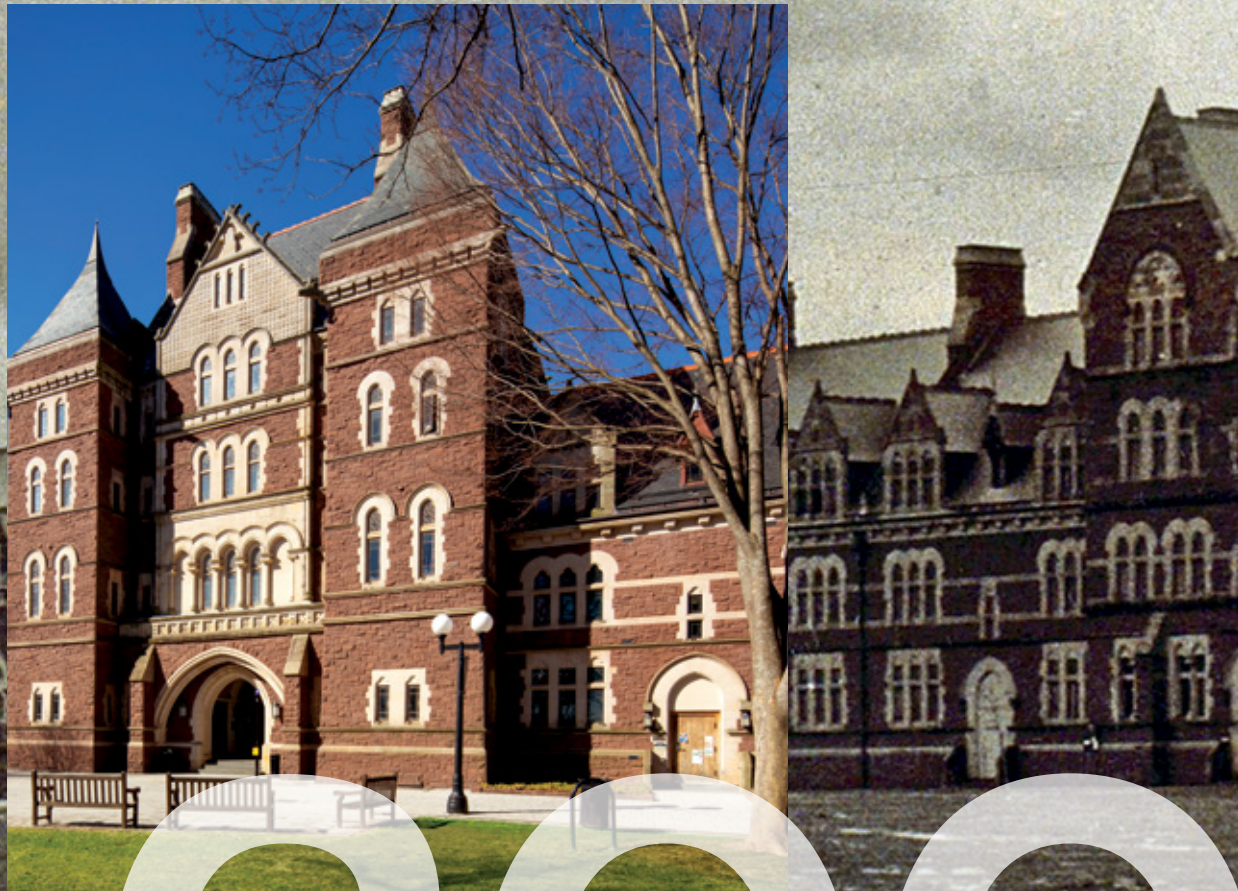


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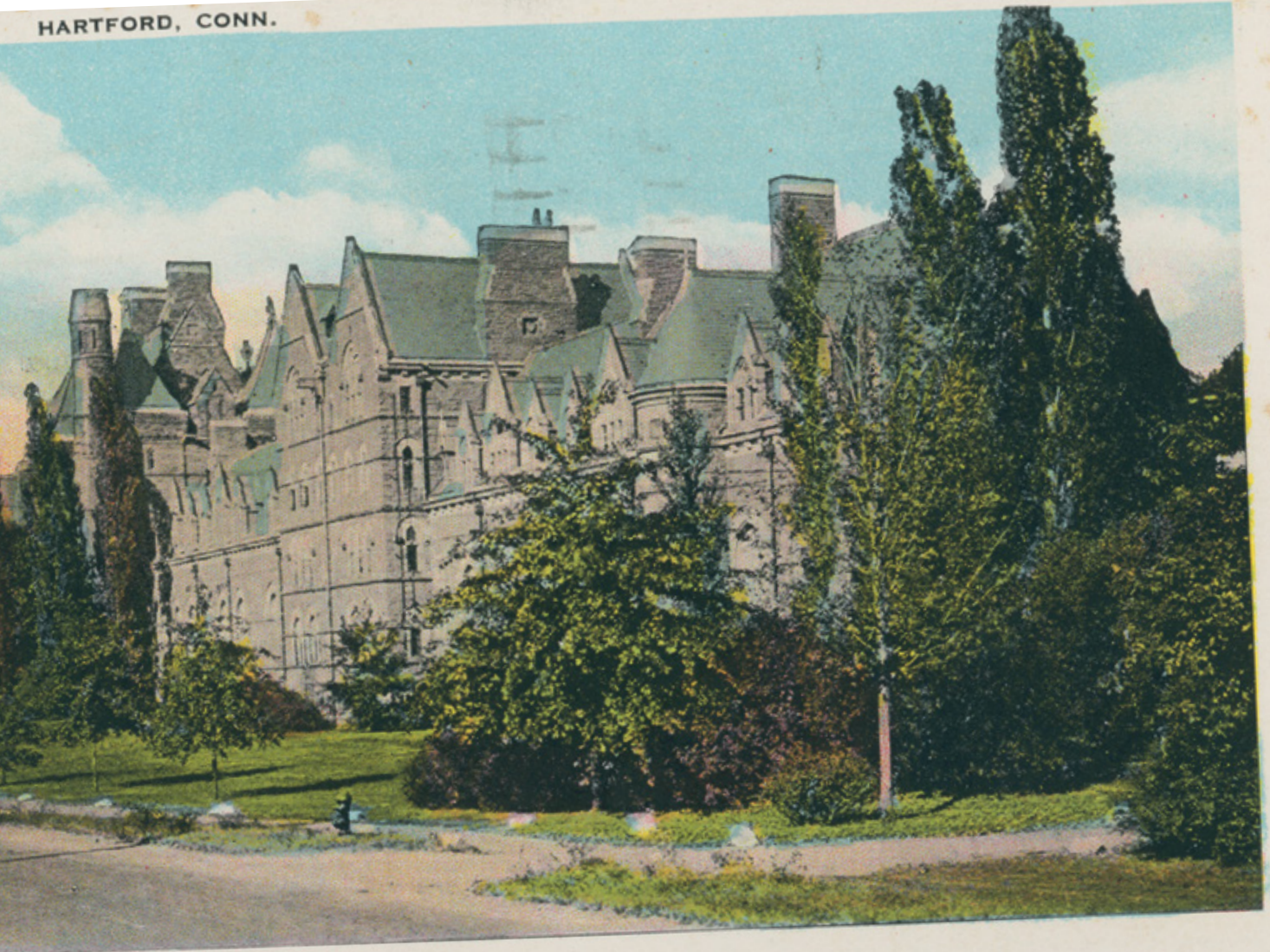
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# Leading into our third century

Commitments to the future require action, belief

The celebration of our College's Bicentennial has officially arrived! For 200 years, Trinity has provided an innovative learning environment built on a foundation of the liberal arts. We have educated generations of students to reach their individual potential and have leaned into our collective leadership strengths in service to the greater good of the country and the world. As we commemorate our storied history, we move further into a rapidly evolving 21st century filled with new challenges and opportunities. As the architects of our future, we are mindful of what is required of us to lead successfully in the 21st century and beyond, and our Bicentennial is a particularly useful time to ponder these issues and to chart our course forward together.

