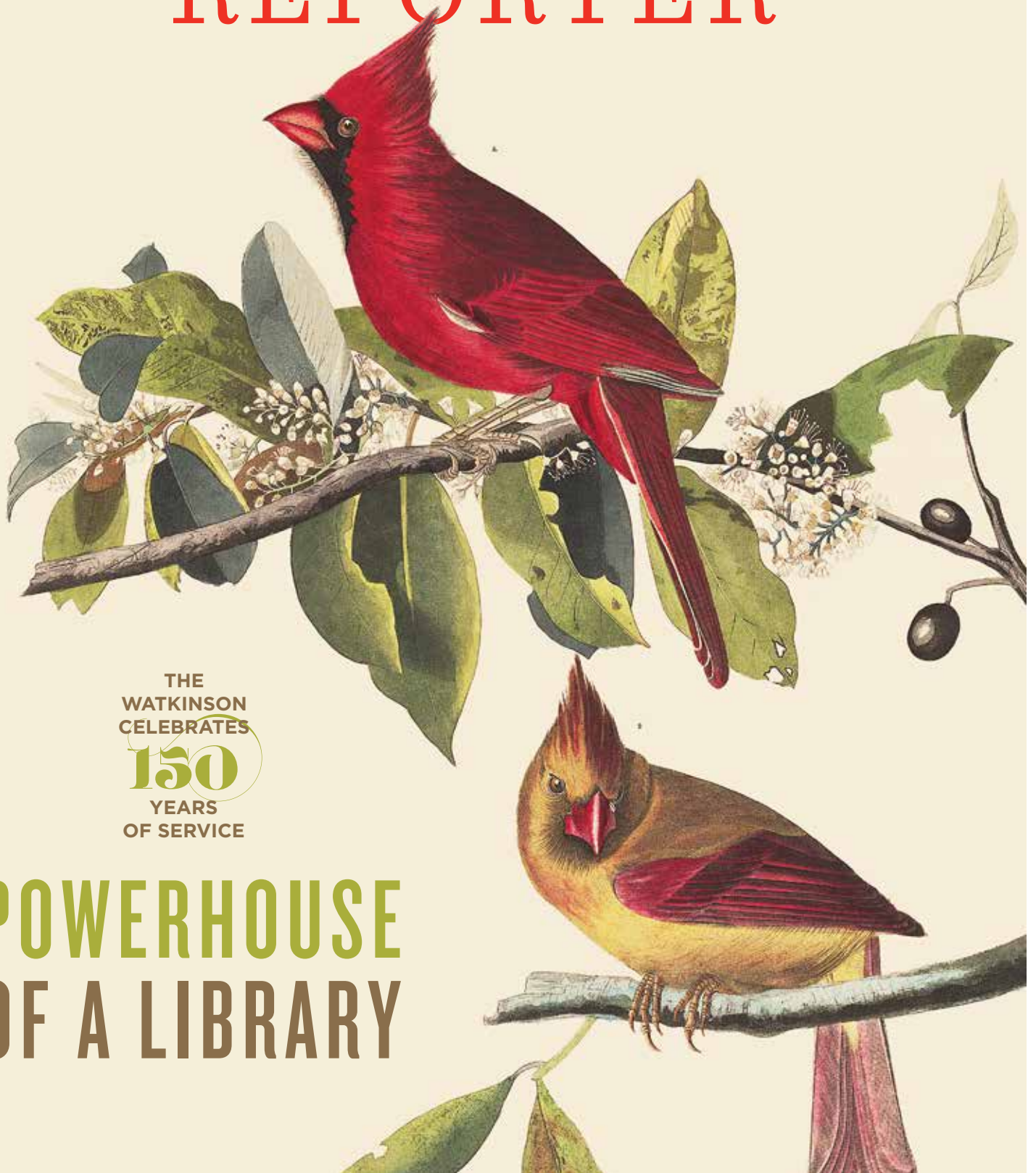


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## MCGILL LECTURE SERIES

Anida Yoeu Ali, Patricia C. and Charles H. McGill III '63 Visiting Assistant Professor of International Studies, holds an audience of approximately 300 spellbound during her April 2016 presentation, "Transcending the In-Between: A Lecture, Performance, and Visual Experience of Hybridity, Otherness, and Exiled Bodies." Here she performs the last part of a three-sequence act, "Push," encouraging her audience to pelt her with 99 raw eggs. "Eggs essentially represent women," she explained. "In my world, women are heroes." "They are the duality of fragility and a target for hostility, particularly within the Muslim world."



For more about Ali's presentation, please visit [commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter](https://commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter).

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## ON THE COVER

The "Cardinal Grosbeak" is plate 159 of John James Audubon's *The Birds of America*, one of the world's rarest books. The Watkinson Library's copy of the book is among the finest still in existence. It was originally owned by engraver Robert Havell, who brought it to America in 1839. Just before his death in 1878, Havell sold it to a dealer, who in turn sold it to Trinity alumnus Gurdon Russell, Class of 1834. Russell donated it to Trinity in 1900, and it became the cornerstone of a collection of natural history and ornithology, augmented in 1983 by the gift of more than 6,000 volumes of ornithology and an endowed fund to support the collection by Ostrom Enders H'76.

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# ALONG THE WALK

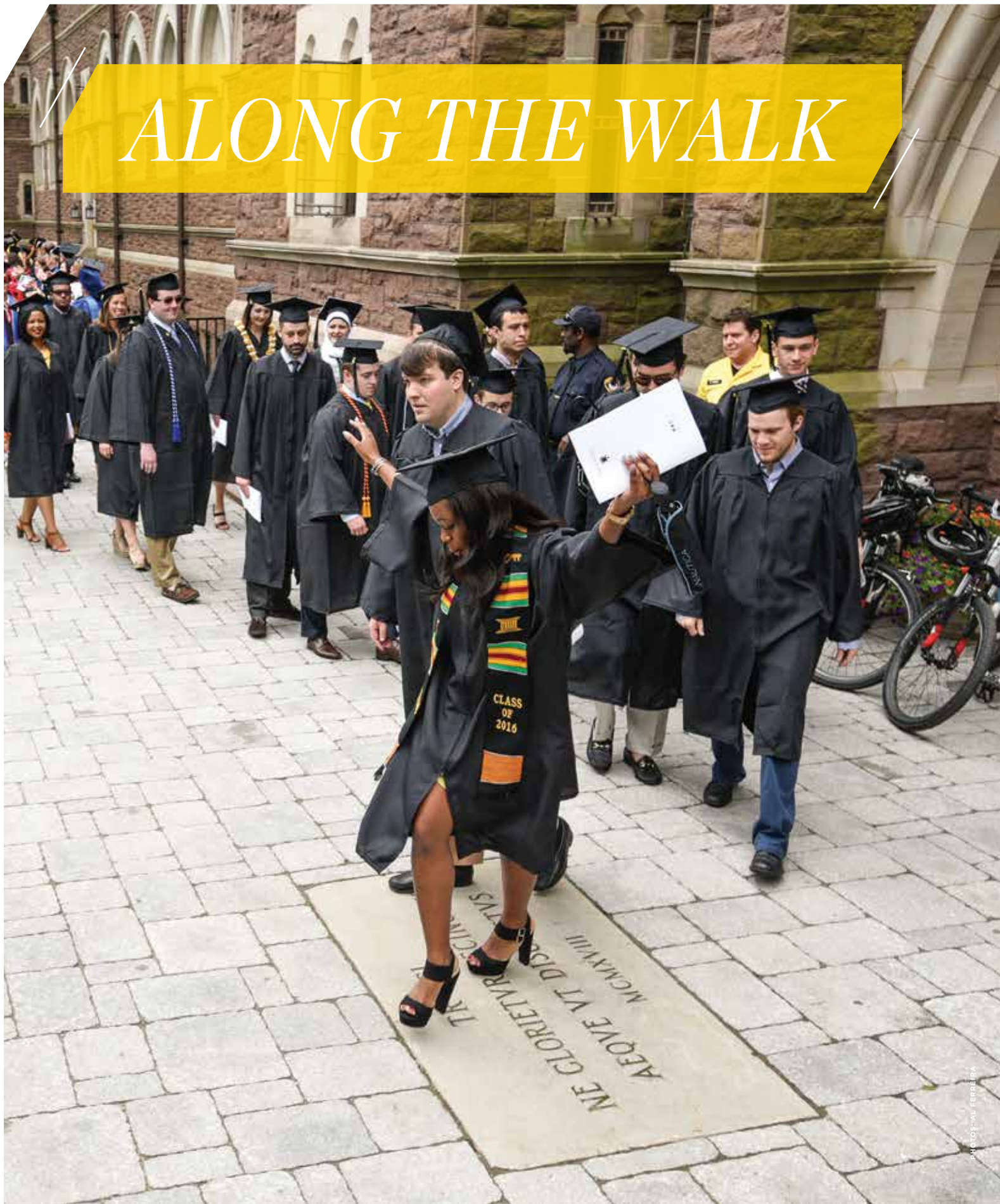


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# Commencement 2016

“This is the time that you can best afford to sample all that life has to offer,” William K. Marimow ’69, editor of *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, said to the 585 graduates receiving their degrees at Trinity College’s 190th Commencement on Sunday, May 22.

During his Commencement address, the Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist told the 536 undergraduates and 49 master’s degree students, “I have three themes today, and they are all interrelated: First, find a mentor at your first job and in all the jobs you ever have. Second, make sure to contribute to the public good. It will enhance the world we live in, and it will enhance your own lives. And, last but not least: Learn to listen. It’s a lost art and an invaluable skill.”

For his accomplishments in journalism and his dedication to Trinity, Marimow was awarded an honorary doctor of letters degree. Other honorands were Miriam Colón-Valle, who received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree in recognition of her career as a pioneer of Hispanic theater, and Michael P. Conforti ’68, P’16, who received an honorary doctor of fine arts degree for his promotion of the visual arts, arts education, and community involvement with arts institutions.

Graduate Hamdi Hamza Abdi, a biology major from Sewanee, Georgia, who was selected as the student speaker, asked, “Who gets to be Trinity?” She told her classmates, “Getting here was hard. ... It matters that you are all here. It matters to me and it matters to you and it matters that we will all stay Trinity.” Her address received a standing ovation from the crowd.

The valedictorian was Jami R. Cogswell of Glastonbury, Connecticut, a Jacob W. Edwards Memorial Scholar and R.C. Knox and Company Scholar. She earned a B.S. summa cum laude with dual majors in mathematics and classical studies, the latter of which she completed with honors. She also minored in Latin. The salutatorian was her twin sister, Darcy J. Cogswell, an Oliver F. Johnson Memorial Scholar and R.C. Knox and Company Scholar. She earned a B.A. summa cum laude with a major in classical studies and a minor in history.

## ACCOLADES

### Trustee Awards for Faculty, Student, and Staff Excellence

**Faculty:** Craig W. Schneider, *Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology* **Students:** Jami R. Cogswell ’16, Julia Rose Duggan ’16 **Staff:** Amy F. Brough, *Director of Institutional Support*; Laura R. Lockwood, *Director of the Women & Gender Resource Action Center (WGRAC)*

### The Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence

John Platoff, *Professor of Music*

### The Arthur H. Hughes Award for Teaching Excellence

Jennifer M. Regan-Lefebvre, *Assistant Professor of History*



For more Commencement photos and a video of the ceremony, please visit [commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter](https://commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter).

# THOMAS CHURCH The Brownell Prize *for* TEACHING EXCELLENCE

Calling on Trinity alumni  
to honor the professors who  
made an impact on their lives

Did you have a teacher who changed the way you think? Influenced your career choices? Helped you to wake up intellectually? Or in any other way altered your life? If so, you have a wonderful chance to pay tribute to that teacher. The Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence, which recognizes consistently outstanding teaching by a senior faculty member, is awarded annually at Commencement. All alumni are invited to submit nominations explaining in 200 to 300 words why they believe a favorite professor deserves this prestigious award. Nominations should be sent to Nan Horton via e-mail ([nancy.horton@trincoll.edu](mailto:nancy.horton@trincoll.edu)) or postal mail (Office of the Dean of the Faculty, Williams Memorial 118 at the College). The nomination deadline is Friday, **November 4, 2016**.

Associate professors, full professors, senior lecturers, and principal lecturers who have been at the College for at least three years, will not retire or begin phased retirement prior to June 30, 2017, and have not previously received the Brownell Prize are eligible. A complete list of eligible faculty appears at right.

The Brownell Prize Selection Committee hopes many graduates will nominate someone whose teaching made a critical contribution to their education.

The Brownell Prize was created through an endowment gift from an anonymous alumnus in 1986. Robert Stewart (mathematics) was the first recipient, followed in order by Diane Zannoni (economics), Drew Hyland (philosophy), Milla Riggio (English), Dina Anselmi (psychology), Craig Schneider (biology), Dirk Kuyk (English), Henry DePhillips (chemistry), Jack Chatfield (history), Sheila Fisher (English), Ralph Morelli (computer science), Tim Curran (chemistry), Frank Kirkpatrick (religion), Ellison Findly (religion), Sam Kassow (history), Gerald Moshell (music), Daniel Blackburn (biology), and John Platoff (music).

**QUESTIONS?** If you have questions about the Brownell Prize, please direct them to Sylvia DeMore, special assistant to the dean of the faculty, at [sylvia.demore@trincoll.edu](mailto:sylvia.demore@trincoll.edu).



## 2017 BROWNELL PRIZE ELIGIBLE FACULTY MEMBERS

The Brownell Prize was named for the first president of Trinity College, who served from 1824-1831.

Rasha Ahmed  
John Alcorn  
Zayde Antrim  
Carol Any  
Paul Assaiante  
Davarian Baldwin  
Wendy C. Bartlett  
Brett Barwick  
Janet Bauer  
Jeffrey Bayliss  
Barbara Benedict  
Ciaran Berry  
Sarah Bilston  
Harry Blaise  
Jennifer Bowman  
David Branning  
Joseph Byrne  
Jean Cadogan  
Stefanie Chambers  
Lin Cheng  
William Church  
Carol Clark  
Sean Cocco  
Robert Corber  
Kathleen A. Curran  
Wendy Davis  
Dario Del Puppo  
Pablo Delano  
Jeffrey Devanney  
Jack Dougherty  
Kent Dunlap  
Andrea Dyrness  
Jonathan Elukin  
Dario Euraque  
Diana Evans  
Johannes Evelein  
Lesley Farlow  
Lucy Ferriss  
Luis Figueroa  
Michael C. FitzGerald  
Edward Fitzgerald  
Robert Fleming  
Andrew Flibbert  
Lisa-Anne Foster  
Adrienne Fulco  
Scott Gac  
Eric Galm  
Christoph Geiss  
John Georges  
Francisco Goldman  
Alden Gordon  
Jonathan Gourley  
Cheryl Greenberg  
Adam Grossberg  
Hebe Guardiola-Diaz  
Christopher Hager  
Kifah Hanna  
Thomas Harrington  
Caitlin Hitchcock  
Christopher Hoag  
Laura Holt  
Karen Humphreys  
Shafqat Hussain  
Barbara Karger  
Jean-Marc Kehrès  
Kathleen Kete  
Ronald Kiener  
Sara Kippur  
Robert Kirschbaum  
Katherine Lahti

Anne Lambright  
Michael Lestz  
Dan Lloyd  
Donna-Dale Marcano  
Seth Markle  
Susan Masino  
David Mauro  
Lida Maxwell  
Kevin McMahon  
Priscilla Melendez  
John Mertens  
Anthony Messina  
Takunari Miyazaki  
Janet Morrison  
Ralph Moyer  
Garth Myers  
Jane Nadel-Klein  
Taikang Ning  
Beth Notar  
Michael O'Donnell  
Joseph Palladino  
Guilliana Palma  
Irene Papoulis  
Anne Parmenter  
Maria Parr  
Diana Paulin  
Robert Peltier  
Mitchell Polin  
Katharine Power  
Vijay Prashad  
Michael Preston  
Richard Prigodich  
Miguel Ramirez  
Sarah Raskin  
Denise Rau  
Jennifer Regan-Lefebvre  
Gary Reger  
David Reuman  
Martha Risser  
Dan Román  
David Rosen  
Clare Rossini  
Paula Russo  
Todd Ryan  
Mary Sandoval  
Arthur Schneider  
Mark Setterfield  
Yipeng Shen  
Mark Silverman  
Scott Smedley  
Gregory Smith  
Madalene Spezialetti  
Mark Stater  
George Sutor  
Charles Swart  
Patricia Tillman  
Kristin Triff  
James Trostle  
Stephen Valocchi  
Erik Vogt  
Maurice Wade  
Rieko Wagoner  
Barbara Walden  
Chloe Wheatley  
Denver Williams  
Johnny Williams  
Gail Woldu  
Nancy J. Wyshinski  
Peter Yoon  
Prakash Younger



Katie Clair, Trinity's international student adviser, shakes hands with the statue of Dr. Shōyō Tsubouchi, who is credited with translating Shakespeare into Japanese, during her recent Fulbright trip to Japan. Clair said that "legend has it that if you shake his hand, you will graduate from Waseda University."

# FULBRIGHT

## FOR INTERNATIONAL ADVISER

As Trinity's international student adviser, Katharine "Katie" Clair serves as adviser, advocate, counselor, and connector for students who have journeyed from around the world to study at the College. She helps students negotiate the myriad challenges of study in the United States, from completing the necessary government paperwork to navigating the idiosyncrasies of an educational system that is oftentimes markedly different from their own. This transition can be particularly difficult for Asian students, whose culture and educational system are quite different from those in the United States and Europe. Thus, Clair was thrilled when she learned that she had been awarded one of just 10 places in the prestigious Fulbright United States-Japan International Education Administrator (IEA) Program that took place June 12–24 of this year.

Clair has extensive experience in Europe but said that her depth of knowledge in Asia was markedly less, possibly hampering her ability to assist students from this part of the world. "Japan is a high-context culture, and you really need to experience it firsthand to understand it. Spending time in the country helped me not only to understand Japanese students better but also to gain insights into their culture and educational system so that I can better help them adjust to life on an American campus."

The importance of understanding the challenges that Asian students face is doubly pressing for Clair in light of Trinity's newly established exchange partnership with Rikkyo University, a liberal arts college in Tokyo. As a result, she was particularly enthusiastic about the IEA agenda, which offered visits to local colleges and universities in Japan, meetings with students, and conversations with Japanese government officials in higher education. "It was incredibly valuable for me to meet my counterparts from Rikkyo, see the environment our exchange students will be coming from, and familiarize myself with the resources available to them in Japan versus here," she said.

## New Faculty Appointed

THE FOLLOWING NEW TENURE-TRACK FACULTY BEGAN APPOINTMENTS AT THE COLLEGE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016.

### MICHAEL A. GRUBB

#### Assistant Professor of Psychology

B.A., Psychology, The University of Oklahoma  
M.A., Global Studies, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan  
M.A., Experimental Psychology, New York University  
Ph.D., Experimental Psychology, New York University  
Dissertation: *Spatial Attention in Autism Spectrum Disorder*  
Postdoctoral Associate, Center for Neural Science, New York University

### MAREIKE KOERTNER

#### Assistant Professor of Religion

B.A., Arabic Studies and Political Science, University of Leipzig, Germany  
M.Phil., Arabic and Islamic Studies, Yale University  
Ph.D., Arabic and Islamic Studies, Yale University  
Dissertation: *We Have Made Clear the Signs—Dalā'il al-Nubūwa: Proofs of Prophecy in Early Hadith Literature*  
Koertner has been a visiting assistant professor of religion at Trinity for the last two years.

### LUIS A. MARTINEZ

#### Assistant Professor of Neuroscience

B.S., Psychology, University at Buffalo  
M.S., Neuroscience, Georgia State University  
Ph.D., Neuroscience, Georgia State University  
Dissertation: *Neural Regulation of Sexual Solicitation in Female Syrian Hamsters: Role of Oxytocin*  
Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Neuroscience, University of Minnesota

### AMBER L. PITT

#### Assistant Professor of Environmental Science and Biology

B.A., Zoology, University of Vermont  
M.S., Interdisciplinary Ecology, University of Florida  
Ph.D., Interdisciplinary Ecology, University of Florida  
Dissertation: *Freshwater River Turtle Populations Influenced by a Naturally Generated Thermal Gradient*  
Postdoctoral Research Fellow and Wetlands Project Manager, School of Agricultural, Forest, and Environmental Sciences, Clemson University

### EWA SYTA

#### Assistant Professor of Computer Science

B.S., Computer Engineering, Military University of Technology, Warsaw, Poland  
M.S., Computer Engineering, Military University of Technology, Warsaw, Poland  
M.S., Computer Information Technology, Central Connecticut State University  
M.Phil., Computer Science, Yale University  
Ph.D., Computer Science, Yale University  
Dissertation: *Identity Management through Privacy-Preserving Authentication*

### VINCENT TOMASSO

#### Assistant Professor of Classics

B.A., Classics, University of Washington  
Ph.D., Classics, Stanford University  
Dissertation: "Cast in Later Grecian Mould": Quintus of Smyrna's Reception of Homer

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

BY MARY HOWARD

*Patricia Mairs Klestadt '80, P'09, '11*

As a founding member and chair of the Women's Leadership Council (WLC), Patricia Mairs "Trish" Klestadt '80, P'09, '11 is helping to engage Trinity women in the life of the College. "As a female graduate and the mother of two female graduates, I could not be more vested in supporting our fellow alumnae."

Created in 2010 — in conjunction with the 40th anniversary of coeducation at Trinity — by female trustees of the College, the WLC encourages alumnae to help shape Trinity's future and to be responsive to the needs of female undergraduates, she says. It does this in three ways: strengthening alumnae ties to the College by encouraging greater involvement

in leadership and philanthropy, supporting Trinity women at all stages of their careers, and mentoring undergraduates as they prepare for their professional journeys after college.

In the six years since its inception, the WLC has grown its membership from 27 to nearly 300 women across the country. "It's an exciting time for women at Trinity," says Klestadt. WLC programming ranges from small alumni gatherings to larger networking events. This

past February, the council co-sponsored a Career Exploration Trek in Washington, D.C., with the Career Development Center, where 16 students visited seven sites in the city — including Georgetown University and Capitol Hill — and met with alumnae at a networking reception.

Klestadt is particularly proud of the first Women's Leadership Council Scholarship, awarded this past spring to Gabriella Brown '19. "Philanthropy is a large part of our mission, and we are very excited to have established a scholarship fund, which we hope to grow."

The success of the WLC is no surprise to Melissa Bronzino Regan '87, associate director of alumni relations,

council member, and staff liaison to the council. "Trish epitomizes everything the WLC represents. She is an incredible leader with a finger on the pulse of what is happening on campus now."

An art history and English literature major, Klestadt turned her liberal arts education into a successful career in law. After earning a degree from Brooklyn Law School, she worked as a legal recruiter for Fergus Associates in New York City before starting her own firm in Scarsdale, New York. "At Trinity, I learned how to think critically and express those thoughts in writing," Klestadt says.

She has remained involved with her alma mater since graduation, serving as a class agent and as a member of the Class of 1980's Executive Board and of the Reunion Gift Committee. She and her husband, Peter, also chaired the Parent Directors of Trinity College and served on the Board of Fellows together. "I like to spend my volunteer resources where they can make a difference," says Klestadt, who believes that Trinity's low student-to-faculty ratio allows for meaningful student mentoring.

As an undergraduate, she and classmates enjoyed dinners at the home of Alden Gordon '69, now Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of Fine Arts. "He and his wife, Jean, were great mentors. Jean [Cadogan, professor of fine arts] worked at the Wadsworth at the time, and they were very welcoming to students," she says. Gordon advised Klestadt's interdisciplinary honors thesis on Baudelaire as an art critic.

Klestadt passed her love of art history to her daughters, Alexandra '09 and Lauren '11, who both majored in the subject. Lauren is an associate art buyer for One Kings Lane, an online home furnishings retailer. Alexandra worked at The Metropolitan Museum of Art and Sotheby's in New York City and is now an underwriter for ARIS, a fine art title insurance company. She is also a J.D. candidate at New York Law School, further following in her mother's footsteps. Both daughters are active members of the WLC and are helping students and recent graduates network and find career opportunities. Says Klestadt of her daughters, "I am so grateful they received the same wonderful education that I did."





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## AROUND HARTFORD

For nearly 25 years, **The Connecticut Forum** has hosted lively and relevant discussions about the day's most pressing topics. The events feature high-profile panelists and regularly sell out The Bushnell's Mortensen Hall in downtown Hartford. Since 1992, The Connecticut Forum has hosted a veritable who's who of panelists, including Bill Clinton, Kurt Vonnegut, Elie Wiesel, Walter Cronkite, Ann Coulter, Toni Morrison, Alec Baldwin, Anthony Bourdain, Samantha Bee, Gloria Steinem, and many more of the world's most influential figures. This season's topics include "The Future of Higher Education," which is set for December 1, 2016, and will focus on how higher education is evolving and what needs to change. For more on The Connecticut Forum, of which Trinity College is an education partner, please visit [commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter](http://commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter) or [ctforum.org](http://ctforum.org). Follow @ReporterAroundHartford on Instagram for more photos.



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# Reunion 2016

Trinity College was a sea of blue and gold as nearly 1,000 alumni and their family members returned to campus for Reunion 2016, held June 9-12. This year's Reunion reconnected Bantams from class years ending in 1s and 6s.

The festivities kicked off on Thursday night with a Class of 1966 welcome dinner hosted by the Reverend William Eakins '66, P'01 and wife Hope P'01 at their home. Throughout Reunion, alumni enjoyed more than 70 events, including Friday night's traditional New England-style clambake, Saturday's bagpipe-led Parade of Classes down the Long Walk, Alumni Convocation, Reunion class dinners, and alumni- and faculty-led presentations. This year introduced the first-ever All-Reunion 5K Run/Walk, a beer tasting at the boathouse, and a scavenger hunt at the Chapel.

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 Peyton Tansill Muldoon '91

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Samuel D. Kassow '66

**THE ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Dan Berman '01

**THE KATHLEEN O'CONNOR BOELHOUWER ALUMNAE INITIATIVE AWARD**

Eleanor Wenner Kerr '81, P'13

**THE GARY W. MCQUAID AWARD**

Thomas Chappell '66, H'06, P'89, '92, '97, '06

**THE OUTSTANDING CLASS SECRETARY AWARD**

Aileen Doherty '86

**BOARD OF FELLOWS AWARD**

Class of 1991

**JEROME KOHN AWARD**

Class of 1966

**GEORGE C. CAPEN TROPHY**

The Trinity Club of Washington, D.C.

/ 1 / Rob Aiello '81 and Eleanor Wenner Kerr '81, P'13 lead the Parade of Classes down the Long Walk for the Class of 1981. / 2 / Russell Fugett '01, Casey Tischer '01, Miguel Marquez '01, and Ben Sayles '01 stop for breakfast before heading to Convocation. / 3 / Peyton Tansill Muldoon '91, center, celebrates receiving the Alumni Medal for Excellence with President Joanne Berger-Sweeney and Vice President for College Advancement Jack Fracasso during Convocation. / 4 / Maggie Moore, Joe Moore '66, Walt Siegel '66, Luvia Sniffen, Tim Sniffen '66, and Sandy Mason '66 enjoy the Half-Century Luncheon. / 5 / President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, center, welcomes Dhuane Schmitz Tansill P'91, '96 and Henry Zachs '56 to the Celebration of Societies Reception at her home. / 6 / Ed Landes '66, David Sample '71, P'06, '09, '15, Nancy Landes, and George Andrews '66 compare the artwork of American artist Gilbert Stuart, featured on the \$1 bill, with a painting at the President's House. / 7 / Guy Thomas, William Thomas '86, P'20, A.J. Hern '86, Margaret Figueroa Hern '86, Heather Moody Thomas '86, P'20, Jane Thomas, and Jay Gangi '86 enjoy the New England-style clambake on the Main Quad. About 500 alumni and their family members attended the Friday night event. / 8 / Samantha Alcalá '11, Yasmin Sinclair '11, Yodalis Moran '11, Channon Miller '11, and Cecil Tengtatenga '11 reconnect at Reunion. / 9 / Liz Agresta '11, Wendy Gibilisco '12, Katie Sausen '10, Liz Dalton '11, Katie Marinello '11, and Rachel Lynch '11 reminisce at the All-Reunion Breakfast.



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## RECENT PUBLICATIONS

### ***Feminism and Avant-Garde Aesthetics in the Levantine Novel***

Kifah Hanna, Associate Professor of Language and Culture Studies  
Palgrave Macmillan, 2016; 198 pages

### ***Public Intellectuals and Nation Building in the Iberian Peninsula, 1900–1925: The Alchemy of Identity***

Thomas S. Harrington, Professor of Language and Culture Studies  
Bucknell University Press, 2015; 313 pages

### ***Urban Environments in Africa: A Critical Analysis of Environmental Politics***

Garth Myers, Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of Urban International Studies  
Policy Press, 2016; 214 pages

### ***Música de Palladium***

Dan Román, Associate Professor of Music  
Innova Recordings, 2015

### ***The Evolution of Glory Loomis***

Michael Bassen '66  
Cedar Grove Publishing, 2015; 354 pages

### ***Getting Better with Age: Improving Marketing in the Age of Aging***

Peter B. Hubbell '81  
LID Publishing Inc., 2015; 303 pages

### ***The Old Rush: Marketing for Gold in the Age of Aging***

Peter B. Hubbell '81  
LID Publishing Inc., 2014; 166 pages

### ***A Practical Guide to Software Licensing for Licensees and Licensors, 6th Edition***

H. Ward Classen '82  
American Bar Association, 2016; 834 pages

### ***The Tapping Solution: A Revolutionary System for Stress-Free Living***

Nick Ortner '99  
Hay House, Inc., 2013; 233 pages

### ***The Tapping Solution for Pain Relief***

Nick Ortner '99  
Hay House, Inc., 2015; 220 pages

### ***The Big Book of Hugs: A Barkley the Bear Story***

Nick Ortner '99  
Hay House, Inc., 2016; 32 pages

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Eric Galm, associate professor of music; Josh Gruss '96; President Joanne Berger-Sweeney; and Cornie Parsons Thornburgh '80, chair of the Board of Trustees



# BRINGING MUSIC TO LIFE

For Josh Gruss '96, the dream of giving back to his alma mater reached a high note with the opening of Trinity College's Gruss Music Center on May 19.

The facility features a Music Hall with acoustical treatments to accommodate the teaching, rehearsal, and performance of all genres of music. Its electronic music lab, underwritten by an anonymous donor, more than doubles the technology and seating of the previous space. The center also boasts a state-of-the-art recording room and four practice rooms, each with recording capabilities.

At the event, Cornie Parsons Thornburgh '80, chair of Trinity's Board of Trustees, thanked Gruss for his support of the project. She also recognized leadership donors Palmer Sloan Harckham '82 and Finley Harckham P'10, '15, '16, and Richard Field '63, who gifted the front entrance and a practice room, respectively. "We are here to celebrate a renewed dedication to music education at Trinity, made possible by the leadership and philanthropy of many in attendance," Thornburgh said. She also recognized Eric Galm, associate professor of music and chair of the Music Department, for "his vision of music education."

In her remarks, Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney noted that the new center further establishes the performing arts as an important component of a liberal arts education and that Gruss's gift helps to ensure that it will be a mainstay of a Trinity education for future musicians, writers, and performers.

Said Gruss, "This is a momentous day for the Music Department and all the musicians on campus who now have a wonderful place to call their home. Music is the lifeblood of many new experiences. ... It's universal and connects people around the world, and I'm sure that the center will connect everyone on campus."

Gruss started playing guitar at a young age and aspired to have a career in music. He graduated from Trinity with a B.A. in French and Italian and earned an executive M.B.A. from Columbia University and the London Business School. He also attended Berklee College of Music and serves on its Board of Trustees. Gruss, a former member of Trinity's Board of Trustees and Board of Fellows, is CEO and chairman of Round Hill Music, a full-service music publishing and rights-management company whose catalog includes songs by Frank Sinatra, the Rolling Stones, and The Beatles.



For more photos and a video of the opening, please visit [commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter](https://commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter).

## INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

Trinity College will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit (March 5–8, 2017) by a team representing the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (CIHE) of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. The Commission is one of seven accrediting commissions in the United States that provide institutional accreditation on a regional basis. Accreditation is voluntary and applies to the institution as a whole. The Commission, which is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education, accredits approximately 240 institutions in the six-state New England region.

Trinity has been accredited by the Commission since 1929 and was last reviewed in 2007. Its accreditation by the New England Association encompasses the entire institution.

For the past year and a half, Trinity has been engaged in a process of self-study, addressing the Commission's *Standards for Accreditation*. An evaluation team will visit the institution to gather evidence that the self-study is thorough and accurate. The team will recommend to the Commission a continuing status for the institution. Following a review process, the Commission itself will take the final action.

### The public is invited to submit comments regarding the institution to:

Public Comment on Trinity College  
Commission on Institutions of Higher Education  
New England Association of Schools and Colleges  
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Burlington, MA 01803-4514  
E-mail: cihe@neasc.org

Public Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution. The Commission cannot settle disputes between individuals and institutions, whether those involve faculty, students, administrators, or members of the other groups. Comments will not be treated as confidential and must include the name, address, and telephone number of the person providing the comments.

Public Comments must be received by March 8, 2017. The Commission cannot guarantee that comments received after that date will be considered.

## TRUMAN SCHOLAR



**Margaret Brown '17**, an urban studies and human rights double major, has been awarded a 2016 Harry S. Truman Scholarship, which includes a \$30,000 award for graduate school. Brown, of Wilmington, Massachusetts, is one of only 54 recipients nationwide and is the second Trinity student in three years to be selected for this honor.

Brown works 40 hours a week as a social services counselor at Our Piece of the Pie, a Hartford nonprofit for at-risk urban youth. "A lot of my kids have high ACE scores, which is a numerical indicator of negative childhood experiences such as abuse, neglect, and trauma. ... I work with these kids to overcome these experiences and become successful young adults in the Greater Hartford community," she said.

She also participates in "New Beginnings," a group with students and with women recently released from York Correctional Institution that is run by Judy Dworin '70, professor of theater and dance, emerita, who nominated Brown for the scholarship. Utilizing the concepts of expressive arts activities, the group explores the challenges of re-entry and supports the women after their time in prison.

"Everyone goes through things; everyone has a story," Brown said. "But there are a lot of people, like the kids I work with and the women at York Correctional, whose stories go untold. Nobody cares and nobody pays attention, and that's not right. We all have dreams, and we all deserve to pursue those dreams."

As for the inspiration to much of her work, Brown credits Dworin, who last fall taught a class about incarceration issues in the United States and founded and directs her own nonprofit, the Judy Dworin Performance Project, an organization with a long history of giving voice to unheard populations through the arts. "There are no words to describe what Judy has done for me and the impact she has had on my life," Brown said. "She believed in me like no one ever has before."

Brown aspires to attend law school after graduation and also wants to pursue a dual degree in a master's of social work program. She plans to study public interest and juvenile law and hopes to become a child advocacy lawyer.



### NAACP AWARD

Trinity College President **Joanne Berger-Sweeney**, center, receives the Mary White Ovington-Ella Baker Lifetime Achievement Award from Joan Gibson and Benjamin Foster, Jr. '71 of the Connecticut State Conference of NAACP Branches at the organization's biannual Education Summit on April 30, 2016, in Trinity's Mather Hall. Hosted by the Greater Hartford Branch of the NAACP, the summit featured panel discussions with education professionals addressing the educational disparities among Connecticut's students and ideas for better preparing students for careers, particularly in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields.

# FULBRIGHT ENGLISH TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP

A member of Trinity College's newly graduated Class of 2016 was awarded an English Teaching Assistantship (ETA) through the Fulbright U.S. Student Program. This past summer, Alex Suarez started his year teaching English at Khovd University in the rural Khovd Province in western Mongolia. The Fulbright ETA Program places U.S. students as English teaching assistants in schools or universities overseas, increasing their language skills and knowledge of the host country while improving foreign students' English language abilities and knowledge of the United States.

Suarez, a neuroscience major, was born in Cuba. His family moved to Canada when he was 5 before settling in Florida five years later. He came to Trinity as a QuestBridge Scholar and sees teaching English as a way to offer similarly life-changing opportunities to other students. "I grew up in a poor setting, with schools and friends helping me out," Suarez said. "There have been certain instances in my life where I've been given access to an opportunity, and it's changed the entire course of my life. At Trinity, I've enjoyed the chance to give opportunities to other people, and the Fulbright ETA Program follows that same vein. I think learning English is one of the biggest opportunities you can have, given the globalized nature of the world. If you know English, it opens so many doors."

Suarez plans to take a gap year after his time in Mongolia. "Two years from now I hope to be enrolled in medical school," he said.



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Alison Draper, director of the Interdisciplinary Science Center and lecturer in interdisciplinary science, has worked with Suarez as a member of the Health Professions Advising Committee (HPAC), which advises students interested in pursuing a career in

the health professions. Draper said, "Alex has grown tremendously in his time at Trinity, both as a student and as a person."

Two other members of the Class of 2016 were named alternates for U.S. Student Fulbright English Teaching Assistantships: Josh Frank for Taiwan and Katherine Gagen for Argentina. Julia Duggan '16 was a semifinalist for a U.S. Student Fulbright Research Grant for the Netherlands.

# GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP WINNER



With competition from the top colleges in the nation, the Barry Goldwater Scholarship is among the most prestigious awards for students who wish to pursue research in scientific fields. Adding her name to the list of winners is Kathryn Powers '17.

Powers, a biology and biochemistry double major from Arnold, Maryland, works with Thomas S. Johnson Distinguished Professor of Biology Daniel Blackburn on biology research that she began through the Interdisciplinary Science Program. Her application essay for the scholarship highlighted the research she has conducted using scanning electron microscopy to study developmental anatomy of reptiles.

Powers has worked in Blackburn's lab as a collaborative researcher for three years. He said that Powers is a mature and highly skilled researcher who has demonstrated the ability to carry out a challenging project from start to finish. "Kat quickly gained great skill in using highly sophisticated lab instrumentation, notably the Zeiss electron microscope that we acquired under a National Science Foundation grant," Blackburn said. "Through her use of this instrumentation, she has made a significant set of discoveries that are certainly worthy of publication in the literature."

Beyond the scholarship, Blackburn said that Powers has made contributions that, with further research and investigation, could be groundbreaking in providing a basis for more discovery by Trinity students and researchers at other colleges. "Kat's scientific observations have the potential to refute common assumptions in the embryological literature about developmental mechanisms and their evolution," Blackburn said.

Powers presented work this past summer at the International Congress of Vertebrate Morphology in Washington, D.C. She plans to pursue a Ph.D. after graduating from Trinity.

## HONORING NED CABOT

Several graduating seniors — Antonia Lluberes '16, Isabel Monteleone '16, Claire Hogan '16, Julia Mardeusz '16, Christina Claxton '16, and Ethan Cantor '16 — honored Ned Cabot, former adjunct professor of



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public policy and law, at the Public Policy and Law Department's senior dinner in May 2016. The seniors presented Cabot with a check signifying the more than \$7,000 they raised for Trinity in honor of his August 2015 retirement. The gifts are designated toward the Adrienne Fulco and Edward Cabot Public Policy and Law Fund, created by members of the Class of 2013 to help students in the major. According to Amy Brough, director of institutional support, the fund, which now totals just under \$30,000, needs another \$20,000 to reach endowment status and to begin providing funds for students through senior thesis research grants, guest and alumni lectures, and other resources.

# NEW VICE PRESIDENTS

CRESSWELL, HITCHELL TAKE THEIR PLACES ON LEADERSHIP TEAM

**Tim Cresswell** was named the College's new dean of the faculty and vice president for **academic affairs**, the senior position in academic administration.

"In this key role," said President Joanne Berger-Sweeney in making the announcement of Cresswell's appointment, "Tim will work to sustain and strengthen the College's tradition of academic excellence and innovation, collaborate with and inspire our intellectually engaged and creative faculty, and play a major role within the senior College leadership in defining strategic goals for Trinity's future."

Cresswell, who joined Trinity in July and reports to Berger-Sweeney, comes from Northeastern University in Boston, where he served as associate dean for faculty affairs in the College of Social Sciences and Humanities, professor of history and international affairs, and associate director for public humanities at the Northeastern Humanities Center.

Cresswell said he feels this is a "good moment" for Trinity. "There is a strong and visionary leadership as well as an excellent, multitalented faculty," he said. "I look forward to helping to define and strengthen Trinity College, the liberal arts, and the Hartford community as Trinity moves toward its 200th birthday."

Before assuming his academic and administrative responsibilities at Northeastern, Cresswell served in administration and on the faculties of Royal Holloway, University of London; the University of Wales, Aberystwyth and Lampeter; and the University of Connecticut. He has held honorary faculty positions at the University of Neuchatel in Switzerland and at Hampshire College in Amherst, Massachusetts.

Cresswell holds a B.A. in geography from University College London in the United Kingdom; an M.S. in geography from the University of Wisconsin-Madison; a Ph.D. in geography from the University of Wisconsin-Madison; and a second Ph.D. in English-creative writing from Royal Holloway, University of London. The author of 11 books, Cresswell is an internationally recognized geographer who is intrigued by issues of place and mobility. His most recent work focuses on Maxwell Street Market in Chicago and its evolution over 130 years. In addition, he is a poet who explores similar themes about space and place in his two collections: *Soil*, published in 2013, and *Fence*, published in 2015.

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**Dan Hitchell** was named Trinity's new vice president of **finance** and chief financial officer. Reporting to Berger-Sweeney, Hitchell, who also joined Trinity in July, is responsible for the strategic oversight and management of the College's financial resources and operations.

Hitchell comes to Trinity from Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio, where he served as vice president for finance and administration and treasurer. In an announcement to the campus community

about Hitchell's appointment, Berger-Sweeney wrote, "Dan brings to Trinity the ability to frame complex financial issues in straightforward terms, to create feasible solutions, to plan and implement capital projects, to manage the College's debt portfolio, and to steward the College's resources."

"He has in-depth experience operating in the challenging financial environment that liberal arts colleges — and all of higher education — face today," said Berger-Sweeney. "This breadth and depth of expertise, combined with Dan's outgoing and collaborative manner, were primary factors in the search committee's recommendation and in my decision."

