of uncommon commitment, dedication and support of our athletic program is worthy of special recognition." In every possible way, Alberto, and his contributions to the life of the school he loved, were uncommon.



John (Jack) Henderson '51

Sister of Patricia Henderson Lincoln '56

Catherine Rodwell Hill '39

Robert Johnson

Husband of Flik kirchen staff member, Elle Johnson

Helen Kreisler '86

Sister of Stephen Kreisler '84

Louisa Lambert

Former president of the Parents' Association; mother of Kelly Lambert Walker '83, Samuel W. Lambert '86, and Sarah Lambert Dolan '89

Lee LaPlaca

Grandmother of Laurie LaPlaca Holladay '76

Kay Lasley

Grandmother of Caylin Brahane '11 and Charles Brahane '15; mother-in-law of Trustee Marc Brahane

Mary Kerney Levenstein '58

Sister of Ellen Kerney '53, J. Regan Kerney '61 and T. Lincoln Kerney '65

Virginia Lockwood

Former faculty; mother of Julia Lockwood '67

Natalie S. Marcus

Mother of Roger Marcus '60 and Richard Marcus '62; grandmother of Elissa Marcus Massimo '90 and Julie Marcus Downs '91

Robert J. Mayes

Father of Bryanna Mayes '09

Harriette McLoughlin

Mother of John McLoughlin '63, Hollis McLoughlin '65 and Peter McLoughlin '75

Suzanne Paris McCormick '34

Dunstan McNichol

Husband of former Director of Communications Michelle Ruess

Bruce McPherson

Husband of Susan Shea McPherson '62

Bart Meredith

Brother of Elizabeth Meredith Riga '71

William Michaels

Husband of Artist-in-Residence Judy Michaels

Leland L. Moyer

Father of Leland (Andy) Moyer, Jr. '90, Michael V. Moyer '91 and J.D. Moyer '96

Antoinette Mundenar

Grandmother of Paige Dennis-Mundenar '12, Madison Mundenar '18 and Skylar Mundenar '20; mother-in-law of Trustee Jill Mundenar

Robert Murphy

Husband of Susan Franz Murphy '86; son-in-law of former woodworking teacher Andrew Franz

Christine Otis '67

Sister of Kim Otis '72; aunt of Anna Otis '10

Joe E. Penick

Grandfather of Emily Penick '04

STANLEY CHARLES SMOYER

A dear friend of Princeton Day School, Stanley Charles Smoyer passed away in December at his home in Princeton.



Stan was associate general counsel for the Johnson & Johnson Corporation at the time of his retirement in 1974, and was actively involved in the Princeton community from the time he moved here in 1946. Serving as a Trustee to Princeton Day School from 1977-1981, and then as Trustee Emeritus, Stan also served on the Princeton Township council, including one year as mayor, and was a driving force in the founding and continuation of the Greater Princeton Area Community Foundation. As a strong believer in the value of athletic competition, Stan hoped to pass this love on to others by supporting the creation of athletic fields in the community, including Princeton Day School's own Smoyer Field.

Alberto Petrella (see box)

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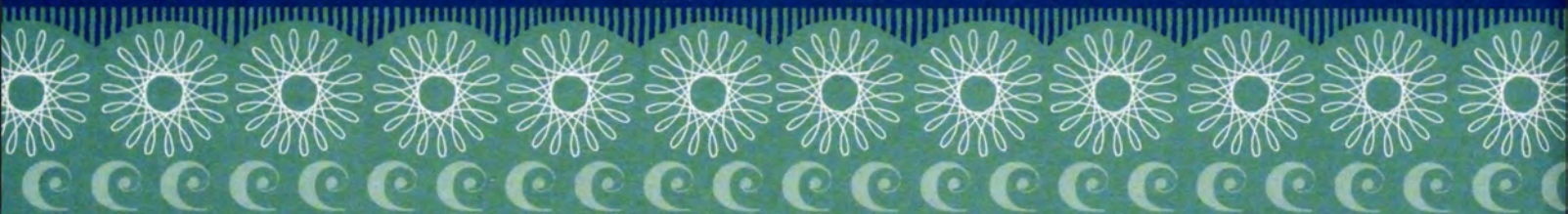
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