Our Bicentennial theme, *Trinity at 200: Committed to the Future since 1823*, tells the proud story of our College. Trinity has looked toward the future since its founding, and we are dedicated to creating the future that we seek. As a community of doers who lead from the front, we make commitments, and, importantly, we act to fulfill those commitments. As one example, I harken back to Trinity's founding. In the charter of Washington College (later renamed Trinity College), the institution is described as an independent college with no requirement regarding religious belief for students, faculty, or trustees. Though the College was principally founded by Thomas Church Brownell, an Episcopal priest, the larger group of founders recognized the importance of including other religious beliefs and codified this as part of the institution's charter. Through this and subsequent actions, Trinity differentiated itself from most other schools of higher education in the early 1800s.

Leadership starts with a plan and commitments, and these must be followed by actions to produce successful outcomes. In 2017, we started a journey together with our strategic plan, *Summit*. To date through our strategic vision, we have expanded access to a Trinity education; increased the engagement and preparedness of the students we accepted; improved student retention, graduation rates, and success after graduation; strengthened faculty; addressed multiple facility needs; measurably increased the endowment; and according to the most recent alumni survey, improved alumni engagement. Planning and following through with action is necessary for us to reach beyond the summit. As a community, we also have led with agility, particularly through a pandemic, rising to the challenges created by circumstances that often were beyond our control. Notably, we have fulfilled so many of the commitments that we made in our strategic plan.

This May, I was reminded of the longtime Trinity tradition of leading through planning, making commitments, and following through with



JOANNE BERGER-SWEENEY

agility and action. At Commencement for our 200th year (officially our 197th ceremony), we had the opportunity to honor some of our living leaders—former chairs of the Board of Trustees, trustees, presidents, and deans of the faculty. We invited these individuals back to Hartford to help us honor our past and welcome the future. The groundwork for Trinity's successful future has been laid largely by the excellence of so many individuals and collective measures that have helped us arrive at this point in time.

Yet the Bicentennial is not a time to rest on our laurels. I hope that our Alumni Bicentennial Celebration is marked by individual and shared experiences that create ideas to usher in the next era at Trinity (as well as some fun!). Developing ideas and strategies together will help us tackle the complex issues of our time and plan responsibly for the future. I challenge the current Trinity community to consider what commitments our generation of Bantams will make to future generations. My hope is that those we make today will be heralded by our successors as ones that made a difference in the positive trajectory of this great institution.

We are the preeminent liberal arts college in an urban setting, and it's within us to continue to lead by example through the courage of our convictions and our collective actions. We do so through our determined spirit and the pragmatic enthusiasm for what can be accomplished through the commitments we identify as a community throughout this, our Bicentennial year. Onward! ●✕◆





# Along the Walk



## Baldwin named Freedom Scholar



To hear Baldwin in his own words, visit [trincollreporter.online/Baldwin](http://trincollreporter.online/Baldwin).

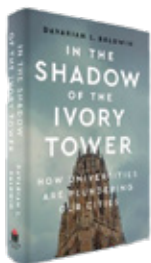
The Marguerite Casey Foundation named Davarian L. Baldwin, Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of American Studies, a 2022 Freedom Scholar in recognition of his research and engagement in organizing that advances a racial and economic justice agenda. This award will enable Baldwin, a Trinity College faculty member since 2009, to increase his service to social justice, particularly through building out equitable urban communities, work rooted in the Smart Cities Lab, which he founded and directs at Trinity. >>



>> Now in its third year, the \$250,000 award provides unrestricted support to leaders in academia whose research can provide critical insight to social justice leaders and whose ideas encourage all to imagine how to radically improve democracy, the economy, and society.

“This award will allow me to not only build out but also scale up that work by continuing the foundational research, growing advocacy networks between communities across the country, and developing both legislative policy and campaigns for reparative justice,” Baldwin noted.

Dean of the Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Professor of Political Science Sonia Cardenas praised the foundation’s selection. “Professor Baldwin is one of Trinity’s most distinguished scholars, challenging the academy to think critically and do better. His scholarship reveals the transformative power of the humanities in the public sphere,” said Cardenas. “That he is a trusted mentor to students and faculty, a leading voice in debates over the role of higher education in America’s cities, and a model for engaged urban citizenship makes him all the more deserving of this national honor.”



Baldwin authored *In the Shadow of the Ivory Tower: How Universities are Plundering our Cities* (Bold Type Books, 2021) and *Chicago’s New Negroes: Modernity, the Great Migration, and Black Urban Life* (UNC, 2007) and served as co-editor, with Minkah

Makalani, of the essay collection *Escape from New York! The New Negro Renaissance beyond Harlem* (Minnesota, 2013). He is finishing *Land of Darkness: Chicago and the Making of Race in Modern America* (Oxford University Press). Baldwin also is developing a digital, video-based Black Intellectual Oral History (BIOH) project for archival documentation of important stories and virtual mentorship to younger scholars.

At Trinity, Baldwin’s teaching brings together urban and cultural studies, 20th century U.S. history, and African American studies. His research, writing, and commentary have been featured in numerous outlets, including NBC News, CNN, PBS, NPR, *TIME*, *The Washington Post*, *The Guardian*, and *USA Today*.

## Color Our Collections

The 2023 *Color Our Collections* coloring book is giving the Trinity College community a way to explore the Raether Library and Information Technology Center’s archival treasures through interactive art. The coloring book was inspired by #ColorOurCollections, a national movement started by the New York Academy of Medicine to connect people with library collections through coloring.

Amanda Matava, head of digital asset management, explained that at Trinity, a coloring book committee selected archival images that were then converted using Photoshop, with the book’s cover, pages, graphics, and text designed using Adobe InDesign.

The library also held a contest for students to submit their own art to be featured alongside archival images. The student contest winner, Saisha Uttamchandani '26, said, “This contest was a way for me to get involved with art at Trinity as a first-year. I picked a design that involved feminism and women because that is important to me but also something that was wholesome for the Trinity community.” The artworks of runners-up Reese San Diego '25, Charlie Taing '25, and Tiana Sharpe '23 also are featured in the coloring book.

LITS staff members first introduced #ColorOurCollections to Trinity in March 2020, just before the pandemic. The library held an in-person launch event before COVID-19 prompted a campus shutdown, with students quarantining in their rooms. Staff then created kits for people to do on their own. “We wanted to give students who were limited to what they could do socially a helpful distraction or stress relief,” said Mary Mahoney '09, digital scholarship strategist. “It ended up reaching a lot of students.”

The project, said Mahoney, influenced the creation of more engagement opportunities for students in the library, including the art-supply library and a knitting and crocheting group. Mahoney worked on the coloring book project with Matava; Rosie Beranis, wellness librarian and experiential learning coordinator; Kim Rinaldo, systems and collections librarian; and Joelle Thomas, digital learning and discovery librarian.

A launch event for the 2023 edition, hosted by Trinity’s Library and Information Technology Services and the Bantams in Balance student wellness program, was held in December in the library’s Digital Scholarship Lab.

Mahoney said that the project gives all students the opportunity to explore the College archives outside of their classes. “The coloring book raises awareness of archival treasures among students,” she said, “even if they aren’t in a class that brings them into the Watkinson Library.”



To print a copy of this year’s coloring book from the Trinity College Digital Repository, please visit [trincollreporter.online/Coloring](https://trincollreporter.online/Coloring).