Hitchell said, "My family and I are excited about joining the Trinity community and making the move to Connecticut. I am honored to become a member of Trinity's leadership team and to take part in the strategic planning process that will guide the College as it prepares to enter its third century."

Prior to joining Ohio Wesleyan in 2012, Hitchell served for six years at Webster University in St. Louis, where he was associate vice president for resource planning and budget, and, before that, for 15 years at Saint Louis University as director of financial planning and budgeting. Hitchell holds a B.S. in quantitative business analysis from Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Kentucky, and an M.B.A. from the University of Evansville in Evansville, Indiana.



Cresswell



Hitchell

# *THE STATUE OF BISHOP BROWNELL*

The statue of Bishop Thomas Church Brownell has stood proudly in the center of Trinity College's Main Quad since 1878, commemorating the College's founder and first president. Brownell's grave was the statue's original home before Brownell's son-in-law, Gordon W. Burnham, gifted it to Trinity. An impressive work of art, the bronze likeness was designed in Rome by sculptor Chauncey Bradley Ives and cast in Munich by Ferdinand von Miller Foundry. Tucked 'neath the elms, the monument soars to the treetops with the sculpture and its granite pedestal measuring nearly 30 feet tall. The statue depicts the venerable Brownell wearing the official clothing of the clergy at the time; he also grasps a prayer book in his right arm, while his left arm remains outstretched. His pose shows him in an act of prayer, as though performing an Episcopal benediction upon his beloved Trinity. The unveiling ceremony for the statue took place in November 1869 at the College's original campus in downtown Hartford, with Trinity students gathering alongside clergy, faculty, and invited guests to form a procession to the monument while singing: "God of our fathers! by whose hand / Thy people still are blest, / Be with us through our pilgrimage, / Conduct us to our rest." This unveiling would be the first of many gatherings at the base of the statue as each year the Trinity community reunites with its founding father during several events, including Convocation and Commencement. Says Georgianna Wynn '16, "Standing among us year after year, he is the symbol of the beginning and the end of our time at Trinity College."

**EDITOR'S NOTE** "Trinity Treasure" highlights a person, place, or thing on campus that is just what the name implies: a Trinity treasure. Do you have an idea for what to showcase? Please send your suggestions to [sonya.adams@trincoll.edu](mailto:sonya.adams@trincoll.edu).





## FULL-TIME TITLE IX COORDINATOR

**Timothy Dunn** became Trinity's full-time Title IX coordinator on January 1, 2016. Dunn, who holds a law degree from the University of Oklahoma and remains active in the bar, had been Trinity's associate director of student services for social houses since November 2013.

As the Title IX coordinator, Dunn is responsible for providing leadership and support for the College's compliance with all requirements under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Clery Act, the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), and other laws pertaining to discrimination, harassment, and sexual violence.

"I oversee investigations, make sure they are fair, that everyone is treated well, and that the process is as prompt as it can be," Dunn said. He also works with the Women & Gender Resource Action Center and student groups to provide educational programs concerning preventing sexual violence and talks to faculty and staff members about their designation as responsible employees under the College's sexual misconduct policy.

Joe DiChristina, dean of campus life and vice president for student affairs, said, "At Trinity, it is our intent to comply with both the letter and the spirit of these laws, and dedication of a full-time staff member to this effort is critical."

Dunn said his office will publish a quarterly newsletter to keep the campus informed. He is also working with students involved in the Campaign for Community on what he calls a "plain English" rewrite of the College's sexual misconduct policy that is more accessible to the student body.



Dunn

Dunn earned his bachelor's degree from Northeastern State University in Oklahoma, where he was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. He has spent time as a private practice attorney and was the director of Greek life at Union College, where he also taught undergraduate law courses. In his earlier role at Trinity, he oversaw Greek houses, theme houses, and cultural houses.



Wojcik

**Kathryn Wojcik** arrived on campus in July as the new director of campus life initiatives and social houses, taking over many of Dunn's previous responsibilities. Wojcik comes to Trinity from Colgate University, where she served for the past year as director for fraternity and sorority affairs. She also has held the positions of assistant director for residential life and interim Greek life adviser at Colgate and housing coordinator at Rhode Island School of Design.

In her most recent role, Wojcik was the adviser to five fraternities and three sororities constituting approximately 30 percent of the student population. Her experience includes training student leaders on anti-hazing practices in compliance with state laws, international organization guidelines, and institutional policies.

"At Colgate, I brought together the college houses and Greek houses, promoted community building, and encouraged people to learn from each other," Wojcik said. "I am very passionate about bringing diverse groups together, and I'm excited to work with the social, Greek, and cultural houses at Trinity."

Wojcik holds a bachelor's degree from Westfield State University and a master's in education from Salem State University.



## A LASTING LEGACY

**Trinity College** has received a substantial bequest from the estate of **Marjorie Van Eenam Butcher**, professor of mathematics, emeritus, who was the College's first female faculty member. The gift will establish two endowed positions dedicated to mathematics and Chapel music, along with an endowment to provide for occasional major work to maintain the Trinity College Chapel's pipe organs in prime condition.

Butcher, who passed away in April 2016, and her husband, Robert W. Butcher, who died in 1993, shared dual passions for applied mathematics and chapel music. The John Rose College Organist-and-Directorship Distinguished Chair of Chapel Music is one of the endowed positions created by Butcher's planned gift; she named this chair in honor of John Rose, College organist and director of Chapel music at Trinity since 1977. Rose is the first to hold the chair.

The second position created is the Marjorie V. and Robert W. Butcher Distinguished Professorship in Applied Mathematics. Butcher and her husband met during graduate study and actuarial teaching at the University of Michigan. Hartford was destined to become their home city as much by virtue of her Trinity teaching career as his with the Travelers Insurance Companies. For more than 30 years, he worked for Travelers as a life, pension, property/casualty, and research actuary. Both were boosters of the liberal arts tradition at Trinity and felt that the College's already robust Mathematics Department could be even stronger if a larger applied mathematics component were present.

At the June 10 memorial service held at the Chapel in honor of Marjorie Van Eenam Butcher, Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney was among those who spoke. "During her 33 years of teaching at Trinity, Marjorie Butcher's goal was always — in her words — to 'try to convey the elegance of mathematics,'" said Berger-Sweeney. "Clearly, she accomplished that mission extraordinarily well, as attested by the generations of former students who have gone on to successful careers."

Other Trinity community members who eulogized Butcher included James F. Jones, Jr. '14, president and Trinity College professor in the humanities, emeritus; Professor of Mathematics David Mauro; and Borden W. Painter, Jr. '58, H'95, president and Trinity College professor of history, emeritus. *Please see page 74 for Butcher's obituary.*





Watkinson stacks are overflowing in the Wadsworth Athenaeum in 1950.

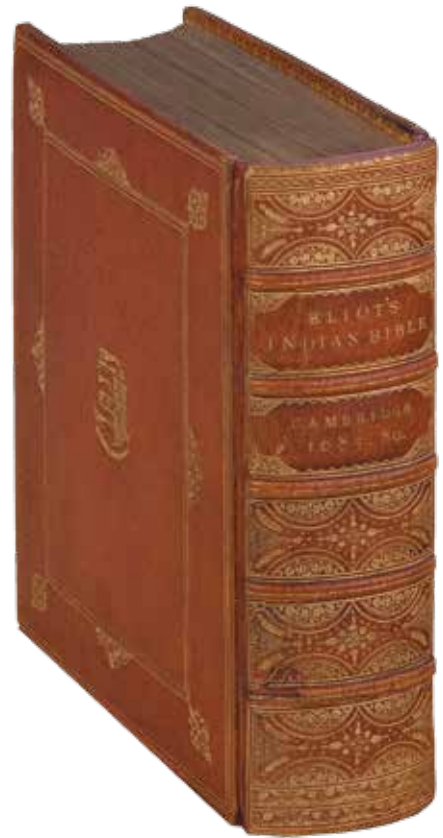
BY RICK RING

# POWERHOUSE OF A LIBRARY

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THE WATKINSON  
CELEBRATES  
**150**  
YEARS OF SERVICE

It was 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 28, 1866, in downtown Hartford. The newly constructed Watkinson Library, in a purpose-built wing of the Wadsworth Atheneum, was opened for inspection to members of the city government and invited guests. Its elegant rooms and alcoves of oak were designed for 25,000 volumes and so far held 12,000, which had been purchased over the previous three years on a rigorous plan by J. Hammond Trumbull from booksellers in London, Paris, Leipzig, New York City, and Boston. That evening, at the nearby Allyn House — the finest hotel in Hartford at the time — a gala celebrating the opening was held for 200 ladies and gentlemen, including the mayor and the governor.



All of this was made possible by the 11th codicil of the will of David Watkinson, which in 1857 directed \$100,000 in trust to the City of Hartford to found a “Library of Reference.” The equivalent value of that gift today would be about \$30 million.



David Watkinson, an English-born Hartford merchant and a founding trustee of Trinity College

In those early years, Trumbull bought books, helped a steady stream of patrons, and devised his own classification system (this was a decade before Melvil Dewey helped to found the American Library Association and published his “decimal system”), laboriously writing information for each book on small catalog cards and filing them alphabetically by author and subject. Within four years, the shelves were full, thanks to purchases and the enthusiastic generosity of donors. The need for more shelving became a refrain in the annual reports that continues to the present day.

*The Hartford Courant* regularly announced new books donated or purchased and reported on events and how the library was being used. In 1893, some expansion was made possible after years of effort, and 10 years later, the shelves were full again. The Watkinson nevertheless continued to flourish under the management of Trumbull, who retired in 1897, and his successor, Frank Butler Gay, who collaborated well with other libraries in the city until he retired in 1934.

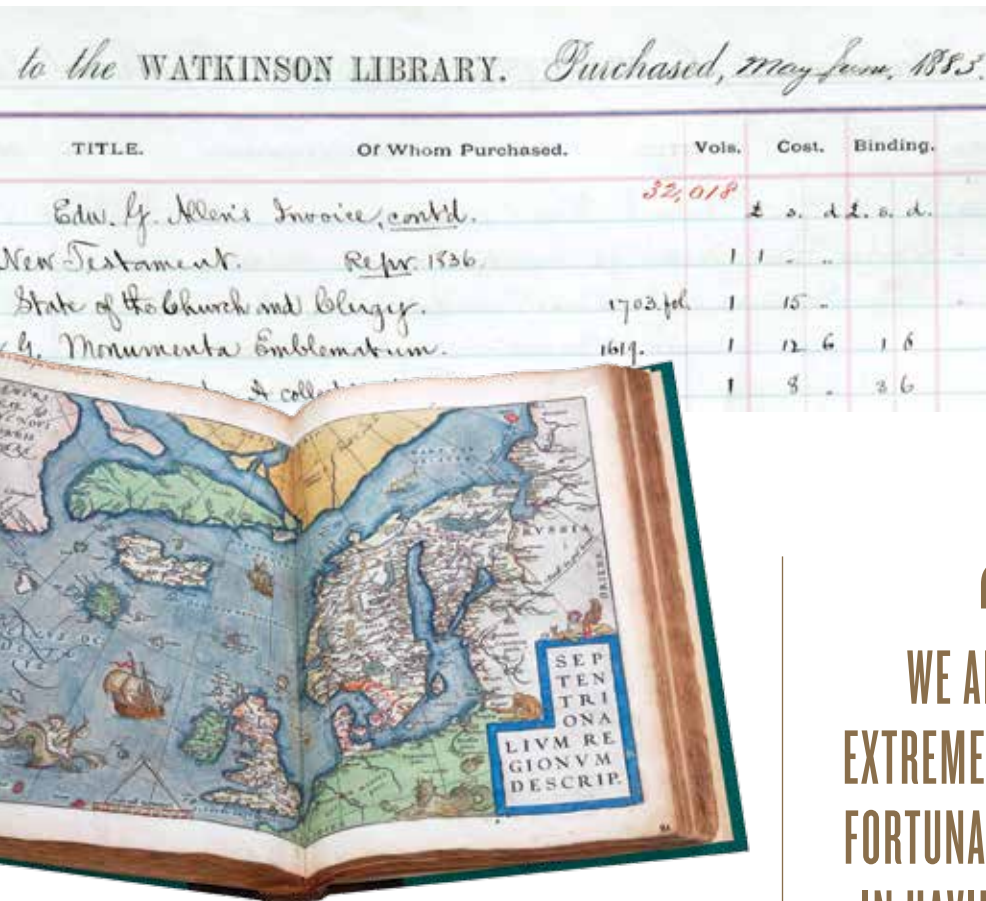
By the late 1940s, the Watkinson Library was bursting at the seams with 130,000 volumes and was running out of money. As it happened, at that time the Trinity College Library was also bursting at the seams, crammed into Williams Memorial. The boards of both

institutions began talking, and after raising \$300,000 from Paul Mellon and his Old Dominion Foundation (among others) and clearing things with the state legislature and the courts, the merging of the two libraries created a new, remarkably rich academic library at the College.

The transfer happened in 1952; according to the *Trinity College Bulletin* of March 1952, “The moving of the Trinity collection of 225,000 volumes will take approximately four weeks. The present book stacks will then be dismantled and re-erected on the top floor of the new building to shelve the 130,000 Watkinson books ... [which] must be moved from upstairs in the Wadsworth Atheneum in downtown Hartford, through one of the busiest districts of the city, to the College campus.”

Six years later, on December 1, 1958, in a speech during the Watkinson’s centennial celebration, Trinity President Albert Charles Jacobs H’68 proclaimed that “we are extremely fortunate in having this storehouse — perhaps the better word is powerhouse — on our campus.” Another speaker, Thomas R. Adams, librarian of the John Carter Brown Library at Brown University, predicted that this merger “will play an important part in the future of this College and in the never-ending search for a better understanding of the work and achievements of the most complex of animals — the human being.”

From the moment the Watkinson arrived at Trinity, it has acted as a lodestone for gifts of important collections and single works of utmost rarity and has provided



Left to right: Indian Bible form 1865; accession records from 1883; Dutch atlas from 1579

the raw materials for advanced research and an impressive program of more than 400 exhibitions for more than 60 years. Now with more than 200,000 volumes ranging in date from the 11th century to the present, more than 10,000 sound recordings, 20,000 pieces of sheet music, and thousands of separately issued maps, prints, posters, and other ephemera, not to mention the 4,000 cubic feet of manuscript material that includes the College Archives, the Watkinson is indeed a powerhouse. Each year, more than 100 class sessions meet in the Watkinson to view more than 3,000 items from the collections that relate to their classes, and nearly 2,000 readers — half of whom are Trinity students — per year come in for their own research.

Back on December 16, 1878, Trumbull was quoted in *The Hartford Courant* about the Watkinson: “To it years will bring no decay. Interested guardians will take care that it does not become hidden in the dust of ages. Each year time will add something to, not take aught from, its value. ‘More lasting than brass,’ it will bear witness to future generations, to the generous public spirit of its founder.”

*Rick Ring is head curator of the Watkinson Library.*

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Former Trinity President  
Albert Charles Jacobs H'68

## VERY CREATIVE

The Watkinson Creative Fellowship Program was established in the spring of 2011 to create support for undergraduate students to explore the Watkinson's collections and to engage with the material to produce something new. Since the first cohort of students in the spring of 2012, 27 Creative Fellows have been named. Below are just a few of their stories:

**CHRISTINA CLAXTON '16** double majored in public policy and law and philosophy and was a Creative Fellow in the fall of 2013. She worked with the library's 17-volume first edition of Denis Diderot's famous *Encyclopédie* (1751–65), a cornerstone of the Enlightenment, and created a website “to explore this work and to give my own perspective on an incredible composition from a very important time in history.”

**ALIX DE GRAMONT '15** was a religion major and a Creative Fellow in the spring of 2014. She studied book-binding structures in the Watkinson and apprenticed with book artist Daniel Kelm in Cambridge, Massachusetts, to produce a series of structures on her own; she donated her pieces to the Watkinson. She now helps run the art gallery RARE for Glenn Horowitz Bookseller in New York City.

**MAIA MADISON '15** was a history major and a Creative Fellow in the fall of 2013. After discovering a passion for the history of chocolate in Assistant Professor of History and American Studies Tom Wickman's course “Food and Power in the Americas,” Madison imagined herself as a 17th century businessman in New Spain, seeking funds for a chocolate factory from the crown, and produced two hand-drawn maps and a 14-page pamphlet tracing the known chocolate factories in 1700 and the products and recipes one would have found in use at the time.

**FRANCIS RUSSO '13** double majored in music and history and was a Creative Fellow in the spring of 2012. He worked with a newly acquired French manuscript book of popular songs (ca. 1830), scored it in modern notation, got his friends to sing some of the songs, and composed and performed original piano pieces that were inspired by the illustrations and that he produced on a CD.

**JULIA FALKOWSKI '13** double majored in American studies and English and was a Creative Fellow in the fall of 2012. She worked with historic cookbooks in the Watkinson, making dishes from recipes dating between 1790 and 1970, bringing in samples for the staff to taste, and writing about it in a blog.



For more information on these projects and on the Watkinson Creative Fellowship Program, please visit [commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter](http://commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter).

TRINITY STUDENTS HAVE PLAYED A PART IN

# PROJ FOR PE

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Projects for Peace!  
2015 "Interfaith Harmony,"  
National Interfaith  
Harmony Camp, Pakistan

MAKING THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE

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**ONE PROJECT ESTABLISHED A COMPUTER AND STUDY CENTER FOR CHILDREN WHO LIVE WITH THEIR PARENTS IN THE SAN PEDRO PRISON IN LA PAZ, BOLIVIA. ANOTHER HELPED CONSTRUCT A MATERNITY WARD IN THE VILLAGE OF LOTIMA, TANZANIA. YET ANOTHER USED ROBOTICS TO ENCOURAGE ARAB AND JEWISH CHILDREN IN HAIFA, ISRAEL, TO WORK TOGETHER TOWARD COMMON GOALS.**

**FOR 10 CONSECUTIVE YEARS, SELECT STUDENTS FROM TRINITY COLLEGE HAVE SPENT A SUMMER DESIGNING AND IMPLEMENTING PROJECTS FOR PEACE, GRASSROOTS EFFORTS TO PROMOTE PEACE AND TO ADDRESS THE ROOT CAUSES OF CONFLICT AROUND THE WORLD. THE PROJECTS DEVELOPED IN THE PAST DECADE BY TRINITY STUDENTS HAVE FOCUSED ON BUILDING COMMUNITY, ENCOURAGING INTERFAITH UNDERSTANDING, PROVIDING ACCESS TO MEDICAL SERVICES, AND IMPROVING LIVES THROUGH ART, TECHNOLOGY, AND EDUCATION.**

Projects for Peace is an initiative for college students that was launched in 2007 by philanthropist Kathryn Wasserman Davis on her 100th birthday. “My challenge to you is to bring about a mindset of preparing for peace instead of preparing for war,” Davis said upon establishing the program. Until her death in 2013 at age 106, Davis was intent on advancing the cause of peace and sought to motivate the next generation of world leaders. The Davis family has since chosen to honor her legacy by continuing to fund Projects for Peace each year.

The opportunity to apply for Projects for Peace funding is given to students who attend higher education institutions that participate in the Davis United World College Scholars Program. Each of these 91 American colleges and universities has the opportunity to compete for at least one \$10,000 Project for Peace award each year. Trinity has received funding for 12 student projects in 10 years.

“The motivating factor for these students is the sincere desire to make the world a better place,” says Ellen Hart, Trinity’s assistant director of institutional support and the campus liaison to the Davis UWC Scholars Program. “These projects encompass a spectrum of activities — from arts programs for children to rainwater harvesting — and are inspired by a deep sense of service to others.”

The College’s decade of involvement in Projects for Peace, administered at Trinity through the Center for Urban and Global Studies, reveals broad and varied definitions of peace, but commonalities are evident across the 12 projects. “It seems that the overwhelming focus is on young people and education,”

**THROUGH THE YEARS**

**2007**

“Peace through a Community Approach to Solar Lighting,” Nepal — Vinit Agrawal ’10, Matthew D. Phinney ’10, Michael W. Pierce ’10

**2008**

“Peace in Jail,” Bolivia — Daniela McFarren-Aviles ’09, Ezel Poslu ’09

**2009**

“Peace through Health Education,” Zambia — Jacob D. Gire ’10, Alden C. Gordon ’10, Michael W. Pierce ’10

**2010**

“Promoting Peace in the Middle East through Robotics,” Israel — Sarthak Khanal ’11, Binay Poudel ’12

**2010**

“Using Rainwater to Foster Peace in Bangalore, India” — Lam T. Hoang ’13, David W. Pierce ’13, Nitin Sajankila ’13

**2011**

“Tanzanian Women’s Health,” Tanzania — Rosalia Abreu ’11, Ibrahim Diallo ’11, Sofia Melograno ’11, Madeleine Shukurani ’14



**Projects for Peace: 2011**  
 “Tanzanian Women’s Health,”  
 Tanzania (top); 2007 “Peace  
 through a Community  
 Approach to Solar Lighting,”  
 Nepal (bottom)



Hart says. “Children are receptive to new ideas and not yet burdened by the stereotypes and attitudes that perpetuate conflict across the world. For example, ‘Interfaith Harmony’ in Pakistan and ‘Promoting Peace in the Middle East through Robotics’ focused their efforts on building tolerance in children and inspiring them to question preconceived notions about other groups of people. Even projects that provide infrastructure — such as the distribution of solar lights in Nepal — centered around schools because PFP applicants recognize the central role that schools play in communities and their power to diffuse new ideas.”

This past summer, the project “Growing Community through Gardening” took Chris Fusco ’17, Nico Nagle ’17, and Jake Villarreal ’16 to Salinas, California, where they worked with Local Urban Gardeners to create a community garden and learning lab. Their goals were to bring fresh food to a “food desert,” where healthy, affordable food is difficult or impossible to find, and to divert youth from gang involvement. Theirs was one of six project proposals submitted by Trinity students this year, with most projects involving several students.

Many of Trinity’s funded proposals come through the Interdisciplinary Science Program, an innovative academic program designed to broaden and enrich the study of science and mathematics by exploring the connections between scientific disciplines and the external world. Alison Draper, director of the Interdisciplinary Science Center and lecturer in interdisciplinary science, asks students in one of her courses to design proposals for the Projects for Peace grant to experience how scientists often fund their work. “Ever since the Projects for Peace began, I have used it as

**2012**  
 “Clearing the Air,”  
 USA — Erika J.  
 Adams ’13, Patricia  
 Cavanaugh ’14,  
 Stephanie Garcia ’15,  
 Darleny Y. Lizardo ’12,  
 Tamar A.  
 McFarlane ’12

**2013**  
 “Creative Smile  
 Creating,” Lithuania  
 — Aneta Buraityte ’13

**2014**  
 “Social Orphans,”  
 Kenya — Marissa L.  
 Block ’14, Gaurav  
 Inder S. Toor ’14

**2015**  
 “Interfaith  
 Harmony,” Pakistan  
 — Noor Malik ’18

**2015**  
 “Promoting  
 Peace through  
 Environmental  
 Sustainability,”  
 Trinidad and Tobago  
 — Andrew Agard ’18,  
 Cassia Armstrong ’18

**2016**  
 “Growing Community  
 through Gardening,”  
 USA — Chris Fusco ’17,  
 Nico Nagle ’17, Jake  
 Villarreal ’16

**Projects for Peace: 2010**  
"Using Rainwater to Foster  
Peace in Bangalore, India"

a grant-writing assignment in the ISP class, so many students have gone on to submit proposals and do projects," Draper said. "It's a great program." The 2015 project by Andrew Agard '18 and Cassia Armstrong '18, "Promoting Peace through Environmental Sustainability," which involved collecting rainwater in Trinidad and Tobago, began as an assignment for the course.

Hart says that the globally minded efforts students undertake through Projects for Peace complement the student experience that Trinity strives to provide both inside and outside of the classroom. "Projects for Peace grants enable students to apply the theoretical knowledge they have gleaned in the classroom to real-world problems in need of a solution," Hart says. "This translation from classroom to the ground is an eye-opening experience and helps students understand the importance of soft skills in executing a plan." The students experience and learn from cultural differences, and Hart says that adapting to new situations with flexibility and sensitivity is a skill that the participants will use for the rest of their lives.

Some of the grantees have stayed in touch with their Projects for Peace host sites to follow the lasting impact of their projects over the years, and many have continued their humanitarian work in their careers. Vinit Agrawal '10, who, along with Matthew D. Phinney '10 and Michael W. Pierce '10, received Trinity's first Project for Peace grant in 2007 for "Peace through a Community Approach to Solar Lighting" in Nepal, said that the project affected him tremendously. "It was an enriching experience to go back to my home country and work on a project which impacted so many people," Agrawal says. "The Davis project definitely inspired me to continue working on various humanitarian projects. Currently I am involved with Refugee Youth Project in Baltimore, and I participate in various mentoring programs with refugee kids settled in Baltimore."

The 2015 project by Noor Malik '18, "Interfaith Harmony," conducted in her home country of Pakistan, brought



together 60 Pakistani teenagers who belong to different religions and sects to engage in a weeklong conflict-resolution program. "Making a difference for other people is the one thing that I am most passionate about, and being able to do so was a dream come true for me," Malik says. The project also helped her to define what she wants to do in the future. "For my career, I plan to integrate international relations, conflict resolution, and human rights," Malik says. "There are many particular causes that I want to work for, such as women's empowerment and minority rights."

In just 10 years, Hart says, Projects for Peace has produced life-changing experiences both for the student leaders and the people whose communities are strengthened by the projects. "Although the projects are small and the world is so large, these Trinity students make a real and lasting impact on the people they touch," she says. "A small project in one community can be the spark that inspires others to take a chance or change their attitude. Enough of these sparks will eventually ignite a larger change away from violence and toward peace." 



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ELLEN HART, Trinity's assistant director of institutional support

### **MORE DAVIS TIES**

Trinity College joined the Davis United World College Scholars Program in 2006 and since then has awarded degrees to 21 scholars from 16 countries across the globe.

The program was first envisioned by international educator Philip O. Geier and Shelby M. C. Davis, son of Kathryn Wasserman Davis and Shelby Cullom Davis, as a way to continue his mother's commitment to philanthropy and humanitarian work. With Davis's support, graduates of UWC pre-collegiate academies receive scholarship funds for undergraduate education at select institutions, including Trinity. The College has been an active partner in promoting Davis's commitment to advancing international understanding and peace through education. While students are admitted based upon their academic merits, the College and the Davis family fully commit to providing the need-based aid necessary to educate these promising scholars and future leaders. This fall, nine scholars are contributing to the stimulating intellectual and social environment on campus. Their presence plays a large role in Trinity's goals of fostering international cooperation and embracing diversity.

The College's relationship with the Davis family also extends to the Shelby Cullom Davis Endowment, which supports scholarship and programs that emphasize American business, free enterprise, and entrepreneurship. Founded by the successful investor and philanthropist Shelby Cullom Davis, the fund endows three professorships, a lecture series, an internship program, the publication of a scholarly journal on private enterprise, and an interdisciplinary minor in formal organizations. Since 1982, the endowment has been shepherded by Gerald A. Gunderson, Shelby Cullom Davis Professor of American Business and Economic Enterprise.

# 'A RAY OF LIGHT



**MAZIN KHALIL '15  
AND THE STORY  
OF SWAGG\***



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Mazin Khalil '15, front in gray suit, celebrates with the most recent SWAGG graduates and SWAGG alumni at the June 2016 Brooklyn College Academy commencement.

\*SOPHISTICATED  
WELL-ARTICULATE  
GENTLEMEN'S GROUP

BY LORI FERGUSON

PHOTOS BY CHRIS HERDER

## “IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RAISE A CHILD.”

These days, many view the phrase with a jaundiced eye. But for Mazin Khalil '15, the sentiment remains a touchstone.

The son of a first-generation immigrant from a village in the northeast African nation of Sudan, Khalil arrived in Brooklyn, New York, at age 5, unable to speak a word of English. Teachers and staff at P.S. 178 Saint Clair Mckelway embraced him, teaching him the language and helping him to find his way in his adopted country. And Khalil has never forgotten. Today a college graduate with his eyes on a career in medicine, Khalil is now helping to guide his own village: 43 young men who make up the Sophisticated Well-Articulate Gentlemen's Group (SWAGG).

Khalil started SWAGG in 2009 while a high school sophomore at Brooklyn College Academy (BCA). He had witnessed the camaraderie enjoyed by members of a girls-only group at BCA — Sisters Helping Each Other Attain Respect and Triumph! (SmHEARTgirls, pronounced “smart girls”) — and wanted to provide an equal opportunity for fellowship among young men at the school. “I wanted to create an organization that fostered brotherhood and got young men off the streets and into positive activities such as community service,” he says. Khalil approached SmHEARTgirls adviser Lynelle Rennis, an assistant principal and dean of students, with his idea, and she agreed to help him get the organization up and running.

In the beginning, Khalil and a group of nine friends gathered regularly to socialize and to discuss their problems. Rennis spoke with the boys, too, as did male role models from the community — lawyers, doctors, and other professionals — who shared their stories and offered guidance. Classmates Jude Bridgewater, now a senior at Howard University and SWAGG's current national president, and Kagame Li-A-Ping, a recent graduate of Hampton University and the current national treasurer, worked closely with Khalil to develop the organization, shouldering

an increasing number of day-to-day responsibilities after he graduated and headed to college at Trinity. “Jude and Kagame fleshed out the group's structure in response to the needs of incoming members,” explains Khalil, who has transitioned into the role of chapter adviser. “I came up with the idea for the group and made the initial inquiries about how to get it going, but I don't want all the credit for what SWAGG has become. It's a group effort.”

Indeed, teamwork and collaboration constitute a recurring theme expressed by everyone affiliated with the organization. Modeled after a junior fraternity, SWAGG is dedicated to fostering brotherhood, promoting community service, and providing social and academic support to its members. The group meets weekly to discuss any topics that the boys might be struggling with, from proper attire and grooming to personal struggles and grades. Khalil believes strongly in the concept of paying it forward, so members regularly participate in fundraising initiatives as well, raising money for everything from diabetes to sickle cell disease. But success in academics is the top priority. The graduation rate for members of SWAGG is 100 percent, Khalil notes proudly, considerably higher than the 2014 rate of 58 percent for black males in New York City cited by a July 2015 story in *The*

*Hechinger Report*. And SWAGG members are consistently graduating from BCA and going on to attend well-known colleges and universities around the country, including Howard, Hampton, New York University, Penn State, and Trinity, which Khalil attended on a Posse Foundation scholarship.

Khalil graduated from Trinity in 2015 with a degree in religion and is now preparing to pursue a master's in public health or epidemiology, with an eye to attending medical school a few years hence. In the meantime, he is working as a private tutor in his old neighborhood and continuing to counsel current SWAGG members as they navigate the challenges of high school and prepare to attend college.

Khalil is deeply grateful for the education and experience he gained at Trinity, but he admits that his time there wasn't always easy. “It was academically rigorous and also tough

Mazin Khalil '15



**“Mazin and the other members became very influential male figures in my life. I was a troubled kid, and they helped me change my perspective by sharing their knowledge and setting an example.”**

—TRUEL POLITE

socially, but it was the right place for me at the right time,” he says. “My classes were small, so I got to know my professors one-on-one, which was great.” Many of Trinity’s student leaders and faculty and staff members provided guidance and support as well, and the 11 other Posse scholarship recipients came to be like family. “I can’t fathom my college career without my Posse,” says Khalil, mentioning in particular his Posse mentor, Associate Professor of Theater and Dance Lesley Farlow. “I wouldn’t have made it through college without her advice, love, and guidance. She helped me and impacted me in ways for which I can never fully thank her.”

Farlow was equally moved by her interactions with Khalil and feels confident that he will realize success in life, whatever path he travels. “Mazin is a wonderful person. He has great strength of character, and he’s an innate

optimist. He loves to engage with people, and he’s willing to ask hard questions, of himself and of others. I know he will do well.”


BCA Assistant Principal Shernell Thomas-Daley, who served as Khalil’s high school guidance counselor, has also been very impressed by Khalil’s heart and determination to give back. “Mazin is a sharer, and he’s touching many lives. He has created a family with SWAGG — he’s a source of strength for other boys, a ray of light and hope, a role model. He wasn’t born with a silver spoon in his mouth, far from it. He has faced the same challenges that other members have, but he has succeeded in spite of them all, and he wants to help others do so as well.”

Truel Polite, who entered San Francisco’s Academy of Art University after graduating from BCA, has experienced the transformative power of the SWAGG brotherhood firsthand

and credits Khalil and other members with setting him on a new path. “I joined SWAGG in ninth grade after Ms. Thomas and Ms. Rennis encouraged me to look into it,” Polite says. “Mazin and the other members became very influential male figures in my life. I was a troubled kid, and they helped me change my perspective by sharing their knowledge and setting an example.”

Li-A-Ping agrees. “When you become a member of SWAGG, you become part of a brotherhood. Even after we graduate, we stay involved, mentoring incoming members and supporting our classmates. We’re always there for each other.”

Khalil is proactive, goal oriented, and relentlessly optimistic, concludes Thomas-Daley, yet he’s also amazingly humble. “Mazin doesn’t pretend to have all the answers, but he’s always willing to listen. He’s consistent, honest, positive, and nonjudgmental. He’s there for the boys even if they screw up — and they do — but he always keeps the door open.”

And the boys are responding. “The young men who participate in SWAGG aren’t angry about some of the experiences that they have had as young men because they now have an outlet that always leaves them with hope; they’re receptive and focused,” says Thomas-Daley. “They have a mature male support system, and they’re receiving truth from a credible source — it’s made all the difference.” 





# EARLY INTERVENTION

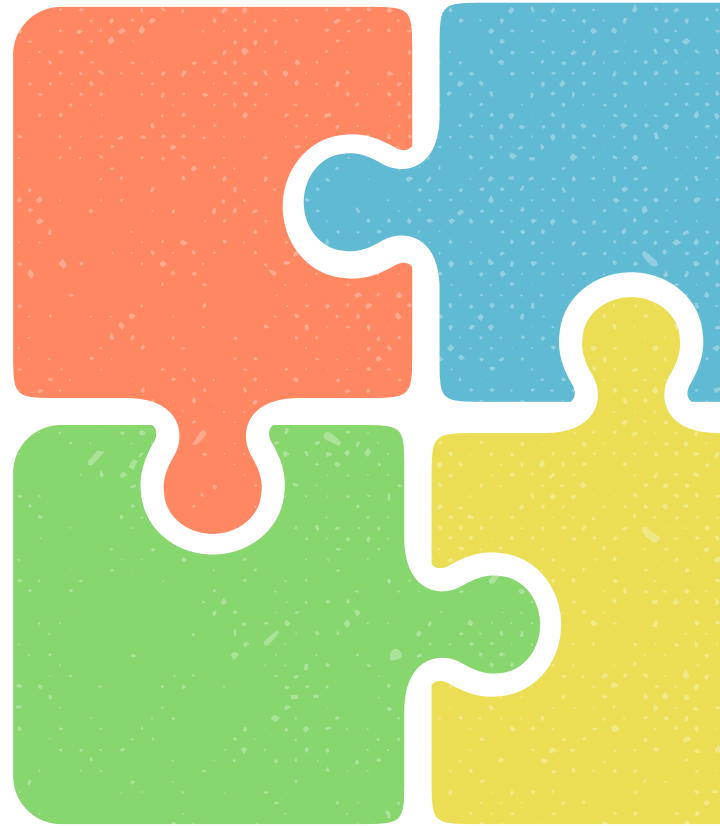
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HELT'S BOOK GUIDES PARENTS OF INFANTS  
AT RISK OF DEVELOPING AUTISM

*BY ANDREW J. CONCATELLI*

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# INSPIRED BY HER OWN CHILDREN, Trinity College Assistant Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience Molly Helt has co-authored a new book to teach parents how to provide early intervention treatment for infants at risk of developing autism spectrum disorders (ASD).



*The Activity Kit for Babies and Toddlers at Risk: How to Use Everyday Routines to Build Social and Communication Skills* (The Guilford Press, 2016) shows families — in easy-to-understand terms — how to support their child’s development by incorporating scientific principles into their day-to-day lives, even before receiving an official ASD diagnosis.

“I’m the parent of a child with autism, and parents are told to give their children up to 40 hours of intervention a week,” Helt says of her experience with her oldest child. “So what I found myself doing was adapting a lot of applied behavioral analysis programs to daily routines like bathing, changing, feeding, or going to the playground.”

Concern for her second child led Helt to look into early intervention techniques for children who are considered “at risk.” She knew that children who have an

older sibling with autism have a roughly 20 percent chance of developing autism, but she could not find much information about parenting at-risk children. “Autism is something we can’t diagnose until 18 months at the earliest, and I couldn’t just sit around for 18 months and do nothing,” Helt says. In reality, a child may be significantly older than that before treatment begins. “The average wait time once a parent identifies that they have a child with a problem, to get an appointment [for diagnosis], is nine months nationally,” she says. “These are crucial months in which a child’s brain is the most plastic and developing the most quickly.”

To prepare for writing the book, Helt and her co-authors first researched typical development and ASD treatment programs. They then adapted those concepts for families with young children who may have ASD — or who may be at risk — to use anytime, anyplace. “It’s basically all about getting autism therapy into your day-to-day life,” says Helt, who holds a dual Ph.D. in clinical psychology and developmental psychology.

Molly Helt



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“FROM THE MOMENT YOUR CHILD WAKES UP TO THE TIME SHE GOES TO BED, YOU HAVE MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO BUILD LANGUAGE, SOCIAL SKILLS, IMITATION, AND PRETEND PLAY.”

The book’s introduction says, in part, “From the moment your child wakes up to the time she goes to bed, you have many opportunities to build language, social skills, imitation, and pretend play. This book contains games to play while you dress your child, rhymes and songs to use during mealtimes and chores, ways to enrich development and learning during play and errands, and more.”

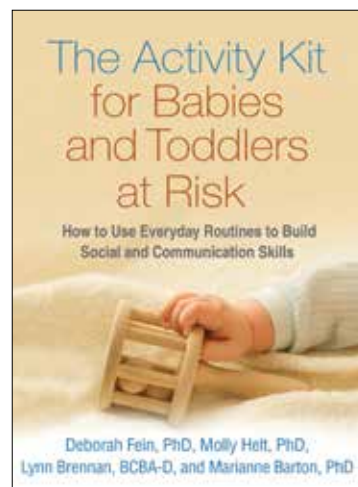
Helt says she hopes the book “serves as a ‘how-to’ on how to do early intervention yourself. We know from autism research that autistic children will do things for their parents they won’t do for anyone else. I really want to inspire parents, to say, ‘You can do this.’ Even if you have a job, you have to eat with your

kid and bathe them, and so you can be part of this plan. A lot of these activities are embedded in games, and we want it to be fun and manageable. It doesn’t have to be something that takes away from living your life.”

Helt will test the early intervention program as part of her ongoing research at Trinity. “I plan to recruit parents of children at risk and will begin to offer them parent training on the overarching principles in the book,” she says.

*The Activity Kit for Babies and Toddlers at Risk* is Helt’s first book; the publisher is translating the book into Korean, Turkish, and Chinese and plans to translate it into more languages. The book’s co-authors are Helt’s mentor Deborah Fein, Ph.D., a Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor in the Department of Psychological Sciences at the University of Connecticut; Lynn Brennan, BCBA-D, a board-certified behavior analyst based in Massachusetts who has worked with children with autism spectrum disorders for more than 20 years; and Marianne Barton, Ph.D., a clinical professor and director of clinical training in the Department of Psychological Sciences at the University of Connecticut, where she is also director of the Psychological Services Clinic.


Helt first met Fein when the UConn professor diagnosed Helt’s oldest child with autism at age 2. “She was warm and informative, as well as very clear and direct about what my son’s treatment needs would be,” Helt said. “For several years, I was one of my son’s primary treatment providers, and as he got older, I decided to go back to school for my bachelor’s degree. Deb consistently encouraged me about how much I would have to offer if I entered the field. She has done groundbreaking research on autism, and ultimately I was lucky enough to have her take me on as a graduate student. She is the best mentor



one could hope for and is a wonderful role model as a female and a mother who achieved amazing things with her career.”

Fein believes that Helt’s personal experience brings a unique perspective to her work. “She understands not only what research and treatment needs to be developed but how to explain it to parents,” Fein says. “This means that they trust her and understand her. She is extremely dedicated to the welfare of the children and parents.”

Fein hopes to continue collaborating with her student-turned-colleague. “We worked together on autism research for about eight years while she was in [UConn’s clinical psychology] program,” Fein says of Helt, “and she did some of the best research that any student has done on autism.” Fein and Helt are currently working together on a paper about future directions for the field of autism research.

Helt, who has taught developmental psychopathology, developmental neuroscience, clinical psychology, and a senior seminar called “The Social Self” at Trinity, now serves as a mentor to her own students. Neuroscience major Sarah Bunker ’17, who works in Helt’s lab, calls Helt an inspiration. Says Bunker, “Working with her and seeing her passion gives me motivation to continue my road toward medical school and be in a specialty that I really love, so I can wake up every morning with as much drive as she has.” 

BY JULIA S. CHIANELLI

*Jeff Kelter '76,  
P'18 ignites career  
development and  
urban studies  
programs with his  
philanthropy*

# *INVESTING in STUDENTS' FUTURES*



*“The fundamental  
skills that were  
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started here.”*

**The early 1990s** were a major turning point in the life of entrepreneur and philanthropist Jeff Kelter '76, P'18. The real estate bubble burst, and he personally owed more than \$100 million on properties. "I experienced a very difficult three to four years when none of my properties had any equity value," recalls Kelter. "But I put my head down, worked through it, and got lucky — unlike many people."

Kelter credits this period as one that has shaped both his career and life the most. "I learned the value of what I was doing, and it turned out that I really liked it. I also learned the value of hard work. My career from that point on was on an upward trajectory."

Kelter is the former CEO and founding partner of KTR Capital Partners (KTR), a real estate private equity firm specializing in investing in commercial real estate. Kelter sold KTR, with headquarters in Manhattan and offices throughout the United States, in May 2015 and is currently starting a new venture.

Armed with a degree in urban studies, Kelter first worked as an analyst at Bankers Trust Company in New York City. Four years later, he accepted a position at an Oklahoma-based real estate firm. "I had a great job at a terrific company, but I wanted to do something more entrepreneurial, and so I did," he says. Since then, Kelter has been building businesses from the ground up. He says that he enjoys it as much as helping to set a strong foundation for Trinity students in his role as a member of the College's Board of Trustees.