# Around Hartford

## Old State House 800 MAIN STREET, HARTFORD, CT

It was a little more than 200 years ago that the Connecticut General Assembly granted a charter to Trinity College. This historic moment in the College's history took place in downtown Hartford, in the Old State House. After opening its doors in 1796, the building served as Connecticut's capitol until 1878, when it began a 37-year run as the Hartford City Hall. Fast forward to today, with this National Historic Landmark serving as a gathering space for the community and a museum that offers educational programs, tours, and exhibits for the public as well as special events that showcase the Nutmeg State's history. The landmark operates under a public-private partnership between the Connecticut General Assembly and the Connecticut Democracy Center and serves as the home of Connecticut History Day, the Connecticut Kid Governor, Conversations at Noon, the Farmers Market, a summer concert series, and more. The Old State House, also listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is open Tuesday through Sunday from noon to 5:00 p.m.



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# Volunteer Spotlight

## Jawanza “Joe” Gross ’94, P’12



THE MESSAGE is always the same. Whenever Jawanza “Joe” Gross ’94, P’12 speaks with Trinity students about their careers, he emphasizes a crucial point. “You’re going to be successful,” he tells them. “You’re going to be successful because you’ve been given all the tools to be successful.”

Gross is referring to the skills the students have acquired through their liberal arts education, and his conviction is rooted in his own experience. “Trinity College has been one of the key building blocks in my life’s journey,” he says. “It’s where I learned to think critically and communicate clearly. My ability to do that is also because of what’s unlocked at a small institution where you get a chance to lead and interact with professors and administrators.”

As the chief operating officer at BNY Mellon Investment Management, Gross is tasked with synthesizing vast amounts of information and keeping a 700-person team on the same page. “Ninety percent of what I do is reliant on my liberal arts education,” he says.

At Trinity, Gross rowed on the crew team and participated in student government. He majored in economics, but he took advantage of the entire course catalog. “I took a lot of classes, whether it was econ or sociology or English, to help me understand people,” he says. “And understand myself.”

Since graduating, Gross has dedicated countless hours to helping students understand their own prospects. He has personally mentored a dozen or so individual Bantams, describing his mentorship style as one of tough love. “I tell them what they need to hear, not what they want to hear,” he says. “You do it with empathy and compassion, but you’ve got to make sure you push them and test their mettle. Success is about grit.

“When you mentor people, you’re making an investment,” Gross continues. “You’re taking your own time and emotional energy, and you’re putting it into someone you think has a lot of potential. The reward is that if they’re successful, they can help other alums, or help themselves, or their families. A large part of why I do it is because so much was invested in me over the years.”

Severn Sandt, Trinity’s senior assistant director of strategic partnerships and outreach, says that

Gross challenges students. “He pokes at them verbally to sort of see what they’ve got and what they’re willing to put out there because he knows the world can be tough.”

Sandt has partnered with Gross through Trinity’s Career and Life Design Center to help advise students considering a future in finance. She calls him a shining example of alumni advocacy. Gross has hosted events, has spoken on panels, and has recruited students for positions at his company. He has a passion for helping all Trinity students and a special interest in lending a hand to those from groups that have been historically underrepresented in finance. “There may be people who, just by listening to Joe speak, their worlds open up,” Sandt says.

In addition to his work with students, Gross’s volunteer efforts on behalf of the College include several leadership roles. Now president of the Trinity College Alumni Association (TCAA), he previously served as executive vice president of the Black Alumni Organization and as a member of the College’s Board of Fellows.

“My current focus is really on helping to develop a long-term strategic plan and making sure the TCAA is aligned with the College and the Board of Trustees in terms of how we help the institution continue to be successful,” Gross says. “Whether that’s things we can do to support the administration or how we can serve the students and ultimately the alumni, I’m very results oriented.”

When it comes to his volunteer work, the cumulative effect of the results has inspired Gross to devote so much time and energy to his alma mater.

“The only way I can think to honor those who’ve helped me is to do the same thing and build that legacy,” he says. “My hope . . . is that the work I’m doing today will help generations to come, and they won’t even know it. They don’t need to know it.”

—Elliott Grover





# Career Boost

Individual career consulting services for all alumni

## FACULTY RETIREMENTS

2023 marks the completion of the final year of teaching for the Trinity College faculty members listed below.

**PAUL D. ASSAIANTE**  
*Paul D. Assaiante Professor of Physical Education and Head Men's Squash Coach*

**JANET BAUER**  
*Professor of International Studies*

**EDWARD C. FITZGERALD**  
*Senior Lecturer and Laboratory Coordinator in Chemistry*

**CHERYL L. GREENBERG**  
*Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of History*

**JEAN-MARC KEHRÈS**  
*Associate Professor of Language and Culture Studies*

**RANDOLPH M. LEE '66**  
*Associate Professor of Psychology*

**DONNA-DALE MARCANO**  
*Associate Professor of Philosophy*

**JANET MORRISON**  
*Principal Lecturer in Chemistry*

**ANNE PARMENTER**  
*Professor of Physical Education and Head Field Hockey Coach*

**CLARE ROSSINI**  
*Artist-in-Residence*

**MARK SILK**  
*Professor of Religion in Public Life*

**STEPHEN M. VALOCCHI**  
*Professor of Sociology*

**NANCY J. WYSHINSKI**  
*Associate Professor of Mathematics*

For more on these distinguished individuals, please visit [trincollreporter.online/Retiring2023](http://trincollreporter.online/Retiring2023).



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## We want to hear from you!

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Trinity College's Career and Life Design Center offers comprehensive, individual career consulting services to all alumni through a joint program organized by the center and the Office of Alumni Relations. Trinity is one of only a few NESCAC schools offering this program; its objectives include enhancing outreach to and engagement with alumni career and professional development and providing an additional mechanism to support direct student-alumni interaction and mentoring opportunities. Another aim is further building professional and career management support for alumni, with the added benefit of developing downstream career development opportunities for students.

Paul Gagnon M'01, Trinity's alumni career consultant, has four decades of experience in several realms, including Fortune 500 companies and higher education. Alumni may schedule a time to meet with Gagnon for a one-on-one career consulting appointment via Handshake. In addition to helping alumni navigate the job search or graduate school application process, Gagnon assists alumni with a wide variety of career and life design efforts, including working on résumés, cover letters, LinkedIn profiles, networking, interviewing, and negotiating, as well as supporting the process of applying to graduate or professional school.

"I think one of the best features of this service is that it is conducted in an environment of complete support and confidentiality," said Gagnon.

Additional resources available to alumni include access to the Handshake jobs board, the Career and Life Design Center's online platform that lists thousands of positions each year for members of the Trinity community. Handshake also offers many career management tools that enable alumni to pursue self-directed career development and graduate school application planning efforts. In addition, alumni are encouraged to explore and register with the Bantam Career Network (BCN), the exclusive Trinity online community networking and mentoring database composed of more than 4,000 alumni and student members. BCN provides alumni and current students with the ability to connect and network as they assist one another with helpful professional and career development insights and resources.





## Distinction for DePhillips

Mario Family Foundation gift to create chemistry professorship

Gregory Mario '87, with Henry DePhillips, Vernon K. Kriebel Professor of Chemistry, Emeritus

“The greatest honor I’ve ever received” is how Henry DePhillips, Vernon K. Kriebel Professor of Chemistry, Emeritus, described a new endowed professorship—the Henry A. DePhillips Jr. Chemistry Professorship—being established at Trinity College through a gift from the Mario Family Foundation, the family foundation of his former student and advisee Gregory Mario '87.

Mario, CEO of TAXIS Pharmaceuticals Inc., said, “This is a way to recognize the impact and influence that Henry has had in my life and in the lives of so many Trinity students. I don’t think I’d be doing what I’m doing if it weren’t for Henry’s

passion for mentoring and shaping future chemistry majors.”

At TAXIS, Mario and his partners work to develop new drugs to treat superbugs—multidrug-resistant bacterial infections such as MRSA (methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*). “The scientific method is how I operate—you respect the data,” said Mario, who recalled when DePhillips helped him secure a job when he was a student, working weekends in a Hartford Hospital lab testing cardiac medicines.

“Trinity College was an awakening for me, and now I’m applying what I learned at Trinity under Henry’s tutelage to make an impact in saving lives with pharmaceuticals,” said Mario, who returns to campus every few years and visits with DePhillips. “I think there’s a correlation between success and the passion that you have for the topic,” said Mario. “The key driver in academics is the professor, who influences the passion of the student. Henry was my first academic mentor, and he positively changed my thought process and life.”

When DePhillips first joined the Chemistry Department in 1963, he was one of just four faculty members in the department. Today, it has 12 faculty members, including two who split their time between chemistry and neuroscience or environmental science.

DePhillips, who retired from full-time teaching in 2012, has led a career of achievement and recognition, including receiving the Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence (2000) and serving as interim dean of the faculty (1995–96). For the first 25 years of his teaching career, he was a protein chemist who analyzed the proteins of sea creatures. Then, in 1986, he began exploring the realm of art treasures through conservation science. That shift in focus came about after DePhillips played tennis with the then-head of the Wadsworth Atheneum’s conservation lab, who asked whether he knew



much about pigments. As DePhillips had worked several summers for his father's paint manufacturing company, it so happened he was very familiar with the subject.

After completing a pigment analysis for the Atheneum—of microscopic paint samples from a self-portrait by Van Gogh—DePhillips was intrigued by the role science could play in assessing artwork that has deteriorated over time and helping inform the restoration process. Eventually, he became a go-to expert for local, national, and international museums, galleries, and art-conservation laboratories, and he has introduced many Trinity students to this interdisciplinary field, including through the Trinity in Rome program, with his classes taking field trips to major art-conservation projects.

Today, in what DePhillips referred to as “my quote, unquote ‘retirement,’” he continues to contribute to the Chemistry Department and often can be found in his Trinity office or lab, which was where legendary chemistry professor and department chair Vernon Krieble invented the super glue Loctite in the 1950s. DePhillips's current mentee is Donglin Chen '23, who interned with the Atheneum's conservation laboratory during summer 2022—with DePhillips serving as her research supervisor—and is applying to conservation graduate programs.

As for the honor that Mario has bestowed upon him with the creation of an endowed, named professorship, DePhillips said, “This recognition from Greg is clearly a capstone to my career.”

“Trinity College was an awakening for me, and now I'm applying what I learned at Trinity under Henry's tutelage to make an impact in saving lives with pharmaceuticals.”

GREGORY MARIO '87

## NEH Fellowship

Trinity College Professor of English Sarah Bilston's upcoming book, *The Hunt for the Lost Orchid*, delves into the dangerous and deceitful world of orchid hunting in the 19th century. To support her as she uncovers the history and mysteries behind this international obsession, Bilston has received a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) fellowship. The six-month grant follows an NEH summer stipend that supported her work on this project last year.

Bilston's book, to be published by Harvard University Press, follows the hunt for the “lost orchid”—*Cattleya labiata*—as a means of investigating the rise of consumerism and collection culture in the period, the shifting meanings of the orchid in Victorian visual and literary texts, the intersection of big science and big business, and the power of colonial profit-making. The book narrates the 1818 arrival in Britain of a particularly glorious purple-and-crimson orchid and the rise, in the aftermath, of a cultural obsession with orchids in Europe and North America.

“‘Orchidomania,’ or ‘Orchidelirium,’ was the 19th-century equivalent of ‘tulip fever,’” said Bilston, whose research and teaching focus on literature of the British Victorian period.

The book focuses on the people swept up in the hunt, using letters from naturalists, plant hunters, collectors, and businessmen as primary sources, together with census data, diaries, magazines, and newspapers. Her research has led to unexpected insights. “Amazing things have emerged from the archives,” Bilston said. “The hunt for the lost orchid is a lot more complicated than it might sound. There were a lot of secrets and a lot of concealing the truth done by those involved in the search. You don't become a plant hunter if you have other options—it's deathly dangerous.”

Educated at University College London and at Oxford, Bilston teaches a wide range of courses in Victorian literature, including “Victorian Short Fiction,” “Fairy Tales,” “Women and Empire,” and “Victorian Literature and Social Crisis.” She received Trinity's Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence in 2017.

Bilston authored *The Awkward Age in Women's Popular Fiction, 1850–1900: Girls and the Transition to Womanhood* (Oxford University Press, 2004) and *The Promise of the Suburbs: A Victorian History in Literature and Culture* (Yale University Press, 2019), with the latter named a “Choice Outstanding Academic Title.”







To hear a bit of Christopher Houlihan's organ music, please visit [trincollreporter.online/Houlihan](http://trincollreporter.online/Houlihan).



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ROBERT C. DELENA '91 and RYAN C. DELENA  
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## Our new look

As Trinity's Bicentennial gets underway, you'll notice that this issue of the magazine is the first to integrate the College's recently refreshed visual identity, the result of a partnership with Ohio-based firm Ologie. We're proud to share this new design, which offers a revamped cover, different typefaces and colors, and more. We've also moved the president's message closer to the front and added "Last Words," a standing feature that shares quotable quotes about the College and our community. Our new look also extends to our online edition, where you'll find additional content. We hope you enjoy the changes!



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# Trinity Treasure

## The Bantam

The story behind Trinity College's beloved Bantam, it has been written, goes something like this: The Honorable Joseph Buffington, Trinity Class of 1875, who served as a trustee of the College and as a federal judge, also was known as a skilled public speaker. It was in Pittsburgh in spring 1899, at a meeting of the Princeton Alumni Association of Western Pennsylvania, that Buffington introduced the Trinity mascot of the future. Noting the competitiveness and spirit—in athletics and more—of Trinity students and likening the college landscape to that of a barnyard, Buffington referred to a bantam, an independent and spirited animal. "The Trinity [B]antam ever feels that whatever company is fit for him to be at, he is entirely fit to be there," he said. Sports media picked up on it and began referencing the Bantam as the College's mascot. And the rest, as they say, is history.



In this photo, circa 1875, Joseph Buffington, Trinity Class of 1875 and later creator of the College's Bantam mascot, lounges on a sofa, while William G. Mather, Class of 1877, relaxes in a rocking chair in suite 28 of Brownell Hall on Trinity's original campus.



PHOTOS: (LEFT, TOP) JOHN ATASHIAN; (RIGHT) SHAINA BLAKESLEY; (INSET) COURTESY OF THE TRINITY COLLEGE ARCHIVES



# Q+A with Danny Briere

Inaugural director of Trinity's new  
Center for Entrepreneurship



Danny Briere, who came to Trinity College last year as director of the new Center for Entrepreneurship, brings more than three decades of experience as an inventor and entrepreneur, starting multiple successful firms—including TeleChoice, which focuses on leading-edge, high-impact technologies—and serving as a consultant to more than 200 start-ups.

Briere earned a B.A. and M.B.A. from Duke University, where he majored in public policy and economics. He served on the board of the Duke University Fuqua School of Business's Innovation and Entrepreneurship initiative for a decade, and his experiences span multiple industries, including telecom, internet technology, alternative energy, health and medical, social networking, education tech, and youth-oriented nonprofits. He recently took the time to answer questions from *The Trinity Reporter*.