## A BLUEPRINT FOR SUCCESS

Kelter's philanthropy was instrumental when, in 2016, Trinity's Career Development Center (CDC) launched the Catalyst Leadership Corps, a program designed to provide first-year students with Hartford-based internships, leadership training, and opportunities to network with Hartford leaders, alumni, and parents in Connecticut's capital city. "The CDC effort is in its nascent form," says Kelter. "When I think about my philanthropy, I like to think about challenging the College to be better. It's very hard to challenge Trinity to have better faculty because they are already elite. In giving some money and raising the visibility of this effort, we can get alumni and parents involved, continue to raise capital around it, get alumni to return to campus to mentor students, and continue internship programs that we've embarked on."

Confident that students will reap many benefits from the Catalyst program, Kelter worked with CDC leadership to map out a plan that will make the CDC an integral part of the students' Trinity experience, starting in their first year. "Step one: I'd like students to start thinking about their lives a little bit," he says. "Step two: I'd like them to think about internships and do things that are not part of the curriculum or to participate in off-campus activities that are helpful to their growth and education. Step three: Teach them how to put it on paper, and give these students access to Trinity alumni mentors who will help them become productive citizens."

Violet Gannon, director of the CDC, is grateful for Kelter's vision and generosity. "Jeff's transformative gift has enabled the CDC to build relationships with students before they even arrive on campus," she says. "This is essential to our mission to engage students early and to support them longitudinally."

Kelter's philanthropic journey doesn't end there. This past spring, he established the Jeffrey E. Kelter Endowment in Urban and Global Studies, which will help fund a visiting post-doctoral fellow at the Center for Urban and Global Studies (CUGS) each year. The endowment also will allow an expansion of student majors and course selection, continuing the momentum in the program led by Xiangming Chen, dean and director of CUGS. "Trinity has a unique position as a great liberal arts college in a city," says Kelter. "When I studied urban studies, it was something that led me from an interest perspective into real estate. This is a newish discipline for us and is arguably one of the really important departments at Trinity. And it differentiates us. To be able to support this field in an urban environment was a no-brainer to me."


In addition to the Kelter Family Scholarship Fund, which was established in 2003 and provides financial assistance to need-based students from western Long Island, where he resides, Kelter also launched the Kelter Strategic Geographic Scholarship in 2016 to help attract students from the West Coast and beyond. He recognizes that with Vice President for Enrollment and Student Success Angel Pérez at the admissions helm, Trinity is ambitious about achieving greater selectivity and geographic diversity in the entering class, which made it very easy for him to support Pérez. "Offering to help six kids who don't live on the East Coast or didn't go to an elite boarding school to come to Hartford and experience a Trinity education is important," he says. "I have high hopes for them."

## GREATEST ACCOMPLISHMENT

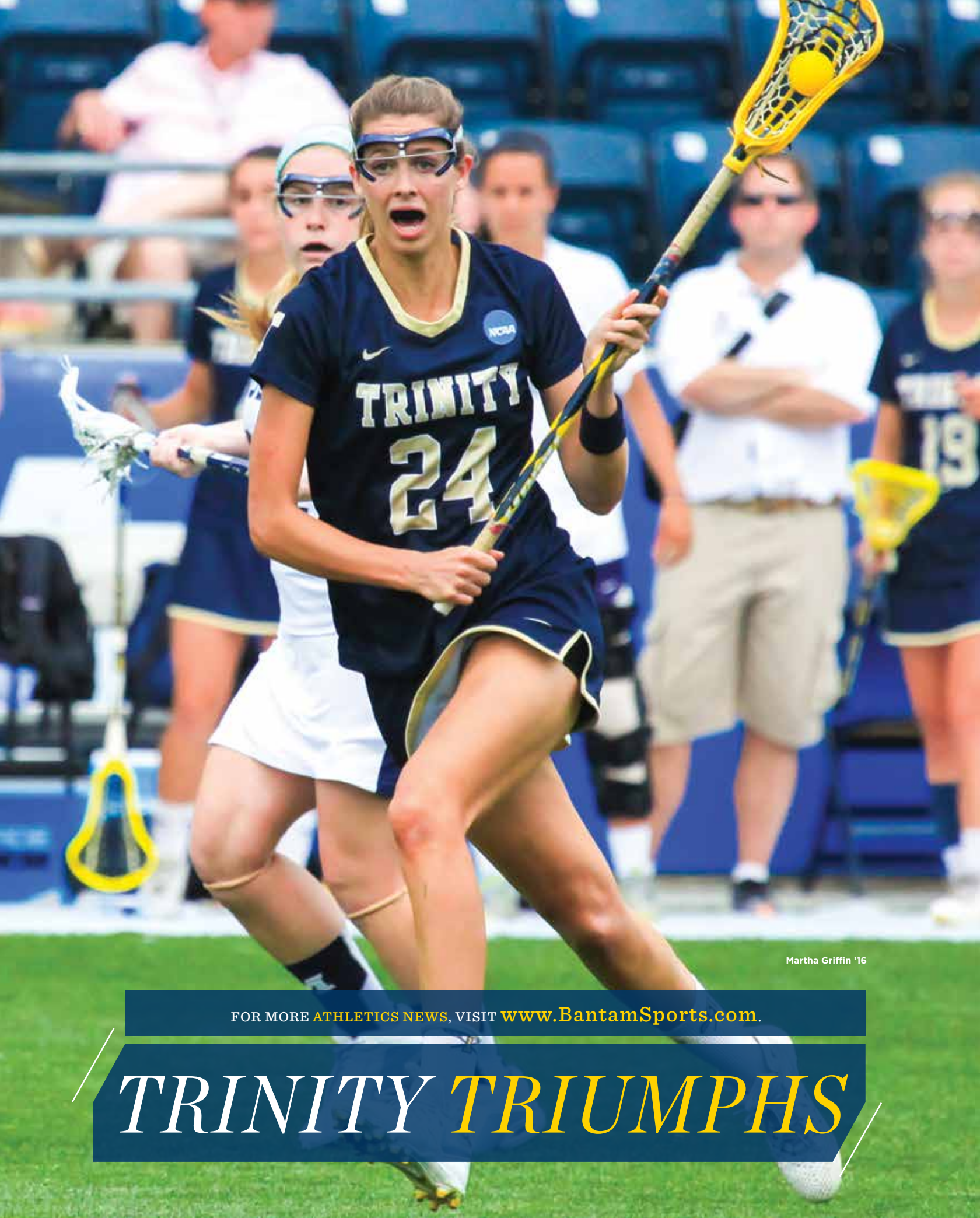
After Kelter's business acumen and tenacity helped him weather the economic storm in the '90s, he took the properties he owned and formed a real estate investment trust, which traded on the New York Stock Exchange as Keystone Property Trust. It went public in 1996, and in 2004, he sold it to a larger company. "It was a very successful enterprise and an industry-leading total return to shareholders." After the sale, he started KTR by taking 45 employees from Keystone with him. "We ended up raising three funds and several billion dollars in equity," he says. "It was a terrific 10 years. KTR was probably the second or third largest landlord of warehouses and industrial buildings in the U.S."

Kelter attributes his success partly to Trinity. "My well-rounded Trinity education allowed me to think on my feet and to speak and write well," he says. "The fundamental skills that were key to my success started here." Kelter has many fond memories of the College, where he was a member of St. Anthony Hall fraternity and the soccer and tennis teams.

In addition to being an avid fly-fisherman and golfer, Kelter enjoys traveling around the world with his wife, Jenny, and daughters Libby, Katherine '18, and Caroline. Among all of his successes, he considers his family to be his greatest accomplishment.

His advice to those who wish to pursue a career in real estate investment? "Find your passion, become better than anybody else, and focus, focus, focus." 

*The Catalyst Fund provides support for CDC programs. To learn more, please contact Gretchen Orschiedt, director of principal gifts and international advancement, at (860) 297-4123 or gretchen.orschiedt@trincoll.edu.*



Martha Griffin '16

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# *TRINITY TRIUMPHS*

## LACROSSE

The Trinity College women's lacrosse team, coached by Katy Dissinger, finished the 2016 campaign with a 19–4 overall record and qualified for the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) Championship Tournament as the top seed for the seventh year in a row. The Bantams defeated Williams 18–4 and Bates 14–3 in the first two rounds but lost 10–7 against Middlebury in the league finals. Trinity qualified for its 12th NCAA Division III Championship Tournament and its seventh in a row, defeating Ithaca 11–8, Mary Washington 13–5, and College of New Jersey 11–6 to win its regional tournament and downed Franklin and Marshall 6–2 in the NCAA Semifinals before falling against Middlebury 9–5 in the finals. Senior co-captain midfielder Martha Griffin was named as the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Offensive Player of the Year, the NESCAC Player of the Year, and the Trinity College Senior Female Athlete of the Year (Trinity Club of Hartford Trophy) this spring. Griffin and senior co-captain defender Ashley Stewart were named to the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWLCA) Division III All-American First Team, while junior attacker Clare Lyne graced the IWLCA All-American Second Team. Griffin was an All-ECAC First Team selection, Stewart made the All-ECAC Second Team, and all three All-Americans were All-NESCAC First Team and IWLCA Division III All-Berkshire Region First Team honorees. Griffin, Stewart, and senior goalkeeper Emily Mooney were additionally selected for and played in the IWLCA North/South Senior All-Star Game, and Griffin received MVP honors in the game with two goals and four draw controls. Griffin also excelled in the classroom and was named to the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-District At-Large First Team and became the first Bantam lacrosse player to grace the CoSIDA Academic All-American Team. Griffin was selected to the Academic All-American Third Team, one of five women's lacrosse Academic All-Americans.

### BASEBALL

Trinity's baseball team, coached by Bryan Adamski, finished with a 17–21 record and in second place in the NESCAC East with a 7–5 mark against division foes. The Bantams qualified for the NESCAC Championship Tournament, losing to Wesleyan 7–6 before downing Amherst 13–6 and Wesleyan 10–4 to win the losers' bracket, but fell 18–6 against Tufts in the finals. Senior co-captain and catcher Scott Cullinane was named as the NESCAC Defensive Player of the Year and to the All-NESCAC First Team and the ECAC Division III New England All-Star Second Team. Senior Nick Pezzella and first-year Johnny Stamatis graced the All-NESCAC Second Team.

### SOFTBALL

The Bantam softball team finished the 2016 season with an 18–14 overall record and tied Bowdoin and Colby for second place in the NESCAC East with a 6–6 mark in the division. The Bantams qualified for the NESCAC Championship Tournament for the ninth time and the first season since 2011 but lost at Williams 10–2 and

against Amherst at Williams 4–3 in the postseason. Trinity Head Coach Caitlin Hitchcock, in her 14th season, was honored by her peers as NESCAC Softball Coach of the Year, while first-year Courtney Erickson was named to the All-NESCAC First Team and senior co-captain Erica Quinones earned All-NESCAC Second Team honors.

### MEN'S LACROSSE

Trinity's men's lacrosse team, coached by Mike Higgins, finished with a 5–10 overall record and in ninth place in the NESCAC with a 2–8 league mark. Senior captain attackman Ryan DeSimone was selected for the New England Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (NEILA) 2016 East-West All-Star Game.

### MEN'S TENNIS

Trinity's men's tennis team, coached by Lori Shulman, finished with an 8–7 overall record and a 3–5 mark against NESCAC opponents. Senior tri-captain Ford Traff and sophomore Rex Glickman were named to the All-NESCAC Second Team as a doubles tandem.



Scott Cullinane '16



Erica Quinones '16



Ford Traff '16



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## AWARDING EXCELLENCE



Several Trinity students and staff members received prestigious honors at the College's annual athletics awards reception on May 4.

**GEORGE SHELDON MCCOOK TROPHY**

Senior Male Athlete of the Year  
SHAY AJAYI '16  
MEN'S BASKETBALL

**TRINITY CLUB OF HARTFORD TROPHY**

Senior Female Athlete of the Year  
MARTHA GRIFFIN '16  
Women's Lacrosse

**ECAC AWARD**

Senior Male Scholar Athlete of the Year  
PAUL MCCARTHY '16  
Football

**BOB HARRON AWARD**

Junior Male Scholar Athlete of the Year  
SAM JOHNSON '17  
Men's Ice Hockey

George Demoulas '16

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### GOLF

The Bantam golf team, coached by Matt Greason '03, was one of four NESCAC teams to qualify for the league championship tournament this spring and finished as the NESCAC Runner-Up in the two-day event at Middlebury. First-years Jack Junge, also an All-American; Taylor Kay-Green; and Will Rosenfield were each selected to the 2016 Golf Coaches Association of America (GCAA)/Ping Division III All-Northeast Region Golf Team after outstanding rookie campaigns.

### WOMEN'S ROWING

Trinity's women's rowing team finished 9-3 in dual races and placed fifth at the New England Rowing Championships and sixth at the National Invitational Rowing Championships (NIRC) this spring. Senior Cristina Pretto was named to the 2016 Pocock All-American First Team by the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association (CRCA) and

joined two teammates who received honors for their respective performances in the ECAC National Invitational Rowing Championships. Pretto and senior co-captain Madeleine Boudreau were each named to the 2016 NESCAC All-Conference Team, while senior Sarah Black graced the 2016 NIRC All-Stewards Team. Pretto received All-NESCAC First Team honors, and Boudreau earned All-NESCAC Second Team recognition.

### MEN'S ROWING

Trinity's men's rowing team, coached by Kevin MacDermott, finished 4-3 in dual races, placed fifth at the New England Rowing Championships, and won the Petit Final at the NIRC this spring. Three team members received honors for their respective performances in the NIRC. Senior captain George Demoulas and junior Will Corban were named to the 2016 NESCAC Men's Rowing All-Conference Team, while sophomore Charles Tuckwell graced the 2016 NIRC All-Stewards Team. Demoulas received All-NESCAC First Team honors, and Corban graced the All-NESCAC Second Team.

### MEN'S OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

Trinity's men's outdoor track and field team, coached by George Suitor, finished ninth in the NESCAC Championships at Amherst, tied for sixth in the New

England Division III Championships at Springfield, tied for 24th in the New England Open Championships at Southern Connecticut, and tied for 21st place in the ECAC Division III Championships at Westfield State. First-year Alex Tomcho highlighted the NESCAC Championship Meet with runner-up performances in the 100- and 200-meter dash, setting a new Trinity record in the 100 meters of 10.69 and coming in at 21.67 in the 200-meter race. Senior co-captain Patrick Hoagland won the New England Division III 1,500-meter title with a time of 3:54.55, while Tomcho posted second-place times of 10.80 and 21.75 in the 100- and 200-meter dash and first-year Luke Mayer took seventh in the 110-meter hurdles at 15.71. The 4x800-meter relay team of Hoagland, sophomore Michael Fries, and first-years Zachary Joachim and Joseph Ruggiero placed fourth in the 4x800-meter relay with a time of 7:53.63, and the 4x100-meter relay team, consisting of senior co-captain Geoff Bocobo, sophomore Daniel Hughes, first-year Ben Feola, and Tomcho, took sixth at 43.32. All nine Bantams received All-New England recognition for their performances. Hoagland won another New England title, placing first in the 5,000-meter run with a time of 14:43.33 at the New England Open Championships, while Tomcho finished fourth in the 100-meter dash at 10.77 and sixth in the 200-meter dash at



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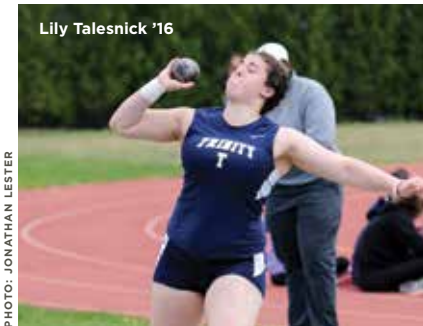


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21.89, sophomore Kyle Larsson added a sixth-place finish time of 1:52.19 in the 800-meter run, and first-year Mark Hillsamer was seventh at 183'08" in the javelin throw. All three received All-ECAC honors. In addition, Hoagland and Tomcho were named to the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) Division III All-New England Men's Outdoor Track and Field Team thanks to their outstanding performances in multiple events this spring.

**WOMEN'S OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD**

Trinity's women's outdoor track and field team, coached by George Suitor, finished ninth in the NESCAC Championships at Amherst, tied for 30th in the New England Division III Championships at Springfield, and tied for 57th place in the ECAC Division III Championships at Westfield State. Senior tri-captain Lily Talesnick fin-

ished second in the shot put with a heave of 39'02.50" and third in the hammer throw with a toss of 146'02", while junior sprinter Katie Tonyai added a third-place time of 12.37 in the 100-meter dash; both received All-NESCAC honors. First-year Caroline Sullivan came in eighth place with a time of 38:18.23 in the 10,000-meter run to collect All-New England Division III accolades, and classmate Anna Barnes registered an eighth-place time of 2:14.57 in the 800-meter run and represented Trinity on the All-ECAC squad.

**NEW COACHES**

Heather Barney, who guided Nova Southeastern University to back-to-back NCAA Division II Championship Regattas in 2015 and 2016, has been named Trinity's new head women's rowing coach. Barney, who has served as an assistant coach at Bucknell University, Georgetown University, and her alma mater, Williams College, prior to her two years at Nova Southeastern, takes over a Trinity program that has become one of the elite women's rowing teams in NCAA Division III. Trinity qualified for the NCAA Division III Championship Regatta every year from 2003 to 2015, winning four varsity-eight national titles and the NCAA Division III crown in 2015. Barney replaces Renee Jones, who served as interim head coach in 2015-16. Barney graduated Phi Beta Kappa and with honors from Williams in 2001

with a bachelor's degree in economics and history and has a master's degree in coaching and athletic administration from Concordia University in California. She was a highly decorated oarswoman for the Ephs, serving as captain and rowing the bow seat for the fastest boat in Division III rowing in her senior spring.

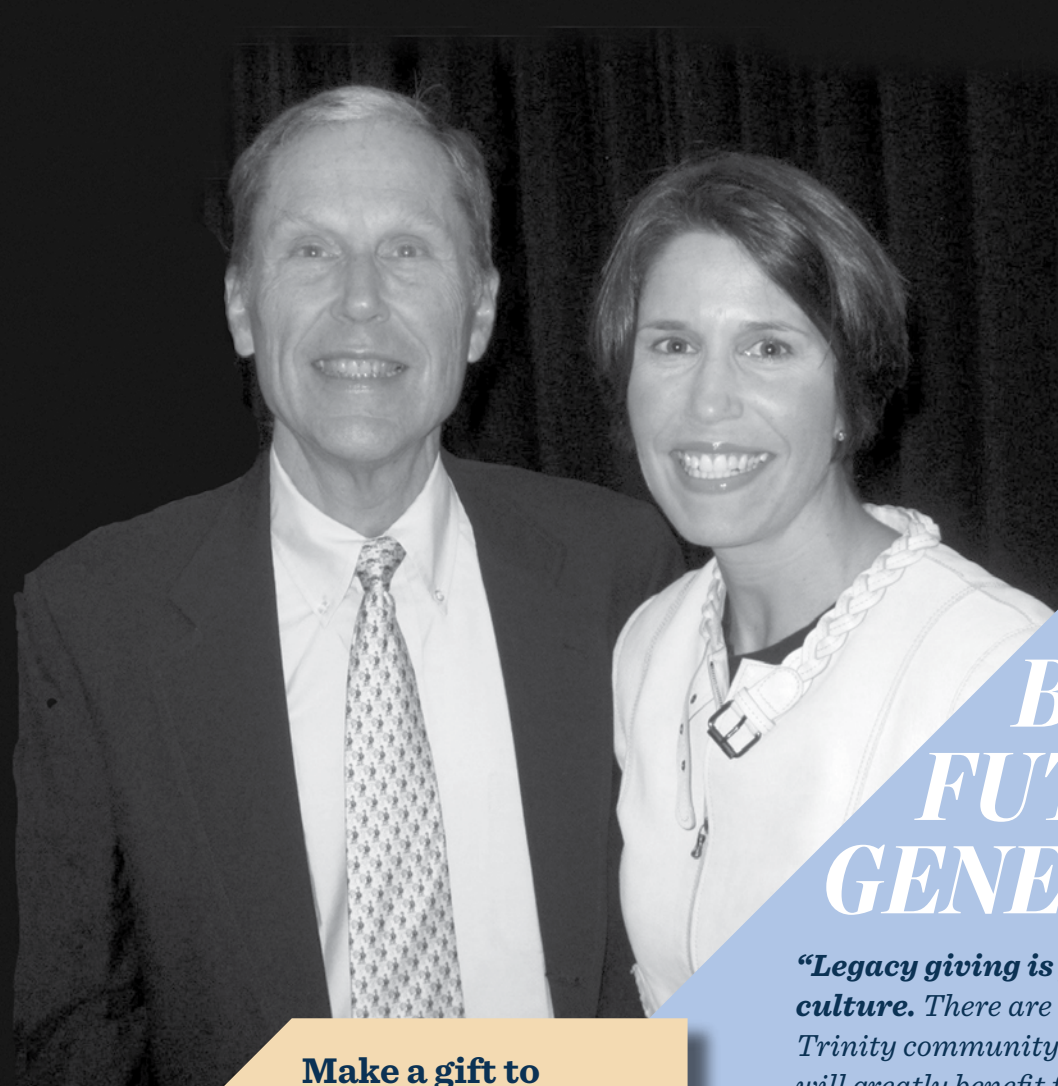
Trinity also announced the hiring of Emily Garner as its new head women's basketball coach. Garner spent the last six seasons as an NCAA Division I assistant coach at Long Island University Brooklyn and the U.S. Military Academy. At Army, where she served as an assistant from 2012 to 2016, Garner helped the Black Knights post a four-year record of 99-28 with two NCAA appearances and two WNIT appearances. She replaces Wendy Davis, who resigned in May after posting a 137-128 mark in 11 years at Trinity. Garner, who began her coaching career in 2010 as a graduate assistant at LIU Brooklyn, played basketball at Lafayette College, where in 2009 she earned her bachelor's degree in English with minors in economics and business; she also holds a master's degree in secondary education (English) from Long Island University. A three-year starter for the Leopards, Garner was elected captain and garnered Patriot League All-Tournament honors in her senior season.



Barney



Garner



Charley Kurz '67, P'99  
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At this writing, only a week ago, my wife, Cathryn, and I, and **Dave Edwards, Jerry Hansen, and Mac Jacoby** were fortunate enough to enjoy our 65th Trinity Reunion. We attended a cocktail party hosted by our "new" president, Joanne Berger-Sweeney, a human dynamo with new ideas and real leadership qualities. She hides nothing, has realistic goals, thinks outside the box, and truly loves Trinity and her job.

Preparing for a big reunion takes time and effort. Dave Edwards, our leader; Jerry Hansen, Mr. Trinity; Mac Jacoby; and I worked for months with Michelle Deluse, assistant director of alumni relations, and Allison Grebe, senior associate director of annual giving. **Alec Simpson, Norman Wack,** and many others also contributed time and money. As a result, we exceeded our class goal, and, for those of us still able to travel, small in number, had a great time.

Trinity has changed a lot since our graduation. It has grown even as older alumni,

many our friends, have died. Despite the College's growth and remarkable changes, there are many handsome buildings of value that remain. There is a grace and beauty of the Long Walk and our magnificent Chapel mixed with the architecture and planning over many periods of time. I have to admit tears are not uncommon when I visit our alma mater. I'm really glad I could still make it.

P.S. I would appreciate news for future Reporter issues.

From the Alumni Office: We have learned that Norman Wack's new home is not in Minnesota as reported in the spring 2016 issue but in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Our apologies to Norm for the misinformation.

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'52 *Class Secretary: Edward B. Thomas, 1000 Vicar's Landing, Unit 1110, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082; edward.thomas.1952@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: John S. Hubbard*

Ahoy, me land and sea lubbers ... now listen up! Next spring, in 2017, we will celebrate our 65th Reunion! Can you believe it? I received a nice note from **Phil Trowbridge**, our class president, already preparing to whoop it up. He and wife Fay are really looking forward to it. So, highlight it on your calendars. I know that **Art Raybold** is planning to fly in from San Diego. I had a long conversation with Art a week or so ago, and I don't know if you remember, but Art left Trinity at the end of his junior year and worked before returning for his senior year. He considers himself a member of the Class of '52. He spent some time in Houston, Texas, before moving to San Diego, where he has lived for 27 years. When I spoke with Art in late June, he and his wife were living in a home that was only 20 miles from a huge fire headed toward him. If this sounds like one of those old serial movies, it's not. I'm deadly serious. If you remember Art and would like to get in touch with him, his number is (619) 464-3255.

So, prepare yourselves for the 65th ... it's closer than you think! Oh, and write to me and fill me in on all your life's experiences. Ted

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Once again, it's me bugging you to continue our communications. If you did not receive a prompting note from me, please update my e-mail file with your new address at stanmac1@sbcglobal.net. My phone, a landline, is still working at (713) 669-1830. And, snail mail for some is still a good option,

3712 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX 77005, all year long. **Al**, I don't have your wife's e-mail. **Dick**, what is happening in NYC? **Tex**, something has happened to your e-mail address. What has happened to our correspondents from Vermont and Colorado? **Joe**, keep **Shigo** online. **Dusty**, you still out there?

**Howard Sloane** wrote: "I'm just glad to see you guys are still around. Best regards to all, old friends."

**Jack Campbell** wrote: "Hi Stan, nothing exciting to report this time. We have been getting ready to move closer to Columbus. We have sold our condo and now must find a new place to hang our hats."

**Bruce Fox** wrote: "Stan, hopefully, your new format will give you a good response! I have made the decision to retire this coming month. Fortunately, we have a great team at Fox & Fin, so I am sure they will not miss a beat. Mary Ann died two years ago. The positive is that we had 57 years together. Our four children have gifted us with 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren who are all doing well. I am looking forward to a family reunion in the New York area next month. Will be spending some time in the Chicago area this summer as it is becoming a home for several members of our family. Nuff said. Thank you for your efforts to keep us all connected."

**Joe Wollenberger** wrote: "Hi all. We're out here, living in San Diego — reputedly having the best weather of any city in the country. When the temperature drops below 60 (rarely), people complain. When it goes above 75, they complain. Flowers of one sort or another bloom all year long. ... So, life is still fun, and we hope the same is true for the rest of you. I had a call from **John Shigo's** daughter, who is vacationing here. He asked her to call me. John is in a nursing home; she gave me the address and phone. The latter is (570) 245-8784."

**Dave Longobucco** wrote: "We are still in Madison, Connecticut, and enjoying life here. We spent part of the winter on Hutchinson Island in Florida and then went back again in May for a short trip to attend our granddaughter's graduation from the University of Miami with a nursing degree. I continue to be active in several charitable organizations locally. My wife and I will celebrate our 63rd wedding anniversary as I write this brief note. Best wishes to all old Trin '53 grads who are still around."

**Bill Bernhard** wrote: "Just returned from northern Ontario catching walleyes. Now off to England and a cruise to Normandy beaches, France, Spain, and Portugal. Then back to the Eastern Shore of Maryland for crabbing and relaxing before another cruise and more fishing in October. Still participating in honor guard ceremonies firing an old M1 when

veterans are buried.”

And just before our deadline, our president, **John Alden North**, wrote longhand: “Stan, Ruth and I just returned from Spartanburg, South Carolina, after attending the wedding of one of my twin granddaughters. The other twin was married two years ago. It’s not impossible to imagine a great-grandfatherly stork might be in the air one of these days. The two-day excursion from Vermont to South Carolina was splendid. If it wasn’t for the plethora of 18-wheelers, it would have also been relaxing. Golf has been put on hold for a while, since a carpal tunnel operation has left me with three very numb fingers on my left hand.”

This spring we flew to Amsterdam for a 16-day cruise on the Rhine, Main, and Danube rivers (Emerald lines) to Budapest, where our daughter and family are now living. After a week, Sal and I returned to Houston and are sweating out the summer. We have a wedding in Aspen in August; will stop in Longmont, Redstone, and Cloudcroft to visit briefly with friends on our way to and from. Our very best to all of our classmates, and drop me a line any time, Stan.

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**Jim Leigh** and Florence downsized eight years ago to a two-story home and smaller yard in a new area where they have found new friends and are very comfortable. Their daughter, Jane, and her husband, Rick, live nearby, and they attend the same church and go to the sports and musical events at the high school where she teaches. Also nearby are their granddaughter and her family, and they love being great-grandparents to their two girls. Their son, David, and wife live in France with one of their children. They miss seeing them but do see two others who live in Indianapolis. Jim and Florence are both thankful for good health and for staying active. Jim uses a cane or walker to get around but doesn’t need them to have fun playing bridge.

**Fred Potter** is comfortably settled in Blue Skies of Texas with his bride of six years, Lisa. This is a retirement facility for military officers like Fred. It has a woodworking shop where he spends a lot of time repairing furniture for residents and doing work for the Wounded Warriors Program. He and Lisa spent a wonderful summer last year in Annecy, France, in a 16th-century apartment overlooking the town square and just completed a visit to Maine, Fred’s childhood home, where they spent a lot of time eating lobster and clams and improving Fred’s Down East accent. Fred’s big news is that his two grandsons have graduated from medical schools, and he now has two doctors in the family.

**Bill Crenson** has been living in Pinehurst, North Carolina (golf center of the world), for the past 16 years. As a consequence, his golf

handicap has moved gradually upward from 10 to 17. He was, however, elected to the Football Hall of Fame in Harrison, New York, and was inducted on June 3, 2016. Congratulations from all of your classmates! Bill has stayed closely in touch with **Al Smith** and **Ray Moylan** and got together with Al, **Paul Arcari**, and **Bill Bruce** in Easton, Maryland, to go over Paul’s scrapbook of old clippings of their football days together.

Joan and I are doing well in our retirement, staying active and taking care of our medical needs from top to bottom, from dentist to podiatrist. My only system that doesn’t need attention is my forgettery. I can disconnect names and faces and remove events from my memory with great ease — except those involving Trinity.

From the Alumni Office: **Ron Storms** writes: “Hope all is well with you and yours. We’re doing well here. A few things to report for your consideration: I visited twice with **Hugh Cunningham** in Leesburg, Virginia, on my way to Florida in March. He’s in a senior facility, doing fairly well, and would be delighted to hear from any of our classmates. His address: 5044 Ridge Rd., Leesburg, VA 20176. I also spent time with **Sandy** and **Ellie Campbell** in Virginia Beach, Virginia, another of my many stops going south each year (a week to drive from Connecticut to New Smyrna Beach yearly)! Marianne and I attended the Wings Over the Beach airshow in Virginia Beach with the Campbells again later in mid-May ... our seventh time since 2010! Also, after nearly 45 years, we are sadly selling our wonderful vacation home ‘Runaway’ on Lake Winnepesaukee due to family scattered from New Hampshire to California, thus lack of sufficient use and ... **Gordy**, perhaps you can use some of my ramblings. Also, I believe you snubbed me by not waving back as I sped past your area of abode on I-95 in March! Best personal regards.”

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It was a real shock to hear of the passing of **Gordon “Gordie” Maitland** and **John “Lucky” Callen**, both having quick, unexpected terminal health-related events. We are at a point in life where we are all too often faced with these sorts of personal losses. Nine classmates, including Lucky, had just enjoyed a special time together at our mini-reunion in Florida this past February. A month ago, Gordie and I had one of those classic phone calls where we covered the waterfront and touched many bases. As his wife, Betsy, said, “Gordie never met a conversation he didn’t like.” I talked with **Dave Roberts** regarding Lucky about his contribution to Trinity’s very successful baseball season (11–3) in the spring of ’55. Dave was emphatic about Lucky’s all-around skills at each infield position, including first base, where he took over for **Lou Magelaner** when Lou chose to drop from the

squad to get married and to give a final academic push to his senior year. **Nathaniel Reed** (npreed33455@gmail.com) reported that he and Lucky shared a mutual concern for the maintaining of Florida’s estuaries, lakes, and rivers. Nat also indicated Lucky was a quiet, reserved, star-quality person who worked hard to make fraternity life a better place for all members.

The report of **Mason Southworth’s** passing in our last class notes prompted **Walter Blogoslawski** to contact me via e-mail, signed Walter Blake (wdboptions@comcast.net). Walter was Mason’s roommate at RPI when they completed their 3/2 program after their three years at Trinity. Walter remarked that Mason was the smartest man he had ever met. Walter took over a family funeral home business in 1960 upon the premature death of his father. He sold the business in 1987 but had by that time become a skilled security analyst and stock market researcher/broker. He became particularly successful in trading options, puts and calls, and indexes, often making profits when financial markets were in decline.

I continue to enjoy staying in touch with **Hank Scheinberg** (hankscheinberg@gmail.com), who impresses me that he maintains such a hectic pace in a “red hot real estate market.” He enjoys helping young couples buy their first homes, but his primary focus is on syndications and projects, such as acquiring a 30-by-80 lot for \$6.5 mil (just for the dirt) for subsequent development. He also is a partner in an escrow company. Hank mentioned that he and Beki had a super outing with Susie and **Warren Gelman** (wjgelman@gmail.com) over the Memorial Day holiday weekend.

Prestigious awards and industry acclaim continue to flow forth to recognize **Bruce Whitman** (brucewhitman@flightsafety.com) for his personal and corporate contributions to the airline industry. This past April, Bruce received the Médaille de l’Aéronautique, which was presented to him by the consul general of France. Flight Safety International, a Berkshire Hathaway company, provides training to more than 2,500 pilots and maintenance technicians annually from an FSI center at the Paris-Le Bourget Airport. His tenure as CEO of Flight Safety International seems to be unending as he continues to demonstrate an energy and ability to produce impressive corporate results.

Had a quick phone contact with **Charlie Gardner** (cgardner@epix.net), who indicates he and Amy have successfully moved to the Washington, D.C., area from Eagles Mere, Pennsylvania.

Judy and **John Palshaw** (palshaw@earthlink.net) have moved from their “big house” in Carmel to a 1,863-square-foot home in Salinas, California.

**Don Penfield** and **Tom Ullmann** have successfully sold their riverboat in Europe, which they have tried to do for more than a few years.

Have been in touch with our local Hartford

'55ers — **Bill LaPorte**, (860) 858-5345; **Craig Mehlau**, (860) 463-3626; and **Ed Yeomans**, (860) 742-8907 — and we are hoping they will pool their efforts to organize some on-campus functions for fellow classmates, particularly during the fall football season. Anyone who would like to contribute to that effort, please contact one of those three.

**'56** *Class Secretary: Bruce N. Macdonald, Stonehouse Farm, 1036 Zollmans Mill Rd., Rte. 4, Lexington, VA 24450-7265; bruce.macdonald.1956@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Henry M. Zachs*

I am pleased to report that our 60th Reunion was a big success — lots of fun and a decent, if small, turnout. As usual, the best moment was Friday night on the great lawn. It was a perfect evening with the sun casting a golden glow over the Chapel tower, the trees, and us all. We felt young, if just for a fleeting moment. I had flown to Philadelphia the night before in order to drive up to Hartford with **Charlie Stehle**. The three-hour trip allowed us to catch up on news, and especially interesting was the work he continues to do for the Lakota Sioux in Wyoming. He is well into a book on the subject that should come out next year. **Ron Boss** was the first classmate I encountered on campus, who came all the way from Westminster, California (a little south of Los Angeles). His career was flying aircraft for American Airlines, and he had many good stories to tell. His high school sweetheart and wife, Bobbi, died a few years ago, but he says he is coping well with help from his two children. Soon we were joined by **Dick Abbott**, who lives in St. Petersburg, Florida, in the winter and Culpeper, Virginia, in summer. Since I live relatively close in western Virginia, we made plans to get together before winter sends him south again. His tales were equally interesting, and best among them were of his years in Nepal running the World Bank for that country and of receiving a visit from sitting Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara. **Henry Zachs** joined us at our table as the band kicked in, looking fit and younger than his years, a regular tennis player and hiker. He is, of course, very active still in his various business ventures. He said his biggest project at the moment is a Crown Supermarket plaza under development, and he is working on building another Hillel House at the University of Hartford. We kept looking for **Charlie Sticka**, and just when I thought he was a “no show,” there he was. We learned that he is active coaching baseball to grade-school kids ages 7 to 10 and even high school age and loving it. He remains a loyal lover of opera and still goes into New York City as often as he can to attend performances at the Metropolitan in Lincoln Center. He also loves to travel around the country looking up old friends and classmates from Trinity. On Saturday morning, we lined up for the Parade of Classes, and with a light rain falling and a bagpiper leading, we marched from Mather Hall, through the

archway by Hamlin, and on to Cinestudio, the theater in the old chemistry building. Here I encountered **Don Scott** and his wife, Gail, who drove up from Naples, Florida, and **Ken Weisburger** (still having back problems, soon to be fixed, he feels). The presentation of class gifts (big oversized checks ... and ours was a respectful \$51,843) was followed by individual awards to selected alumni. Lunch was next in Mather, where **Don Ahlberg** and his wife joined us, as well as **Rod Smith** and his wife, Nancy. They had come all the way from Palm Desert, California. He told me that he had retired from the insurance business some 18 years earlier and also lived part of the year in the mountains outside Park City, Utah. Finally, I was glad to see **Arnie Persky**, who also joined us for lunch and lives in nearby Newtown. There were some interesting lectures in the afternoon (politics and history) and an impressive Q&A with President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, who answered a battery of questions (some difficult ones) honestly and with style. The last event was our class dinner, which was in Smith House, where we toasted departed or absent classmates, elected new or old officers (Dick Abbott as president, Charlie Stehle as vice president, myself continuing as secretary with **David Taylor** assisting, and Henry as class agent). David Taylor's daughter Susan (an alumna) came by to see us and pay witness to our presence. It was all meaningful, and we shared the pleasure of old friendships and classmates — glad to be together again.

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It's hard to believe it, but next year is our 60th Reunion. Please be sure to stay around so that you can make it.

**Dave Murray** is on a two-week tour of Greece. He advises that 100 degrees is far too hot for an 80-year-old to be climbing to the Acropolis and Delphi, so he plans to go “to Mykonos to visit the nude beaches and relax?”

**Jerry Channell** and Mary are doing okay in Texas, exercising almost every day and surviving the hot and humid weather. They enjoyed attending their grandson's college graduation and spending a few days in Troy, Michigan. He is looking into a right cochlear implant.

**Richard Harrison** reports that he has been out of the States for more than 50 years. He sadly read in *The Reporter* that just came out that **Lennie Wolin** passed away and will send Len's widow a letter. He also asked me how many members of our class are still alive. I am sorry to say that I don't know the answer.

However, I will endeavor to find that out.

**Dyke Spear** recalls a visit to Muhammad Ali's training camp in Pennsylvania before Ali embarked upon his trip to Zaire for the Foreman fight. Some 200 children were bused to the camp from Philadelphia and given the run of the camp. After the media had left, Ali spent an hour and a half playing with the children. Since there were no members of the media present, there was no PR potential and so it was simply Ali enjoying the children and ensuring that they had a good time.

**Ward Curran** and Kathy enjoy their trips to Florida in March to see the Cardinals preseason games, but they do not plan on moving there because of the heat. Carroll and I have an apartment in Sarasota that we enjoy very much, but almost everyone clears out in April or May and heads north.

**David** and **Sallie Elliott** traveled to Boston for the first U.S. meeting of the Linnean Society of London, which was held at Harvard's Arnold Arboretum. He gave a speech, was formally inducted into the society, signed the same roll as Charles Darwin, and received the formal welcome and handshake. The Linnean Society is probably the leading natural history society and was founded in 1788. Sallie and David attended their oldest grandson's high school graduation (he is headed to the University of Cincinnati to study mechanical engineering) and then enjoyed a memorable time in Cleveland. The book about Mark Catesby co-edited by David received the 2016 Annual Literature Award of the Council on Botanical & Horticultural Libraries. I will never forget our 55th when **Jim Pitchell** asked me to rip out a page of an ancient book during David's presentation on Catesby.

**Donald Burton Stokes** sent me an eight-word message (he has a small vocabulary) advising that “the pool is open and ready for you.” Don rarely went into the neat pool that he has on his 47-acre estate in Weston, Connecticut, but now he does because he has grandchildren in adjacent Westport, thanks to daughter Amanda and her husband, David Kirby.

**Jim** and **Patty Bradley** just returned from a two-week coach tour of Scandinavia. They had perfect weather while enjoying lilac bushes, rhododendron, and lupines growing wild along the road. Norway was astonishingly beautiful with its fjords into which snow and glacier melt cascade from cliffs hundreds of feet high and its still-frozen lakes at the highest elevations.

**Phil Almquist** hopes to join us for our 60th. It would be his first Reunion. Phil has moved around the country quite a bit — San Francisco, Seattle, returned to Connecticut, Boston, and finally Austin, Texas, where he has been for 40 years. He has worked for several companies that he describes as PerkinElmer types; attended four colleges/universities and graduated from two of them; lots of international travel and service in the U.S. Air Force like so many of us. He keeps in touch with Fran Duggan, **Doug McCracken**, and Jerry Channell.

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Carroll and I have just sold our town house condominium at Bromley Mountain in Vermont, which we enjoyed for 41 years. We have now fully moved into our house in Bromley Village. Our principal residence remains in Darien, but we are looking to downsize there within the year. In July, we will have a full week with all of our children and grandchildren on the Jersey Shore in Avalon.

I hope that all of you had a wonderful Father's Day and that you enjoy the summer wherever you are.

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Midsummer brought some news from classmates and a few thoughts about the election.

Sadly, **Ed Speno** wrote a recollective and fond memory piece about Bill MacDermott '60, who died in May. Ed reminded us that Mac coached for Wesleyan for 16 years and with the San Diego Chargers and in the Canadian Football League for a quarter century. Cari, whom Mac married while at Trinity, still resides in Middletown. Children Sandy and Mike, from his marriage to Cari, survive their dad. Remarking with understatement, Ed reminds us that Mac was a free soul at Trinity. Stories abound about Mac's exploits. Ed's personal favorite revolves around Professor Thompson's famous Lincoln lecture. Traditionally, Thompson would close his lecture first by playing out the assassination by that "sniveling coward, John Wilkes Booth." Preaching that Lincoln's primary objective was to save the Union, Thompson would seek scholarly student affirmation of his contention. With great drama he exhorted, "Lincoln did not live to see the fulfillment of his life's dream, which was what Mr. MacDermott?" Ed whispered into Mac's ear, "Save the slaves," which Mac shouted out with conviction. The good professor collapsed on his desk in frustration as Mac rose from his chair, lifted his hands in clinched victory, and walked triumphantly from the room as classmates all headed for the door in hysterical laughter. On the personal side, Ed spends his time happily acting as the caregiver of Marty, his wife of 58 years. He turned 80 this summer, and his six children, their spouses, and 17 grandchildren gathered at a local winery for a week of fun. He regularly touches base with Frannie and Roger LeClerc '60, **Peter Corbett**, and Mike Wallace '57. He reports that they are in relatively good shape and enjoy reminiscing about their days at Trinity and above Zips.