**What attracted you to Trinity College?** I was between start-ups, and the timing hit me perfectly as I was considering what I wanted to do next in my career. I've always been passionate about helping expose our K-12 youth to invention, innovation, and entrepreneurship, and this position continued that theme into the college environment. But two big factors really convinced me that the Center for Entrepreneurship was a great idea. The first was the top-down commitment. This was not about a faculty member trying to sell an idea "uphill" but rather a true swarm of support starting in the alumni base and the Board of Trustees and coming down into the College. I knew right away that this would make a big impact at Trinity because the topmost decisionmakers at the College felt that way. The second was the willingness to "think big"—this is important to me. If we are going to do this, let's do it right and make an impact on the Trinity community, on Hartford, and beyond. This center can be a pathway to all sorts of new opportunities, partnerships, projects, and perspectives. The entrepreneurship community is a very giving and pay-it-forward community. There's so much that can be accomplished, and quickly. It's a great opportunity for everyone.

**How does a Center for Entrepreneurship fit in a liberal arts college such as Trinity?** This center exists alongside Trinity's other centers of excellence, amplifying our distinctiveness as a liberal arts college in a city. Our centers are vibrant hubs that bring together multiple constituents and advance Trinity's mission and goals. The Center for Entrepreneurship continues Trinity's evolution of bringing innovative and entrepreneurial mindsets to students as they seek to apply their liberal arts learning to solve problems in the world around us. The response from Trinity's faculty and staff has been awesome. We have an interdisciplinary advisory board from all across campus that is ensuring that everything we do aligns with the overarching Trinity College liberal arts tradition. They've been a joy to work with.

**What are your goals for the center? How will students benefit?** We have two major goals. First, we want to establish innovative and entrepreneurial mindsets in students

early in their Trinity career. Thinking outside the box is a learned skill, and it makes sense to expose students to this way of thinking as early as possible so they can use those skills in whatever major they pursue. You will see us launch J-Term courses, student internships, innovation and entrepreneurship certificates, an Innovation Fellowship, a student invention competition, and other start-up activities to excite students toward a predisposition to be innovative and entrepreneurial in life. Second, we want to create a support system of services, programs, and experiences to help those students who specifically want to become entrepreneurs. This includes incubation and acceleration programs, immersive engagement opportunities, study-away experiences, mentor programs, grants and funding opportunities, and other resources to support an entrepreneur's journey. Taken together, these two axes of approach provide a continuum of innovation and entrepreneurship that builds a robust student body that is liberal arts educated and innovatively and entrepreneurially inclined.

**How does the center align with the Trinity Plus curriculum?** Trinity has a long history of enhancing its traditional liberal arts core with interdisciplinary and applied programs such as human rights, neuroscience, and engineering. The creation of the Center for Entrepreneurship follows that model and forms a key element of the College's Trinity Plus curriculum, which makes explicit and integral to every student experience our unique marriage of the traditional liberal arts with applied experiences.

**What role do alumni and parents play in the center?** Alumni and parents anchor the Center for Entrepreneurship. They are our mentors, judges, supporters, volunteers, funders, sponsors, and donors. Alumni have tremendous experience and networks that can support student coursework and projects. Alumni also bring outside perspective—particularly decades of work experience—that complements the passion of our students. Alumni will bring not only their expertise to bear but also their own entrepreneurial bent. The center will have formal programs to engage alumni with student teams to explore and to grow entrepreneurial ideas and potential products, services, and, ultimately, companies. It's especially exciting to see parents getting involved as their students enjoy their own Trinity experience. It's a shared relationship that builds a stronger Trinity bond for life.

**What have you considered your immediate priorities?** The top priority was to not lose a year in getting started. I began in mid-August when students were starting to arrive on campus, and I did not want to have to wait a year to trial and pilot our initial programs. We had three objectives:

1. Engage with students where they are. We have reached out to and sponsored the Entrepreneurship Club, the Investment Fund, and other student organizations to find out their goals and to explore synchronicities. In just our first semester, we have held joint events, taken field trips, and launched internship programs.
2. Pilot our intended first-year invention convention-style program. Working with the Kelter Scholars, we are trialing a first-semester, first-year innovative mindset experience where students are guided to look at the world around them, to select a problem they'd like to solve, and to then work through the possible solutions toward a final prototyped solution. These inventions were set to be exhibited at an event early in the spring. In fall 2023, all first-year students can opt into this experience, alone or in teams. We expect this to become an annual, fun rite of passage for Trinity students.
3. Pilot our intended senior capstone sponsored-projects program. Working with the Computer Science Department under Associate Professor of Computer Science Ewa Syta, we are trialing a program where outside companies fund departments for the faculty time and resources so that students may work interactively with sponsor development teams to explore specific problems and seek solutions. This year, four students are working with two sponsors to research and advance projects in the computer science field. This fall, we hope to provide students with a broad choice among alumni-sponsored projects to complete their Trinity major coursework. This program will bring new sources of revenue to the College while building long-term relationships with future employers and internship sponsors.

**What do you see as your biggest challenges, and how do you plan to face them?** The biggest challenge is easy to foresee: progression from a vision to implementation. Trinity is an institution with many different facets, and innovation and entrepreneurship cross many thresholds. The center itself does not seek credit-bearing coursework; that is the domain of the many academic departments on campus. As we seek to implement our programs, it is imperative that we collaborate with and respect the culture of each department we are working with to bring the co-curricular activities to fruition. This will take a lot of meetings, a lot of listening and learning, and then cooperation to meet mutual goals together. The Center for Entrepreneurship is a campuswide effort, and we all win with more innovative and entrepreneurially thinking students. ● ✕ ◆



For more on the recent Summit Innovation Challenge, please visit [trincollreporter.online/Challenge](http://trincollreporter.online/Challenge).



The College's  
Bicentennial calls  
for celebration,  
introspection, dialogue,  
and storytelling

Illuminating  
**Trinity**

BY KATHY ANDREWS



TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO,  
Episcopal Bishop Thomas Church  
Brownell and fellow petitioners success-  
fully presented a proposal to the state's  
legislature to establish a second college in  
Connecticut, with Yale University being  
the first. In that place and time, Hartford  
in May 1823, the group of petitioners was  
considered truly representative of a broad  
swath of society.



These men represented a wide spectrum as to place of residence, politics, occupation, and ecclesiastical connection. . . . Among them were clergy, merchants, attorneys, government officials, Episcopalians, Congregationalists, and a Baptist,” wrote Glenn Weaver in “A Dream Is Realized,” the second chapter of his 1967 book, *The History of Trinity College (Volume One)*. The heterogeneity of perspectives among the founders of Washington College—renamed Trinity College in 1845—is a pertinent starting point for contemplating Trinity at 200. As the College enters its third century, members of the Trinity community are taking time to thoughtfully consider their educational institution, from its inception through decades of historically significant events.

A focus of the yearlong Bicentennial celebration—with the theme “Committed to the future since 1823”—will be on sharing a breadth of viewpoints and voices, including examination of and dialogue about how Trinity and its home city have evolved over time and about future commitments Trinity may make. At its heart, this celebration is anticipated to share, in a variety of ways, the perspectives of Trinity people—those who have lived, studied, educated, collaborated, debated, worked, played, laughed, cried, grown, and made meaningful connections at the College.

### INTERPLAY OF VOICES

“When I think about the founding of the College as this interplay between different voices, I think it weaves a powerful story about everyone’s individual stories intertwining into Trinity as a place that has these roots but has broadened and brought in more stories over time,” says Elizabeth Preysner ’13, who holds a B.A. in English and Hispanic studies, a master’s in English literature from the University of New Hampshire, and a master’s in divinity from Yale Divinity School. Both Preysner’s husband, Samuel Ingraham ’13, and her mother, Yolanda Sefcik Preysner ’79, are Trinity alumni.

Trinity stories and the value of the liberal arts have been on Preysner’s mind as she participates on two Bicentennial committees: the 200 Stories Committee and the Liberal Arts Celebration Committee. An associate chaplain, teacher, and coach at St. Andrew’s School in Delaware, Preysner says, “I am a huge proponent of the liberal arts. And I see that in terms of the body, mind, and spirit, which I felt was very true of my experience at Trinity as an athlete, a student, and through my involvement in the Chapel.” She says she joined the committees because “I was curious to see . . . what does a Bicentennial celebration look like, and how does a college go about marking a moment like this? I was particularly curious because Trinity is a place that is important to me

and a place that over the years has—as all institutions do—grappled with questions of identity and inclusion and who we are.”

Reagan Flynn ’23, a member of Trinity’s Bicentennial Class of 2023, also has been thinking about the Bicentennial. A political science major, Hispanic studies minor, and senior admissions associate, Flynn says, “Some conversations I’ve had with fellow students have been about how remarkable it is that it’s been 200 years but also about who has been able to be educated at Trinity for 200 years . . . women only celebrated 50 years at the College a few years ago; people of color also were not attending this school for so many of those 200 years, so I think about that. We are celebrating this incredible milestone, but it’s important to think about how the school has changed over 200 years and ask how we can continue to make changes so that the next 200 years are more inclusive and accepting.”

Associate Vice President for Advancement Dwayne D. Busby is involved in planning the June 9–11 Alumni Bicentennial Celebration—coinciding with Reunion for class years ending in 3s and 8s—as well as other events, such as the Bicentennial Fall Weekend October 13–15. Busby says he finds it fascinating to speak with alumni and students about their Trinity experiences in his role as co-chair of the People Celebration Committee. “We have opportunities to hear what Trinity meant to our alumni. Of course, up until the late ’60s, Trinity was all male, so what did that mean at Trinity in that time? And in the ’70s, when the first women came on board, what did it mean to Trinity then and how did it impact the women’s lives, being the pioneers in making Trinity a coed college, and later, when they left Trinity?”

“Then you look more recently at our students who went through the pandemic and the social upheaval in the United States and how they persisted in benefiting from their education,” continues Busby. “But the education wasn’t just in the classroom. It happened online, learning how to communicate and socialize virtually. So, we have all of these opportunities to share the stories and experiences of individuals in an intergenerational way, thanks to participation from our alumni and students, and it will really personalize and humanize the Bicentennial.”



## UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITY

When considering a theme, the Bicentennial Steering Committee—with considerable input from the broad Trinity community—debated the many dynamics of the collective experience that felt true to Trinity. “We could have focused on the depth of our academic legacy or our friendships,” says President Joanne Berger-Sweeney. “Rather, we decided to focus on our collective history and future as agents of transformation and our potential to contribute to the public good. How we engage is only as deep as the actions we take. We are taking stock of what it means to make commitments and what we are prepared to do to bring about a stronger Trinity and a better world. Leadership requires us to go beyond intentions to turn ideas and aspirations into reality. This is how we wanted to orient this powerful community toward our third century. After all, we only turn 200 once.”

Philip S. Khoury ’71, H’21, former vice chair of the Board of Trustees and co-chair of the Bicentennial Steering Committee, adds, “There are not a lot of institutions in this country that can claim 200 years of experience. More importantly, Trinity has been delivering excellence to its students all these many years through its high-quality liberal arts programs, from the humanities to the sciences. Trinity is unique in some ways; for example, it is one of the few liberal arts colleges that managed to create an Engineering Department within it, and that is a huge asset.

“I mention this,” Khoury says, “because Trinity has been looking toward the future for many, many years. And this celebration is in part to reflect on our history, but in large part, it is to point in the direction that Trinity wishes to head in the next 100 or 200 years. That is what makes this so exciting to me—an opportunity not just to reflect on the past but to help develop a vision for the future.”

Also co-chairing the Bicentennial Steering Committee is Trustee Kelli Harrington Tomlinson ’94, who says, “The Bicentennial is an unprecedented opportunity for alumni, families, and students—for the entire Trinity community—to participate. It is a moment to reflect upon the impact that Trinity has had not only on their lives individually but in its collective impact through the myriad contributions our alumni have made across the entire spectrum of human endeavor.



Jarvis Hall forms part of the Long Walk (photo circa 1878).

“Through those reflections, we hope also that they will recognize the value, importance, and urgency of investing philanthropically and in continuing the College’s mission through our current campaign,” adds Tomlinson.

## REFLECTION AND DIALOGUE

The co-chairs of the core campus committee for the Bicentennial—Hellen Hom-Diamond, Trinity’s vice president for strategic marketing and communications, and Mitch Polin ’96, associate dean for curriculum—look forward to many avenues for storytelling, memories, and dialogue.

“How can we best honor the past, reflect the present, and lead the future? By celebrating the richness of our collective history and offering opportunities to participate, we hope to engage as many people as possible,” says Hom-Diamond. “Some people will want to simply enjoy time together, and others hope to be part of thought-provoking conversations. We hope to

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Bicentennial  
Fall Weekend  
October 13–15, 2023





**Opposite:**  
The statue of  
Bishop Thomas  
Church Brownell  
graces the  
Main Quad  
(photo circa 1900).

be as inclusive and accessible to as many alumni as possible, no matter where they live,” adds Hom-Diamond, noting that monthly emails and the Bicentennial website will regularly offer new content and updates about event details, including special announcements about Trinity and updates on speakers, panelists, and performers.

Hom-Diamond explains, “The premise of the 200 Stories digital storytelling project is that the last written history book about the College was published in 2000 [*Trinity College in the Twentieth Century: A History*, by Peter J. Knapp ’65 and Anne H. Knapp], so we have 23 years of living history to capture. So, this is a way to encourage alumni to share their perspectives and connect and engage with Trinity and all the communities special to them within the larger community.”

Polin says he looks forward to the two planned Bicentennial symposia, November 14, and February 28. “I think that each symposium plays a key role in, ideally, moving the community closer to being able to identify, debate at times, but state our institutional commitments to the future, to establish primary questions, to ideate around goals, and to initiate broad, collective participation,” he says.

The first symposium, “Memory, Presence, and Possibility,” will feature keynote speaker Claudia Rankine—renowned poet, MacArthur “genius grant” recipient, and Frederick Iseman Professor of Poetry at Yale—who will look at Trinity’s past, present, and future identity, both internally and as part of the Hartford and global communities. The second symposium, “Reflection and Action,” will examine the evolution and flexible strength of Trinity’s liberal arts education. It is anticipated that keynote portions of the in-person symposia also will be available online.

### **VIRTUAL TOUR, TRINITIANA, AND MORE**

Two Bicentennial projects sure to be of interest to all members of the Trinity community are slated to launch early in the celebration: the Virtual Bicentennial Tour and the wiki-style Encyclopedia Trinitiana.

Carlos Espinosa ’96, M’98, director of the Office of Community Relations and Trinfo.Café, is leading the group developing the Virtual Bicentennial Tour, which will feature 3D photography and video. Espinosa, who co-chairs

the Places Celebration Committee, says he is excited about the ways in which the virtual tour will showcase some of Trinity’s most iconic spots on campus.

“The Bicentennial tour will be an especially immersive experience, including several stops with a 360-degree panoramic view or a 360-degree video. For the Long Walk, for example, we’ll be doing a 360-degree video around the Northam Towers area to capture the entire Main Quad, from Raether Library on one side all the way to the Chapel on the other.” The virtual tour also will include “hot spots”—embedded content such as videos, images, audio files, or a personal story or welcome from a member of Trinity’s community about that location.