Good news from **Frank Kury** that he has fully recovered from heart surgery and has returned to an active schedule. In fact, he and Beth did a river cruise on the Seine, Paris to Normandy, in May. He enjoyed where they went and, at several turns, was reminded of his undergraduate days and professors. To wit: the Bayeux Tapestry and the Norman invasion

recalled George Cooper's English history, Giverny and Professor John Taylor's fine arts courses, Phil Bankwitz and his role in the liberation of France at the Arc de Triomphe, and the French language and Louis Naylor's inimitable courses. No daily packing and unpacking and that wonderful French cuisine. Frank reminds classmates that they are welcome at the Kurys, just off the Harrisburg exit of the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

The suggestion to '58ers to comment on the presidential election got **Tim Parker's** attention. He is retired in Marblehead with wife Janet. He does some volunteering, sails, and tends the garden. As he was pulling weeds, he remembered Professor Waterman's class in French literature, something by Voltaire, who said the important thing in life is to cultivate your garden. Waterman suggested that this could mean more than one's own garden. Tim said, "We need to take of the earth." That brought him to politics. Tim says, "We need people in Congress who really represent us, the people, not just those who are very rich, including certain members of Congress. As voters, we need to distinguish between the good and bad representatives. The idea of throwing everyone out and starting over is wrong; we may end up with worse than we have. We do not need demagogues like Donald Trump. If elected, I think he will go down as the worst president ever!"

**Bernie Moran** wrote that he was still living and "loving the lifestyle" in Florida's Villages. He manages to get to Fort Lauderdale often and occasionally to Palm Beach for Trinity gatherings. Speaking of Palm Beach, Bernie has finished his sequel, *Love and Treachery in Palm Beach 2*, which is available in Barnes and Noble, through Amazon, and on Bernie's website authorbernardmoran.com. Regarding the election, all Bernie can say is that he despises Trump and prays fervently that he loses.

**Curt Young** writes that he spends most of his time as a day trader in the stock market. He finds it both challenging and rewarding. He plays golf at Merion with Paul McAlaine, who captained Wesleyan baseball. Curt's lacrosse grandson graduated from Colorado College, where he won All-American honors three times. He has a medical major granddaughter at Tulane, another grandson at Fordham, and his daughter who is a sophomore at Thayer Academy. His son's son is an outstanding youth hockey player. As for the election, Curt points out that he has always been a Republican and sees no reason to change. He feels debates should be interesting.

**Denny Haight** wrote that he visited with **Phil Rogers** last spring at Millbrook School.

Life in the fast lane is how **Pete Smith** began his note. Thanksgiving in California with daughter Annika '88 and her family. Christmas in Sweden with son Erik '86, who runs a company. January in St. Martin, where his brother '56 has a home. March in Jekyll Island visiting a high school friend. In June, he was at his own home in Salisbury, Connecticut, after a return visit to California for a grandchild's

graduation. She is off to Boston College. During summer, Pete regularly plays competitive tennis, gets stung by bees, and was awaiting a fall trip to Switzerland and Austria and a river cruise. In the election, his vote goes to experience. He adds his opinion that the death of his tennis friend from Pete's South Africa days, Ambassador Chris Stevens, was a screw-up, but no blame on the secretary of state.

From the Alumni Office: **Bill Lorson's** mailed letter indicates that "life is still good at Royal Highlands, just north of Orlando, Florida. I'm back playing golf after a very successful back surgery. Am playing with the Super Seniors. They've discovered a way to get 20 more yards on their drives with the same driver, just move up to the closer tee! Also, had a nice surprise when Charlie Sticka '56 stopped by on his annual 'bucket-list trip' on which he visits some 30 friends and family around the country. We had a very enjoyable two-hour lunch discussing the old days and catching up on people. Incidentally, the same day as Charlie's visit, the *Daily Commercial* printed my 68th letter to the editor. It's always fun to open the paper and see your letter there."

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Greetings, Trinity '59

Classmate **Bart Hewitt**, noting that our letter published in *The Trinity Reporter* spring issue 2016 was a bit weak, was kind enough to send an update, which goes as follows. Bart works hard at keeping active and healthy. As a well-trained Trinity English major, Bart writes occasional humor pieces for *The Washington Post* and other local rags. As a professional singer, he sings in the fine choir at Mount Vernon Unitarian Church and composes church music as well as pieces for small ensembles. His set of 24 pieces for three male singers titled *The Lamentations of Canarius* has received rave reviews. These songs are all based on puns about canaries. (Bart will gladly send copies of the songs to anyone who wants them, including Trinity singing groups). Although approaching 80 years of age, Bart keeps physically fit by riding his mountain bike several times a week on the challenging deer trails in the woods of Northern Virginia. Bart's motto is: "Any day above ground is a good day." Bart also opined that perhaps our news clips were few and far between due to the diminishing numbers of classmates. There is some validity to this comment as you may have noted in the last *Trinity Reporter* that the four following classmates are no longer with us: **Walt Mayo III** of Boston; **Brian Nelson** of Atlanta; **H. Alan Tubman** of Louisburg, North Carolina; and **Christopher Q. "Kit" Wright** of Greencastle, Indiana. God bless, all good men.

The loss of "Nellie" prompted several AXP classmates not only to contact me but also to make donations to Trinity in his memory. These

donors included **Bob Brian, Tiny Crowell, Jr., Doug Frost, Brendan Shea, Charlie Nichols, Bill Abeles, Jerry Olson**, and yours truly (all Class of '59), as well as the following AXP members: Dave Golas '60, Dale Peatman '61, and Kerry Fitzpatrick '61. Dale checked in while on Cape Cod and later stopped in for breakfast at the soon-to-be defunct Hotel du Pont in Wilmington. He is self-employed selling insurance for Mutual of New York in Massachusetts, with offices in Wellesley and on Cape Cod. He and wife Barbara live in Weston, Massachusetts, and have been married for 52 years. They have two children and five grandchildren, with the oldest, Will, now enrolled at Trinity. After leaving Wilmington, Dale proceeded on to Charlottesville and ultimately a 945-mile ride back to Massachusetts. Kerry Fitzpatrick says AXP fraternity is still doing well, especially at the smaller state-owned universities. Dave Golas is also doing well as the head of law firm Golas, Golas and Golas, PC — I believe family members were all Trin grads and all lawyers except for one physician.

**Joe and Gail Casello** also checked in. They are still living in and enjoying Pensacola, Florida. Eldest son Jon is living in Arizona and still flying for FedEx. Jon and daughter Sane will soon be visiting the Hanoi Hilton. Joe and Gail's youngest son, Jay, is still in the U.S. Air Force as a pararescue type living with family in Alaska with multiple assignments to the Middle East.

One of our class's primo aviators, **Bob Spielman**, reports (following his bailout some time back) that he has submitted seven Nevada sailplane records for his Sparrowhawk and that he has also purchased a replacement for the sailplane he bailed out of.

My enduring memory of classmate and fraternity brother Alan Tubman is the trip we took together to Europe following graduation in June 1959. Central to the trip (mode of travel was hitchhiking) was a paperback titled *Europe on Five Dollars a Day*. "Tubs" had to leave (from Italy) in August to marry Betty and fulfill his Air Force ROTC commitment, and I stayed on until October. After Tubs left, I hitchhiked from Capri to Monza to watch the Italian Grand Prix, from there to Munich, and then to Berlin (or what was left of Berlin in 1959). From Berlin, I took a train to Rotterdam and then boarded the Holland-America Line Ryndam to New York City, the only problem being the hurricane we encountered in the North Atlantic. The next time I saw Tubs was in 1959 at an Air Force base in Texas in navigator school. The last time I saw him was our 50th Reunion in 2009, during which he was awarded the "fullest head of black hair trophy." In sum, a great guy and one I will long remember.

**Zeke Gay's** widow recently published a book of poems based on her life in a military family. Their son flew a C-130 gunship (special operations) and is still on active duty. Their daughter retired after 10 years flying P-3s in the U.S. Navy and attended Penn Wharton.

I would like to follow up on Bart's notes and encourage all of you to send me updates at

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jareynold@gmail.com. Believe it or not, your 1959 classmates appreciate your news. I would also encourage you to read class notes from the Classes of '56, '57, '58, '60, '61, and '62. For example, the latest *Reporter* has items concerning Pete "Cropsy" Smith '58, Gus Crombie '58, Hub Segur '58, Bill Kilty '58, and Gary Bogli '58 in which Crow House members might be interested.

As to yours truly, Emilee and I were recently guests of the U.S.A.F. Thunderbirds for their show at McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey, on Saturday, May 14. If you have an interest in precision flying and haven't seen them recently, they are highly recommended, as are the Blue Angels.

If you would like to avoid rambling paragraphs such as the preceding in the first person, this is your opportunity to send me an update on some memorable event in your life so we can all read and enjoy. Best regards, and take a moment and send me a quick note.

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It's always a pleasure to hear from **Jere Bacharach**. In late March, he and wife Barbara traveled from Cape Town, South Africa, to Dakar, Senegal, for 23 days on a cruise ship, stopping at 16 ports in 12 countries, or, as he called the trip after a 1960s movie, "If It Is Tuesday, It Must Be Togo." Jere and Barbara arrived in Seattle on June 1 after 24 hours door-to-door (Cairo-Seattle). I'm tired just thinking about it. Seattle will be their home base until mid-December.

I also had a nice note from **Neboysa Brashich**, who has retired from the Senior Foreign Service and is living with wife Prunella 90 miles from New York on the East End of Long Island in the midst of some 50-plus vineyards. Sounds like a wonderful place to retire. Neb reports he is well with the normal aches and pains. Last October (2015), they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on the new Cunard *Queen Elizabeth*, sailing from Turkey to Italy among the Greek Islands. This October they will be traveling to Belgium, Holland, Portugal, Austria, and France. Since they have traveled all over the world for both pleasure and business, they have promised themselves that in the future they will explore the United States. After retirement, Neb devoted his life to advocacy for better and sensible community health care reform in Albany and Washington. Last year, he was awarded the Trustee Leadership and Advocacy

Award from the Healthcare Trustees of New York State and the Distinguished Trustee Award from the United Hospital Fund of New York. Neb's eldest son, Alexander, heads a military telecommunications division of the Harris Corp. in Rochester, New York, and has six children: twins, 19; triplets, 17; and one single, 12; five boys and one girl. Neb's youngest, Nicholas, has followed in his footsteps being in charge of diplomatic security in Brussels and has one girl, 3. Thanks, Neb, for the update.

**Bill de Coligny's** wife, Marge, reports Bill is totally engrossed in writing a novel. Publication date is unknown.

Reporting from Norfolk, **Bill Hunter** and Pat were in Scotland and Ireland in August. They attended the Military Tattoo early in their trip in Edinburgh. The performance is by British Armed Forces, Commonwealth and international bands, and display teams on the esplanade of Edinburgh Castle and takes place every day and twice on Sunday throughout August.

As in the past, **George Kroh** in late spring sailed around the coast of Italy aboard the *Silver Arrow*, a friend's 54' ketch. In the fall, he and Carolyn will go back to Europe and sail the Greek Islands. It seems George has good friends.

At this year's Honors Day, sociology major Brenna M. Burke Weber '17 was the first student to be awarded the Colleen and **David Leof** '60 Humanities and Medicine Prize. David and Colleen worked with Professor William H. Church and the College after our 55th Reunion to establish the award. An excerpt from the nomination letter, "While abroad in Cape Town, Brenna interned at Mowbray Maternity Hospital and spent countless hours researching and documenting birth data from the Cape Town area ... and spent the last weeks of her internship observing and shadowing the midwives at the hospital. Brenna is passionate about medicine and dreams to work within the realm of women's reproductive health." Thank you, Colleen and David, for establishing such a meaningful award.

An exciting time was had by **Matt Levine** and Diane last May/June that took them on a two-week self-organized trip on the Adriatic from Dubrovnik to Split on the Dalmatian Coast by land and sea on a catamaran among the Croatian islands of Hvar, Korcula, Vis, and Brac. "The country's rich heritage, scenic beauty, courageous and welcoming people, not to mention some very good wine, made it a memorable experience for Diane and me." Matt continues, "Our 'third child,' the San Jose Sharks, are making us very proud by reaching the finals of the NHL playoffs." Sadly, the Sharks lost in the final game. They will be back next year. As a sidebar, Josh Cooper, an editor for *Puck Daddy* on Yahoo Sports, recently related a story of how Matt Levine brought in the famous hockey star Gordie Howe for a day in February 1991 to promote the Sharks' new jersey. Matt's idea and Gordie Howe's willingness were among the many reasons why the

Sharks jersey was the league's most popular early in San Jose's history.

Good news from **Marv Peterson**. He reports his surgeon says he should be able to ski next winter, and his mother will never have to tell him to stand up straight again.

Margy and your secretary had a wonderful spring. We were able to obtain tickets at a reasonable price to Broadway's hottest musical hit, *Hamilton*. I don't know how Lin-Manuel Miranda did it, but rap caught the energy of the early revolution. It was a wonderful treat to hear and see such a transformative musical. As a history major, I could not help thinking what a wonderful method of teaching history. We also had the good fortune to travel for three weeks to Spain, starting in Barcelona, then going to Northern Spain and ending in Lisbon, Portugal. The people were delightful, food delicious, and wine hearty. The good news is I returned stronger. Walking every day did wonders for my health.

It was good hearing from **Tony Vignone**. He reports he is writing freeware software and doing pastel portraits, which can be viewed at [www.tonyspastelportraits.com](http://www.tonyspastelportraits.com).

I truly hope everyone had a wonderful summer, and remember, keep the Class of 1960 spirit alive!

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Although turnout was diminished by grandchildren's graduations and spouses' reunions, we nevertheless had a spirited 55th.

**Joe Colen, Guy Dove, Dick Druckman, Alex Guild, John Henry, Bill Kahl, Mike Kauff, Peter Kreisel, George Lynch, Roger MacMillan, Bill Scully, Vin Stempien, Doug Tansill, Walt Zellely**, and your humble scribe shared fellowship, memories of deceased classmates, and plans for enhancing the Class of '61 scholarship. During Reunion ceremonies, Doug's daughter Peyton Tansill Muldoon '91 was awarded an Alumni Medal for Excellence.

Walt led a moving service of remembrance, with George reading the names of our 52 deceased classmates. Roger and **Brad Ketchum** produced a handsome booklet profiling them.

The current balance of the scholarship fund is \$172,000, with the single beneficiary getting an annual stipend of about \$7,000-8,000. Vin has agreed to head efforts to increase these giving totals so we can build an ongoing legacy for our class. Classmates can contact him at (516) 524-8168 or [stempiev@aol.com](mailto:stempiev@aol.com) with any questions.

**Michael Algona** has broken decades of silence with an account of Navy combat service in Vietnam, business start-ups in Asia and the United States, and first-time fatherhood at age 60. Citing Fats Waller, he concludes, "One never knows what's going to happen, do one?"

Actually, **Spike Gummere** does. Lake Forest

College, which he joined in 1968 as director of admissions, will honor him with an "I Like Spike" tribute in October. After reading some 35,000 applications over the years, he now focuses primarily on alumni but still helps out with recruitment and tries not to miss on-campus activities.

Legendary squash player and coach Don Mills '62 is still swinging, ranked second nationally in 75+ men's doubles. He's on the board of the Cincinnati Squash Academy, which helps take children from poverty to college with a program of education, athletics, mentoring, and community service.

From the Alumni Office: **John E. Koretz**, age 76, passed away peacefully on January 16, 2016, at his home in Tucson, Arizona. A memorial service to honor John was held at Northmoor Country Club at 820 Edgewood Road, Highland Park, Illinois, on Friday, July 1.

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Greetings, Class of 1962!

A signal achievement for **Al Zakarian**: he has been chosen for Lifetime Achievement in the *Connecticut Law Tribune's* second annual Professional Excellence Awards 2016, honoring attorneys who have excelled over a career. Al has been practicing law for more than 50 years and has tried more than 100 cases to verdict in both Connecticut and federal courts. He is a partner in Hartford's Day Pitney LLP law firm, focusing his practice on employment and business litigation, alternative dispute resolution (including service as an arbitrator and mediator), and litigation-avoiding strategies in complex and sensitive disputes. You may remember that Al was a member of ROTC at Trinity. In his pro bono work, Al successfully defended an airman who was charged with murder after shooting and killing a Marine. Al, who was a U.S. Air Force captain in Vietnam at the time, proved to the panel that the Marine might have survived the gunshot wound had he not fallen off a cot in the ambulance on the way to the hospital, winning exoneration of his client on the homicide charge. Today, Al also devotes time to working with young lawyers, stressing the benefits of civility. "You know what I'm most proud of, besides representing clients well? It's becoming a good mentor to those who want to be trial lawyers," Zakarian said in an interview with the *Connecticut Law Tribune*. Al has been a great credit to our class!

**Don Jones** sends word from Florida that he's taken time off from relaxing in the sun to sing in Benjamin Britten's *Rejoice in the Lamb* in early May. Don and I share comments and criticisms of the Met Opera HD transmissions, last having mutually reviewed Alban Berg's *Lulu*, an early 20th-century work featuring dissonance, in contrast to the flowing melodies of most operas being presented by major companies today.

Your secretary found Trinity days pertinent in a recent visit to Broadway, where I saw the play *King Charles III*, a speculation on the British royal family after the death of Elizabeth II and the succession by the long-in-the-tooth Charles, with William and Kate working in the wings. The prime minister has proposed a law muzzling the press, and having received Parliament's approval, asks for Charles's pro forma signature. He expects no difficulty, given the current sensationalist coverage of the royal family. But Charles has doubts, despite the unofficial endorsement of the bill by the Conservative Party leader. Charles looks to commentators on the unwritten British Constitution, referring to Bagehot. At this point, all of you who took Professor George Cooper's English history course should spring to attention, probably, if you are like me, not having heard Bagehot's name mentioned since 1962. Once again, the quality of a Trinity education is obvious to us! (Charles stands on principle and is forced to abdicate, partly due to the wiles of Kate, who comes across as another Lady Macbeth.) I must add that the play needed an introduction so that the non-history majors in the audience might see the difference between the British and American governmental structures, as well as kings' and presidents' very different powers. Also, while the play did a great and subtle job of telling the story in iambic meter, British English posed quite a barrier to many in the audience. I was sitting next to a kid around 15 years old whose mother had probably taken him to his first Broadway play — I doubt he'll want to see many more! Despite the crabby review, I did enjoy the play and regret that its run was brief.

For those of us interested in politics and the Old World, **Deyan Brashich** offers his observations in his blog; the link is [drbrashich@abv.bg](http://drbrashich@abv.bg). Deyan welcomes your comments!

Surveying the arts, we have another classmate involved: CPTV has begun a series called *You Are Cordially Invited*, in which beautiful homes across the country are visited by the hostess. The first home in the series was Dr. and Mrs. **Paul Sullivan's** Eyrie Knoll, in West Hartford. Paul and wife Melinda hosted a cocktail hour there for the class at our 50th Reunion, so if you are able to see the program, you may recognize the rooms. The Sullivans collect art, with a magnificent collection of Du Paquier porcelain. It served as the basis for the definitive volume on this exquisite china, which the Sullivans helped produce. Sculpture by Degas and others are framed by the paneling and parquet of the home. My favorite moment when I saw the program was the double grand piano layout of the living room. When Paul was young, he dreamed of playing piano duets; here he fulfilled this desire. Try to see this program, for Paul and Melissa have created both a warm, inviting house and a masterpiece as their residence.

Let me once again encourage you to forward news of your lives. The years are passing, but we all have a treasury of experiences and memories



worth sharing, with new ones arriving every day! Warm wishes, Paul

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This synopsis of classmate activity comes in the midst of a move for Karen and me. By the time you read this, we should be safely “at home” somewhere in or near Canton, New York. We have ventured here to live with our daughter, who is a tenured professor in the art department of St. Lawrence University. Hopefully, I have not lost any reports from folks in the confusion of moving. Here is what I have.

Several others in the class are on the move: **Richard Birney-Smith** and Rosie have moved from Dundas, Ontario, to Hamilton, Ontario, after his Dundas landlord decided that he needed the home there for his aging mother. So, Richard and Rosie have found a new abode that they are making just as lovely as their former residence. They made the transition last April and by this time are most likely snug and warm and ready to entertain old Trinity friends. Meanwhile, **Jack Waggett** and Martha are also relocating. They left Memphis at the end of May for Ten Mile, Tennessee (a town that Jack claims is even smaller than Mexico, Missouri, where he lived during our college years). Jack and Martha are building a lake house on property that has been in Martha's family for five generations. They hope to be open for visitors in 2017! While they are settling in, Jack shall also be seeking ways to convert East Tennessee into a blue-leaning region, a heavy lift that he has consistently pursued in friendly Memphis the past several years. Finally, **Bob Bordogna** and Elaine are working at getting their Louisville home sold so that they can complete a transition into Bob's retirement and be nearer to Elaine's family out west. Are there any others of you on the move? Write me for the next *Reporter*.

**Bruce “Brent” Davis** and wife Terrie went on their third Viking River Cruise last April, traveling from Berlin to Prague. Touring with friends from Brent's Marine Corps years, they remained in the Czech Republic for a few days after their cruise and visited Český Krumlov, a beautiful city with a wonderful old castle and striking views. Brent says he is still playing a lot of golf and spending time restoring his 1941 Chevrolet.

**Chad Minifie** and Justina have also been in Europe, taking a 10-day trip to Spain. “We could learn a few things from the folks there, i.e. keeping up with infrastructure, good roads, and not tearing down wonderful old buildings to put up bigger buildings that have no character.” Chad writes that Justina's third book, called *Wake Up to Your Dreams: Transform Your Relationships, Career, and Health While You Sleep*, is out and available. She recently did a radio program with our classmate **Emmett Miller** and discussed her book and her

extensive knowledge on dreams.

From **Lloyd Reynolds** comes this note: “Lee and I continue to enjoy at least three months of our winters on the Space Coast beach in Florida. In December, we were lucky to see the safe return and landing of the first stage of one of the private-space-focused corporation's efforts replacing the only government (NASA) control over Cape Canaveral. Our business, South Port Marine, LLC, continues to thrive in South Portland, Maine, and we look forward to our 20th successful year this summer.”

**Eli Karson** and Nancy still are reveling in their 50th anniversary celebration that took them to Europe. Amsterdam was especially nice as they did a river tour on an electric boat captained by **Kerby Tally's** friend Mark. Also memorable was a two-day World War II “Market Garden” tour that took them from the Belgian border to “a bridge too far” and to Nancy's uncle's grave. Putting flowers on his grave was especially moving.

**Stan Marcuss** reports that two classmates have responded to his January 2016 note to us sharing a vision of gathering responses from the class that bespeak of the theme “How What I Did Mattered.” Stan's vision is that over time we might gather many class stories about our individual choices to consciously make a difference in some way to the life of the world around us. **Carroll Stribling** wrote a moving account of 17 years of mission work in Nicaragua through his local Episcopal parish and of his efforts to involve more than 500 people to travel with him over all those years.

**Jonathan Tiefenbrun** wrote to share some of his work of being an “inner city” doctor for 40 years in New York. Over a sterling career, many published studies, 20 U.S. patents, and medical school teaching, Jon is listed in *Who's Who in the World*. And, he is still working! Stan will be taking this project of our stories further as the years unfold. I shall only say that they are deeply moving and that there are more of you out there who have also done things that have “mattered” that Stan needs to hear from. Please, share your story with him, and thus with us all.

That's it for this report. May blessings touch each and every one of you, and may peace and joy visit your days. Michael

**'64** *Class Secretary: Christopher J. McNeill, M.D., 406 Cooper Lake Dr., Georgetown, TX 78633-5356; christopher.mcneill.1964@trincoll.edu*

**David “Tiny” Ladewig** lost Mary, his wife of 26 years, this spring after a prolonged hospitalization.

**Ron Yates** and wife Barbara have been involved over the past 2½ years in the birth and growth of New Life Home Refurnishing, which provides an important need for marginalized people in eastern Massachusetts while at the same time helping those who want to recycle furniture and household goods through their donations. The first 5K March for Mattresses Charity Walk was announced this spring. More than 550 households have been served, involving

1,200 individuals (500 of whom were children and 70 military veterans). More than 6,000 furniture items (1,000-plus donors) and more than 7,800 hours of volunteer service have been accumulated to help these families and individuals back on their feet after difficult times.

For 40 years, **Don McLagan** was involved in starting and running tech companies. When he retired in 2008, he returned to writing poetry, which he had enjoyed in high school, before studying engineering at Trinity. Weekly workshops produced lots of poems and, with much editing, a book on Amazon, *Tug at the Knot*, has been released, with proceeds to benefit Vineyard House in its mission to provide sober housing to Martha's Vineyard islanders in early recovery. He indicates that being an entrepreneur and poet aren't so different. Both involve creating something new on what before was white space. This book of Don's poems provides striking insight into his life and soul.

As for your secretary, in June, Jan and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary (actual date April 2) by taking our three boys and their families on an Alaskan cruise. It was the only time that our three engineers, Brian, Scott '92, and Dale, could have a week together without distractions.

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**Fred Born** wrote that he and Diane recently got back from visiting their elder daughter in Seattle (condo repair semiannual trip; most items are done via Internet photos and the phone). Fred added that she is getting better at plumbing diagnostics and repairs.

**John Ellwood's** daughter, Paige, was married to Billy Keller on June 4 in Winnetka, Illinois. His proposal was one of the most romantic ever. He writes and performs music. One night last year, Billy took over a local establishment, invited family and friends, shared a special song he composed that included a proposal to Paige, and invited her to join him on the stage while he sang to her. Yes, she accepted. There was not a dry eye in the house.

**Merrill Yavinsky** and his sister Arline Corcoran enjoyed a fabulous trip in June 2016 to Poland and the Ukraine. He sent a synopsis for us: “The trip resulted from the involvement of my wife, Cindy, in ancestry.com. After she posted our family tree in spring 2015, I was contacted by phone on August 6, 2015, (I'll always remember the date) by Irek Jawornicki, currently living in Zielona Gora, Poland. He had hired a genealogist to locate his great-grandfather's brother, Grzegorz Jawornicki, who immigrated from Ulucz, Ukraine, to the USA in 1906. Irek subsequently provided documents (which I also received from U.S. archives) that ‘proved’ to me that Grzegorz Jawornicki did arrive in Glastonbury, Connecticut, in 1906, had his name ‘changed’ at Ellis Island to Harry

Yavinsky, became a citizen in 1942, legally changed his name to Harry Yavinsky, and is our grandfather. For whatever reason, perhaps from not hearing much of the story, my father never revealed much to his six children. Thus, the surprise of the call from Irek. I do remember growing up that someone would tell me my 'real' name was Myroslaw Jawornicki (Cindy says I would not have gotten past first base!).

"Over the 10 months since the initial call, Arline and I planned the trip to meet relatives we never before knew existed. In September 2015, Arline, another sister, Louise, and I met Irek's sister, Natalia, in NYC, where she was visiting friends who also worked at Ashland Oil. What a meaningful experience (Natalia is fluent in five languages!). We each received a 12-foot-long draft of the Jawornicki family tree that Irek and Natalia had worked on for three years but did not have a lot of correct detail on Harry Yavinsky's family. After World Wars I and II, the only remaining structure in Ulucz in 1947 was a Ukrainian Orthodox Church, built in 1510. After 1947, the remaining population from the area lived elsewhere. For the past 17 years, however, a reunion has been held in Ulucz. Attendees include current residents (now numbering about 100), those Ukrainians displaced in 1947 to various locations in Poland, and others related to Ulucz through ancestry. Arline and I planned our trip to coincide with the reunion.

"Our journey began first with two full days of touring Krakow, Poland, with a knowledgeable guide, Jakub, recommended by **Tom** and **Nancy Garson**. Jakub had recently completed excellent family ancestry research for Nancy in Krakow. We explored Old Town Market Place and its many churches and museums, Wawel Castle and Cathedral, Jagiellonian University, Kazimierz (Jewish Quarter) including Ghetto Heroes Square, Schindler's Factory, the Wieliczka Salt Mine and its many sculptures carved from salt, and Auschwitz-Birkenau. From Krakow, Irek drove us to the Sanok-Ulucz, where Irek's mom joined us for a quiet evening of conversation and home cooking at the Jawornicki 'vacation' home in Ulucz. There are about 30 houses in Ulucz; maybe half are permanent residences.

"We began the reunion the following day with two religious services; one at the site of the peasant slave emancipation, where Ulucz family members who have passed were remembered; the second at the site of a church burned by the Russians, now a cemetery. Two local priests and the area bishop conducted both services. The services hit an emotional chord with me, probably because I was raised in the Ukrainian Church. We adjourned to a picnic/barbecue for all attendees. There were 80 attending the picnic. Along with others, we are interviewed for the reunion video. A real fun affair with drinking, singing, good food, and something from a bottle that no one asks what it is! The highlight was the Jawornicki family photo with Irek, sisters Natalia and Aleksandra, parents Stephania and Edward, and Arline and me. The final reunion day included a rollout of



Merrill Yavinsky '65 poses in a Ukrainian shirt in June 2016.

the family tree (now 15 feet long). The current tree goes from our three times great-grandfather (1775) to my 21-month-old granddaughter.

"After a day in Lviv, Ukraine, and seeing many churches, the opera house, and museums, we took an overnight train to Warsaw. During the trip, an agent pounded on the door with the excuse 'he just wanted to see where the Americans were!' In Warsaw, we visited the POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews. The museum first opened in 2013 but was fully completed in October 2014. Professor Sam Kassow '66 played an important part in the research for the museum as a member of the core exhibition's academic team. The galleries track the 1,000-year history of Polish Jews through their growth to the largest concentration of Jews in the world, through their almost entire annihilation in the Holocaust, and their lives thereafter. Our final day in Poland was spent touring many other Warsaw sites. Our tour included Łazienki Park and Museum, where we were first exposed to the Chopin benches (marble benches where at the push of a button, a Chopin piece is heard!); Warsaw is very proud of this native son. Arline and I enjoyed a meaningful trip, visiting Krakow, Warsaw, and related sites but especially spending time in Ulucz with newly discovered family. This trip can never be replicated."

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As it is now autumn, those of you who attended our 50th Reunion will have vague recollections that it was a good time, but that will be about all. In *The Trinity Reporter* of last spring that followed hard on Reunion, I thanked everyone (clearly not everyone) who helped make the event a success. This message touches some of the highlights.

The following class members did in fact show up: **George E. Andrews II, Ernest Clifford Barrett III, Thomas M. Beers, Jr., C. Anthony Bougere, William R. Carlson, Thomas Chappell, David C. Charlesworth, Allen B. Cooper, Jeffrey B. Dierman, Dennis Dix, Jr., Lindsay G. Dorrier, Jr., William J. Eakins, Robert Egleston, Carl Ellison, Frank "Sandy" Evarts, Jr., Thomas R.**

**Franklin, Martin Gall, Brian A. Grimes, Elton W. Hall, John H. Harris, Jr., Joseph A. Hourihan, Samuel Kassow, Richard M. Krezel, Richard P. Kuehn, Edward R. Landes, Randolph M. Lee, Edison Lewis, Douglas K. Magary, Malcolm Marshall, Jr., John R. Martineau, John A. "Sandy" Mason, Jr., Timothy W. McNally, Joseph J. Moore III, David V. Peake, W. Scott Plumb, Ellis Ratner, Richard C. Rissel, William A. Roos IV, Mason G. Ross, Lindley C. Scarlett, James W. Shepard, Walter W. Siegel, E. Timothy Sniffen, Charles R. Snyder III, Robert B. Stepto, Scott W. Sutherland, David P. Trachtenberg, Bennett Tribken, Rodman E. Van Sciver, and Daniel H. Waterman.**

The following wives of our deceased classmates attended and added grace and poignance: Leslie Schweitzer, Janice Belfiore, Leslie Dawes, and Ann Reydel.

A wonderful memorial service for our deceased classmates was held on Friday. Participating in the service were classmates Richard Kuehn, Thomas Chappell, the Rev. George Andrews, the Rev. Timothy Sniffen, the Rev. Bill Eakins, and Sam Kassow. Ben Tribken organized a number of classmates to read the names of the 49 deceased. Page 12 in the *Class of 1966 50th Reunion Yearbook* lists their names. Bill delivered a thoughtful and meaningful homily. I have a copy and will e-mail it on request. To that list, add **Arnie Schwartzman**, who passed just days before our 50th Reunion.

Fundraising, which was never our strong suit, was epic. \$6,313,707 was raised between 2012 and 2020, including gifts received, pledged, and planned! Within this total is \$1,004,116 for the 1966 Scholarship Fund. Thank you all who contributed. By the way, gifts are still being accepted.

Awards are an important part of these events, and we are especially pleased that three of our class received among the highest honors the Alumni Association can bestow. The highest honor is The Eigenbrodt Cup, awarded to someone of national or international prominence and for significant service to the College. Sam Kassow was this year's recipient. Congratulations, Sam. Incidentally, **Bill Schweitzer** was the 2011 recipient. Tom Chappell, current trustee of the College, received the Gary McQuaid Award for undergraduate leadership and success in the business world. Congratulations, Tom. Finally, Randy Lee received the Alumni Medal for Excellence for his contributions to his profession, community, and Trinity. Congratulations, Randy. Incidentally, all three are still working.

Among the most desired awards are the Pink Flamingo Awards. Heading the selection committee of one is Ben Tribken. This year's recipients were **Bill Brachman**, Sandy Mason, Jeff Dierman, Brian Grimes, Hope and Bill Eakins, Noelle Marchaj (our Reunion field marshal), and Joe Hourihan, who received the one and only pink flamingo puzzle.

Class elections are very important. They

reflect the regard in which their fellow classmates hold them. Re-elected were Brian Grimes, president, and Jeff Dierman, fund-raising chairman. New offices also were created. Ben Tribken was elected co-class president, and Bill Eakins class chaplain. Thank you for agreeing to continue to serve. Your secretary, alas, was not allowed to resign.

More than anything, this Reunion was unique in that it was a regathering of souls who had a common beginning and who were now in a reflective phase of life. Many had come to previous Reunions, and many returned for the first time in 50 years. Dan Waterman expressed it this way, "I am always amazed when I think back to the Reunion that we all, after graduation, had careers and families, but we seemed to be framed more by the sons and daughters and wives we have had than by the career accomplishments. Not to diminish the careers, but almost without exception, we are all retired, leaving the jobs behind, and the focus is now on those who will follow." George Andrews shared a number of thoughts with me, among them this, "It was great to connect with classmates I knew 50 years ago as well as classmates I never knew!" Ellis Ratner, the surprise visitor to our Reunion and keen observer of human nature, had this to say, "The first hour of the lunch was hard because almost everyone was so much older looking as to be almost unrecognizable. Sort of like being in a wax museum. But the feeling abated as I became accustomed to the scene. Same guys. Just a bit older." Though he did counter this with, "Everyone was friendlier than I remembered them as being. ... Looks to me that advancing years, more so than the revolver, is the great equalizer." Interesting analogy.

At the Saturday night dinner, in addition to sharing memorable camaraderie with ourselves and the Class of 1951, we were privileged to have the president of the College, Joanne Berger-Sweeney, and her husband, Urs, dine with us and address the class. Her enthusiasm and evidence-based leadership, I believe, will serve the College well.

Until the next time, be well.

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**'67** *Class Secretary: James L. O'Connor, 675 West End Ave., Apt. 15B, New York, NY 10025-7380; james.oconnor.1967@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: James H. Oliver*

As you might have heard, I visited the Class of '66 50th Reunion to see what was going on. My old Theta Xi brother Brian Grimes '66 was the Reunion chair and did a fantastic job. Having said that, I'm sure that we can surpass them in every way. More about that at a later date.

**Rob Boas** has done some traveling — Guatemala and Honduras to see Mayan ruins and a sailing/hiking trip to the Greek Dodecanese Islands. A high point for that trip was connecting with our classmate **Nick Cotakis** after all these years. His daughter will be getting married this September, but before that, he will

host a mini-reunion for some ex-roommates, including **Dr. Len Goldstein**.

Speaking of Len, he writes that he has semi-retired from his practice. Only three days a week now. Wife Maria has retired completely from her practice and is "enjoying a second career as a painter."

**Dr. Rich Ratzan** has also retired. He spent his entire career as an ER doctor while his wife, Susan, was a pediatrician. He spends time with his children and grandchildren and volunteers one day a week at Trinity's Watkinson Library and one day a week at the Hartford Medical Society Library (also rare books). "I arrive home (from the libraries) with a heart rate about 20 and a smile on my face!" He added, "I remember distinctly (I think it was in the Chapel) having a dean (but I do not think it was Roy Heath) tell us, 'Sooner or later, we all sit down to the banquet of consequences.' I never forgot that. With Google, it is now easy to look up that quotation. It is by Robert Louis Stevenson (the original, which I shall let others find for themselves, is phrased a little differently). And how true. I, at least, reflect often on the consequences (many good, others not so much) that have befallen me. One good one is having gone to Trinity."

**Bob Tuttle** loves the Bantam lunches in Naples, Florida. They are hosted by Mike Wallace '57. Bob and wife Elizabeth go to all the lunches and another Trinity-related event during their January to April snowbirding. He would "love to see other Bantams fleeing the freeze." So if you're planning to go to Southwest Florida next winter, give Bob a call or e-mail. He's at bob.tuttle@aya.yale.edu.

Another classmate who has finally fully retired is **Luke Terry**. He just completed his last term on the Board of Trustees. He has always been an active alumnus as a trustee and staunch supporter of the football team and the squash team. Luke spent 41 years at Credit Suisse and has a 16-year-old son who is heading to Luke's old school, Deerfield Academy.

**Allen Elstein** is in his fourth year of writing biographies "of my remarkable and unremarkable relatives. Sometimes I am even part of the story." Allen also gives walking tours of the parts of Boston tourists rarely see.

**Bob Ebinger** has been living in Livingston, Montana, for the past 20 years. He spent two terms as a state legislator and is very active in historic preservation and repurposing old buildings for use as high-end condos. He and wife Robin traveled recently to China and Morocco. They also built a rustic cabin "off the grid" but have since jumped back onto the grid with water, a shower, and a flush toilet ... "more user-friendly for family and guests."

I continue with my nonfiction writing for young adults and volunteer work at New York-Presbyterian Hospital and God's Love We Deliver. I am also trying my hand at gardening at our house in Madison, Connecticut. Unfortunately, about 50 percent of the plants I put in are either eaten by rabbits or just up and die. What's left is pretty.

Keep our 50th in mind. President Fox predicts it will be the 50th Reunion by which all other 50th Reunions will be measured and found wanting. So don't miss out.

**'68** *Class Secretary: Daniel L. Goldberg, 53 Beacon St., #1, Boston, MA 02108-3531; daniel.goldberg.1968@trincoll.edu*

**Stu Bluestone** has (finally!) joined the ranks of the retired, leaving the New Mexico Attorney General's Office more than 32 years after he started there as consumer protection director. His service there was interrupted by a year back in school (we got him back to the Northeast for that year) and nine years at the New Mexico Legislative Council. A real tribute to his talents and personality was provided when the person who beat him in the Democratic race for New Mexico attorney general then hired him as her chief deputy. Stu served under five different attorneys general, providing continuity and guidance very rare in that sphere. And he was known throughout the country. I recall that some years ago, when he was visiting in Boston, we took a bike ride together. His bike broke down in Cambridge, and while awaiting my rescue return, none other than the Massachusetts AG strolled by him, immediately recognizing our boy and wondering what he was doing loafing on the banks of the Charles.

It was wonderful to hear from **Peter Kaufman**, who holds the George Matthews & Virginia Brinkley Modlin Chair in Leadership Studies at the University of Richmond. Peter is actively trying to get our alma mater to match funding for scholarships for the undocumented, the very kind of inclusiveness that too often is getting drowned out in today's toxic political dialogue.

Planning for our 50th Reunion continues. **John Covington** has graciously agreed to officiate at the memorial service that will remember all those we have lost. And our webmasters have our class website up and running. You all should have received a communication from our Reunion chairs, **Larry Roberts** and **Paul Jones**, looking for your input. You will need to log in to the website and to establish a password since we want to protect your information. To log in, simply go to <http://trinity1968.org> and follow the instructions. It's easy, but if you need help, please call Pam Jarrett at Trinity at (860) 297-2006. You'll need to log in every time you visit, so keep your password handy.

**'69** *Class Secretary: Alden R. Gordon, Fine Arts Department, Hallden 09, Trinity College, 300 Summit St., Hartford, CT 06106-3100; alden.gordon@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Nathaniel S. Prentice*

**Bill Marimow** was Trinity's Commencement speaker and a recipient of an honorary degree at graduation in May 2016. See the coverage of Commencement in this issue of *The Trinity Reporter*. A strong contingent of class members

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### **What motivated you to found**

**Future 5?** A number of years ago, I became a “Big” in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. The experience opened my eyes to a really tough issue: so many young kids from low-income families are “disconnected” from the world as we know it. They may have dreams and aspirations but no clue how to achieve them and little in the way of support. Economic independence and productive citizenship seem so out of reach for so many of them. So I conceived Future 5 based on the idea of “connection” — an organization that could connect young people to not just one mentor but a web of coaching support, the resources they need, and the inner strength to realize their full potential. Now we like to think that every motivated student who climbs our stairs to join Future 5 will have a shot!

### **What do you do in your day-to-day**

**role there?** I work with our staff and board director (Polly Perkins Johnson, wife of Eads Johnson '76) to help manage a growing enterprise, a “community” really, of more than 150 active student members and more than 70 volunteer coaches. We constantly look for opportunities to improve the membership experience here and continue our success rate in helping our kids execute a smart plan after high school: four-year college, two-year college, or career training. Another important part of my role is fundraising, of course. We are trying mightily to keep up with the increasing number of students who have heard about us and want to join. Another Trinity alumnus, David Schirmer '73, is on the Future 5 board; we have serious Trinity roots here at Future 5.