Recognizing that not all alumni will return to campus, the goal, says Espinosa, is to create many links between different platforms housing Bicentennial content—such as the virtual tour, the Bicentennial website, the 200 Stories digital storytelling project, an expanded Trinity history timeline, and the online Encyclopedia Trinitiana (pronunciation: Trin-it-tee-AHN-ah). Library staff began thinking of compiling this resource in late 2021, according to Eric Stoykovich, College archivist. From the mission statement set to be part of Trinitiana’s “About” page, its goal is “to highlight events, places, and people within the long history of the College and to provide a platform for exploring Trinity through many different lenses.” Stoykovich notes that the collaborative project involves several library and digital learning professionals and student workers, and the hope is for Trinitiana to continue to be a resource beyond the Bicentennial.

Among highlights of the year’s events also will be the 1823 Series, to include a Bicentennial carillon concert and picnic on July 12; regional Bicentennial symposia and events; athletic contests and receptions, with each athletic team having a designated 1823 Series game; and, at Cinestudio, a series showcasing six decades of on-campus movies. All 1823 Series events are free and open to everyone.



For more on the Bicentennial, including an up-to-date schedule of events, please visit [www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial](http://www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial).

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## What is your best memory from the Main Quad?

### Josh Frank '16

"I have a lot of memories of the quad. The best one was perhaps just seeing students relax and enjoy the spring weather."

### Jeffrey Coleman '01

"Barbecues, walking along the Long Walk with friends, sledding down the hill with trays from the dining hall when the College was closed for a blizzard, clambakes during Reunion Weekend."

### Allyn Magrino '85

"During Hurricane Gloria in the fall of 1985, we were all told to stay in our rooms to be safe. However, the majority of campus was out on the Main Quad in the rain, sliding down the muddy hill next to the Chapel, and generally having a blast while someone was blaring the song 'Gloria' by Van Morrison out the window of one of the quad dorm rooms. I was a freshman and remember thinking, 'Wow, this place is great,' and I was happy to see as the years went on that this wasn't a one-time thing but representative of the joie de vivre that was such a big part of my Trinity experience."

### Scott Reynolds '63

"For many years, the Main Quad was the location of one of Trinity's most important student ceremonies, the Medusa tapping. Founded in 1892, the Medusa became the highest nonacademic honor at Trinity. The seven 'retiring' senior class members selected their replacements and on an early May evening emerged single file from the Chapel, proceeding to the Main Quad, where the student body had assembled. The Medusa weaved through the crowd until all the new members had been located. Then, one by one, the old members tapped the new members and disappeared into the Chapel. As the society evolved, it assumed enforcement of regulations and the judicial function. By the late 1960s, its members as well as the student body grew uncomfortable with the Medusa's dual role of policing and conducting student trials. In the turmoil of student activism of the late 1960s, the Medusa disbanded itself."

### Alex Achimore '71

"Spring 1969. One of the first 17 women to attend Trinity used to sit under an elm tree a few feet inboard of the pavement of the Long Walk to read and talk with friends who stopped by—she had a lot. Her real name was Starr, but we, at least the particular circle I was in along with Kit Briggs '69, Bill O'Reilly '71, Russ Kelly '71, and Chuck Shouse '71, also called her

'the Quad Queen.' It was Saturday afternoon of a big weekend. The Byrds were playing in the field house that night, and as usual I didn't have a date. I didn't think she would be dateless, too, but I nervously sat with her for a bit and finally asked her to go the concert with me. So began a five-year romance and many decades of friendship until her death 10 years ago."

### Eileen Kern '81

"Hanging out with friends, enjoying how much Trin students loved being outside."

### Brendan Clark '21

"Among my fondest memories of the Main Quad was my time spent working with the *Tripod*. With the advent of computers, the *Tripod* staff could work remotely and expand beyond the student newspaper's humble offices in the basement of the Jackson dormitory (earlier generations may recall that the *Tripod* had once been located in Seabury and in the basement of Mather). We (in my early years, Trip Slaymaker '18, Gillian Reinhard '20, and Alex Dahlem '20) would regularly set up, with spring weather in tow, on the quad for several hours of editing and layout. While less thrilling than fun collegiate antics, the joy of seeing things in blossom and emerge from the bitter cold was certainly inspiration to carry on with our work reporting on campus events."

Bicentennial Committee members—see the full list on the Bicentennial website [www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial](http://www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial)—have been hard at work planning and organizing a full year of story sharing and activities. Their efforts will make possible an abundance of events both cerebral and celebratory and a range of opportunities for all Trinity community members to connect, reunite, and take part in a special experience.

"There are thousands of great stories that we hope to be told through this Bicentennial year," says Polin. "There will be a variety of opportunities to do that, from the Alumni Bicentennial Celebration to the 200 Stories project, to the symposia, to regional events, to other pop-up events that will take place throughout the year. It's critical that this is a collective experience and an opportunity for all of these great stories to illuminate not only why the Bicentennial is important but also why Trinity is critical—regionally, nationally, globally—and why it will continue to be so for the next 200 years." ♦✕♦

### Stan Marcuss '63

Graduation day in 1963: Ted Stier, Charlie McGill, Bob Kirk, Eddie Roberts, Rick Nygard, Stan Marcuss (class president), and Stone Coxhead





# Guiding the way

COMPASS Youth Collaborative, led by CEO Jackie Santiago Nazario '00, builds relationships with young people in Hartford

BY RHEA HIRSHMAN  
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On a summer Saturday evening in 2019, more than 80,000 people gathered in Hartford to view the fireworks and to celebrate Independence Day with neighbors, friends, and families. Among them were a cadre of young people known as Peacebuilders—ambassadors for nonviolence from Hartford’s COMPASS Youth Collaborative—who walked through the crowd distributing food vouchers for the children and a message of calm and consideration for everyone.





**COMPASS Youth Collaborative CEO Jacquelyn "Jackie" Santiago Nazario '00 with John Cantillon, president of the COMPASS Board of Directors and a vice president at Pratt & Whitney**





“That evening,” says Jacquelyn “Jackie” Santiago Nazario ’00, COMPASS’s CEO, “we did not have a single violent incident.”

Having grown up in the projects of Lawrence, Massachusetts, she understands firsthand the lives of those COMPASS serves. Since her days as a student at Trinity College, Santiago Nazario, who majored in sociology, has dedicated herself to helping young people turn away from violence to rebuild their lives and help restore their communities.

“What I most appreciate about Jackie is not just what she does, but how,” says Thea Montañez, chief operating officer for the City of Hartford. “She leads with humility. I saw that quality firsthand when she worked side by side with her team and our police to prevent violence at that Independence Day event. Her willingness to do whatever it takes, no matter when or where, is critical to building a safer and stronger Hartford.”

Santiago Nazario first found her calling during her sophomore year at Trinity College with an internship at Hartford Areas Rally Together (HART). Working primarily with the South End Knight Riders Youth Center, she continued

that internship through her senior year and then accepted a job offer with the organization, which later became COMPASS Youth Collaborative. “I had had every intention of going back to Lawrence,” she says, “but remained in Hartford so I could continue working with the kids I had connected to.”

The pull of her hometown and family almost derailed Santiago Nazario’s Trinity career in her sophomore year when she came close to failing out. “That would have been the saddest day of my life,” she says. “But I had been doing a lot of caretaking for my family and felt that I had to keep going back and forth.” A conversation with the now-deceased David Winer, dean of students and professor of psychology, made the difference. “When he pointed out that I had a choice to make and could not live my family’s lives for them, I was furious,” she says. “I sat on our conversation for a week and then told him he was right—and recommitted to myself and my education.”