**What do you enjoy most about the work you do?** The kids and their stories. My staff, volunteer coaches, and I feel privileged to play a role in these stories.



Sometimes we see dramatic “turnaround” success, but other times a simple “nudge” in the right direction might be enough to alter in some small but important way the trajectory of a young life. Yes, there are a few tough moments and some “crises” that crop up, but the spirit here day in, day out is fun and optimistic. It’s a great working environment.

### **What are the biggest challenges you**

**face?** There are two big challenges: the cost of college and the weaknesses in our public education system. Sadly, a number of our students are accepted at four-year schools but simply can’t afford to attend, no matter how much we scramble to help them find grants and scholarships. The other scary thing is the lack of academic preparation for college. Way too many of our kids land in remedial courses at Norwalk Community College, especially math. We work very hard on the tutoring front, but something is really wrong — our public schools are letting these kids down.

### **What did you do professionally**

**before Future 5?** My first career was advertising. There were lots of things I didn’t know or understand about the nonprofit world (maybe that was good), but marketing is certainly good experience to have for starting any kind of organization.

**DEGREE:** B.A. in government

**JOB TITLE:** Founder, executive director, Future 5, based in Stamford, Connecticut

### **FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY:**

Hanging out by the old jukebox (may it rest in peace) at Alpha Delta Phi, discussing Vietnam, the “war on drugs” ... and other slightly less weighty topics.

### **How did your experience at Trinity help prepare you for what you do now?**

The small college experience is all about being a part of a community. Yes, there are any number of subsets within the greater community — special interest clubs, fraternities, sports teams, etc. — but during my four years, I always felt part of a larger, caring community. A caring community is what we have tried to build at Future 5.

### **Was there a professor who was particularly influential? If so, who was it, and why?**

Dr. Gastmann introduced us to a world outside of ourselves and our own experiences — the intriguing world of international relations. He did it with a sense of adventure and, best of all, a wry sense of humor.

were there in enthusiastic support: **Jim Jones, Barry Sheckley, David Beatty, Mike Michigami, and Mike Cleary.** Larry Roberts '68 and Ken Johnson '70 joined a private banquet that evening in what Jim Jones called "a celebration of old times by old timers."

**Nat Prentice** reports that planning for our 50th Reunion three years from now in 2019 is under way. To pick up a few pointers on the planning process and draw on their experience, he and Michael and Sharon Michigami met with members of the Class of 1966 on the occasion of their 50th Reunion Weekend at Trinity. The Class of '66 (as well as a group from the Class of '61) received them warmly and repeated their mantra of "early" and "often" when discussing how best to contact classmates about the Reunion. Nat pointed out that having both Sharon and Michael actively engaged in planning the Reunion provides a great resource for our class — they live in the area and know everybody in the Trinity community. Michael has served the College and our class in many capacities, including service on the Trinity Board of Trustees. Sharon has been a loyal Trinity supporter throughout her life with Michael and brought her gracious and welcoming personality to many of our Reunions. Nat went on to say that he and Michael, with the help of Noelle Marchaj (noelle.marchaj@trincoll.edu) from the Alumni Office of the College, will be expanding the Reunion Committee. Please let Noelle know if you are interested in serving on this committee.

**Vic Levine** has just returned from a cruise on the Danube from Budapest to Nuremberg, followed by a few days in Prague. Vic writes, "I was there in 1963, so this was quite a different experience. No more Iron Curtain, but the effects are still there. Judy and I traveled with her brothers, Jeff and John Alves '67, a member of the Pipes and St. Anthony Hall. I also see **Gene Paquette** several times a year and Susan Watts, widow of **Doug Watts** and mother of Katie Watts '00. Personally, I am still coaching hockey, though with autistic kids (actually, they range from 10 to 30 in age!) and will be starting to coach sled hockey in the fall. I have continued my work as a College Board consultant working with high school Advanced Placement calculus teachers. I have presented workshops in Singapore and Guam in the last two years. Getting to see the world!"

**Dr. William Rosenblatt** is still actively practicing plastic surgery in Manhattan and was recently elected to the board of the American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities. Bill reports that he is "their vice president in charge of standards. To that end, I attended a board meeting in Boca Raton, Florida, where I spent a great evening with my college roommate **Tom Duncan.** It's always terrific to see old friends; even though we only get together once or twice a year, it's like it was yesterday."

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**Scott Lennox** has written that he has been a financial adviser for Oppenheimer & Company, Inc. for 25 years and with the industry for more than 40 years. He plans to work until he is around 75 because that is when his son, 14, hopefully will graduate from college. He also has two daughters, ages 33 and 28, and lives in Chicago with his bride of 21 years. Scott notes that one of the things he picked up at Trinity besides a great education was squash, and he became pretty good at it, winning Illinois state singles (but oops, 35 years ago) and doubles three times when he was about 50. He still plays, bikes, and swims. Another thing he has not forgotten is how to revel in the company of good old friends, a skill that most of us learned quite well at Trinity and that we are all hoping to resume with great passion at our 50th with Scott in attendance!

Your secretary notes that he also has a son at the age of 14 and he also plans to work until at least the age of 75, in fact beyond that age. It was a great eye-opener to learn that someone else in our class has a son of such tender years. I thought I was the only one so blessed.

**Charlie Taylor** recently helped your secretary with a possible referral of a personal injury case that occurred in Missouri. It was great to talk with Charlie. He sounds very enthusiastic these days having lost a good deal of weight. Charlie also continues his pursuits of model railroading and volunteering for the railroad museum in the St. Louis area, both wonderful endeavors that he has shared with my son, a train enthusiast. He is a real expert on travel in the southwestern part of the country as well and should be consulted by anyone interested and in possession of the time to enjoy these precious years.

**'71** *Class Secretary: David M. Sample, 93 MacArthur Road, Concord, MA 01742-3203; david.sample.1971@trincoll.edu*

A small, energetic, and spirited group gathered for our 45th Reunion. Starting with the traditional steak and lobster picnic on the quad Friday evening, our classmates spent a wonderful weekend catching up and learning new things about each other. At our breakfast meeting on Saturday morning, **Jim Wu** was again elected president of the class. Later in the day, **Philip Khoury** and **Tom DiBenedetto** chaired a forum on the crisis in the Middle East, as at our 40th, to a standing-room-only group. Again, they offered a practical and detailed education on the region and its many challenges. Saturday evening we had our class dinner in the Admissions and Career Development Center. We were fortunate to have Coach **Don Miller** as our guest; he has been nominated for the Football Hall of Fame as a coach. We all look forward to our 50th Reunion and agreed to be

relentless in ensuring that we will have as many classmates as possible attend!

Below are a couple of observations and updates from classmates who attended:

From **Marshall Garrison**: "Technology continues to move forward at a continuously accelerating velocity. Trinity College has realized this for several decades and possesses the perfect example of a science and technology curriculum within a liberal arts environment. As we continue to move forward, an institution that can do this will survive and excel. When you traverse the Trinity campus, the investment in science and technology is very evident. There are multiple science and technology facilities that were constructed in our lifetime. Trinity College has been committed to engineering instruction for over 100 years. The current vision and practice is summarized at this link: [www.trincoll.edu/Academics/MajorsAndMinors/Engineering/Pages/Default.aspx](http://www.trincoll.edu/Academics/MajorsAndMinors/Engineering/Pages/Default.aspx). If other educational institutions are to be successful in this new age, they must imitate the Trinity model."

**Tom Weiner** came to the 45th Reunion with **Diane Clancy**. Tom retired the day before from his 40-year position as sixth-grade teacher and mentor to many student teachers at the Smith College Campus School in Northampton, Massachusetts. He and Diane enjoyed the opportunity to catch up with old friends and acquaintances, especially **Norden Gilbert**, who came from Illinois for the weekend, as well as the various lectures and the chance to hear from President Berger-Sweeney. Two highlights were touring the QRC (Queer Resource Center) on campus, which is working tirelessly to make it possible for LGBTQ students to feel more comfortable, safer, and more a part of campus life, and having the chance to engage in a brief but poignant conversation with Reunion attendees at the class dinner. **David Sample** asked Tom to talk about his book, *Called to Serve: Stories of the Men and Women Confronted by the Vietnam Draft*, which was adapted into a play, *The Draft*. There also is a film of the play available if you e-mail Tom at [tweiner909@comcast.net](mailto:tweiner909@comcast.net). This brief presentation led to a lively discussion among our classmates about the role that the war, the civil rights movement, and the many institutional changes that occurred during our time at the College played in our lives. Tom's retirement will hopefully feature a second book about men's and women's support groups (he's been in one of the former for 27 of its 38-year existence), as well as time to ride his bike, play the piano, read, and, most importantly, spend more time with his three grandchildren.

From Diane Clancy: "Coming in to the Class of '71 as a junior and one of 17 women was fun and also a challenge. I am excited that as I have attended these Reunions, I too have begun to really have a sense of connection to the class as a whole, and not just the people I knew (or who were in my circles) at Trinity. I missed the connection with the other women that we had at our 40th, and I really hope we can do

something meaningful to us at our 50th. Everyone was lovely to me — I had to use a wheelchair this time. The College was only semi-accessible, but our classmates were marvelous, especially Tom Weiner, **Dan Lavin**, and Norden Gilbert. My favorite time was probably the Saturday night dinner when we were talking about the Vietnam War for a short time; across all the tables, it was one conversation. We were assigned separate round tables in Mather, and I enjoyed how we just pushed them all together and had one large class table. That was part of where I felt a real connection with our class; we talked as allies and friends. We looked around and someone commented that it would have been hard to find a more diverse group of our class, yet we were together, talking (and also planning for our 50th)."

**Ed Karam** shared that he has recently become the editor of *offonline.com*, a website that reviews off- and off-off-Broadway productions. He also remains an active member on the board of the Drama Desk, whose theater awards cover Broadway, off-Broadway, and off-off-Broadway productions. If you are going to NYC and want to know what to see, ask Ed!

That is it for now. If you come back to campus this fall for a football game, look for the Class of '71 diehard fans (led by **Bill Reynolds**) standing in the Class of '71 corner of the end zone! Finally, please send me any news, updates, etc. that you would like to share with the class.

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Greetings, classmates.

**David McCloud** retired in December 2015 after 27 years in the Foreign Service with USAID. His last 15 years were spent in senior positions dealing with the Middle East and Pakistan. His final overseas assignment was as head of USAID's program in South Sudan, a terribly troubled region. David reports that the work presented some "interesting challenges." Retirement plans include more time training and playing with a border collie. They expect to remain for the time being in Falls Church, Virginia.

**Peter Griesinger** reports that he has retired from his long career as an independent documentary filmmaker. He has also slowed down somewhat on his previously intense environmental/community activism but remains very active as an 11-year member of the board of the Ohio Environmental Council. Environmental activism continues to be a very important matter for Peter as evidenced by his purchase of a new electric plug-in hybrid. According to Peter, it's "what you need when you can't ride your bike."

Unfortunately, **Robert S. "Okie" O'Connor** passed away at his home in West Hartford on March 20, 2016, of natural causes. Our classmate, **John Simone**, who was close to Okie,

reports that the people closest to him included a small group of Trinity graduates, like John, who have stayed in the area. Okie had spent a successful career in the automobile industry, and, according to John, used to play a little with the Outer Space Blues Band "back in the day." John describes him as a very giving person, and that's a pretty good way for any of us to be remembered.

**Kristin (Anderson)**

**Emerson** reported: "The last *Trinity Reporter* featured a great story on the history and success of women's rowing at Trinity. Unnoticed was the 'prehistory' of 1971 when our own **Bob Ellis** volunteered to coach a bunch of ragtag 'pioneer' female Bantams who assembled at dawn. Fellow classmate **Phil Nelson** drove the launch. What dedication and generosity in the pre-club, pre-team days. Thanks, guys! P.S.: Impossible to give enough credit to Norm Graf and Roy Dath for the time and encouragement they showered on women athletes who had only just arrived on campus with no programs in place."

We need more class news, notes, etc. folks. Please pass on whatever information you have that we can share with classmates.

From the Alumni Office: On May 10, 2016, **John Matulis** received the 2016 Hartford County Bar Association President's Award for Excellence. This is a prestigious award presented by the HCBA. John, who graduated from UConn Law School, has been in private practice for 40 years. He has been president of the New Britain Bar Association and the Hartford County Bar Association, has served two terms as a member of the Statewide Grievance Committee, and is a member of the Committee on Recommendations for admission to the Connecticut Bar.

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"Profiles in Service" in the *Haverford School Today* magazine recently cited **Mike Mitchell** for the work he is doing for the C&O Canal National Historical Park and the C&O Canal Trust, whose board he chairs. Mike reports it is challenging but fun stuff. Mike also reports, "June 13, my 65th birthday, and I cycled 62 miles from Cumberland to Hancock, Maryland, and a total of 179 miles over three days to our front door in Potomac."

**Steve Prudden** writes. "All is well, now that I have officially retired as of last November. I seem to be quite busy doing all the house maintenance that has been deferred for so long. I would love to downsize, but Missy (Adelaide



Mike Mitchell '73, right, joins his riding pals in the C&O Canal National Historical Park at a bridge that the Canal Trust recently purchased and then organized volunteers to install.

'Missy' Shafroth Prudden '74) long maintained that she will leave our house feet first, toes up. So much for negotiating room here."

**John Tyler** will publish two scholarly articles in the next few months: "Thomas Hutchinson, America's Enlightenment Historian" in the *Massachusetts Historical Review* and "The Looting of Thomas Hutchinson's House at the Time of the Stamp Act Riots" in *Boston Furniture, 1700-1900*, jointly published by the Colonial Society of Massachusetts and the Winterthur Museum.

**Paul Dumont** writes, "After retiring in 2013, I moved to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and bought a condo fairly close to some immediate family members. I am enjoying the year-round mild weather, golf, tourist attractions, and rock-bottom gas prices. Miniscule property taxes, too. Must go now. Medicare is beckoning as of July 1."

"You can't depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus." — Mark Twain

From the Alumni Office: **Burt Cohen**, a partner of Murtha Cullina LLP, has been reelected to his third term in the House of Delegates of the Connecticut Bar Association. The House of Delegates is the policy-making body of the CBA and consists of more than 50 Connecticut attorneys. He also serves on the CBA Board of Governors and Diversity & Inclusion Committee. Burt also was reappointed to serve as chair of the CBA Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee, which provides guidance for law practitioners not admitted as attorneys in Connecticut and advises whether a particular activity is the practice of law.

**'74** *Class Secretary: Rebecca G. Adams, 5503 Westfield Dr., Greensboro, NC 27410-9226; rebecca.adams.1974@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Constance Hart Walkingshaw*

Greetings. Before sharing reports from two of our classmates, I would like to describe quite a remarkable coincidence. I was attending the annual meetings of the Southern Gerontological Society in Charlottesville, Virginia, and signed up for a dine around with strangers. The man who sat next to me mentioned he was originally from Hartford when I noted he did not sound like a Southerner, and he and I started to discuss the Connecticut economy.

This led me to mention (okay, brag) that a member of my college graduation class, Frank Borges, had been a Connecticut state treasurer. Imagine my surprise when my dinner companion reached in his pocket and pulled out Frank's business card! They went to high school together. I have a photo of this man holding Frank's card, which I would have asked to have included here as evidence of this unexpected occurrence, but I doubt Frank would appreciate having his contact information published.

One of the two folks who contacted me recently is **Ron Kaplan**. He wrote: "I recently retired from the pulpit rabbinate after 35 years in congregational life and am now focusing on chaplaincy, teaching, and pastoral counseling. Happily married to Rabbi Randi Musnitsky for 36 years and living in Warren, New Jersey. Our eldest son, Jonah, is engaged to be married in April to Amanda Grace Fantle. Jonah is a prime-time weekday reporter and weekend anchor at NBC News Channel TMJ4 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Grace is director of the Hillel Jewish center at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee campus. Younger son Rafael is a second-year student at Albany Medical College after serving two years in the elite Paratroopers Brigade of the Israel Defense Forces. Hope all is well with our fellow classmates!"

I also heard from **Greg Barison**, who wrote: "Hey there! Hope all is well! It has been a great pleasure to have my son, Matt '04, practicing law with me in downtown Boston. He and I each had cases out in Springfield, so too the opportunity to zip down 91 to visit Trinity. We chatted with a personable, engaging young woman — a sophomore — as we strolled around the campus. It turned out we had shown up on Trinity Days, so it was awfully quiet, but wonderful to again visit our dear alma mater." Greg also notes that Matt was in the Peace Corps (Uzbekistan and Romania) from 2005-2007 and then graduated from Tulane Law in the Class of '11. Greg's daughter, Leah, went to NESCAC rival Connecticut College.

I remain hopeful as we age in this interesting political environment. I must say, however, as baby boomers, we certainly cannot complain that life has been boring.



Greg Barison '74 and son Matthew Barison '04

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**Chris Mooney** reports on a wonderful trip to Maine, where he's buying a summer home on Great Diamond Island just offshore in Portland. That trip included a nice visit with **Susie Crimmins** of our class, who was a great source of information on Maine and the fast-developing Portland real estate and culinary markets.

**Steve Hirsch's** new Facebook friend and newlywed **Kathy Falk** writes, "Father Kirk (Chief) Kubicek '72 presided over my wedding to Mark Campbell in April. It was a beautiful weekend at the beach in Cambria, California, surrounded by dear friends and loved ones. At our age, a wedding is a happy surprise, and it was about as perfect as anything human can be. How wonderful to find love at this stage of life. My daughter, Martha Lee (a linguist, personal trainer, and aerobatics performance artist in the SF Bay Area), gave me away, and Trinity roomie Cyndi Hawkins Rahilly '74 and dear Trinity friends Ann Convery '74, Chip Keyes '71, and **Mallory Harris Kubicek** joined us and made the weekend even more special. I'm still teaching, now at Southwestern Law School in Los Angeles, and just returned from presenting a paper in progress at the Global Legal Skills Conference in Verona, Italy. Mark and I stayed in Northern Italy and made a great honeymoon of it. Mark's a blue-eyed soul singer-songwriter and voice actor. His band, Jack Mack and the Heart Attack, has been around Los Angeles for a long time; a lot of folks remember them as *The Late Show* band for a while in the '80s. Mark was also the voice of Michael J. Fox singing 'Johnny B. Goode' in *Back to the Future*, among a lot of other fun jobs. He sang for us international law pros at the Global Legal Skills Conference along with a great jazz standards band from Vicenza called Dani and the Legal Trebles. Heading to Portland, Oregon, for another presentation in July and otherwise writing and soaking up the SoCal sun."

Your class reporter, Steve Hirsch, got together this winter with David Kleinberg '76 and our moms, who have been friends and bridesmaids in each other's weddings, for dinner in South Florida. The moms' connection has been passed forward via our ongoing friendship and fraternity bonds. The encounter led to a meet up with my freshman floor mate Sumner and his wife, Hope Cohen Pingree '76, who was also my wife's roommate in NYC, for dinner in Greenwich Village. One degree of separation.



Kathryn Falk '75 and Mark Campbell were married in April 2016 at the beach in Cambria, California. Those in attendance included Cynthia Hawkins Rahilly '74, Ann Convery '74, Mallory Harris Kubicek '74, Kathryn Falk Campbell '75, Kirk (Chief) Kubicek '72, and Chip Keyes '71.

We want to hear from you. Tell us what's going on in your world. Chris and Steve

**'76** *Class Secretary: Vacant • Class Agent: Harold A. Smullen, Jr.*

What a great 40th Reunion we had June 10-12! On Friday night, the weather was spectacular when we gathered on the quad for a traditional New England clambake. The celebration continued the next day, culminating in the class reception and dinner held in Mather. **Karen Jeffers** served as our emcee that evening. Our class had the highest multiyear gift/commitment totals of all of the Reunion classes! The breakdown is as follows: \$4,775,209 (all gifts in FY12-15); \$2,619,906 (all gifts and pledges in FY16 as of June 9, 2016); \$1,896,665 (all pledges booked for FY17, FY18, and FY19); \$9,291,780 (total).

Those in attendance were: **Philip J. Bieluch, Roger W. Bowie, E. Greer Candler, Catherine A. Clark, John P. Clifford, Charles D.F. Cohn, Michael S. Gilman, Richard W. Goode, Elizabeth Boles Gutterson, Lisa M. Heilbronn, David L. Henderson, Alan S. Hergert, Karen A. Jeffers, Eads Johnson, Margaret R. Johnson-Orrick, Frederic H. Knapp, Thomas E. Korengold, Gerald F. La Plante, Scott F. Lewis, Richard S. Lovering, David A. Ludlum, Andrew K. Merz, Robert D. Mesnard, Robert K. Meyers, Stephen H. Norris, John R. Orrick, Deborah Packer, Jonathan D. Porter, David H. Rahm, David A. Rountree, JoDonna S. Scala-Marsh, Harry R. Schuh, Richard W. Schweikert, Harold ("Hal") A. Smullen, James E. Solomon, Charles P. Stewart, Richard J. Trachimowicz, Nancy Motley Walton, and Susan E. Weisselberg.**

Hal Smullen said he thoroughly enjoyed Reunion. He noted that we had an excellent turnout.

Roger Bowie traveled the farthest to attend, and it was his very first Reunion.

Lisa Heilbronn and Philip Bieluch were once again voted in as our class president and vice president, respectively. And I, Scott Lewis, your immediate past class secretary, was one of three recipients who were honored with an Alumni Medal for Excellence. Specifically, the College

honored me for putting others first in my career as a lawyer, as a volunteer for Trinity, and for the work I do within my community.

**Terry Gumz** expressed regrets for not being able to attend.

Mike Gilman said he had an amazing time. And, following our Reunion, he traveled to visit his daughter, her husband, and his newly born granddaughter, Mila Flora.

I, Scott Lewis, immediately following Saturday night's class dinner, went with my wife, Heidi, and our older daughter, Jennifer '12, to Union College to attend the graduation of my younger daughter, Emily. And, as I write this, Emily and Jennifer are living together in the Upper East Side of New York City. So, the June 2016 *Trinity Reporter* was supposed to be my last official act as your class secretary. However, since no one came forth at Reunion to take on the role, I volunteered to write our class notes this one last time. We need a new voice to be heard. After all, how many more of my mountain biking stories do you really want to read? If you are willing to step up and take on the mantle of class secretary, please contact the Alumni Relations Office at (860) 297-2400 or alumni-office@trincoll.edu. Please know that I can offer advice and guidance to anyone who volunteers. The task is not daunting. So, step up. The Class of 1976 needs your involvement.

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From the Alumni Office: **R. Clement Darling III, M.D.**, of Albany, New York, was elected president-elect of the Society for Vascular Surgery (SVS) at the 2016 Vascular Annual Meeting in June.

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**Andrew S. Terhune**  
**Ty Tregellas** reports, "I recently turned 60, and I am happy to say that college friendships are lifelong and that the party was a joint celebration with **Laurie Perry Jones** (we have co-celebrated many birthdays together since 1978 since our birthdays are only six days apart). There were many alums who made the road trip from as far away as Buffalo, New York: **Mike Kluger**, **Heidi Greene**, **Charlie Johnson**, **Alec Monaghan**, **Britton Jones '79**, **Vivi Dunklee Duke**, **Barbara Fisher McQueeney**, **Shawna Deery Barrett**, and **Donna Clarke Stroud**. It was a great gathering at the Jones's home on the water in Norwalk, Connecticut, and I am happy to declare that these representatives of the Class of '78 are really 'looooooooking gooooooood!'"

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**Clay Phillips**, the founder and principal of Crow's Nest Consulting, writes, "Thanks for the e-mail. Not a lot of new news, but I may be able to come up with something. Kate and I were on campus for her 35th Reunion (Class of '81). Turnout was small, but the campus looked great. Saturday was a partial rainout, but we had a good time."

Your class agent, **Andrew Terhune**, celebrated turning 60 by retiring from the corporate world, studying Italian, and assuming the presidency of The Holland Society of New York, a genealogical and scholarly society of descendants of the original settlers of New Amsterdam.

Your humble secretary, that's me — **Jory Lockwood** — is always eager to hear from Class of '78 mates; please feel free to send updates. Any news, large or small, is appreciated and eagerly received by readers of *The Reporter*.

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Four of our classmates saw their sons join the ranks of Trinity College alumni when they graduated at the College's 190th Commencement in May. **Fred Buffum's** son Frederick C. Buffum V had a self-designed major in political economy; **Tom Chohnoky's** son Ryan O. Chohnoky majored in political science; **Michael Foye's** son Michael H. Foye majored in political science; and **Larry Hallett's** son Peter S. Hallett majored in history and minored in biology.

Our class graduated at the College's 153rd Commencement, just to show how much time has passed since 1979. The next Homecoming Weekend, November 4-5, is an opportunity to check out the College and see if any of our classmates attend. At least a few appear for the homecoming game.

Out in California, **Lynn Butterfield**, aka **Lynn Wong**, shared her news with **Diane Molleson**: "I have the joy of sharing milestones Ed and I are celebrating with our kids: Billy, 29, owns a catering business, Unique Cuisine, in the Bay Area, specializing in incredible sushi; Greg, 24, is off to medical school this August at Washington University in St. Louis; and twin sister, Amanda Wong Knapp, 24, earned her

M.A. in social work this May. We are abundantly blessed!"

Back on the East Coast, **Kevin Maloney** wrote to say that he and wife Leslie Warner-Maloney hosted a few Trinity classmates for a long weekend at their beach house in Pawleys Island, South Carolina, in May. Joining the festivities were **Don Silk** and wife Cathy, **Jeff Seibert** and wife Jane Dwight Seibert '80, **Laura McCanless Gakos**, **Bruce Somerstein**, and **Jack Kassel**. A great time was had by all! The fact that the group consumed more bottles of wine than bottles of beer was a testament to our maturity (old age), even if the conversation topics at times harkened back to a more immature age. Kevin also reports that the Class of 1979 is well represented at Trinity College trustee meetings, where he regularly interacts with classmates **Nancy Miller Davis** and **Eric Fossum**.

Our class also has standing on the College's National Alumni Association Executive Committee and the Board of Fellows. **Barlow Peelle** serves on the National Alumni Association Executive Committee. And, representing us on the Board of Fellows are Tom Chohnoky and Bruce Somerstein.

**Gary Savadove** has been a whirlwind of late, bouncing from one side of the globe to the other. Gary wrote to say, "All is well with us. I'm still consulting and have also started a business exporting wines from Italy to Asia. Meredith and I spent a couple of weeks in Austria skiing this winter. Loved it! And, we're now in Vietnam for six weeks ... a combination of business and pleasure. Life is good."

Our class president, **Holly Singer**, has taken on more responsibilities. Holly joined the Hedge Fund Association Board of Directors. The HFA, a global nonprofit trade and non-partisan lobbying organization, announced that she's co-chair of the Marketing/Public Relations Committee. Holly is president and founder of HS Marketing, LLC, a marketing communications, public relations, and media planning firm specializing in the alternative investment community. Holly will be involved in recruiting leadership talent, stronger branding, and developing quality educational programs.

Those who follow Twitter may want to check out **Regina Griffin's** account at twitter.com/Regina\_Griffin. Regina, who's a successful book editor, has one of the more interesting and engaging Twitter accounts. Many of us probably have Twitter accounts. Contact **Ken Crowe** at croweken@hotmail.com if you're interested in linking up. We'll make an effort to get the account addresses out to everyone. Ken's account is twitter.com/kennethcrowe. It's mostly news from the Albany, New York, area.

On a sad note, you may have noticed in the spring 2016 edition of *The Trinity Reporter* that a death notice was listed for our classmate, **Michael D. Ouellette**. **Eric Samuelson** shared a 2014 obituary that he found online. Here are some of the details: Mike was 57 when he died January 20, 2014. He was self-employed and lived in Oakville, Connecticut. At Trinity,



Mike graduated with a bachelor's degree in history. He was a member of the varsity baseball and basketball teams. He was a member of Alpha Chi Rho fraternity. He is survived by partner Sue Grenier and many family members.

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*Scott A. Lessne, Esq., Harry J. Levenstein* Let's begin by congratulating those with children or relatives who graduated in the Class of 2016: **David Bazar**, daughter Alexandra; **Jordan Fried**, niece Simona; **Stephen Greene**, son Sean; **Peter Jongbloed**, son Walter; **Thomas Melly**, daughter Madeline; and **Frances Plough Seder**, son Luke.

Congratulations to **Doug Stone** and Dede Seeber Boyd '81, who were married in Bermuda on May 7, 2016, and live in Madison, Connecticut. They were at Trinity for the graduation of Dede's son Andrew '16.

Through Preston Carey '15, a history major and graduate of The Lawrenceville School, we learned about **Robert Shaw**, who holds the Robert Bowne Teaching Chair in American History and coaches various sports at Lawrenceville. One of Bob's children, daughter Carrie '18, is at Trinity. Bob regularly sees **William Bullard**, who lives in Maryland.

**Robert Herbst** has been appointed to supervise drug testing at the Barra Zone Olympic Park venues for the Rio 2016 Olympics. As the team leader, he will manage chaperones who escort the athletes for testing and monitor the testing and results. Robert is a 30-time U.S. national champion powerlifter, an 18-time world champion, and a 2015 inductee into the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Strength Sports Hall of Fame. He is a New York City attorney and general counsel and chief compliance officer of several public companies. Robert said, "As a fiercely competitive world-class athlete, I pride myself on my integrity to follow the rules and abstain from performance-enhancing substances; I have been put to the test myself many times. I understand the concerns of athletes that the testing process be reliable. As an attorney and compliance officer, I know the importance of having the testing done properly to protect the integrity of the sport, the athletes, and the Olympic Games. My team and I are committed to bulletproofing the process to ensure a fair competition for all. The science is so reliable that the only way a result can be challenged is human error, and the IOC (International Olympic Committee) has chosen us to ensure that doesn't come into play." We wish Robert well in Rio.

**Margaret Brown** is an expressionist oil painter and colorist who hosts open studios a few times a year. She reports that one of the greatest things to come out of her art is that she has been in touch with and visited with so many Trinity friends, including **Carol Goldberg**, **Amy Davis**, Bill Ambrose '79, Barlow Peelle '79, Teddy Walkowitz '79, **Dave**

**Koepfel**, **Nina Chiara McElroy**, John Heppe '72, **Lisabeth Conn Hayes**, **Mary Zackrison Otacka**, **Annievive Crain Palm**, **Cynthia Rolph Ballantyne**, **Pam Germain Matt**, **Lee Clayton Roper**, **Danny Meyer**, **Curry Smith**, **Elizabeth Thrasher Broidy**, **Lisa Parker**, **Judy Ambrose Ewald**, **Nina McNeely Diefenbach**, and **Paul Sperry**.

After careers in corporate finance and consulting, **Barr Snyderwine** directs IT operations at Hargrove, Inc., an event services company that handles large events, including this year's Democratic National Convention in Philly. Barr coaches varsity ice hockey at St. Albans School in D.C. and varsity rugby at Landon School in Bethesda, Maryland. Barr reports that classmate **Betsy Green** lives in Potomac, Maryland, works as a cancer researcher at NIH, and runs in various events around Maryland. Barr can be reached at barr@snnyderwine.com.

**Steven Stuart's** son, Jeff '12, is marrying high school sweetheart Rachel Leitner from Scotch Plains, New Jersey, on November 18, 2016. Steven and wife Andrea P'12 are very proud and excited. Jeff's twin brother, Tim, will be the best man, and other Bantams will be in and at the wedding.

**Dede ("Edith") Faulkner Graves**, like Margaret, says that art is the great connector. Dede represents fine artists at Studio E Partners ([www.studioepartners.com](http://www.studioepartners.com)) in D.C., and two of the 10 artists there are **Catherine Linder Spencer** and Dede's brother Andrew Faulkner '83. She is in touch with them often and saw several classmates, including Carol Goldberg, Nina McNeely Diefenbach, and Dave Diefenbach '79, at a New York event her company hosted. Dede also visited Denver and met up with **Lee Clayton Roper**, who gave her a tour and told her about Lee's new cookbook, which Dede is enjoying. She is in touch with BFF Cynthia Rolf Ballantyne, who has been a big supporter of Studio E. If you are in D.C. or would like to meet or be added to Studio E's mailing list for pop-up art events and open studios across the country, e-mail Dede at [edith@studioepartners.com](mailto:edith@studioepartners.com).

**Cornelia Thornburgh**, chair of Trinity's Board of Trustees, notes that our class is well-represented on the board and in other key volunteer leadership positions. **Patrice Ball-Reed** was saluted this May as she stepped down from the board after serving eight years. Fortunately, Nina McNeely Diefenbach, who is at the Barnes museum in Philadelphia, and Danny Meyer, who is at USHG in New York, are continuing to represent our class on the board. **Mark Leavitt**, who was a trustee a few years back, is working alongside Danny. **Trish Mairs Klestadt** is chair of Trinity's Women's Leadership Council, a group that mentors undergraduate women and recent graduates through informal gatherings and programming and raises important scholarship funding. When not in Hartford, Cornie is in South Florida, where The Lord's Place, a homelessness agency in Palm Beach County, has elected

her chair of its Board of Directors. This social impact agency is working to break the cycle of homelessness and is increasingly a model for national efforts to confront this issue.

**Thomas G. Hunter** has lived in Chicago since 1995 after getting an M.B.A. in marketing from New York University in 1985. After working in marketing for more than 20 years, he made a career change to social work in 2006. Tom earned a master's in social work from the University of Chicago in 2013 and became a licensed clinical social worker in March 2016. He works primarily with people who have HIV/AIDS, many of whom are LGBT. Tom is launching a program to provide social and professional support and resources to older adults who are aging with HIV/AIDS.

**Jeffrey D. Long** lives in Atlanta with wife Casey and has been married for more than 30 years. He is an attorney and hotel developer with hotels in Vermont and Michigan. They have three children: Claire, who graduated from the University of Dayton in 2009 and married high school sweetheart Kyle; Marty, who graduated from Boston College in 2013 and dove for BC's swim/dive team for four years; and Kevin, who graduated from Miami University in Ohio in 2015. Jeff returns to New England several times a year to visit the Vermont hotels and attend BC football games. Besides his wife, children, and work, Jeff's passions are golf, traveling, and Casey's love of gardening. He remains in contact with **Macey Russell**, **Kevin Hern**, and **Bobby Almquist**.

Lastly, **Tom Casey** e-mailed to share the sad news about **Jamie Hudson's** passing on April 3, 2016. More about Jamie's accomplishments, career in business, and love of the outdoors may be found in the "In Memory" section of this issue.

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**Ginger O'Brien Brennan** writes: "I cannot believe that it has been 35 years since we graduated. I have been in touch with some (**Katie Rae Phillips**, **Eleanor Wenner Kerr**, **Joan Campo Carter**, **Scott Growney**, and others) via Facebook. What a great way to catch up and see the intriguing lives of our classmates. I have had many experiences as have we all, but the one constant has been a great career in sales and sales management in the financial services industry that has given me the flexibility to raise and support three great kids (ages 15-27) and also have balance to participate in other activities that bring me joy. New Jersey has been my home for more than 30 years now, and I enjoy community service, particularly working with families impacted by addiction and alcoholism, time with my large extended family, gardening, reading, and at this stage just being incredibly grateful for all the many blessings and good health that I have."

From **Ann Tucker Hackett**: “Hi there. I live in Stamford, Connecticut, with my husband and two children. I work for Morgan Stanley in Manhattan in credit policy and regulatory relations. My brother **Brisson Ellinghaus**, also Class of ’81, lives in San Diego, California, with his wife and two children. He is a solar power developer. Trinity grads I see include **Lucy Rodriguez**, **Gail Scott Doolin**, **Julie Renshaw Phillips**, **Nancy McCulloch Flanagan**, and Susanna Stieff ’82.”

After earning two master’s degrees in the early ’90s, **Jim D’Angelo** recently received his Ph.D. in English and applied linguistics from North-West University in South Africa with Bertus van Rooy as promoter. He is professor and chair of the Department of World Englishes at Chukyo University in Nagoya, Japan.

**Madison Riley**: “I have recently been appointed to chief operating officer for my firm, Kurt Salmon, a global consultancy focused on serving the retail and consumer products industries. I have been living in Tokyo these past two years, leading our Asia Pacific business. Also, our oldest child, also named Madison, will be married this July.”

**Larry Rosenthal**: “I have been at UMass Memorial Medical Center for the past 20 years and have risen through the ranks to professor in medicine and director of the section of cardiac electrophysiology and pacing (fancy terms for an electrician). My daughter just graduated from the University of Maryland and hopes to pursue a career as a physician’s assistant. My son is a rising junior at Indiana University in the Kelley School of Business. My wife, sensing the empty nest, went back and completed a master’s in clinical psychology and is working with teenage homeless mothers in Worcester, Massachusetts. When not working, we love hanging out on the Cape, playing golf, and cycling. I still keep an eye on Trinity sports and love the occasional encounter with Trinity grads and friends.”

**Paula Lin**: “Despite my surgery and getting mom out of the hospital away from petri dish conditions, finally able to see three commercials aired with my on-camera input, several voice-overs, and thrilled to be approved for representation by another well-established talent/modeling agency in NYC!”

**David Giblin** writes, “My wife, Sharon, and I have joined the Board of Trustees for St. Mark’s School in Southborough, Massachusetts, and are heads of the Parents’ Association. We had a daughter, Meg, graduate in ’12 and have a son, Cooper, who will graduate in ’18. Glad to be working with a school with such distinguished alumni as our own **George Tilghman**!”

Attending the 35th Reunion: **Robert J. Aiello**, **Dutch Barhydt**, **Stephen M. Bliss**, **Joseph A. Camilleri**, **Sibley Gillis Classen**, **Sarah Carter Clunan**, **Sue Corello**, **Dorothy Bundy Dylag**, **Stephen M. Dylag**, **Brian P. Finnerty**, **Diana Furse Fiske**, Nancy McCulloch Flanagan, David R. Giblin, A. Tucker Hackett, **Ed Hing**, **Wendy Jeffery Hubbell**, **John B. Kawecki**, Eleanor Wenner Kerr,

**Roger A. Knight**, **William K. Luby**, **Justin S. Maccarone**, **John F. O’Connell**, **Anne Montgomery O’Connor**, **Gary M. Palmer**, **Peter B. Pfister**, Katherine Rae Phillips, Louisa P. Rodriguez, **Paul F. Romano**, Lawrence S. Rosenthal, **James A. Shapiro**, **Dede Seeber Stone**, George H. Tilghman, **Joseph E. Troiano**, and **Peter J. Whalen**.

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It has been great to hear from so many of our classmates this year and interesting to see how our collective focus has shifted from our own careers to those of our children. While some of us still have young children, many are, with mixed emotions, graduating kids from college and seeing them off to the “real world.” And, heaven forbid, we have grandparents in our class!

By the time you read this, **Lori Albino** will have witnessed her daughter Nicole walk down the aisle of our beloved Chapel. Nicole took a break from her second year OB/GYN residency at Johns Hopkins to tie the knot. Nicole’s sister Lindsay is in dental school at BU, and brother Matthew will be a senior this fall at Choate, where he anchors the offensive line and plays linebacker for the two-time New England prep school champions.

**Scott Cassie**’s progeny are in Big 10 country. Son Rob is a theater major and entering his senior year at Northwestern. Daughter Claire will be at a freshman at Penn State, where she plans to play lacrosse. Scott says, “Beth and I are very excited and are already planning our trips now to Happy Valley as well as to Evanston, Illinois. The dinner table rivalry is going to be epic!” Scott also made a passing reference to a golf weekend in Williamsburg, Virginia, with **Jim Dod**, **Tom Tarca**, and **Ken Papa**. He said they “had a lot of laughs and a few good shots.” Might be an odd coincidence, but neither of your scribes received their invitation to this excursion.

**Jennifer Prost** is a successful public relations professional in New Jersey (check out her website: jenniferprost.com). She had a “double graduation” last spring. Daughter Helen Laser graduated cum laude from Muhlenberg College as a theater/English double major and started her first paid theater job one week later. Son Alexander Laser graduated from Montclair High School and will attend Swarthmore.

Near the opposite end of the child-rearing spectrum is **Mary Badoyannis**. She writes to say, “I am happy to say life has been good. I am married, and I have two beautiful, or maybe I should say handsome, twin boys who just completed fifth grade. I live in Old Greenwich, and I have a private practice in Stamford,

Connecticut. I am married to Peter Gabriel (no, not the singer), and we are living the dream! We are blessed with a healthy family and a roof over our heads. I know it all sounds so corny, but as we approach the middle of our lives, we are very thankful for what we have. I spend much of my summer in Greece, and I will be leaving in July with my 89-year-old father and the twins. My husband will join us at the end of August. At the last Reunion (which was my first Reunion), I was so surprised how friendly and welcoming all of my former classmates were. I look forward to the next one.” Well put!

**Barbara Selmo** enjoys her work as director of graduate admissions for Lesley University. Her daughters are in still in high school (ah, teenagers!), and she notes that “all who share or have shared that experience know what my life is like — super busy and super fun.” She says she sees **Judy Bolton Fasman** frequently and hopes to see many more of us next summer. “I am looking forward to Reunion next year and hope all those reluctant ‘Reunions are not for me’ types take the plunge and join us. Thirty-five years is a long time — we need to celebrate it.” We sense a theme here about our 35th Reunion.

Finally, a bit of mixed news from **Andy Fox**. “The last four years since our 30-year Reunion have brought a roller coaster of joys and travails. Two sons got married, two beautiful grandchildren born, an awesome 15,000-square-foot retail health food store renovated in Syracuse, New York. So many blessings! Chronic illness causing ongoing neuropathies and constant double vision, trips to four medical centers around the country, and a myriad of specialists, treatments, drugs, and biopsies with no conclusive diagnosis but ongoing frustration and now acceptance. Gave up my beloved golf game because hitting just one ball is hard enough, let alone when you see three balls when you look down! But the joys outweigh the travails, so we keep plugging along! Looking forward to taking a 14-day Northern Europe cruise with my amazing wife, Wendy, in September. She has been my rock, my advocate, and my caregiver every step of the way!” We greatly admire Andy’s positive outlook and gracious attitude while wrestling with his ailment. He is a role model to us all, and we wish him a speedy and happy resolution to his health issues.

Joe and Mark

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Thank you, Class of 1983, for your generous

summer updates, which will be sweet memories when you read this. Here we go ...

**Tim Yasui** writes, "I am looking forward to our company's recent move into feature film production and distribution here at Cleopatra Records, where I recently started my 18th year as VP/general manager. My family recently purchased a vacation home in northern Pennsylvania, right on the Loysock Creek, an area with a rich Native American history. Fantastic fishing, kayaking, swimming, hiking, and hunting — it's all there in a glorious mountain setting that I will enjoy with my wife, Julie, and our daughter, Naomi. Quite the contrast from Beverly Hills, California, where I've called 'home' since 1990. Still playing drums, too! On the Fourth of July, I will be performing in downtown Williamsport, Pennsylvania, at a fireworks festival that drew over 25,000 folks last year."

**Patricia Paddock** suggests we create a Facebook page so our "updates" will be more pertinent. And, we could include photos. That could be good or bad. Stay tuned for more info.

Thank you to **Anne Collins**, who shares, "Spent some time with Trinity friends at Jazz Fest in New Orleans and some at Crawfish Fest in Augusta, New Jersey; revelers included **Michael Topp** and fiancée Sasha Pimental, **Otie Brown Filkorn**, Sandi Stott '85, and **Alison Benz Czuchra**. Also enjoyed dinner recently with Nick Deppen '84 in Seattle. Looking forward to celebrating Fourth of July in Maine with **Dave Warren** and maybe a Cape Cod visit after that if possible with Nick and Alison!"

Kudos to **Wendy Gorlin Tayer**, who admits, "Okay, okay, it's been a while since I've submitted news, so here goes! Life is good in SoCal, can't complain! I recently was promoted to health sciences assistant clinical professor in the Department of Psychiatry at UCSD. I love my work, which entails psychological treatment of students, seniors, medical patients, and adults in the community in addition to supervision of psychology graduate students. My husband, Marc (Williams '81), recently published a book titled *Televisionaries* about his career in the digital TV industry; he frequently is interviewed about video streaming on NPR's *Marketplace*. My oldest daughter just finished her first year at Georgetown Law, and my middle child will be a senior at Bates in the fall. We are encouraging our son to apply to a NESCAC school in a couple of years! I still keep in touch with many Trin friends and am looking forward to a trip to Yellowstone with my family in August and a long weekend in Kona, Hawaii, to visit friends in September. Best wishes to all!"

**Rick Wagner** adds the following, "My oldest daughter, Claire, recently became engaged (gulp) and will be married out in Napa Valley next March; my son, Will '18, is entering his junior year at Trinity, majoring in psychology with a minor in Asian studies; and my youngest daughter, Eva, is entering her senior year at Proctor Academy in New Hampshire. With Will at Trinity, I have enjoyed becoming more in-

involved again with the school. Work continues to go well at a biotechnology company I started eight years ago, X-Chem Pharmaceuticals, which has been spawning a number of new spinout companies in different therapeutic areas using X-Chem's drug discovery technology. We have two outstanding Trinity interns working at X-Chem this summer! Outside of that, my wife, Martha, and I continue to try to find as much time as we can to relax before we gear up for Eva's college hunt and Claire's nuptials."

**Jean Walshe** says, "Hi! I am looking forward to two weeks on Martha's Vineyard in early July, so if anyone is there, please let me know! I will be back to Trinity on August 27 to participate in a panel for Venture Trinity. It's a terrific leadership conference for incoming first-year women. I continue to engage with endowments and foundations discussing investment portfolios, never a dull moment in these markets!"

This may be the first update from **Jim Hagar**, who went down to Boston in June for a sailing regatta with wife LynnAnne and had a great time hanging out with **Ben Howe**, **Tim Clarke**, and **John Swain**. "After 16 years on the East Coast, we decided to move back out west and relive our Wyoming years, only this time it will be in Big Sky, Montana." He invites all to visit.

**David Guild**, **Jim Frederick**, **Tim Clarke**, **Tom Lee**, and **Al Strickler** all met up in June at Ben Howe's in Martha's Vineyard with most spouses included. The theme was some things don't change. Stories get better (and older), while most of us enjoy good health. All have kids out of college, in college, and in high school with an eye on the empty nest chapter coming up in the next few years. Cheers to all!

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**Linda Kapnek Brown** reports that "after 30 years of living in Los Angeles, my Trinity friends are finally taking me up on free room and board and sunshine during the winter months. I was able to see **Amy Snyder Forman** and **Nancy Katz Aresu** in February and welcomed **Dale Sindell** and **Michelle Rosner Saunders** in March. Anyone is welcome! Wonderful to catch up with all of these amazing women."

**Martha Cross Stewart's** update: "My husband and I just sold the house he built for us in Madison, Connecticut, in which we raised our children, and moved to a rental house a few



Ben Howe '83, David Guild '83, Al Strickler '83, Jim Frederick '83, Tim Clarke '83, and Tom Lee '83 meet up in June at Ben's home on Martha's Vineyard.

towns away, our first step toward moving south, maybe South Carolina or Florida. Now instead of doing home maintenance, we can spend our evenings hiking with our dogs, going to the movies, or playing ping-pong in our living room (we sold our living room furniture!). I'm proud of my son, a senior cybersecurity major at Stevens, and daughter, a sophomore environmental science major at Emory, and I envy all the exciting opportunities for internships and study abroad that they're enjoying. Meanwhile, I just started taking an adult ed introductory Spanish class. I had fun when **Laura Dyson Evancho** and her girls visited over Christmas. And I'm looking forward to seeing **Sarah Fisher Spencer** when her husband performs songs about villains at a chowder cook-off fundraiser for the Madison Historical Society. I'm wondering if any former classmates have served in the Peace Corps. It's something my husband and I are thinking about, and I'd love to hear about others' experiences."

**Susan Lawrence Lebow** "continues to live in West Hartford, having never managed to escape Connecticut after life at Trinity. Still working at Cigna (I'm an actuary there) and recently became an empty nester — our twin boys graduated college in 2014 (no Trinity graduates; one graduated from Washington University in St. Louis, currently doing a year with AmeriCorps and expecting to start law school in the fall; the other graduated from the University of Illinois and after four years of ROTC in college is an officer in the Army Corps of Engineers stationed in Fort Stewart, Georgia). My daughter is a junior at the University of Michigan trying to figure out what to major in and loving Ann Arbor. My husband and I play a lot of tennis, have been doing some home improvements, and enjoy the quiet of the house with just the dog but missing the activity of having kids around as well."

I was sent a press release announcing that **Anne Mahoney** was appointed state's attorney (chief law enforcement officer) for the Windham Judicial District. She earned her

law degree from the University of Connecticut School of Law and served in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, where she attained the rank of captain. She now serves as the chief state's attorney's appointee to the State of Connecticut Child Fatality Review Panel and was honored in 2006 as Prosecutor of the Year by the Connecticut Criminal Justice Educational and Charitable Association. Not in the press release: Congrats, Anne!

More good news: **Beth Tudor** got married last year and celebrated in NYC a few months later with **Amy Waugh Curry, Deb Moser, Debby Vinnick Tesler, Joyce Fryklund Thormann, Sheila Marmion, and Marego Athans McDyer**. "Super fun to get the old gang back again."

**Steve Klots** just completed his 22nd year as chaplain of South Kent School, and "life is good. I am blessed to live out my vocation in a beautiful part of the state by working with interesting, diverse, and kind students. In addition to serving as chaplain, I teach English to our seniors (often finding myself thinking of my Trinity classes with Professor Kuyk), coach cross country, coordinate our community service program, and handle all those small duties that accrue to the longest serving member of the teaching faculty. I get over to Hartford quite a bit, taking students frequently to help out at the soup kitchen at the Episcopal cathedral downtown but occasionally stopping by the College for a quiet moment in the Chapel or a hockey game in the now not-so-new rink. I am thankful that Trinity was a big part of the path that has gotten me to where I am today."

**Susan Sherrill Axelrod**: "My husband, Ted, and I moved to Maine from New Jersey in 2013, and after two years of renting an apartment in Portland, we are happily settled into an 1840 farmhouse in Yarmouth. We have a wonderful old barn but no animals except for our two beloved border collie-mix dogs, Dixie and Mavis, and we're looking forward to reaping the rewards of our first-ever vegetable garden! We love being nearer to my parents and one of my brothers, who all live in Maine's MidCoast. Following 16 years working for newspapers, most recently as (the world's oldest) social media editor for the *Portland Press Herald*, I am thrilled to have landed a new job as a full-time staff writer for Maine Media Collective, which publishes *Maine* magazine, *Maine Home + Design*, and *Old Port Magazine*. I'll be traveling around Maine for a variety of assignments."

Finally, from **Gregory Norsigian**: "Our daughter, Melani, will be joining the Class of 2020, and her big brother, Krikor '19, in September. Two Bantams out of three so far."

Just a reminder that you don't have to wait for my tortured pleas to send me your news. If you turned to this page first, please consider making my day with a quick submission. All updates are worthy!

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I combined a little Annual Fund pestering with news gathering over the summer, which provided a good excuse to reconnect with some of our number, after several years in some cases. I had a nice chat by phone with **Rick Cleary**. One downside about swapping memories is being reminded of one's prior idiocy! He recalled a night when we were poking around the Chapel and I shared with him a theory that Reagan might be the anti-Christ because the names Ronald Wilson Reagan each have six letters — 666, get it? Let's see ... D-O-N-A-L-D ... oh, never mind. Rick is up in Concord, Massachusetts, with his family, which includes two daughters in the transition from high school to college. He and his partners took their company, CYS Investments, public a few years back. It specializes in mortgage-backed securities. This gave Rick and me a chance to talk about the saga of Fannie Mae. Rick had the singular experience of ringing the opening bell on Wall Street a few years ago but acknowledges running a public company requires constant discretion about business communications, not to mention the thrill and anxiety about investment decisions. Rick still has our gratitude for spearheading our own Class of '85 TED-talk-like experience at the 25th Reunion. We should consider a revival for our 35th.

**Tricia Maxon** conveyed the very sad personal news about the unexpected death of her husband earlier this year. She said she is getting along as well as could be expected by burying herself in work and the lives of her kids. She continues to run small-business banking for National Bank Holdings in Telluride, Colorado, and oversees the company's banks in southern Colorado and Texas, so she travels a lot. She noted that Telluride is not an easy place to commute from, especially since the company is headquartered in Denver. As she navigates her new world, her daughters keep her busy. Kealey won the U.S. Junior National Freestyle Championships in both moguls and dual moguls last year. She got a spot on the U.S. Ski Team and then blew out her knee two weeks before the Junior World Championships in Italy. The injury was bad (ACL, patella, and meniscus). Ouch! She is attending her freshman year at the University of Colorado Boulder while she rehabs and takes at least a year off from skiing. Tricia was on campus last spring with her junior, Kenzie, during the "big East Coast college tour." She noted the dramatic upgrade of Crescent Street and wished those town houses were there when we were at Trinity.

**Andrew Emery** reported being back in the NYC area (Westchester) after a long stint in the Midwest (Cincinnati).

**Chris Barry** said he has no news to report except, "I've done a hyperspace jump to the 21st century by finally upgrading to an iPhone last weekend. Hans Solo reassured me I would

love the new device." May the force be with you, Chris!

**Matt Moore** is still practicing law in the Sunshine State and is now living and working in Fort Lauderdale.

I discovered **Cindy Adams** has been in the Greater D.C. area since Trinity and keeps busy with her family.

**John Worthington** wrote, "The restaurant business is still my home. The Grill at Harryman House is plugging along, and I am finishing my 31st year at the helm." He says he's enjoying it and trying to grow with corporate catering and a wine sales business. He and his family were looking forward to touring and tasting at wineries in Napa, Sonoma, and Santa Barbara and then downtime in Santa Monica and Newport Beach.

Recall that *The Trinity Reporter* had a feature on the **Sonia Plumb** Dance Company not long ago. This fall, Sonia's company is connecting America and Poland through dance by bringing a rising star of Polish dance to make his American debut. At this writing, *Fire or Ice* was scheduled to be performed at The Bushnell in Hartford this October 22–23. Adrian Wilk is a dancer, choreographer, and master puppeteer. He'll be in the United States on an artist and entertainer work visa. Congratulations to Sonia for using her passion to enhance international communication.

From the Alumni Office: The Sonia Plumb Dance Company has received a donation of \$45,000 over three years from the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving to become a cornerstone supporter of the company's new Dance Apprenticeship Career Training Program, which has been developed for high school graduates who wish to pursue dance careers but cannot afford the costs of a college education. This unique career-training program will help high school graduates — many of whom live in economically challenged communities in Connecticut — continue their training as dancers and expand their knowledge into the business side of a professional arts career.

Autumn is in the air, but my thoughts are focused on winter — nightwalkers, fire-breathing dragons, revenge, and epic battles over the future of civilization. But enough about the election and its aftermath! Stay in touch!

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Thirty years is a long time, but you would hardly know it based on the youthful visages of the Class of 1986 who gathered for Reunion in June. Almost 15 percent of our class returned to celebrate our graduation from Trinity. **Justin Lilley** helped get people in an '80s frame of mind at dinner Saturday night with the following pop culture quiz. Answers are at the end of our notes.

1. What was the No. 1 song of 1986 — Whitney Houston's "Greatest Love of All," Dionne and

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS WITH

## KIM ROTNER, D.V.M. '86, P'20

### **What made you realize that caring for animals would be your life's work?**

For as long as I can remember, caring for animals has been my passion. Whether it was tending to the stray cat in the neighborhood or caring for my own family pets, I always felt at home with the animals.

### **What is a typical day at work for you?**

I am part of a multi-doctor small animal veterinary practice located north of Boston in Salem, Massachusetts. Our hospital services dogs and cats. In addition to traditional veterinary medicine and surgery, our hospital also offers alternative treatment modalities to patients such as acupuncture, herbal therapy, natural supplements, and diets. A typical day at work for me includes evaluating and treating sick animals, as well as annual exams, vaccines, and acupuncture appointments. Diagnostic tools may include radiology, ultrasonography, surgical exploration, or blood chemistry panels, as well as physical exams.

**How did you get involved in your specialty of acupuncture?** I have always had a deep appreciation for Asian religion, philosophy, medicine, and culture. I also knew the path I needed to take to become a veterinarian involved extensive study and mastery of the basic sciences — biology, chemistry, physics, etc. While at Trinity, I was able to explore courses in Asian philosophy and religion as well as sciences, but I never saw the possibility of combining these areas of interest. One summer during veterinary school while working at a veterinary hospital in New York, I was introduced to a new concept: veterinary acupuncture! I saw dogs walk into a treatment session lame and leave after a half hour with an improved gait. I knew then that this was what I was meant to pursue, and the veterinarian there became my mentor. I graduated veterinary school and joined a traditional small animal veterinary hospital on Boston's North

Shore. After a year in practice, I began to pursue my acupuncture training and became certified through the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society. Since then I have incorporated acupuncture into my daily practice with dogs and cats.

**What does it help?** Veterinary acupuncture has been successfully used to treat chronic pain conditions associated with joints as well as intervertebral disc problems. It can also be effective in treating acute neck and back pain issues. I have used acupuncture to help boost the immune system in cases of cancer or chronic disease. Other indications for the use of acupuncture include allergies, respiratory disease, gastrointestinal upsets, fertility issues, and even hearing loss. The endorphin release associated with inserting sterile needles along meridians in a painless treatment helps the animals feel better and relax. Treatments last about 30 minutes each. After positive results are achieved with weekly sessions, treatments are tapered off a week at a time. Most patients require monthly treatments to maintain their positive effects. Incorporating acupuncture into my practice has been extremely rewarding. It has enabled me to improve my patients' health with no side effects.

**Do you own any pets?** Our family owns a female Norwich terrier named Jib.

**How did your time at Trinity affect your career choice?** I knew before coming to Trinity that I was going to pursue a career in veterinary medicine. I chose Trinity College for many reasons, including the strength of the science program, but also the ability to take advantage of courses in many different disciplines. I truly believe that the liberal arts approach with courses in the sciences, arts, history, philosophy, and religion helped me to become the person I am today. Science is what I needed to learn to



**DEGREES:** B.S. in biology; D.V.M., University of Wisconsin School of Veterinary Medicine

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**FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY:** My favorite Trinity memory would have to be “studying” on the quad with friends on the first nice spring day of the year!

get into veterinary school, but the arts and literature help me to better relate to my clients. Exposure to classes in Buddhism, mysticism, Japanese art, and religion also played a role in my eventual interest and deeper understanding of the art of veterinary acupuncture.

**Was there a professor who was particularly influential?** One of my favorite courses at Trinity was “The Philosophy of Sport” taught by Drew Hyland. It was an interdisciplinary course that stretched the boundaries of my thinking regarding athletes and their approach to their sport. I often reminisce about the class sitting in the courtyard reading passages aloud from our books. This course taught me to question the ordinary and always look deeper in order to fully comprehend a subject.

- Friends’ “That’s What Friends Are For,” or Prince’s “Kiss”?
2. What was the Best Picture of 1986 — *Top Gun*, *The Karate Kid Part II*, *The Money Pit*, or *Out of Africa*?
  3. Who was our Spring Weekend band sophomore year — U2, Clarence Clemons & The Waitresses, the Ramones, or Tears for Fears?
  4. What momentous event happened on January 28, 1986?
  5. What long-running sitcom had its final episode air on February 28, 1983?
  6. What all-time best-selling album was released on November 30, 1982, when we were freshmen?
  7. What was the No. 1 song of 1982 — “Abracadabra,” “Physical,” or “Jack and Diane”?
  8. What was the all-time highest grossing film released in 1982 — *ET The Extra-Terrestrial*, *An Officer and a Gentleman*, or *The Empire Strikes Back*?

The crowd did pretty well with the quiz, especially considering they had just enjoyed an hour-long wine tasting hosted by **Philippe Newlin**. Philippe is the American director for French wine importer La Vinicole and selected a beautiful array of wines for us to taste. Philippe resides in New Canaan, Connecticut, with his wife, Erin, and children, Harrison and Jackie. Sadly, “Flip” no longer commutes in his vintage Cadillac Ambulance, as it spontaneously burst into flames outside the Hall late in the ’80s.

I had the chance to catch up with **Eric Rosow** and his former business partner **Joe Adam** at dinner. After selling their health care technology company a few years back, Joe is spending time with his family and putting his wrestling prowess to work coaching high school grapplers. Eric, ever the workaholic, has founded a new technology firm and is CEO of Diameter Health. He is also staying active with rowing by coaching women’s high school crew with his wife.

**Rob Cohen** and **Leslie Pennington** reportedly dominated the beer pong tables at AD late Friday night and into the wee hours of Saturday morning. Evidently the shirtless 20-something brothers were no match for Rob and Leslie’s decades of experience. Tremendous effort! Rob and Leslie reside in Darien with their two boys, Nick and Alex. Following his successful career in currency trading, Rob has moved on to FX institutional sales at Wells Fargo, and Leslie remains a go-to source for volunteer talent around town.

**Anthony Lazzara** is also living in Darien with his lovely bride, Cynthia (a Colby grad), and their two boys, Forrest and Hudson. Tony has a wealth management practice based at Morgan Stanley’s wealth management headquarters in Purchase, New York, although he spends a suspicious amount of time “visiting clients” in seasonally desirable places!

**Will** and **Heather Thomas** and family made it back to Reunion and brought the family along. Will and family seem to be prospering in Nebraska, where Will is a history professor

and Civil War scholar. He took time out over the Reunion Weekend to sign copies of his most recent book, *The Iron Way: Railroads, the Civil War, and the Making of Modern America*. You’ll have to ask them if it was their son who specifically requested separate housing from mom and dad.

Joined in Mather at Will’s book signing was **Chris Saranec**, who continues to live in LA and to make his living in the music business. Chris created a lovely piece of music for a memorial for Jamie Kapteyn ’83 and was signing and selling the sheet music in Mather. I am told there is a beautiful recording of Liesl Odenweller ’88 performing Chris’s piece. The “Rude Boy” remains as irrepressible, joyous, and creative as ever!

**Jerome Kapelus** and **Ben Rhodes** reprised a 30-year-long competition at the Kellner courts, which had Jerome harrumphing that “that outcome would have been impossible 20 years ago.” No extra points for guessing who won this contest. Jerome lives in NYC with his family, is CFO of a start-up tech company, and plays more soccer than squash these days. Ben and Christine having been living in Providence for many years and are already Trin parents twice over.

**Andrew Hern** and **Margaret Figueroa** were the first people who greeted me upon stepping foot on campus. I have come to think of them as permanent Trinity ambassadors in Hartford. They remain the relentlessly sunny and upbeat people we have come to love over the past three decades — pretty good for a couple of lawyers.

A small contingent of us — Anthony Lazzara, Rob and Leslie Pennington Cohen, Philippe Newlin, **Aileen Doherty**, and **Karin Bennett Micheletti** closed out the night with a few rounds of beer pong at AD and drinks and dancing at the Hall.

Many thanks to all the folks on the Reunion Committee who made the event so successful: **Adam Kimmick**, Aileen Doherty, Andrew Hern, Heather Moody Thomas, **Laura Hofsess**, **Liz Peishoff Parsons**, Margaret Figueroa Hern, **Molly Schnorr-Dunne**, **Olive Cobb Waxter**, **Priscilla DuPont**, **Sarah Fagerburg Nixon**, Anthony Lazzara, and **Tom Madden**.

I also received a few notes from folks who did not make it to Reunion:

**Jeffrey Beer** writes: “I am living in Bloomfield, New Jersey, about 10 miles from Manhattan. I work at Montclair Kimberley Academy, teaching Latin and coaching golf. I will be starting my 13th year there, after eight at Poly Prep in Brooklyn. Teaching and coaching agree with me, and summer vacations really agree with me. This summer, I have been newly occupied with looking after a new puppy, Cassie, a 7-month-old rescue from the Cayman Islands, part-shepherd, part-mystery. My daughter Maggie is going into seventh grade at MKA. She is a great girl who loves musicals, especially *Hamilton*; field hockey; hanging with her friends; and barrel racing. *Hamilton* is doing

for American history what Harry Potter did for reading!”

**Doreen Rice**, who was ordained an Episcopal priest in June 2016, is vicar of St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church, located outside Kansas City.

My old friend **Dan Stanton** touched base from Arizona, where he is a librarian at Arizona State. Look forward to hearing more from “The Cutter.”

As for me, I am happily living in Boston with my lovely wife, Amanda, and three children, ages 12, 10, and 7. After 15 years at Morgan Stanley, I joined some partners in 2008 in founding an investment research firm. I look forward to staying in touch with all my ’86 classmates as I pull together notes in the future.

Quiz answers: 1) “That’s What Friends Are For”; 2) *Out of Africa*; 3) Clarence Clemons & The Waitresses; 4) Space Shuttle Challenger disaster; 5) *M\*A\*S\*H*; 6) Michael Jackson’s *Thriller*; 7) Olivia Newton John’s *Physical*; 8) *ET The Extra-Terrestrial*

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The prevalence of the media in our lives has helped all class secretaries to dispense their duties with ease; this class secretary is no exception. So whereas previous secretaries such as **Ellen Garrity** had to rely purely on coaxing updates out of classmates (a practice still in use, by the way), we can now also pick up news of classmates in the media and report it here. Yes, you can passively participate without raising a finger because we are watching. And unlike those fair-weather friends eager for a schadenfreude feeding frenzy, we prefer to embrace the Buddhist concept of *mudita*, or sympathetic joy. On these pages, all news is good news. Think of the page in your hands right now, as well as our Facebook page, as a newswire focused solely on your old friends from the Class of 1987.

And speaking of the newswire, this is the sandbox where classmate and PR professional **Laura Danford Mandel** plays. Over the past 27 years, Laura has become a public relations expert, with some high-profile campaigns under her belt, including the launch of *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*. Today, Laura heads up her eponymous public relations firm named simply “LDM.” A cursory scan of [ldmpr.com](http://ldmpr.com) tells me she has strong credentials in the worlds of fashion and entertainment. Well done, Laura.

Meanwhile, after two decades of radio silence comes this happy and long overdue update from **Stephanie Dorosko**: “Figured it was about time I gave a shout-out to say hello and send an update since I am *still* having dreams/nightmares about forgetting the combinations to get into the dorms and dorm rooms! I am lucky to spend several times per year with **Diane Deros Boia** and her husband and their awesome 9-year-old daughter where they live in



Several members of the Class of 1988 gather in April at the Norwich Inn and Spa and Mohegan Sun casino to celebrate their 50th birthdays. Front row: Vikki Wenzel '88, Karen Albano Mair '88, Nancy Barry '88, Maria Monnes Barry '88, Laura Murphy '88; back row: Tom Chapman '88, Michelle Boudreau '88

the Baltimore area. I myself have lived in Vermont since 2008. Got my D.V.M. from Tufts in 1999 and Ph.D. in nutritional biochemistry and metabolism from Tufts in 2005, during which I traveled in South Africa and Zambia studying mother-to-child transmission of HIV through breastfeeding. Postdoc was at Dartmouth School of Medicine in the same field as Ph.D. and had a grant from NIH to continue those studies at Dartmouth as a research-track professor. I am a tenure-track professor at Vermont Technical College as well as veterinary clinician and trying hard to keep my hand in research all at the same time. I live in a tiny place across from a beautiful river and love it."

Finally, I'd like to close by pointing out that it's been 29 years since we were together 'neath the elms. This puts us just a year away from our 30th Reunion the weekend of June 9, 2017. In preparation for this milestone, we continue to amass a collection of photos from back in the day. You'll recall our goal is to collect 1,000 photos to create a unique, immersive art installation that weekend. Please visit our Facebook page for the Class of '87 to add your photos and to check our progress. And by all means, please mark your calendar for the weekend of June 9, 2017.

**'88** *Co-Class Secretary: Nancy E. Barry, 166 E. 61st St., #8C, New York, NY 10065-8518; nancy.barry.1988@trincoll.edu • Co-Class Secretary: Thomas P. Chapman, 61 Copper Beech Dr., Rocky Hill, CT 06067-1836; thomas.chapman.1988@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Constantine G. Andrews, Arthur F. Muldoon, Jr.* It's been another few months of milestone birthday celebrations with our Trinity classmates. We would love to hear about all of yours. Please send us updates about your celebrations this year.

Your secretaries enjoyed a fantastic birthday weekend in April at the Norwich Inn and Spa and Mohegan Sun casino with classmates **Vikki Wenzel, Julie Diez Berkowitz, Laura Murphy, Karen Albano Mair, Michelle Boudreau, and Maria Monnes Barry.** It was so great catching up with everyone. Karen



Wendy Carlson Cataldo '88, Nancy Spalding Gray '88, Kristy Gebhardt Macoy '88, Gina Gewant Doyle '88, Kim Coursen Parker '88, Mary Ambrogio Cashman '88, and Leslie Chvatal Ward '88 mark their milestone birthdays in Bermuda earlier this year. For the 27th consecutive year, they have gathered to celebrate each other and the long-standing friendships that were made at Trinity. Jennifer Goffman Greenawalt '88 couldn't make this year's trip.

Mair reports that her daughter will be attending Brown University next year. Maria Barry reports that her son will soon be graduating from the University of Colorado. Very exciting. It must be a big year for Brown — **Jennifer Elwell O'Donnell's** son Jack will be attending Brown as well in the fall.

Tom has been busy catching up with **Diane Manning Abe** over their mutual love of all things *Hamilton*. Flashbacks to "Poly Sci 101." Diane and her family took in the Broadway show in June from the front row, while Tom saw it in February. We highly recommend it — so creative and moving.

Nancy traveled to Scotland in June with classmates Michelle Boudreau, **Barbara Caldarone, Lisa "Laker" Lake** and her family, and Terry Caldarone '86, who just recently attended her 30th Trinity Reunion! It's hard to imagine that we are just two short years away from our 30th!

Please send us updates, especially those classmates we have not heard from in a long while.

**'89** *Class Secretary: Juliana Lowry, 2275 Cocalico Rd., Birdsboro, PA 19508-8222; juliana.lowry.1989@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Jonathan W. Cox, Donna F. Haghighat, Douglas Michael Macdonald* Hello, '89ers!

By the time you read this, the craziness of the summer will be past. (You know what I'm talking about.) Life moves on, the children grow older, and the seasons cycle. This spring brought graduations and proms for our children, with thoughts of college in the fall. '89ers have kids of all ages, of course, but the largest cohort is mid-to-late teens, with the discovery and challenges that that age range brings. Thank you to all the parents who devote themselves to our next

generation!

And on to the updates: **John Pendleton** had a big change in his life. He was nominated in New Hampshire to become a judge in the New Hampshire Circuit Court.

**Julie Beman** and I are volunteering at the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia this year.

**Roger Wellington's** twins have finished kindergarten and were sweepers at the 2016 World Figure Skating Championships, in Boston, Massachusetts. (Yes, you might have seen them on TV!)

**Jonathan Cox** writes, "After 27 years in NYC, I have relocated to Houston with Morgan Stanley. Still heading up energy mergers and acquisitions and will maintain my New York responsibilities and a part-time residence.

Looking forward to many fewer TSA lines!"

**Gina M. Letellier** has bought a new house and says, "June is five-year anniversary of my breast cancer diagnosis, so I have hit that important five-year survival mark." Gina, we are so happy for you!

**Jay Flemma** writes, "**Jeff Downing** and I ran the Delaware Half Marathon together last December. I've become a member at Forsgate Country Club, midway between Philly and NYC. **Bruce Moulton, Rob Cockburn '90,** and I played last fall together. Rob beat us both on his own ball; I'll be covering the U.S. Open in Pittsburgh and the PGA Championship in NYC. Finally, I have a new radio show on the Golf News Network and Sirius called *Jay's Plays*. It's a hoot. The more we laughed, the better the show was."

**Bob Markee** has moved back to Cleveland, just in time for the Cavaliers to win the championship.

**Andy "Spike" Walker** is traveling the world as Ernst & Young's director, global mobility leader.

I, **Julie Lowry,** am still with 1&1 Internet as the head of human resources for the United States and Canada and living on a farm with my boyfriend, three dogs, and 27 Angus cows.

And last but not least, our esteemed president, **Douglas Macdonald,** writes that he caught up with **Lisa Abshire Pojano** when she was in Los Angeles for the first Communion of her goddaughter, the daughter of fellow Bantam Elizabeth Bakulski Peterson '91. Lisa is living in Connecticut, raising her two teenaged sons with husband Cristian and working at Epsilon. Doug also reports that he's been living in Los Angeles for 10 years now (tempus fugit!) and is a director at a biotech company working on Huntington's disease. He's planning a big trip to China this spring to attend conferences and give lectures at various universities on his work.

From the Alumni Office: The State of Connecticut has awarded **Andrew O'Brien** a license as a master electrician. Andrew manages energy efficiency projects for Possidento Therrien Electrical Contractors of Plainville. The company's clientele includes both the private and public sectors — Eaton Aerospace, Stanley Black and Decker, the towns of Woodbury and Old Saybrook, and Solnit Psychiatric Center to name a few.

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*Peter L. Denious, Pamela Hickory Esterson*  
Hello, classmates! I hope you are all well. Here is the latest news from the Class of '90! I wasn't sure whether to open or close with this sad news. Decided to start as it will be important for people to know, if they don't yet. Our classmate **Teresa Scalzo** passed away on May 23 after a courageous and inspiring battle with cancer. **Gina Tarallo Ribaudó** writes, "We celebrated her spirit, humor, and passion for life. Talked about our favorite memories of Tress from yelling out our window in Jarvis 201, Crow parties and the Halloween cave women, Kappa social chair antics, senior year in High Rise with Lucky dog, our spring-break trip to Puerto Rico, etc. It was sad, but we knew she was with us the whole time! **Jennifer Schultz Gilbert**, me, **Susan Monaco**, **Lisa Tomlinson**, and **Gabin Rubin** were among the many in attendance at her memorial service."

**Robin Silver Grace** brings news from Massachusetts: "I plan to play in **Todd Levine's** charity golf tournament in June with **Karyn (Farquhar) Packard**, and apparently we are being paired with **Rick Houlihan**! Should be an entertaining day. Looking forward to seeing the crew and hopefully Jen Horesta Schaefer '91 and **Tom Schaefer** as well. Todd started the fundraising event in memory of his daughter Nicole 'Coley' Levine, who passed away October 22, 2004, from complications stemming from a horrific genetic disorder known as Fanconi's anemia. It will be the 12th Annual Coley's Cause Memorial Golf Tournament."

In news from across the pond, **Elizabeth Capaldi** writes: "While teaching at Bucknell in London this semester, I discovered, via FB, that **Chris Andersson** was also in London, in fact, staying at a hotel on a street where I worked (and he was working on the street where I lived!). We were able to catch up over a bottle of Spanish wine at a local tapas restaurant! It was so fun to reconnect with him!"

And **Marc Schader** checks in from Spain: "Was great to see so many old friends and classmates at last year's 25th Reunion. Time barely seems to have stopped when we were all back at Trin! Things here in Madrid are pretty much the same. My two kids, Mia, 9, and Leo, 6, are really growing up fast into beautiful little people. Both of them are big fans of Trinity, the alma mater of their dad and recently deceased

granddad, even though they have never been to visit yet! I have them outfitted in TC gear all the time! My wife, Carmen, has set out on her own as an interior designer, after having been a partner for 25 years in her sister's ID studio. I myself have been promoted to group chief executive, global growth at Havas Media Group and traveling more than ever, if that is possible. Racking up those miles! Hope to have some time to use them up soon! But it really is an interesting time to be in the media business with so much incredible change and disruption happening in this space. I hope to be seeing some TC friends soon! All still invited to look us up when in Madrid."

Finally, **Ed Troiano** checked in with me after hearing the sad news about Tress. In addition to saying how he will miss Mama T (as will we all), he shared: "For me it feels like just yesterday that we were all together at Trin. Every time I go back to visit, usually at least once a year, it's like being transported back in time. I'm brought back to reality by my sons telling me Psi U smells disgusting. Of course it does; it's all part of the experience, boys. As of yesterday, all three of them are teenagers, and my personal apocalypse has begun. I still talk/e-mail regularly with **Paul Diaz**, **Jeff Proulx**, **Jim Murphy**, **Ray Hannan**, and **Neil Walsh**. They are all doing well, busy with work and family life. I am also in touch with **Liz Flammia-Rosato**, who moved to the same small town in Rhode Island as me! We did a joint presentation for career day at the town high school last year and had a great time."

Thanks for writing everyone! Keep the news coming.

**'91** *Class Secretary: Heather Watkins Walsh, 6407 81st St., Cabin John, MD 20818-1617; heather.walsh.1991@trincoll.edu*

Classmates! So great to see so many of you at Reunion in June. And yes, you all reelected me for my 26th year as class secretary (not sure I got a vote!), so if you have any future updates, send them my way.

And in other news: **Charlie Crissman** has been appointed as the chief inspector for the World Health Organization's Zika Virus Task Force and will be in Rio until after the Olympics. Pretty exciting.

Happy summer! Heather (heatherwalsh00@gmail.com)

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**'92** *Class Secretary: Allison Picott, 31 Central St., Concord, MA 01742-3014; allison.picott.1992@trincoll.edu*

"Hey, Allison, it's **Matthew Burfeind**. I think this may be the first time I've sent in anything for the class notes, but better late than never, right? I've lived in Boston for the last 22 years, and my wife, Jennifer, and I have two boys, Sam, 13, and Josh, 7. I'm somewhat hopeful that at least one of them will end up a third generation

Bantam, although my wife is from the UC system, so she's thinking they'll end up in California. After leaving Trinity, I was in London for a year on a Watson Fellowship and ultimately settled in Boston for grad school in library science, where I met my wife. Until last year, I've worked in higher education and technology for most of my career. Now I'm doing business process improvement for Road Scholar, formerly known as Elderhostel, a nonprofit that runs educational travel programs around the world. There are some other Trinity alums here, including Carmela Cavanaugh '97 and Mike Zoob '58 (father of our own **Rachel Zoob**). Interestingly, Trinity has always been one of our largest provider organizations and runs over a dozen programs and 100 departures in Italy on our behalf. I try to make it down to Trinity with my wife and kids every once in a while. The campus has changed a lot in 25 years! Hopefully, we'll be able to make it to Reunion next year."

**Jennifer Cattier** writes: "Hi there! Can't wait for Reunion next year! It's fun catching up on Facebook but will be more fun in person. Here's my news. In fall 2015, I became general counsel and chief compliance officer at Almanac Realty Investors, a real estate private equity firm based in NYC. I love it. Jacques '93 and I are firmly planted in the Upper East Side of NYC. And our kids are 8 and 5, and our black Labrador Bandit is coming up on 11 but acts like a puppy. I get to see Trinity folks from both our years on a pretty regular basis and look forward to Reunion next year!"

And finally, **Celeste Shepherd** was also good enough to send an update. She writes: "I moved back to my hometown of Nashville, Tennessee, in 2010 with my son, Julian, (then a 3-year-old) in tow. After mulling over my employment opportunities and the need for parenting flexibility, I decided to take the leap and go into business for myself. I started Celebelle (pronounced cell-e-belle), a content marketing and administrative support firm, and it has been a real joy and a total adventure! After a couple of years, my sister-in-law quit her job to join me, and now we are working on finding that perfect balance between business growth, keeping our passion for helping other small businesses succeed, and finding time to enjoy our families — never an easy juggling act but absolutely worth it. My son is almost 9 and attends the same school I went to as a child and has the opportunity to grow up with his cousin and hang out with his grandparents. I love the continuity of it and how rooted we are here. If you haven't heard, Nashville is an 'it' city right now ... so if you come for a visit, be sure to let me know. I've gotten to hang out a couple of times over the years with **Matt Goldschmidt** and his family who have traveled here for hockey tournaments but would love to see more Trinity alum in my fair city! Thank you, Allison, for continuing to keep up with us all! I do hope to attend Reunion next year — the last one was such a blast!"



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You guys were awesome this time. A lot of great updates from some people we have not heard from in a while. All is well with me in Los Angeles; I just bought a new house! This summer I will be heading east for my annual trip. I have seen both **Jon DeLuca** and **Rob Stempien** in the last month on their visits to the West Coast. Fun fact from 1993 – Beanie Babies were first released. To the updates:

**Liza Baumgarten** with a brief update: “We moved to Atlanta this year, so bid NYC goodbye after 13 years!”

Ladies and gentlemen, our soon to be Hall of Fame football coach **Jeff Devanney** reported: “We just had our annual golf outing for Trinity football. It was good to see **Mike Wallace**, **John Scalise**, **Dan O’Neil**, and **Tom Maselek** representing ’93. Your secretary’s dad (Rick Hazelton, former athletic director) joined us for dinner and seems to be doing very well, too. Things are good here working at Trinity. We have very impressive student-athletes to work with every day. My wife, Michele, and I live in Newington, living the mayhem of two jobs and three kids. Our oldest (Shea) will be a freshman next year, Caity is 11, and Sean is 8.”

**Geoff Kelley** tells us, “I’ve moved to Chicago with the family as of December 15 (North Shore ’burbs), where I’m working with Coyote Logistics, whom UPS acquired last August. We hope to make it to the Cape for a week in August.”

And I quote from **Prescott Stewart**: “After eight great years working at the Harvard Business School, I have taken a new role at the University of Massachusetts Medical School, where I will be running their upcoming capital campaign. I am incredibly excited to be at UMMS and am passionate about spreading the word of the school’s world-class biomedical research program. If anyone is traveling to Worcester and wants to visit their amazing campus, I am happy to host anyone for a tour.”

A word from **Rick Zednik**: “After eight years at EurActiv, the independent EU policy news network, I’m stepping down as CEO. Effective July 1, I join the Women in Parliaments (WIP) Global Forum as CEO. I’m excited to work with founder Silvana Koch-Mehrin and many of the 9,000 female parliamentarians worldwide to help raise their percentage higher than the current 22 percent of all members of parliaments. Part of the good news: my family and I will happily remain in Brussels, where we’ve been for 14 years.”

**Angela DeNicola Player** reports for her whole crew: “I am writing for the group since I doubt **Rachel Schreier Schewe** is going to toot her own horn, so sticking her out! I know the girls will probably give me a hard time for not consulting them first, but I had to write. Rachel, who was not known for her running at Trin, has become addicted, and this past

Patriots’ Day, she ran the Boston Marathon and raised a nice chunk of money for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. We are very proud of her! We (including Rachel, **Joanna Pollio Onorato**, **Liz Sassi Norton**, **Sarah Fridy Hellwege**, **Sandy Silliman Giardi**, **Denise Tsumis Gibbons**, **Kiki Rainey Sizelove**, **Kitzia Skipsey Baxter**, and **Elizabeth Player Jones**) will get together for our annual gathering in the fall, this time on Assateague Island. I hear there will be wild horses and streaking involved; anyone free to join us?” Your class secretary will be there, and I hate horses!

Lastly, **Kelley McDevitt-Hooker** takes us home with a fabulous update: “Hub Steve Hooker, Class of ’92, and I have been raising our family in my hometown of Guilford, Connecticut. Funny how life comes full circle. I was a ‘legacy’ as PTO president at my children’s little elementary school of Calvin Leete. Both in high school, Katie (freshman) and Michael (sophomore) are top students at our brand new Guilford High School. Perfect timing for our children to enjoy this state-of-the-art facility. Katie is a competitive Irish dancer with the Broesler School of New York, and Michael plays tennis for his high school team. Proud to say that both kids often volunteer as well, participating in our local Unified Sports program in town. Steve has been with Newfleet Asset Management in Hartford for five years, working as managing director of foreign research and portfolio manager. Funny where a psychology degree can lead one! I resigned from my fifth-grade teaching position when I had my daughter and have worked a few part-time jobs since, most recently as a sales associate at a fun shop in town. I am thoroughly enjoying these years when my kids need me most, and I am putting plenty of miles on my car! These days are fleeting, and I am glad that I have been able to be there for my now teenagers. I keep in touch pretty regularly with a few girlfriends, including **Jamie Weisberg**, **Lizzie Lifland Rich**, and **Chrissy Hewitt Woerz**. I love seeing so many others on Facebook, including some dear Kappa sisters, like Nicole Moretti Hockley ’92 and Kristy Huey ’91. Hoping to see some familiar faces at our 25th (yikes) Reunion in 2018! Until then, sending love and light to all.”

I could not have ended any better than that! By the time we read this, summer will be over, so I hope you all had a great one!

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Hello, 1995. It’s midsummer, and we have some grand openings in our class.

**Josh Weinstein** has opened Bar Bandini in the Echo Park section of Los Angeles. A wine and beer bar, with small bites to keep you going through a Trinity night, it’s received great reviews for its intimate space and sensible (perhaps 40-something) noise level, which lets folks chat away. (The bar is named for the fictional character Arturo Bandini, who inhabited John Fante’s novels.)

**Amy (Kunen) Zall** had the premiere of her first film, *Annabelle Hooper and the Ghosts of Nantucket*, this summer at the Nantucket Film Festival. She was the executive producer. Husband **Evan Zall** writes that the Zall family is in the background of the beach scene; look for the guy with the poofy hair with their two boys, Noah and Simon!

**Damian Fox** was recently profiled in *Valley Life* after being named the head coach of the Gaylord Wolfpack, a sled hockey team. The team has sent several players to the U.S. national teams for men and women. Fox, who lives in Glastonbury with his family, owns Foxy Fast Lube in Willimantic, Connecticut.

**Heather Dunbar** writes from San Francisco: “It seems as though I still live in SF, and I am not sure how that happened. This temporary situation is becoming something more permanent. Curious. My work venue is Tom Leader Studio in Berkeley. A groovy little place engaging with design and the public realm.” She said she stays in touch with many Trinity folks. She recently caught up with **Foster Witt**, who is in New York, where he works in art acquisition for Ralph Lauren. She also spent time at the beginning of summer with **Melinda Leonard Reed** and her son Jack. “They undertook a colossal road trip from Montana, though Seattle and Portland and then through SF,” Heather wrote. “We got together with **Jason Pienkowski** for a night of revelry before we headed down to Carmel for a couple of days. The Monterey Bay Aquarium was a must-see for Jack.”

**Kimberly Powell** used a work trip to Connecticut to swing by Trinity. “It put a huge smile on my face to be back on campus,” she wrote. “I even parked illegally to make it truly authentic.” She lives and works in Nashville with her husband of 16 years, their 12-year-old daughter, Holly, and 8-year-old son, Jack, along with Coya the dog and Gecky the gecko. Outside of work, she has been focused on triathlons. She qualified for the USA Triathlon National Championships after winning her age group at a sprint triathlon in Chattanooga. “Unfortunately, I won’t be able to go to Nationals this year!” she wrote. “My big athletic goal for the year is a 10-mile river swim (down river) outside of Chattanooga called Swim the Suck. With a name like that, how could I not sign up?”

**'96** *Class Secretary: Clayton W. Siegart, 100 I St., South Boston, MA 02127-4411; clayton.siegert.1996@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Philip S. Reardon, Jessie T. Schroeder*

It was great seeing a number of you at our 20th Reunion! Those who attended included **Brecky (Beard) Peabody**, **Erin Finnemore** (marketing manager, Liberty Mutual), **Clyde “Scoop” Ettiennne-Modeste** (U.S. Olympic hopeful coach), **Monetha Harris** (associate, Cowan & Co.), **Beth Frumkin**, **Demitra (Smith) Jones** (HR manager, Pitney Bowes), **Eddie Hartwell**, **Stacey Joslin**, **Lisa (Ruman) Braverman**, **Carl and Yarel (Silverio) Marshall**, **Mike Ranieri** (vice president, Deutsche Bank), **Marc Pezzuto** (portfolio manager, Hartford Investment Management), **Aric Alibrio** (vice president, CBORD Group), **Christine (Kelley) Rasmussen** (COO, Merrill Lynch Wealth Management), **Laurie (Small) Key**, **Stephanie (Janczuk) Brennan**, and **Julie (Mancuso) Gionfriddo** (principal, Apple Tree Partners).

Congrats to **Terri (LoMonte) Dalmer** and **Cliff Segil** on being elected class president and vice president, respectively. I was elected class secretary. I'm looking forward to my second stint as secretary and keeping everyone posted about Class of 1996 goings on. I hope to pick up where my amazing predecessor, **Nicole Tateosian**, leaves off after her five years of hard work! Nicole, director of doctoral programs at Harvard Kennedy School of Government, writes, “It was so wonderful to see those who made it to Reunion! A huge thank you to Clay for taking over as class secretary! It was also nice to catch up with alumni I worked with during my time in the Alumni Office from the Class of 1976 (John Clifford, Hal Smullen, Mike Gilman) to the Class of 2001 (Mike Carucci, Alice and Colin Vautour). A week later, I was able to see Erin Finnemore at a wine tasting in Davis Square, and I have plans to see Laurie Small Key at the beginning of August. This past weekend, I saw Mariah Titlow Tinger '00 for her birthday. She is about to launch her book titled *Climate Change Heroes*, which is very exciting! As for me, I am still working at Harvard with Ph.D. students. I just celebrated my third year as a resident of Somerville, Massachusetts, and still running with the Somerville Road Runners (SRR). SRR has been great to stay connected to fellow Trinity alumni. Both Mariah Tinger and Peter Young '00 are also members. I have entered the lottery again for the London marathon — hopefully I will get in on the third attempt!”

**Carl and Yarel (Silverio) Marshall** write: “We attended Reunion and had a great time. Our son, Carl, graduated high school last month and will be attending Northeastern University. Our daughters, Lissandra and Loria, will be entering junior year and seventh grade, respectively. They met up with Demitra (Smith) Jones and her two grade-school daughters, Brooke and Lauren. Monetha Harris also joined them that evening. Hopefully you saw them shaking it up in the YouTube video ‘Trinity College Alumni Can't Stop the Feeling!’ Saturday night they hung out with Eddie Hartwell, Clyde ‘Scoop’ Ettiennne-Modeste, and Lisa (Ruman) Braverman. Had a great time catching up and crashing

the Class of '91 party to dance to the '80s.”

**Jennifer Crookes Carpenter** writes: “For the past two years, I've been working at Hartford Stage in the Development Office after a few years working as a publicist for indie musicians and other artists. I love finally being in downtown Hartford ... it's been an intense and amazing season! We produced three world premieres this year, one starring Kevin Bacon and another transferring directly to New York. If you missed *Anastasia's* birth in Hartford, go see it on Broadway starting in April 2017! I had the bittersweet opportunity in December to spend time with fellow Trinity alumni and friends at the New York Society for Ethical Culture celebrating and memorializing the life of the great Professor Jerry Watts. His lessons and example are more necessary and relevant than ever. Hug yourselves, scholars.”

**Amy (Murphy) Nelson** writes: “My husband, Tom, and I had a great time at our Reunion. It was fun to catch up with folks and relive some memories from our Hartford days. I hope to see more attend our 25th! We live in southern Vermont and own a children's store called Whippersnappers, and I am the coordinator of the Childbirth Education Department at Cheshire Medical Center/Dartmouth-Hitchcock Keene. Our children are growing up so fast, with our son going into middle school and our daughter entering high school at The Putney School this year. It is with great sadness that I also report that our classmate and my friend **Meghan McGrath** passed away last weekend.”

After probably 15 years of not being in touch, I also received a note from **Mark Mentone**. He suggested I quote his online bio at Felician University in New Jersey, where he is the university's first full-time sports information director. Here you go, Mark: “Since coming to Felician, Mentone is responsible for the day-to-day maintenance of FelicianAthletics.com, as well as all department statistics and records. Mentone chairs Felician's Athletic Hall of Fame Committee. Mentone has been an athletics communications professional for 20 years, previously working at the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark, Southern Connecticut State University, and Hartwick College.”

**Christine Elia**, creative director at Snap+Style, writes: “I am back in New York City after spending many years in Los Angeles and a few in London and Atlanta each. My husband (introduced to me by **Rob Lovett**) and I have a 3-year-old son, so we are navigating the usual work/life balance these days, brightened by toddler delight. I have the pleasure of serving on the Board of Trustees at Trinity, where I am co-chairing the Resources and Planning Committee (aka facilities) and serve on the Student Life and Awards for Excellence Committees. Being back at school many times a year is incredibly interesting and fun, albeit a bit nostalgic. For those of you who were lucky enough to live in Elton or Jones freshman year, I can confirm they still smell the same. But the good news is that with the rollout of the Nest

system, they, and others, are bolstered by amazing common areas that the students are using hard. Other parts of campus I hardly recognize due to the new state-of-the-art buildings. If any of you are near Hartford (and who isn't?), I would recommend stopping in to see how good the school looks. Hope this works for an update without being too much propaganda, but the school really is poised to take off. It will be awesome to see.”

**Sara Callaghan Chapell** writes: “I continue to live in Haines, Alaska, a coastal town of about 2,500 residents, with my family and our two energetic Australian shepherds. I'm development director for our region's public radio station, and I love being able to serve the community by supporting an important small-town resource. We try to get out with our three kids hiking, boating, and skiing as much as possible. ... I hope to get back to Trinity one day to show my family around.”

**Dawn Jacob Laney** writes: “Sorry to miss everyone at the Reunion this time. In addition to my usual ‘being a mom to my two boys’ and ‘working as a genetic counselor and researcher at Emory’ gig, I am involved in a start-up called ThinkGenetic with my family and IBM's super-computer Watson. ThinkGenetic is designed to be a cutting-edge and free way to empower patients by providing answers for those who want to know about possible genetic causes for their medical issues, obtain real-life answers to their questions about the impact of their genetic diagnosis, and find out concrete next steps. It all started after my own dad was diagnosed with a rare genetic condition called cutis laxa and was not impressed with what he could find on the Internet. It's a family affair! At any rate, that's the news from my world; looking forward to seeing what everyone else is up to.”

**PJ Louis**, who is a sales exec at William Raveis Real Estate in Connecticut, writes, “As you know, I am living in West Hartford with three kids, a golden retriever, and a minivan, living the American dream. I stay in touch with fellow Class of '96ers Marc Pezzuto, **Jon Golas**, **Billy Hogan**, and **Casey Kutner**.”

**Gideon L.K. Pollach** writes: “I have just completed 8½ years of ministry at the Episcopal High School in Alexandria, where I was the head chaplain. I have been called to be the 16th rector of St. John's Church in Cold Spring Harbor, New York, on Long Island's North Shore. The family moves in August.”

And as for me, I am going on my 12th year in Boston with my wife and three daughters. I am a founder at XL Hybrids, which has been delivering vehicle fuel efficiency solutions to major corporations for five-plus years. That's it for now. Send those updates! Clay

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Hi, Class of 1997! I am taking a break from

packing boxes to write these notes. Ben and I are preparing for a big renovation to our house in Arlington, Massachusetts, that requires that we move out of the second floor. My three boys (ages 10, 7, and 5) and I will be living at my mom's cottage on Cape Cod for the summer while the house is torn up. By the time you read this, we will be all moved back in — yay!

**LaTanya Langley** has job news: "I have started a new wonderful job as general counsel for BIC International. I am responsible for all legal issues in markets, including Africa, Middle East, Asia, Latin America, and Caribbean, reporting to the president, developing markets and partnering with global executives to build a profitable and sustainable business. I was also honored by the National Bar Association as a recipient of its '40 Under 40 Nation's Best Advocates' award. The award recognizes the nation's top lawyers under the age of 40 who exemplify a broad range of high achievement in the legal field, including in advocacy, innovation, vision, leadership, and overall legal and community involvement." Congratulations to you, LaTanya!

**Rob Cibotti** writes, "I am currently living in the 'burbs south of Boston with my wife, Kathryn (Sanders) Cibotti '96, and our three kids, Hannah, 11, and twins Jessica and Robby, 9. We have an extremely busy life with kids' sports and work, however, in my 'free' time I have been able to pursue a career in high school and college football officiating. This past year, I was thrilled to work a game down at Nauset Regional High School on Cape Cod, where unbeknownst to me, **Mike Poremba** is on staff as an assistant coach. It was great to see him and have a friendly face yelling at me for a change! In the collegiate ranks, I was humbled this past year to work the Stagg Bowl, which is the NCAA DIII National Championship. It was an amazing experience and certainly the highlight of my officiating career to date. I will also note that I worked the Trinity vs. Wesleyan game two years ago, although it was down in Middletown. It was another great experience, but unfortunately the Bantams lost in the last seconds. That's it for me. I hope to see many of you at our 20th Reunion."

**Gillian Angstadt-Baan** sent me a note as well: "Hope this finds you happy and healthy and yes, 20 years next year ... when did that happen? We recently moved to Helsinki, where my husband has a new position with a stainless steel company, and our two boys, 4 and 5½, have started kindergarten at the International School. After eight years in Zürich and two in Holland, I'm opting out of learning Finnish — gave myself a big pass on that one — but we're loving Scandinavian/Nordic (read: Arctic) life with 24/7 light in high summer and equal darkness for Christmas in Lapland. Can't wait! It's been an amazing adventure, and we're looking forward to the next few years in this refreshingly relaxed seaside city. Unreal to look out across the Baltic knowing Estonia is a mere 50 km away and St. Petersburg a 3½-hour train ride. Pretty exotic for a girl from Pennsylvania! We

make it back to the United States every year, and I will do my best to be there for the 20th Reunion; I am smiling already thinking about it. Take good care, and warmest regards from me to all of you from the top of the globe. Gil xoxo"

**Caroline (Maguire) della Penna** reports: "Lots going on in the della Penna house. We still live in Concord, Massachusetts, and we are close to two Trinity graduates in town, Steve Baldini '00 and Prescott Stewart '93. We still see Jim Demichelle '95 regularly, and he was at our 40th birthday party last year. In December, **Craig** made partner at his current consulting firm, where he works with private equity firms. In other news, after years of working as an ADHD and executive function coach for kids, I was asked to launch a program to train coaches at the ADD Coach Academy. The program launched in May with a robust inaugural class and a waiting list."

A closing from our class president, **Shaakirrah R. Sanders**, as is our tradition: "It has been an exciting spring. In March, I was informed that I have been awarded tenure at the University of Idaho College of Law. I was très relieved to finally receive this news. (I actually slept with the tenure letter under my pillow for a few nights.) Two weeks after receiving my tenure letter, I decided to purchase my first home. The move was exhausting, but I am in love with the space. When you are next in Boise, come check out my place! I recently visited Peru to present at a legal symposium at San Pablo Catholic University of Arequipa, where I discussed the parallels between the no-fault divorce and marriage equality movements. My presentation was well received, which was a relief as this was my first international conference. While in Peru, I toured the city of Cusco, the Sacred Valley, and (of course) Machu Picchu. It was an amazing experience. My thanks to Paul Lordan for tips on how to deal with the altitude sickness. I was definitely affected, but it was worth it! I can't believe we are just a year away from our 20th Reunion. I am so looking forward to serving as your president during the next year. I also look forward to seeing everyone at camp Trin-Trin next summer. Let's make this our best Reunion yet! Please remember to send to Courtney your class notes. I love reading what you all are up to! Adios!"

Thank you so much to those of you who wrote in with notes! Finally, make sure to mark your calendars for our 20th Reunion, June 9-11, 2017!

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Jen Joseph '98, Juliana (Blunt) Bouvel '98, Phi (Bang) Choi '98, Megan (Callahan) Smith '98, Tina Rideout '98, Erica Hammer Lishnak '98, and Christina Palmese '98 celebrate their 40th birthdays in Cancún at Live Aqua.

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**Jennifer Halstead-Kenny** writes, "The most notable recent news for me is my family's move to Arizona from Westchester, New York, this past Christmas. My husband, John, and I both have spent our whole lives on the East Coast, so it has been quite a move. We are both working as independently contracted physicians; I am a consulting physiatrist at several subacute rehabilitation facilities. Our 6-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, has been adjusting well to the move and just graduated kindergarten. We keep in close contact with **Nicole Cocchiaro**, who was my maid of honor and is Elizabeth's godmother."

Inspired by **Christina Palmese's** mini-reunion in NYC in 2014, **Tina Rideout** and a group of Trinity friends planned a tropical getaway to celebrate their collective fabulous 40th birthdays. She said, "Chicas from coast to coast reunited in Cancún at Live Aqua, where they hosted a private birthday party in our honor, right down to the Trinity rice art." Also in attendance were **Jen Joseph, Juliana (Blunt) Bouvel, Phi (Bang) Choi, Megan (Callahan) Smith, Erica Hammer Lishnak**, and Christina Palmese.

That's all for this issue of *The Reporter*. As always, if you have any information you would like to share with our classmates, please e-mail me at [jessicalvincent@yahoo.com](mailto:jessicalvincent@yahoo.com). Until next time, go Bantams!

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Hello! I hope you are all very well and have some great plans for the summer! I'm enjoying the not-quite-yet-super-humid weather and looking forward to a long weekend trip to Utah

and the birth of a new nephew in late August! In the meantime, here's some fun news from a few of our fellow classmates.

It was a pleasure to hear from **January Cohen**, who had some exciting life changes to report: "2015/2016 has brought big changes. I left private practice after 11 years and joined the Department of Justice as a lawyer in my home country of Canada. But the biggest and best change was the birth of my beautiful, feisty, and brilliant daughter, Magnolia Cookie, in October. She's happy and healthy and the best thing that I've ever done!" Congratulations, January!

**Robert Goldsmith** also had some great news to report after receiving some well-deserved recognition for important work he has been involved with recently: "I have been going to Guayaquil, Ecuador, for three years with an organization called Global Smile Foundation, which is based out of Boston to help repair cleft lip and palate deformities. On June 20, the Boston Red Sox honored our organization in their pregame ceremony against the Chicago White Sox. We went onto the field to be recognized for our humanitarian services abroad." Congratulations, Robert. You should be very proud!

And last but not least for this installment of our class notes, **Aaron Kuney** had some big news to share on the work front: "After graduating from Emory University's Goizueta Business School in 2009, I stayed in Atlanta to work in real estate following the Great Recession. I initially focused on commercial and multifamily, and in 2010 partnered in a single-family rental venture that grew to over 4,500 homes. I recently launched my own firm, Piedmont Asset Management, a real estate investment and asset management platform focused on identifying and executing a variety of opportunistic residential investment strategies. We have worked with both institutional and individual investors from throughout the country. I'd love to hear from anyone who might be interested in learning more, aaron@piedmontam.com." Best of luck with your new venture, Aaron!

That's all for now, folks. Looking forward to catching up again in the fall! Alyssa

From the Alumni Office: **Kathleen Farrell**, associate professor of social sciences and education at Colby-Sawyer College, received the Nancy Beyer Opler '56 Award for Excellence in Advising during the college's 178th commencement ceremony in May. The award recognizes a faculty member who is accessible to advisees, makes a meaningful connection with advisees, supports advisees in academic and professional planning, and facilitates advisees' adjustment to the community.

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Greetings! Hope everyone is well and had a



Katie Wallack '00 and Art Dickinson were married on April 24, 2016, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

fun summer! We have two quick updates this month from Trinity theater alums living on the East and West coasts. **Nate Zeitz** has reported in from the Big Apple, where he is living the Brooklyn life in Park Slope with Alyson, his wife of seven years, and their 3-year-old son, Elliot. He writes, "I was recently promoted to vice president of the Television Affiliate & Radio Imaging Voice Over Department at CESD Talent Agency in March, and this coming September, I will be celebrating my 14-year anniversary since joining the agency in New York." Congratulations, Nate!

On the other side of the country, Los Angeles-based **Katie Wallack** has also been busy with work, art, and relationships. She was most recently seen in a commercial and print campaign for Ford with Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson (check out the spots on YouTube). Between acting gigs, she spent a couple of months in NYC working with SAG-AFTRA negotiating its commercials contract on behalf of commercial performers and is writing a play that will premiere this fall. She also made time in April for a side trip to the Little White Chapel in Las Vegas with Art Dickinson. We jump for joy with you, Katie!

That's all for this quarter. Send your news and updates anytime to virgquest@gmail.com. I'd love to hear from you! Have a great fall, everyone, and I'll see you next issue!

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Michelle Theodat '01 and Scott Waring were married in November 2015 in the Dominican Republic. The following 2001 Trinity folks made the trip: Bobbie (Oldfield) Wegner, Kim (Grad) Field, Molly (Malgieri) Schiff, Trevor Martin, Sarah (Green) Shooman, Brian Andre, Teddy Schiff, David Achterhof, Steph (Ng) Grein, Jessie (Sandell) Achterhof, Mark Tassie, and Ana Holwell.

others and children who attended as well. Our very own **Dan Berman** received an alumni award and presented a forum with Associate Professor Adrienne Fulco on the 2016 presidential election.

**Chris Herb** writes that he's living in Pasadena and working for the East Coast ETF company WisdomTree alongside fellow Bantams Stu Bell '06 and J. Brian "Sully" Sullivan '04. Though he's not in Hartford often, he had the chance to swing by campus this past Christmas. Wow, what development. Looks great for future classes. He, his wife, and two kids (4 and 8) just took up mountain biking in the Sierras over July Fourth. Though golf has mostly been replaced by Cub Scouts, PTA, and soccer practices, he wouldn't trade raising a family in Southern California for anything. He hopes that everyone else from 2001 is healthy and loving life.

**Zoe Kretzschmar-Taylor** is still living in London, and last year, she and her husband, James, had a little boy named Fyfe whom they love to bits. He has just turned 1 and is keeping his parents on their toes. Although the U.K. allows new mums to take off a year for maternity leave, she only took three months off because she runs her own business — Fearlessly Frank — which is an innovation consultancy. The business works with big household brand names and some of the world's most exciting start-ups to create future earnings through propositions and methods not currently used. She loves having a stimulating job during the day and a lovable little boy to come home to.

**Michelle (Theodat) Waring** had a whirlwind 2015. She is now Michelle Waring; she and Scott had a baby girl, Lucinda, in May; and celebrated their wedding in November in the Dominican Republic. It was a small wedding, but several '01 Trinity folks made the trip. It was a blast, but she's looking forward to a more manageable 2016!

In January, **Colin and Alice (Wisniewski) Vautour** welcomed daughter Marion, who joins her sibling mini-Bantams, Arthur and Walter. During Reunion, Walter's deep love for the Bantam was obvious as he relentlessly sought out "the chicken." Alice just rejoined the law

## JEFFREY K. COLEMAN '01

**What is the mission of the Multicultural Center at GSU?** Being the first director and opening the center, I had the opportunity to write our mission statement. Our mission is to promote a community of support and success for students, particularly traditionally underserved populations.

**Why is a center such as this important?** We support the academic mission of the university by hosting discussion forums and faculty book talks (an idea sparked at Trinity when I attended book talks in Hamlin Hall). The forums — on topics ranging from education disparities to law enforcement issues — are particularly relevant to students coming to our campuses. We also create a culture of care for numerous cultural communities represented on our campuses. In addition, we host Heritage Month celebrations (for example, Hispanic Heritage Month, LGBT History Month) to promote cultural awareness. We embrace students with “intersecting identities,” who belong to more than one underserved community. Most importantly, we strive to provide support for all the different faces that make up our student body.

**What has it been like to be able to put your stamp on the center as its first director?** It has been very energizing and exciting! I want the center to provide support by helping students develop skills in cultural competence to understand how their individual identities and the identities of others impact their purpose and vision for life and influence personal, academic, and career aspirations. Employers are looking for students with these skills who can apply them in diverse settings.

**What do you enjoy most about your work?** I enjoy seeing students come to our center because it is a safe space. We

continuously search for creative ways to connect with our very diverse student body. For instance, for Asian-Pacific Islander American Heritage Month, we hosted a festival featuring a musical performance and tables hosted by student organizations and academic departments in a downtown park that GSU shares with the city of Atlanta. Some of our university librarians who specialize in Asian studies and culture hosted a table with activities and resources during the festival. This event enabled students to experience Asian culture in various ways.

**What are the biggest challenges you face?** GSU recently consolidated with Georgia Perimeter College, an access college with five campuses that will add more than 20,000 students to our approximately 33,000 students. I have been charged with expanding the programming, resources, and services of the Multicultural Center to six campuses. I am thinking about how to divide or reassign staff. We will need to be mobile to reach all of the students.

**Was there a Trinity professor who was particularly influential? If so, who was it, and why?** Bob Peltier, principal lecturer in the Allan K. Smith Center for Writing and Rhetoric. I was first introduced to him through a composition course he taught in the Upward Bound Program while I was in high school. He also taught my “RHET 101. Writing” and “RHET 208. Argument and Research Writing” classes at Trinity. I later served as his TA for both courses. Professor Peltier has influenced several critical junctures in my life. He helped me develop a great appreciation for writing and revisions, teaching that great writing is never finished.

**How did your experiences at Trinity prepare you for what you do today?** Coming to Trinity, a predominantly white



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**FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY:** I really enjoyed being a P.R.I.D.E. (Promoting Respect for Inclusive Diversity in Education) mentor and bringing first-year students to Six Flags at the end of P.R.I.D.E. orientation. I remember attending the mentor retreats and participating in the ropes courses. We created a bond that lasted through the year. We developed a community of support among each other, which gave me a sense of belonging with the institution. As a result, I am working to recreate my Trinity College experience for students here at GSU!

institution, was a bit of a culture shock from Bloomfield High School, which was largely black. I immediately connected with the Multicultural Affairs Office. I was one of the first mentors in the establishment of the P.R.I.D.E. program. I was a work-study student employee in the Dean’s Office and involved in the Student Government Association. After graduation, I worked as a graduate assistant in the Multicultural Affairs Office. These experiences helped me discover my passion to motivate students from underserved populations toward persistence and academic success in college.

firm of Danaher Lagnese to work in the “med-mal” defense and health care law departments. They are enjoying life in the ‘burbs and the chaos that comes with three little ones at home.

**Alan Miegel** and wife Rachel welcomed a daughter in late June, and he says that she has Bantam written all over her!

Shannon McGill is living in West Hartford with her 4-year-old son. She is working as the northeast division manager for Michael David Winery and generously donated copious bottles to our class’s dinner on the Saturday of Reunion. Whenever she has the chance, she tries to hang out with her crew from Trin!

**Michael Carucci** is living in Fresno, California, where he is working for the VA. He has turned into quite the hiker and enjoys spending time in Yosemite.

**Angela Flores**, her husband, Rob, and their three children moved to Cincinnati the week after Reunion. After living her whole life in Connecticut, she is looking forward to trying something new!

**Russell Fugett’s** Baltimore-based technology development and consulting firm, Good Word Digital, launched its Standard Social ([www.standardsocialdata.com](http://www.standardsocialdata.com)), which is a social media and Internet data analysis and publishing tool. Please fill out the contact form on the website if you’d like to learn more! Otherwise, his family life is good, with wife Selah and their 2-year-old daughter, Paige.

**Michael Leone** is still alive and working as partner at Halloran & Sage, LLP. He and Mimi (Mayer) ’04 continue to dote on son Grant, who already has a way with the ladies.

**Aroop Sanakkayala** works in the entertainment industry in Los Angeles. He recently did an entertainment panel for Trinity College in Los Angeles about his career, along with Stephen Gyllenhaal ’72, Julia Pistor ’83, Marc Rashba ’87, Max Weisz ’08, and Christine Ragasa ’98.

Your secretary will graduate with her master’s in accountancy in August and hopes to start sitting for the CPA exam this fall. I interned with BDO USA, LLP this past spring tax season and will start work there as an associate in November. I still am quite active in the Junior League of Houston, where I serve as a treasurer. Aside from a trip to Belize for a friend’s 40th, my travel this year has been confined to the continental United States, where I try to regularly catch up with Trin peeps. Next Reunion I hope that the Class of ’01 will be better represented at the Alumni Row!

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Greetings and salutations from a rainy Larchmont, New York! No, you are not reading a *Trinity Reporter* from the 2002-2007 era.

Have no worries ... it did not take 10-plus years for this edition of the magazine to reach you! I’m guest writing this edition for **Kristin Hagan Sprincin**, who has her hands very full these days. Kristin and husband Philip Sprincin welcomed Katharine Margaret Hagan Sprincin and Patrick Charles Hagan Sprincin on May 9, 2016, each weighing 6 pounds, 3 ounces.

In more baby news, **Greg Spanos** and Shannon Herold Spanos ’03 welcomed Annie McLean Spanos in February. Big siblings Lily, Jack, and Lucy are thrilled to have a new sister. Greg and family live outside of Chicago.

**Jennifer Mann** and husband Tom Keefe welcomed Thomas Maxwell Keefe on April 19. Sweet Max weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces. Jen, Tom, and Max live in St. Louis, Missouri.

**Shakira Ramos** was recently honored as a Petit Family Foundation Women in Science Leadership Award Finalist. Congratulations! Shakira continues to work at Pratt and Whitney.

**Rebecca Brosnan** completed the Harvard Business School General Management Program, which brought her back to the United States for an extended period of time for the first time in more than five years. This opportunity afforded her time to catch up with **Buzzy McLaughlin**. Rebecca recently was awarded *China Daily’s* Asian Women’s Leadership Award, which recognizes dynamic, successful, and dedicated Asian women who are agents of change in their societies and those who are role models in entrepreneurship, innovation, charity, and the empowerment of women, at 2016’s Asia Financial Forum. Congratulations, Rebecca! In February, after six fantastic years at the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, Rebecca decided to take a sabbatical to travel. Rebecca completed trekking trips in Bhutan and Tasmania and just finished the Trans-Siberian Express from Moscow to Ulaanbaatar.

**Peter Green** touched base from Miami, where he represents the International Division at Fortune International Group, one of the leading real estate firms in South Florida, having sold more than \$4B in the last two years pertaining to luxury new development and just opened its 13th office located in the South of Fifth area of South Beach. Peter writes, “The Group began working with NYC developments and high-end resales pertaining to the growing demand from our affluent Brazilian and foreign international clientele.”

**Mollie Malick Bigley** recently started her own architecture business: [molliebigley.com](http://molliebigley.com). Check it out! Mollie is licensed in both Massachusetts and New York.

**Patrick Roman** and I, your guest writer, Ellen Zarchin, just finished our second year in the ‘burbs of New York City. Patrick is still with Morgan Stanley, and I’m doing my best to keep up with Luke, 5; Eliza, 3; and Anna, 2. We finally have a preschool graduate, and the house should be a little quieter come fall.

I look forward to seeing you all at our 15th Reunion in June! Can you believe it? Till then, stay well friends.



Matthew Gibbons ’03 and Amy Maguda were married on May 29, 2016, at St. Gregory’s Church in Dorchester, Massachusetts. They celebrated with a reception at the Exchange Conference Center in the Seaport area of Boston. Those in attendance included Zachary Costa ’03, Bryan Driscoll ’03, Amy (Maguda) Gibbons, Matthew Gibbons ’03, Skip Sullivan ’03, and Stephen LeMarbre ’03.

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A film that **Alix Purcell** co-wrote, *Till We Meet Again*, was in the indie film circuit and won several awards, including the top prize — Best Feature Film — by both audience and jury vote at the Long Beach International Film Festival. More information on the film is available at [www.tillwemeetagainmovie.com](http://www.tillwemeetagainmovie.com).

**Andrew Morrison** was promoted to chief administrative law judge for the State of Delaware in 2015.

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From the Alumni Office: **Alex Gordon** and Maya Simon were married on July 16, 2016, in Washington, D.C. Making merry at the wedding were **Hilary Cramer Robinson** and husband Mike, **Molly Stuart** and husband Jonathan Damon ’07, and the groom’s family: best man Alden C. Gordon ’10, bridesmaid Anna Gordon ’12, and parents [Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of Fine Arts] Alden R. Gordon ’69 and [Professor of Fine Arts] Jean Cadogan. A glorious rainbow appeared after a dramatic summer thunderstorm to add special effects to the panoramic backdrop of Washington that guests saw from the rooftop of the Hay-Adams Hotel! Maya and Alex live in New York, where Maya is vice president for strategy and planning for Zola, and Alex is a director of strategy and business development for the news group at NBCUniversal.



Cara Cappello '06 and Brian Quinan '06 were married on December 12, 2015, in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. Front row: Isa Widdowson '06, Kelley (Swain) Sullivan '06, Chauncey (Pratt) Boothby '06, Jenn Katz '06, Julia (Deming) Vaughn '06, Jackie (Grant) Pellenberg '06, Tory Hagin '06, Gabe Rotman '06, Brian Quinan '06, Cara (Cappello) Quinan '06, Margot (Kearney) Navins '06, Ayres Heller '06, Aris Tzoufias '06, Johanna (Gordon) Doherty '06, Molly (McGuinness) Gistis '06, Cristina (Guido) Cacciatio '06, Tory (Hamilton) McCarthy '06, Jessica (Keeley) Keough '06; back row: Andrew Fries '05, Nick Petri '06, Chris Walsh '07, Jay Boothby '06, Coly Smith '06, Eric Vaughn '06, Chad Burdette '06, John Lockwood '08, Dave Sullivan '08, Jake Isbrandtsen '06, Coley Parry '06, Kyle Cox '06, Jim McCarthy '06

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**Leigh Endresen Morrison** and husband Gavin welcomed a baby girl, Paige Leigh Morrison, on November 5, 2015. They also have a son named Grant, who is 3½. The family also bought a house and moved last August from NYC to Harrison, New York.

**Ryan Sultan** graduated from his child and adolescent psychiatry fellowship at New York-Presbyterian Hospital this spring. He began an NIH Research Fellowship at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons this fall.

**Brian Quinan** and **Cara Cappello** were married on December 12, 2015, in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. They had a wonderful group of Trinity alums in attendance (some of whom were in their wedding party) and were lucky enough to have a perfect balmy winter day (65 degrees!). Congratulations, Brian and Cara!

**Meghan Boone** and Sam Zivin '07 are happy to announce the birth of their son, Lyle Arthur Zivin. He was born on May 29, 2016. The whole family has moved to Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where Meghan has accepted a position as a visiting assistant professor at Wake Forest University School of Law. Meghan would love to hear from any Bantams who may have ended up in the Winston-Salem area.

**Mary Lynch** had a daughter named Katherine Amy Dubitsky on September 4, 2015. She joins older brother Robbie, born July 31, 2013. Mary and husband Warren Dubitsky took the whole family to Reunion this year at Trinity, joined by **Kathleen (Milnamow) Stern** and **Polly (Gutierrez) Espinoza** and their families. The crew had a blast but noted that attendance of our class was a little light!

I myself was on Martha's Vineyard Reunion Weekend to celebrate the wedding of **Claire**



Allison Mathis '07 and Gregory Thomson were married in March 2016 at the Bolger Center, in Potomac, Maryland. Those in attendance included Marissa Powers '09, Liza Parker '06, Trishan de Lanerolle '04, Allison Mathis '07, David Ahlgren '64 (Karl W. Hallden Professor of Engineering, Emeritus), Mary Ahlgren, Emily (Eisenberg) Morley '06, Jocelyn Baker '06, and David Pietrocola '08.

**Lawlor** and Alex Riley. The ceremony was beautiful, and I had a blast catching up with **Katie Chabalko**, **Amy Hilliker Tobin**, **Marlyse Rudnick**, **Stef Pagano-Kor**, and **Reid Offringa**.

Lastly, I heard that elections did not take place at Reunion this year as there were so few people in attendance. If anyone would like to volunteer to take on the task of compiling class notes, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at (860) 297-2403 or julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu.

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Hey, Class of '07! Hope this issue of *The Reporter* finds you all well! I, Jackie Caporale, asked you all to send me a little something about how you are staying healthy physically, mentally, socially, or otherwise, just as a way of changing up the notes! Over the past two years, I have immersed myself in this world of health and wellness, trying new foods, workouts, and even meditation! I subscribe to a few health magazines, as well as e-mail publications such as Well+Good, mindbodygreen, and MyFitnessPal, and follow a few fitness gurus on IG. Lucky for me, my work life aligns with my personal life in this way, and my agency has taken on a new health initiative, which is especially difficult in the nonprofit world where we can't afford cool workout equipment or mid-workday workout classes like Google. We attended a wellness retreat that included some tai chi and qigong, mindfulness practice, and meditative walks. It was great to hear what some of you are doing!

**Devon Lawrence** stays healthy by eating the

delicious, quick, and healthy meals prepared by her husband, **Tyler Simmons**. You can get some great food ideas by following him on IG@tyskitchen. Devon is keeping busy managing the Travel with The Met program at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, which produces more than two dozen trips per year all over the world! She suggests that if anyone has grandparents or recently retired parents, the Met trips offer a truly special and unique experience!

**Sarah Spiegel** is staying well at the new yoga studio she just opened in Saco, Maine, called Samudra Studio. Stop by for a relaxing session if you're in the area.

**Danny Coleman** and wife Shannon welcomed a new addition to their family on February 20, a beautiful baby girl, Laurel Grace Coleman.

**'08** *Class Secretary: Hadley Schroll Sullivan, 50 Appleton St., Apt. 3, Boston, MA 02116-6244; hadley.schroll.2008@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Sasha C. Kravetz*

**Tyler Simms** is in his second year working as an assistant basketball coach at Brown and living in Providence.

**Femi Faoye** and **Andrew Maia** graduated from the M.B.A. program at Cornell University's Samuel Curtis Johnson Graduate School of Management.

**Whitney Dow Ferguson** is working for the speaker of the Massachusetts House (Speaker Robert DeLeo) as director of strategic initiatives. She is also getting married in Boston this October.

**Hana Cho** and Alex Herz '06 are enjoying the lovely weather in Seattle with their mini-goldendoodle puppy, Bertie. They shared the following updates from their fellow Bantams in the Pacific Northwest. "We went to an engagement dinner last weekend for fellow Bantam **Houston Gossett**, who will be marrying Kato Mayeda in July. Also in attendance were **Vanessa Lee Siegel** and her husband. We ran into **Paul LaBella** at a bar that is decidedly the only Boston-sports-friendly place around. **Jeff Stempeck** works at Spotify! He asks that you personally send any Spotify grievances his direction. **Brett Ramsay** has moved back to Connecticut and is happy to be closer to Trinity. **Matt** and **Katie Crum** have the cutest baby boy who really likes sweet potatoes."

From the Alumni Office: **Greg Gavelis, Ph.D.**, is a postdoctoral researcher in cell biology at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada. As of November 2016, he will be a postdoctoral researcher at Arizona State University. He recently had a paper published in the journal *Nature*. He wrote the following update, which he titled "Trinity College Taught Me the Kind of Scientist I Want to Be," as an open letter to Trinity:

"In spring of 2004, shortly after my acceptance to Trinity College, I got an unassuming letter inviting me to the first-year Interdisciplinary Science Program (ISP). I couldn't know it at the time, but this letter

initiated a cascade of events that would plunge me up to my eyeballs in science. Unlike the thousands of biology undergraduates at the university where I just completed my doctorate, at Trinity College I had the opportunity to do research as a freshman, camp at an experimental farm, and present my findings with Thomas S. Johnson Distinguished Professor of Biology Dan Blackburn at the National History Museum in Paris. In hindsight, the invitation to that first-year program was a lot like getting a first owl from Hogwarts.

"But it's impossible to see the bigger picture while it's still being written. Truth be told, I arrived at Trinity full of doubt. The weekend before classes, I'd gone for an extramural camping trip with a Trinity sports team and immediately learned that some college scenes just weren't for me. (I discovered the delayed effects of facial poison ivy during orientation weekend. And while camping, I learned why not to put place your sleeping bag downhill from the designated pee tree — a morning too late). By contrast, my twin had joined the cross-country team at Wesleyan and was loving it. I was green with envy and red with poison ivy, but soon, our college experiences would take a turn.

"In the ISP, Alison Draper, director of the Interdisciplinary Science Center and lecturer in interdisciplinary science, immediately engaged us in science. Within the first few weeks of class, we went out into Hartford and measured lead levels at an abandoned city lot. She helped us present our findings before a Hartford urban planning board (the lead levels were negligible, and the lot is now, happily, a community garden). Not long after, at a poster presentation, Professor Blackburn invited me to join his lab. I was also taught electron microscopy personally by Dr. Ann Lehman, who oversaw the electron microscopy facility. The strangest part was, I wasn't a straight-A student; I was just an awkward freshman excited about biology.

"This kind of thing isn't possible in most universities. With sprawling science facilities, university labs are larger but far less personal. Research in each unit is done by dozens of grad students and postdocs, while the professor is occupied primarily with the tasks of administration and writing grants (teaching falls mostly on lecturers). In this, the standard model, students and professors rarely interact. By contrast, labs at Trinity consist of one professor and just a couple students, and we spoke with our professors every day. My faculty adviser, Scott Smedley, [associate professor of biology], took us on field trips to Church Farm, and [Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology] Craig Schneider trekked with students to Nepal. ... I didn't realize how rare these experiences are until I went for my master's and Ph.D. at large universities. At Trinity, these faculty encounters weren't unusual, they were just life.

"Unlike my brother, I never got into the college party scene, but Trinity presented opportunities whose benefits were more enduring. Among the handful of friends that I 'nerded out

with, one is now a doctor, two are professors (in chemistry and physics), and I'd like to think that in biology, I'm on my way. So now, as I pack up for a research position in the largest university in the U.S., I hope to bring Trinity's small-school lessons with me. There are many steps to being a professor, and I don't know when I'll get there, but thanks to Trinity, I know exactly the kind of professor I want to be."

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**Brett Jackson** graduated from Fordham Law School, and this fall he will begin working at Schulte Roth & Zabel in NYC. He got engaged last fall on Martha's Vineyard to **Devlin Hughes**, whom he started dating his freshman year at Trinity! They were married at Trinity this August. Last fall, Devlin started a Ph.D. program in clinical psychology at Columbia University Teachers College.

**Kaitlyn Wilbur** will earn her doctorate in clinical psychology come September and will then be starting a postdoctoral fellowship at the Boston Child Study Center.

**Delia DeBlois** and Tim Kiely '08 were married on Nantucket over Labor Day weekend.

**Alex Manevitz** has returned to Trinity for the 2016-2017 academic year as a visiting assistant professor of American studies.

**Samantha Moore** (nee Moorin) had her first child on June 16! She had a daughter, Penelope Audrey Moore, with husband George. They live in Fairfield, Connecticut. Everyone is doing well, and they are excited to be a family of three!

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Congratulations to **Ben Gascoigne**, who was married on July 30, 2016, in Cleveland, Ohio, and to **Kaitlin McCarthy** and fiancé Ryan McNamara, who recently got engaged and plan to marry in March of 2017!

**Amanda (Furie) Ndaw** has left her Spanish teaching job in Suffield, Connecticut, to begin her Ph.D. in Spanish language and literature at the University of Michigan. She is elated to formally research West African immigration in Spain. She and her husband moved to Ann Arbor this summer after a trip to see family and friends in Senegal and Spain. Best of luck, Amanda!

**Hal Ebbott** reports that he and **Isabelle McTwigan** recently joined forces for a Saturday morning run from Lower Manhattan out to

Brooklyn, where they finished with a sandwich at Court Street Grocers. A great time all around!

Please continue to send your news and updates to Colin and me. We look forward to hearing from you!

'11 *Class Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Katherine F. Cummings, Joshua Stuart Grownney, Rebecca L. Savage, Abigail A. Smitka*

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## SAMANTHA ALCALA '11

### ***What do you do in your role at***

***iMentor?*** I facilitate college readiness relationships between mentor/mentee pairs at a public bilingual (English/Spanish) high school for recent immigrants. I teach weekly classes where the pairs exchange online communication and organize monthly events for their in-person check-ins.

### ***What drew you to the field of***

***education?*** I have admired my teachers' work for as long as I can remember, but I knew I did not want to teach traditional school subjects. I did not plan to study education even though I have enjoyed visits to my cousin's third-grade classroom since I was in the third grade. I learned two things at Trinity that finally drew me to the field: 1) I could pursue an educational studies major that isn't a teacher certification program but an interdisciplinary approach to understand education; and 2) I earned a merit-based scholarship, but people who share similar backgrounds and experiences as me do not always get equal access to resources and opportunities based on their merit.

### ***How did your time at Trinity affect***

***your career choice?*** Trinity provided me the space and time to reflect on my identity and to build more self-confidence. My campus leadership roles and educational studies work in Hartford helped me understand my position as a Puerto Rican and Venezuelan New Yorker removed from my comfort zone. I became more appreciative of Posse's role in my experience as I gained a better understanding of the American education system; college access and readiness work has become one of my main interests in the field.

***To what do you most look forward as the recipient of Columbia University Teachers College's first full-tuition***



### ***fellowship for Posse Foundation alumni seeking master's degrees?***

Months have passed since I received my "second Posse call," and I still question if this is real. I am grateful and excited to return to the classroom as a student rather than as an educator so I can reflect on my work these past five years. I am also excited to conduct research with leaders in the field and to collaborate with peers who have similar ambitions.

### ***What do you hope to do after receiving***

***your master's?*** My main goal is to provide resources and opportunities to underrepresented youth in New York City. I am interested in a few schools and organizations but will keep my options open to all possibilities. It's the only way I've gotten to this point in my life.

### ***What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Why?***

The introductory educational studies course "Analyzing Schools" — it set the foundation for the rest of my time at Trinity. I still have the course reader and recently used it to plan a discussion on diversity and inclusion at my office. I also loved taking "Basic Acting" — a fun and sometimes terrifying experience that provided invaluable, transferable skills.

**DEGREES:** B.S. in educational studies and psychology; M.A. in sociology and education, Teachers College, Columbia University, expected spring 2018

**JOB TITLE:** Senior program manager, college success at iMentor

### **FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY:**

I had a great time in Trinidad with Professor Alison Draper's first-year seminar on science and asthma in Hartford and Trinidad. It motivated me to study abroad and to make travel a priority in my life.

### ***Was there a Trinity professor who was particularly influential? If so, who was it, and why?***

Several Trinity faculty and staff were influential, but I must acknowledge Professor Jack Dougherty. He helped me realize my potential to push myself further than I imagined, even throughout my grad school application process. Jack's investment in his students' success is as admirable as his investment in the Hartford education system. I aspire to use the lessons from his course work and his example as an educator in my own classroom.

**1942 EDWARD R. "NED" MAXWELL, SR.**, 94, of East Norwalk, Connecticut, died on November 21, 2014.

Maxwell earned a B.S. in economics from Trinity, where he also played football, basketball, and baseball and was a member of the Newman Club. He went on to found the sales agency Eastern States Associates, Inc.

Maxwell is survived by his children, Edward Maxwell, Jr., Pat Neal, Kati Bepko, and Anne Towne; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Pat, and a son, Kevin.

**1944 ROBERT R. COOPER, JR., M.D.**, 92, of Hudson, Florida, died on July 8, 2015.

After earning a B.S. in chemistry and biology from Trinity, Cooper earned an M.D. from Yale Medical School and spent time in private practice in Norfolk, Virginia. Cooper served in the U.S. Navy for 11 years, including during World War II; he retired with the rank of colonel.

Cooper is survived by his wife, Linda; six children; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a sister.

**1944 MERRITT JOHNQUEST**, 92, of Novelty, Ohio, died on March 20, 2016.

Johnquest earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu, the Jesters, and the swimming team. He went on to attend the University of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Business Administration. Johnquest served in the U.S. Army Air Force in radio communications while stationed in Burma in 1946. Later, he was vice president and creative director for Fuller & Smith & Ross, Inc. for 20 years and worked for Jayme Organization for another two decades. Johnquest received many awards, including an Emmy, ADDYs, and multiple honors from the Cleveland Ad Club and the Cleveland Society of Communicating Arts. He also was a member of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences. Johnquest was a dedicated alumnus who served for many years as a class agent and was a member of the Elms Society.

Johnquest is survived by children Amy, Matt, Gilbert, and Harry, as well as four grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 59 years, Ellen.

**1945 ARTHURE. FAY**, 93, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on March 18, 2016.

Fay served in the U.S. Army before earning a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. He went on to work in management at Southern New England Telephone Company from 1947 to 1986, overseeing more than 300 staff members. He served five terms on the West Hartford Town Council with two terms as deputy mayor and was appointed by Governor Lowell Weicker to chair the Connecticut Resource Recovery Authority.

Fay is survived by his children, Peter Fay (Lois), Susan Fay-Wilcox (Jeremy), Elaine Fay-Coelho (Carl), Mary Lee Fay, and Sarah Fay (Richard Watkins); 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 65 years, Dee, and siblings David, Bill, and Jean.

**1948 RALPH S. RAREY**, 91, of Rocky Hill, Connecticut, died on February 26, 2016.

Rarey was a veteran of World War II before earning a B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon. He went on to co-found the *Rare Reminder* publication.

Rarey is survived by five children, three step-children, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

**1949 WILLIAM L. LEAHEY**, 90, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, died on February 18, 2016.

Leahey served in the U.S. Navy Reserve prior to Trinity and attended Tufts and Dartmouth through the V-12 program. He earned a B.A. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of Medusa and played baseball and basketball. After graduation, he joined The Travelers Insurance Co. as an actuarial trainee in the casualty actuarial department. Leahey went on to work as a supervisor and a statistician and, in 1966, was appointed assistant secretary. He retired from the company after many years.

Leahey is survived by sons William Leahey and Thomas Leahey, two grandchildren, and sister Evelyn Gibson. He was predeceased by his wife, Pauline.

**1949 RAYMOND A. MORLEY**, 90, of Lincolnshire, Illinois, died on April 22, 2016.

Morley served in the U.S. Navy and was stationed on the USS *Oklahoma* during the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He became a carrier-based pilot flying training missions in the Pacific. After World War II, Morley earned a B.S. from Trinity, where he ran varsity track. He went on to found a general contracting company, building many commercial and industrial facilities in the Chicago area.

Morley is survived by his wife of 72 years, Joy; children Anne Browne (Jeff), Susan Morley, and Kim Sterling (William); three granddaughters; and 10 great-grandchildren.

**1950 ERNEST M. SUNEGA**, 90, of Niantic, Connecticut, died on March 2, 2016.

Sunega served as a U.S. Navy pilot during World War II before earning a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of the Newman Club, the Engineering Club, and the band. He began his career as a professional engineer with Hartford Gas Company, and he retired from that field while employed by Kaman Aerospace.

Sunega is survived by his wife, Mary; children Stephen Sunega, Anne Staebner (Craig), Margaret Varga (Paul), and Jean Sunega; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**1950 CARL H. TIEDEMANN II**, 89, of New York City, died on April 30, 2016.

Tiedemann served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He went on to earn a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he founded the men's lacrosse program and was elected captain of the College's first team. He also served as president of Psi Upsilon and played squash. He later earned an M.S. in business administration from Columbia University. Tiedemann began his sales career at American Cyanamid and then joined the brokerage firm Stone & Webster. In 1962, he joined Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette and became president of the firm in 1975. In 1980, he started the Tiedemann Investment Group. He went on to found Tiedemann Trust Company,

now known as Tiedemann Wealth Management. He also served as governor of the American Stock Exchange from 1969 to 1972 and on the boards of several firms and organizations. A dedicated alumnus, Tiedemann was included on the College's Wall of Honor in 2001. He also was the recipient of the Alumni Achievement Award in 1975 and the Alumni Medal for Excellence in 2000.

Tiedemann is survived by his wife, Kari; children Hans, Mark '84, Leigh, and Michael, as well as their spouses; and 11 grandchildren.

**1951 WILSON G. PINNEY**, 85, of San Mateo, California, died on September 12, 2015.

Pinney earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the Jesters. He also served as president of the Glee Club and as a board member of the *Trinity Review* and worked at WRTC. Pinney served in the U.S. Army and went on to earn an M.Ed. from Harvard University. He taught English at the high school level and then became a professor of English at the College of San Mateo. He edited *Two Ways of Seeing: An Anthology of Poems and Photographs* and co-authored *Reading and Interpreting*.

**1951 ROBERT SCHORK**, 88, of Bradenton, Florida, died on January 17, 2016.

Schork earned a B.A. in interdisciplinary studies from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the freshman baseball team. He also participated in ROTC and worked as an infirmary attendant for three years. Schork served in the U.S. Air Force in World War II, the Korean conflict, and in Vietnam, and his many decorations included the Bronze Star and the Vietnamese Honor Medal. After retiring from the military in 1971 as a major, he taught American history in the Manatee County school system for 10 years and then served another 10 years as a certified court mediator.

Schork is survived by his children, Cynthia Cook (Mark) and Steven; stepchildren Garry, Meredith, and Robin; one granddaughter; and other grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Harriet Ann; his second wife, Patricia; and his stepdaughter, Pamela.

**1952 CAMERON BLELOCH**, 85, of Delray Beach, Florida, died on April 3, 2015.

Bleloch earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Glee Club, the Flying Club, and the Jazz Club. He also played tennis and took part in R.O.T.C. He went on to earn his CLU designation in insurance and graduated from the Williams College School of Trust Banking. He retired from Bank of Boston in 1985.

Bleloch is survived by his wife of 60 years, Grace.

**1953 JOHN T. BERSETH**, 84, of Wellfleet, Massachusetts, died on March 9, 2016.

Berseth earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he served as editor of *The Trinity Tripod* and the *Ivy* and was a member of Medusa, the Young Democrats, and the local fraternity Tau Alpha, which later became a chapter of the national fraternity Pi Kappa Alpha. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army in Japan for two years. After his return to New York City, he began a career in writing and editing that

spanned 50 years.

Berseth is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; daughters Kate and Susan and their families; and sister Lois Hedlund.

**1954 JEROME F. DETOTTO**, 83, of Venice, Florida, and West Yarmouth, Massachusetts, died on June 8, 2016.

Detotto earned a B.A. in romance languages from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He also was a Beckwith Scholar and received the Ronald H. Ferguson Prize for Excellence in French. Following a business career in the insurance industry in Connecticut and New York, Detotto taught French and Spanish in the Fayetteville-Manlius school district in New York and later taught Italian at Syracuse University. He also was an actor who performed in community theaters in New York, Florida, and Massachusetts.

Detotto is survived by his wife of 60 years, Nancy, and sons Jay Detotto and Lance Detotto. He was predeceased by son Bruce and daughter-in-law Denise Detotto.

**1954 DONALD B. READ**, 86, of Old Lyme, Connecticut, died on May 31, 2016.

Read earned a B.A. in art history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the squash team. Following a career in the financial industry in Hartford and New York City, Read became a rigger at a sailmaker. He expressed his passion for art and fabrication through a collection of metal and wood sculptures.

Read is survived by his wife, Jean; sons R. Bartow Read and Mark Read; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. He was predeceased by son J. Miles Read.

**1955 JOHN D. DRISCOLL**, 82, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on May 11, 2016.

Driscoll graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. In addition, he was a member of the engineering honor societies Tau Beta Pi and Eta Kappa Nu, as well as the physics honor society Sigma Pi Sigma. Driscoll also earned an engineering degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He went on to teach at the University of New Haven and then became dean of Ward Technical College at the University of Hartford. He spent many years as a professor of mathematics and computer science, most recently at Middlesex Community College.

Driscoll is survived by his wife of 57 years, Ann; children John Driscoll, Jr. (Judy), Brian Driscoll (Brenda), Maureen Driscoll, Ann Driscoll, and Kathleen Driscoll; and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by sisters Helen Kavanaugh and Nancy Sullivan and two grandsons.

**1956 JOACHIM E. PENGEL**, 81, of New Canaan, Connecticut, died on February 26, 2016.

Pengel earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he was vice president and chaplain of Phi Kappa Psi and a member of Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences. He went on to earn an M.Ed. from Springfield College and a Ph.D. from the University of Connecticut.

Pengel taught for more than 40 years at the University of Hartford, training and mentoring school guidance counselors. He retired as professor emeritus in 2009, the same year he retired from his part-time psychotherapy practice.

Pengel is survived by his wife, Martha Klein Larsen; children Edward Pengel (Donna) and Kimberly Pengel (Sean Chase); five grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and caregiver Marnel Kennedy-Fox. He was predeceased by his first wife, Marguerite.

**1956 RICHARD B. "DICK" PRICE III**, 83, of Westport, Connecticut, died on April 7, 2016.

Price earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of the Senate and the Glee Club. He also played on the freshman soccer team, participated in ROTC, and worked at WRTC. He went on to earn an M.A. from Fairfield University. Price's career included time as a technical writer at Sikorsky Aircraft. He also served in the U.S. Air Force.

Price is survived by his wife of 54 years, Antonia; daughters Jennifer Grimes and Deborah Hiltz; three grandchildren; and brother Robert Price.

**1957 THE REVEREND DAVID C. ROHLFING**, 80, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, died on February 5, 2016.

Rohlfing earned a B.A. in philosophy and classics from Trinity, which he attended as an Illinois Scholar. He was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, the Glee Club, and the Debate Team. Rohlfing went on to earn an M.Div. from Eden Theological Seminary. He also studied urban affairs at Rutgers University and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. In 1966, he took a position with the Wisconsin Conference of the United Church of Christ. Rohlfing then served as director of constituency and program development for the national Office for Church in Society and later served as CEO of the Milwaukee Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependence, from which he retired in 2000.

Rohlfing is survived by his wife, Dorlee, and his daughter, Alison Rohlfing '84. He was predeceased by son Mark Rohlfing.

**1958 THE REVEREND FRANCIS B. "FRITZ" CREAMER, JR.**, 79, of Waldoboro, Maine, died on February 28, 2016.

Creamer earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and worked at WRTC. He went on to work at CBS television in New York City. After completing six months in the National Guard, Creamer returned to academia and earned an M.Div. from Berkeley Divinity School. Following a fellowship at the University of Toronto's Trinity College, he was ordained to the priesthood and served as curate at St. James Church in West Hartford, Connecticut, and became active in the civil rights movement, joining in the freedom march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama. He served at several other churches, including St. Luke's Church in East Hampton, New York, where he was rector from 1978 until his 1996 retirement.

Creamer is survived by his wife, Ann; children Elizabeth Figler (Ted) and Nathaniel Creamer (Louisa); and five grandchildren.

**1959 ROBERT E. SCHARF**, 78, of Flagstaff, Arizona, died on February 11, 2016.

Scharf graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.A. in philosophy. He was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, the Psychology Club, the Sophomore Dining Club, and Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences. He also served as president of the Philosophy Club and was on the swimming team. He went on to attend Harvard Law School and earned an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. His professional experience includes time as a financial analyst with Loeb, Rhoades & Co., as a general partner at Wood, Struthers & Winthrop, as CFO of a large real estate and cattle company, and as co-founder of Fountainhead Financial Group, a real estate investment company. He retired in 1994 as senior vice president for investments at Paine Webber. He was a former Goldwater Institute board member and co-founder of its Scharf-Norton Center for Constitutional Litigation.

Scharf is survived by his wife, Sue; three sons; and five grandchildren.

**1960 THOMAS P. ARVANTELY**, 77, of Enfield, Connecticut, died on March 12, 2016.

Arvantely double majored in chemistry and German at Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, the Engineering Club, and Delta Phi Alpha, the National German Honor Society. After Trinity, he worked as a chemist at Socony Mobil Oil Company for three years and then earned a law degree at Rutgers University. Arvantely established a private practice in Enfield, where he worked as an attorney for 45 years. He also served as Enfield town attorney from 1977 to 1979.

Arvantely is survived by his children, Catherine Steuart (Steve) and Peter Arvantely (Julie); four grandchildren; his children's mother, Marcelle Frechette; sister Thelma Santos (Hubert); and companion Jacqueline Haas. He was predeceased by brother Greg Arvantely.

**1960 WILLIAM H. MACDERMOTT**, 79, of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, died on May 5, 2016.

MacDermott earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he played football and was the secretary of Sigma Nu. MacDermott spent five decades as a football coach at the college and professional levels, including 16 years as the head coach at Wesleyan University. He also was a coach for Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, the Orlando Thunder, the San Diego Chargers, the Montreal Alouettes, the Winnipeg Blue Bombers, the Toronto Argonauts, the Edmonton Eskimos, and the Edmonton Huskies.

MacDermott is survived by his wife, Kathleen; children Sandra MacDermott, Mike MacDermott, and Stephanie Hamm (Mike); and stepdaughters Jessica, Alexandra, and Tiffany.

**1963 DONALD R. HERSEY**, 74, of Williston, Vermont, died on May 30, 2016.

Hersey earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and played baseball. He went on to earn a master's degree from the University of Hartford. Hersey spent his entire career teaching English, including 34 years at Wethersfield High School. He also served as a member of the Wethersfield Federation of Teachers.

Hersey is survived by his wife, Jude; children Reese Hersey (Lucy) and Marlys Hersey (John Waters); one grandson; sister Lynn Palmer; and several nieces and nephews.

**1966 RICHARD J. LOMBARDO, M.D.**, 71, of Leavenworth, Kansas, died on March 3, 2016.

Lombardo earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club and served as the manager of the swimming team and as an engineer at WRTC. He went on to earn his M.D. from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. Lombardo was board certified in family practice and emergency medicine. He worked in private practice and at a number of hospitals. He also was a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

Lombardo is survived by his wife, Shelby; daughters Terry Springer (Justin), Karin Lombardo, and Mandy Lombardo; two grandsons; and sisters Carol Bryant, Mary Lombardo, Ginny Lombardo, and Gerilyn Rivosia.

**1966 COLIN A. STUDDS**, 73, of Cohasset, Massachusetts, died on March 17, 2016.

Studds earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, Campus Chest, and the lacrosse, football, and ice hockey teams.

Studds is survived by his wife of 43 years, Mary Lou; sons Colin Studds (Rina) and Tyler Studds; two grandchildren; and brother Gaynor Stewart. He was predeceased by brother Gerry Studds.

**1968 WILLIAM E. SNOW**, 69, of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, died on February 28, 2016.

Snow earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in industrial psychology from Case Western Reserve University. Snow spent his career as a management consultant, career counselor, and executive coach.

Snow is survived by his wife of 44 years, Irene; children Patrick (Hannah), Michael (Stacie), Laura (fiancé Justin Robinson), and Sarah; one grandchild; sister Wendy Love (Charles); two nephews; and a great-niece.

**1978 ELIZABETH RODIE JONES**, 59, of Meriden, Connecticut, died on June 3, 2016.

Jones earned a B.A. in theater arts from Trinity, where she was a member of the Concert Choir and the Chapel Singers. She went on to earn an M.A. in vocal performance from The Hartt School in 1983. Jones was a frequent performer in community theater groups and taught private voice lessons.

Jones is survived by her husband of 35 years, Leonidas; mother Polly Rodie; and sister Jean Rodie.

**1980 LAWRENCE JAMISON "JAMIE" HUDSON**, 58, of Boston, Massachusetts, died on April 3, 2016.

Hudson earned a B.A. in English and history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the swimming team. He went on to earn an M.Sc. in economics from the London School of Economics. Hudson joined Texaco, Inc. and then the Lotus Development Corp. He moved to Staples, Inc., becoming vice president, assistant treasurer, before

moving to Shoplink, Inc., Highgrove Strategies, and Signature Media Group. Hudson then served as managing director and CFO at Fireman Capital Partners, LLC.

Hudson is survived by his parents, Rosemary and Donald Hudson; sister Lauren Raabe (Roderick Raabe); a nephew; and a niece.

**1990 TERESA P. SCALZO**, 47, of Alexandria, Virginia, died on May 23, 2016.

Scalzo earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Cerberus, the Senior Class Committee, and the Sexual Assault Task Force. She went on to earn a J.D. cum laude from Temple University School of Law. At the time of her death, she was the deputy director of the Navy JAG Trial Assistance Program, where she served as the Navy's expert on sexual assault prosecution. She previously served as policy adviser for the Department of Defense Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, director of the National Center for the Prosecution of Violence against Women, and chief of the Sex Crimes Unit with the Northampton County District Attorney's Office.

Scalzo is survived by her mother, Marie; brother Carl (Theresa); and several aunts, uncles, and other family members.

**2003 MICHAEL C. EVANS**, 33, of Worcester, Massachusetts, died on October 27, 2014.

Evans graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he received the George J. Mead Prize and was a member of Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences. He also was the President's Fellow for history. Evans earned a graduate degree at the University of Pennsylvania School of Social Work and became a licensed social worker.

Evans is survived by his parents, Judith Evans and husband Jeff Fraser, and Christopher Evans and longtime companion Leslie Russell; brother Jonathan Evans (Miriam); and a grandmother.

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**2009 LISA J. HUSTON**, 52, of Torrington, Connecticut, died on May 17, 2016.

Huston earned a B.A. in history from Trinity. She worked at Northwest Catholic High School in West Hartford, Connecticut, for several years.

Huston is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth Huston; parents Robert and Nona Miles; and sisters Deborah Baer and Stephanie Green.

## MASTER'S

**M.S. 1960 GEORGE P. GROFT**, 92, of North Greenbush, New York, died on May 16, 2016.

Groft attended Ohio State University until he enlisted in the U.S. Army. During his time in the service, he was awarded a Purple Heart. He graduated from Kent State University in 1949 and went on to earn an M.S. in mathematics from Trinity. Groft worked for nearly 40 years for The Travelers Insurance Co., retiring as a director in 1988.

Groft is survived by his wife of 65 years, Nancy; daughter Tammis Groft (David Quinn); and two grandchildren. He was predeceased by sisters Georgia Watkins and Dorothy Outwater.

**M.A. 1960 EDWARDS S. SHIA**, 101, of North Haven, Connecticut, died on January 18, 2015.

Shia served in the U.S. Navy for five years during World War II. He graduated from Arnold College in 1951 as valedictorian. At Trinity, Shia earned an M.A. in educational studies. He then taught at Eli Whitney School before working for the State of Connecticut Department of Education. Shia retired in 1984.

Shia is survived by his children, Marcia Shia (Ian), Nancy Shia, Thomas Shia (Corinne), and Steven Shia (Margo); six grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and sisters Alice Bundy and Evelyn Riordan. He was predeceased by his wife, Martha, and siblings Anna Adams, William Shia, Elizabeth Murray, and Jeanette Shia.

**M.S. 1965 CHESTER STASIEWSKI**, 80, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on April 11, 2016.

Stasiowski earned an undergraduate degree in engineering from the University of Massachusetts and an M.S. in physics from Trinity. Prior to his retirement, he was an engineer for United Technologies Corp. and Siemens.

Stasiowski is survived by his wife, Jean; children Jean-Marie Cencetti (Carl), Lynn Burke, Mark Stasiowski (Karin), and Diane Body (Paul "Trey"); and five grandchildren. He was predeceased by five brothers and four sisters and their spouses.

**M.S. 1974 SCOTT C. OTERMAT**, 69, of Fremont, Ohio, died on April 5, 2016.

Otermat earned an A.B. in mathematics from Oberlin College in 1969. He was already working for what is now The Hartford Financial Services Group when he began service in the U.S. Navy, and he went on to earn an M.S. in mathematics from Trinity. In 1980, he returned home to Ohio and started an actuarial consulting firm, Scott C. Otermat & Associates.

Otermat is survived by his wife of 37 years, Kathy; children Jim Otermat (Laura), Katie Kramer (Pete), Thom Otermat (Piloya), and Paul Otermat; twin sister Sara Tanner; and two grandchildren. He was predeceased by brother Gladon "Pete" Otermat.

## NONGRADUATES

**V-12 THOMAS B. JERMAN**, 89, of Sewickley, Pennsylvania, died on May 3, 2015.

Jerman enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served in World War II. He attended Trinity and went on to graduate from Tufts University with a degree in mechanical engineering. Jerman's work experience included time with PPG Industries and Henry F. Teichmann Inc. He also served as a firefighter for the Cochran Hose Company.

Jerman is survived by his sons, David and Tad; two grandchildren; brother Daniel; and friends Anna Belle Few and John Neilson. He was predeceased by his wife, Pat, and his daughter, Linda.

## FORMER FACULTY

**HON. 2009 MARJORIE VAN EENAM BUTCHER**, 90, of Hartford, Connecticut, died on April 6, 2016.

Butcher was a 1947 Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Michigan. She went on to earn an M.A. in actuarial mathematics there in 1949. Butcher became Trinity's first female faculty member when she was hired in 1956 — one of many significant mile-

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stones in her distinguished career.

In 1979, she earned a full professorship, the first woman at Trinity to do so. In 1991, the Student Government Association commissioned her portrait — which now hangs in the Roy Nutt Mathematics, Engineering & Computer Science Center — to commemorate coeducation at Trinity. She retired in 1989 as professor of mathematics, emeritus, after a 33-year career teaching mathematics. In 2009, Trinity awarded her an honorary doctor of science degree.

Butcher is survived by her sister-in-law, Maxine Van Eenam; nephew Peter Van Eenam; niece Carol Van Eenam; and two grandnieces. She was predeceased by her husband, Robert Ward Butcher, and her brother, Donald Van Eenam.

**MICHELLE C. CLIFF**, 69, of Santa Cruz, California, died on June 12, 2016.

Cliff, former Allan K. Smith Professor of English Language and Literature at Trinity, earned a bachelor's degree in European history from Wagner College in 1969 and a master of philosophy degree from the Warburg Institute at the University of London in 1974. She was the author of several acclaimed novels, including *Abeng* (Dutton, 1984), *No Telephone to Heaven* (Dutton, 1987), and *Into the Interior* (University of Minnesota Press, 2010). She also edited works of Lillian Smith in *The Winner Names the Age: A Collection of Writings* (W.W. Norton, 1982). Over the course of her career, Cliff worked as a reporter, a production supervisor, and an editor for W.W. Norton. She taught at the New York School for Social Research, Hampshire College, the University of Massachusetts Amherst, Norwich University, and Vista College in Berkeley, California, and held academic positions at the University of Michigan, Johannes Gutenberg University in Mainz, Germany, and Emory University. Cliff taught courses in Trinity College's English Department from 1993 to 1997. She received two National Endowment for the Humanities fellowships and several other prestigious awards. In 1976, Cliff became the life partner of poet Adrienne Rich, who died in 2012.

**RALPH S. EMERICK**, 88, of Miamisburg, Ohio, died on April 16, 2016.

Emerick attended Xavier University, the University of Cincinnati, and the University of Michigan. He began his career in libraries at Lawrence College in Appleton, Wisconsin, as the assistant librarian. Emerick went on to serve as librarian at Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, and then Hobart College in New York. He came to Trinity in 1972 as College librarian and College professor, replacing Donald B. Engley in that capacity. He served under three presidents (Lockwood, English, and Gerety) and oversaw a great deal of growth during his tenure, including the 43,000-plus-square-foot expansion of the 1952 Library in 1978-1979; a 69 percent increase in the physical collection (from 480,000 to about 810,000 volumes), including the Enders Ornithology Collection in the Watkinson;

and a 60 percent increase in staff (from 20 to 32). During his tenure, the College Library completed the re-cataloging of books from the Dewey Decimal System to the Library of Congress Classification and began loading electronic records into the global library cooperative OCLC (the Online Computer Library Center) in 1974. He also was very involved in the creation of the CTW consortium in 1987. Emerick retired in 1990.

Emerick is survived by his brother, Eugene Emrick; nieces Karen Wigginton (Dan) and Carol Sleeth; nephew Ron Emrick; great-nephew Brian Sleeth (Jenny); great-nieces Marty Wigginton, Aimee Wigginton, and Abbie Wigginton; great-great-nephew Dylan Sleeth; great-great-nieces Carley Sleeth and Olivia Kidwell; and goddaughter Lesley Wellman. He was predeceased by sister-in-law Lela Emrick.

**HELEN S. LANG**, 69, died on June 20, 2016, in Riverdale, New York.

Most recently, Lang was a professor of philosophy at Villanova University, where she served as department chair from 2002 to 2005 and was president of the Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy from 2009 to 2010. Her research focused on Greek philosophy; the history of ancient and medieval science, especially physics; epistemology; and medieval and Renaissance philosophy. Her time at Trinity began in 1978, when she joined the College as an assistant professor of philosophy. She rose to associate professor in 1983 and then to full professor in 1988 and also served three stints as chair of the Philosophy Department. In 2001, she was named Koeppl Professor of Classical Studies. The following year, she took a leave of absence for a year and headed to Villanova. She officially resigned from Trinity in 2003. Lang graduated cum laude with a B.A. in philosophy from the University of Colorado in 1970 and went on to earn a master's there in 1971. She earned a Ph.D. in classical philosophy from the University of Toronto in 1977. She was the author of several books, including *The Order of Nature in Aristotle's Physics: Place and the Elements* (Cambridge University Press, 1998) and *Aristotle's Physics and Its Medieval Varieties* (SUNY Press, 1992), as well as numerous articles in academic journals.

Lang is survived by daughters Ariella Lang (Alex) and Jessica Lang (Joerg), six grandchildren, and her brother, Richard Schutzberger.

## FORMER STAFF

**JOHANNA C. WOLOSUIK**, 79, of Hartford, Connecticut, died on April 26, 2016.

Wolosuik worked in Trinity's Admissions Office for more than 20 years, from 1973 to 1996. Prior to her time at Trinity, she worked at Hartford Electric Light Company.

Wolosuik is survived by her daughters, Andrea (Lou Alvarado) and Maria (Ed Fenton), and five grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband of more than 50 years, Bob.

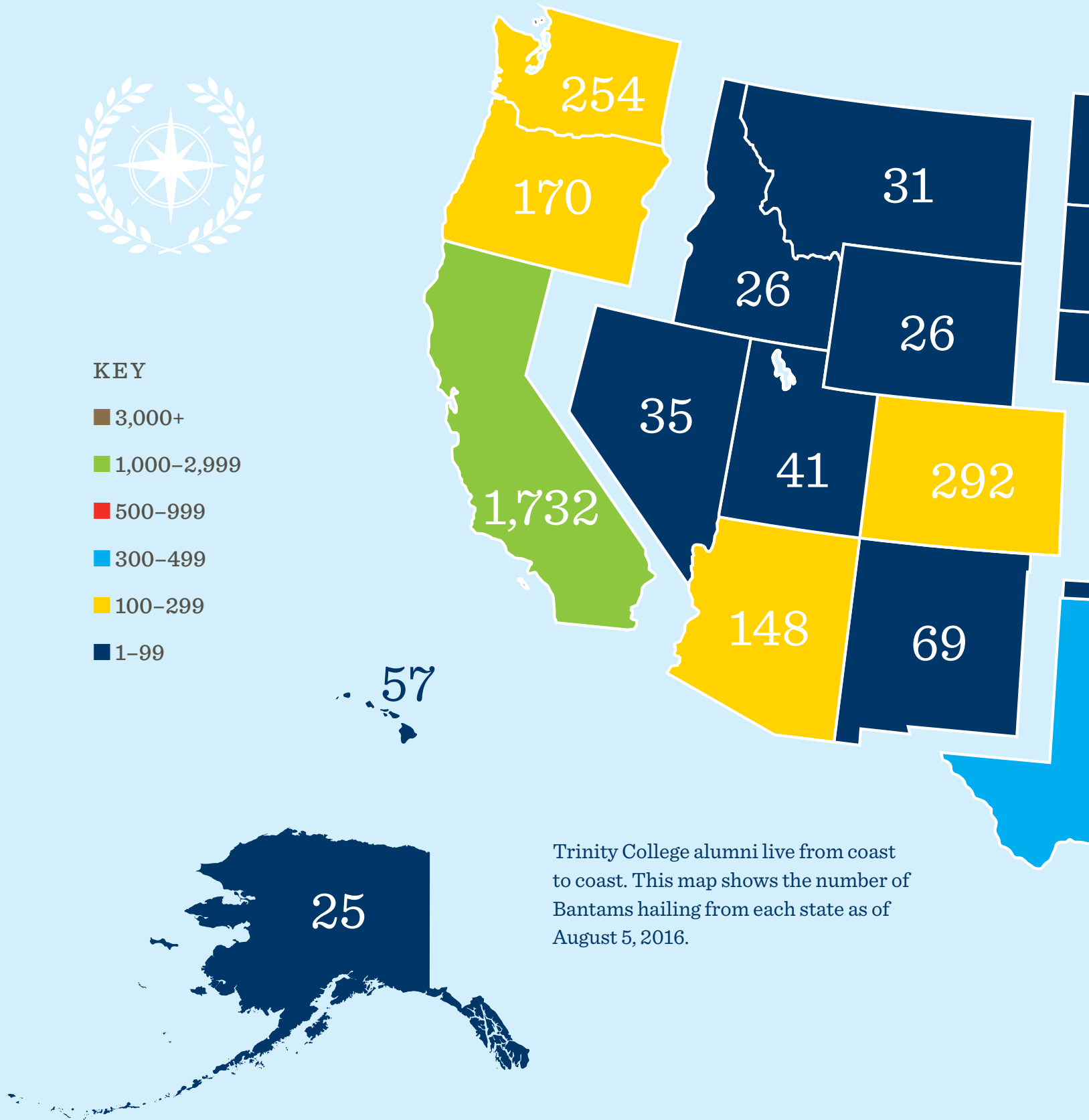
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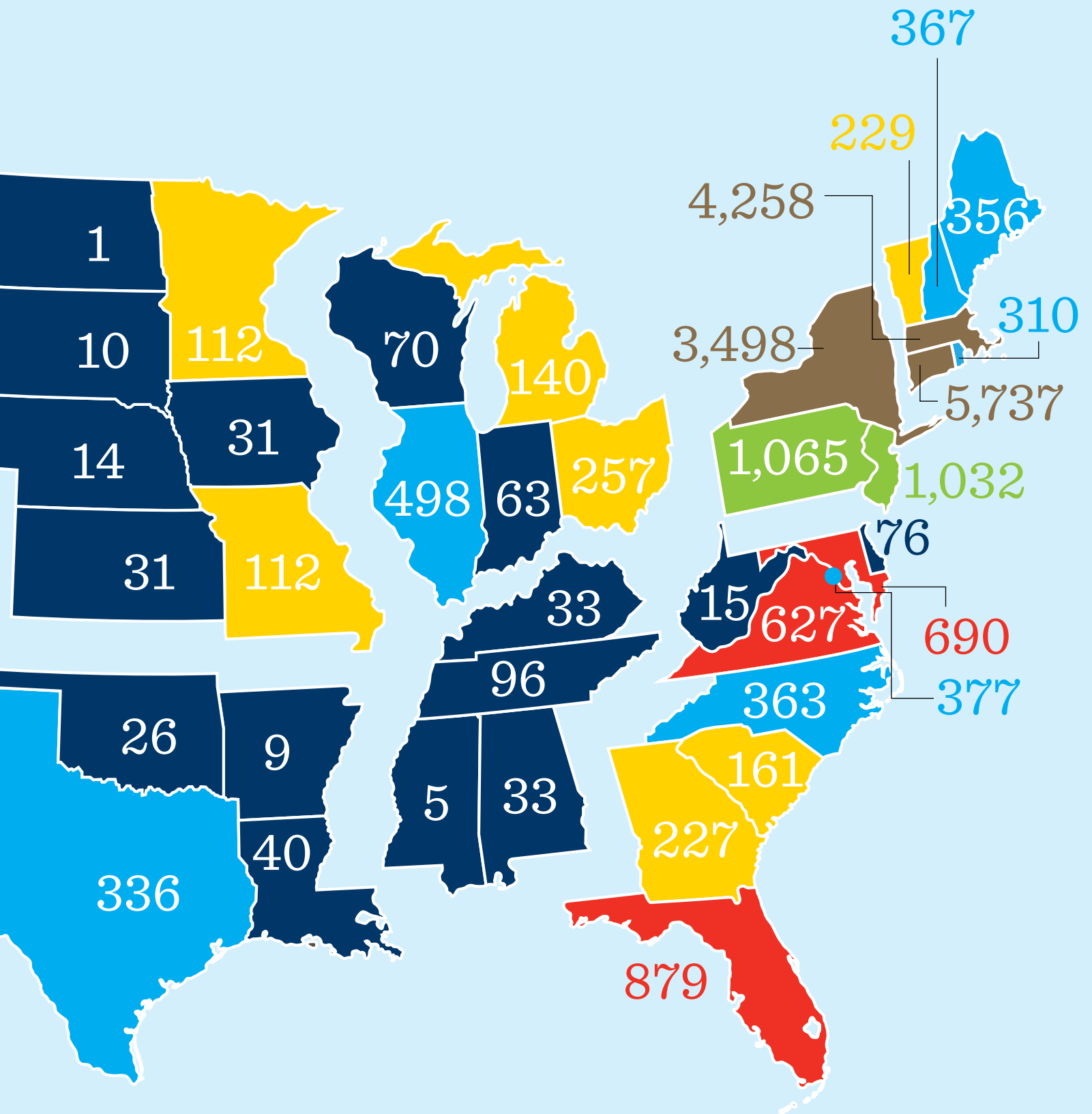


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MARCH 15, 2016

Reid Mayer '11, Tom Caruthers '10, and Peter Smith '10

### **/2/ President's Reception Atherton, California**

MARCH 16, 2016

Andrea Mooney Leavitt '83, Craig Vought '82, P'17,  
and Jean Smith Elliot '90

### **/3/ Women's Leadership Council On-Campus Spring Event Hartford, Connecticut**

MARCH 30, 2016

Yarel Silverio Marshall '96, Jacqueline Kromash '19,  
and Ann Newman Selvitelli '91

### **/4/ Men's Alumni Lacrosse Game Hartford, Connecticut**

APRIL 23, 2016

Former Head Men's Lacrosse Coach Mike Darr, seated  
and fourth from left; current Head Coach Michael Higgins,  
seated and fifth from left; former captain Nat Prentice '69,  
seated and sixth from left; and members of the team

### **/5/ Women's Leadership Council Founders Luncheon New York, New York**

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### **/6/ The Long Walk Societies Industry Series: "The Millennial's Portfolio – Investing Together" with Jim Cramer New York, New York**

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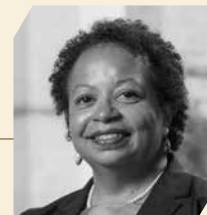
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*“Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.”* — HENRY FORD

## THE POWER OF THE TEAM



It is common knowledge that Trinity College has a rich history of success in athletics. Our student-athletes come to our campus from all over the country and across the world and proudly wear the blue and gold. From our perennial championship squash teams to our

powerhouse women’s lacrosse team to our All-Americans across the board, our student-athletes know what it takes to be successful: teamwork.

That same teamwork — collaborating and working together toward a common goal — exhibited by our Bantam athletes is much the same as the teamwork found within the College’s administration. You may have read on page 13 about the newest additions to the leadership of the College: in July, Tim Cresswell joined the Trinity community as dean of the faculty and vice president for academic affairs, and Dan Hitchell started as vice president of finance and chief financial officer. Each of them comes to Trinity from very different types of institutions — Tim was most recently at Northeastern, a large research university in Boston where experiential learning is a hallmark, and Dan joins us from Ohio Wesleyan, a small liberal arts college in the Midwest with many characteristics similar to ours — and brings a varied perspective.

Their arrival marks the one-year anniversary of Angel Pérez, vice president for enrollment and student success, and Joe DiChristina, dean of campus life and vice president for student affairs. Angel and Joe, too, brought with them their own backgrounds and experiences, adding to the diverse makeup of the President’s Cabinet.

It goes without saying that many in the administration, including Vice President for College Advancement Jack Fracasso, Vice President for Information Services and Chief Information Officer Sue Aber, Chief of Staff Jason Rojas, Dean of Multicultural Affairs Karla Spurlock-Evans, Deans of Academic Affairs Sonia Cardenas and Melanie Stein, and Special Assistant to the President David Andres, were here long before my arrival in 2014. They provide a vital continuity,

an all-important history, so that we are sure to understand the past as we build toward our future.

There is also a good deal of geographic diversity among our group. Tim hails from England, and Angel is from Puerto Rico. Deke Mathieu, general counsel and secretary of the College, is originally from Haiti. And many of us have traveled or lived abroad. I have lived in four countries in addition to the United States, a testament to my long-term commitment and interest in multicultural perspectives. I was an AFS exchange student in Malaysia, where I lived with a Muslim family, and I journeyed to France for my postdoctoral fellowship. I spent my first sabbatical at the University of Zurich in Switzerland and my second at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland.

If we call ourselves a global college, we need to ensure that the people leading our institution reflect that idea. With something as complex as a college to run, we value different kinds of expertise and varying perspectives. We have taken that diversity and formed a team that collectively supports Trinity College as it spirals upward.

Trinity plans to share this leadership style with a forum of college presidents, planned for the first weekend of October. At “Setting the Tone: Student Activism, Community, and Presidential Leadership,” we hope to foster collaborations among college presidents as we examine how to create an environment that promotes meaningful campus dialogues and conversations that lead to action. As college leaders, we want to learn how to best impress upon our student bodies that it is more than simply coming together in a room; it is listening to and empathizing with other people so that we are trying to stand in their shoes and understand their perspectives.

As Trinity heads into an important strategic planning process — with our Bicentennial Strategic Planning Commission newly in place — we want to know your perspectives as well. Please be sure to keep an eye out for your opportunity to let us know what you envision in Trinity’s future. 📌



## WHY I GIVE

“I give so that Trinity College can continue to enhance the invaluable and unmatched academic experience it offers to students.

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~ Adam Dawson '10

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