That tension between her two worlds felt familiar. During the fifth grade in Lawrence schools, Santiago Nazario was recruited to The Pike School, an independent middle school in Andover—20 minutes and light years away. When she entered the following year, the culture shock was profound. Each day, she arrived at a place where hardly anyone looked like her. She went from being an “A” student to struggling academically. “I lost my voice. I was scared to say anything because I was so different,” she says. “I wanted to go back to where I was comfortable. But my mother kept telling me, ‘You don’t understand now, but you have to stay and try your hardest.’”

She did stay and began to thrive, picking up books (“It was the first time I read challenging books like *The Color Purple*,” she says), researching her own African roots, playing sports, and, by ninth grade, feeling like she could speak to almost anyone. She received a scholarship to Pingree School, an independent high school an hour away by bus and, again, a universe away from home. She worked tirelessly on her academics and involved herself fully in school life. “I chose what would give me the most opportunity, even though it was hard,” she says. “I could see the advantages of the education, but I never belonged fully in either world.”

Santiago Nazario credits teachers in both schools for helping her persevere. “They went out of their way. They picked me up on weekends to take me to their homes for extra help. They were

invested in me. And that fact gave me the strength to keep moving forward.”

When the time came to think about college, Santiago Nazario balked. “No one in my family had ever been to college. I was thinking of not applying. I wanted to work and help my family. From when I was very young, I was the responsible one, the glue that held everything together.” When her Pingree guidance counselor finally persuaded her to look at schools, she focused on those near home. When he suggested Trinity as a good match, Santiago Nazario’s response was, “But Connecticut is two hours away!”

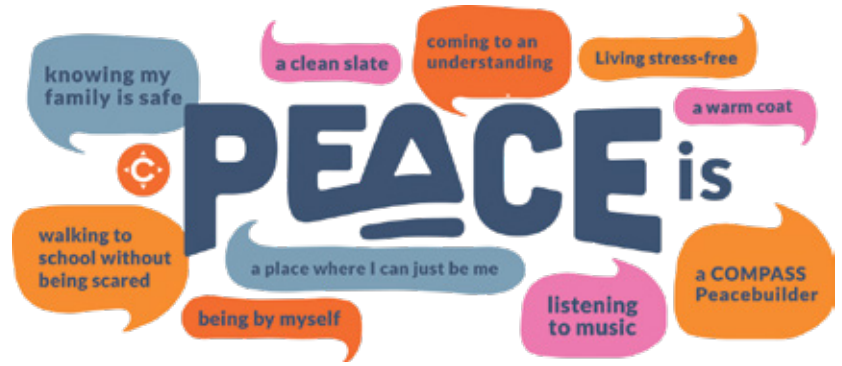
The combination of the counselor’s support, her own research, and accelerating difficulties at home persuaded Santiago Nazario to apply. Her interactions with staff during an accepted-students weekend motivated her to enroll. “I remember getting to campus on move-in day,” she says. “My parents were crying, and I realized that I wasn’t going back with them and that this was my new home. I made it my mission from day one to connect and build relationships.”

Early on, Santiago Nazario explored the surrounding neighborhood, where she found streets that resembled the ones she grew up with and restaurants with familiar foods. At the same time, she threw herself into college life, joining several student-of-color organizations, becoming a tour guide and a senior interviewer, cheerleading, and working in the Admissions and Development Offices.

She also helped make Trinity history when several student-of-color organizations collectively challenged the College’s strategic plan. The new map, they noticed, did not include any of the existing cultural houses. “I was on the cover of the *Student Handbook*,” she says, “and [yet] the administration was planning to tear down the gathering places for students of color.” Supported by alumni and with advice from professors, students confronted then-President Evan Dobelle with their demands, including preservation of the cultural houses, the addition of African American studies to the curriculum, and the hiring of a dean for multicultural affairs.

“It took a lot of work, but we succeeded,” says Santiago Nazario. “I learned a lot about myself and about building coalitions and taking responsibility in a community. That experience has stayed with me and is still one of my proudest moments.”

Since 2019, Santiago Nazario, who also has a master’s in organizational leadership from



Quinnipiac University, has led the organization where she began as a Trinity intern.

The signature work of COMPASS is the Peacebuilders program, implemented in 2007 to reach Hartford youth at risk of perpetrating or becoming victims of violence—often both. Each year, Peacebuilders engage more than 200 individuals ages 16–24 who are disconnected from school, families, and community. Outreach teams, some of whom are former gang members, mediate conflicts and disrupt violence through training and relationship building, promote nonviolent problem-solving, provide youth with life skills to decrease involvement with the juvenile justice system, and build positive coalitions. The teams also encourage youth to join the full four-year Peacebuilders program, staffed by social workers and other professionals who provide the support needed for success in education, employment, and life.

“Our relationships with individuals—youth, families, school personnel, police and probation officers, social workers, medical providers—make the difference,” Santiago Nazario says. “Team members go wherever they are needed: the streets, hospital emergency rooms, juvenile detention centers, schools. They do not wear bulletproof vests. Because they are visible in the community in times of peace, they are recognized and trusted, and we have never had a Peacebuilder hurt.”

The work is both enormously rewarding and intensely challenging. As she supports her staff, Santiago Nazario also works to humanize the population they serve. She notes that while people love to invest in “cute little kids learning to read,” the reaction is different when she talks about a 17-year-old driver of violence who may carry a weapon. “A big part of my job is changing the narrative,” she says. “There are so many systemic reasons kids become involved with violence. These are traumatized youth who often have tremendous potential, and we can’t forget about them because they were born, like I was, into the wrong zip code.” ●✕◆



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# 'NUESTRA HISTORIA' / 'OUR HISTORY'



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- 1. PARK STREET LIBRARY @ THE LYRIC
- 2. FROG HOLLOW HEROES MURAL: WOLCOTT STREET
- 3. LETICIA "LETTY" COTTO
- 4. JORGE RIVERA, J.D, M.ED, M.S.W.
- 5. ANA ALFARO
- 6. FROG HOLLOW HEROES MURAL: SQUIRE STREET
- 7. MARIA COLÓN SANCHEZ
- 8. EDNA NEGRON ROSARIO
- 9. ELBA CRUZ SCHULMAN
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- 11. PARK STREET FESTIVAL
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# STUDENT-PRODUCED WALKING TOUR HIGHLIGHTS HARTFORD'S FROG HOLLOW



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A project designed to preserve the rich history and diverse culture of Hartford's Frog Hollow neighborhood has taken shape over the past two years, with Trinity College students in multiple programs playing a leading role in this community-centered work.

## 'NUESTRA HISTORIA' / '+ 'OUR HISTORY' +

is a website offering a self-guided bilingual walking tour and oral history archive exploring the people, places, and moments that represent the diverse, largely Spanish-speaking neighborhood.

The project is based mostly on personal interviews conducted and archived by Trinity students as part of a collaboration with the Southside Institutions Neighborhood Alliance (SINA). Frog Hollow lies just north of the Trinity campus, which is located in the Barry Square neighborhood.

The walking tour's website—which features 28 “stops”—incorporates recordings of firsthand stories from residents and others with knowledge of the neighborhood.

“There is depth to the people's history of Frog Hollow that isn't widely known,” says Logan Singerman, director of community partnerships and policy analyst at SINA, which is a long-running partnership of Connecticut Children's Medical Center, Hartford Hospital, and Trinity. “This project came out of conversations with residents who wanted to bring their history to life.”

A “Frog Hollow Heroes” mural project carried out in 2021 by SINA, the Park Street Library @ the Lyric branch of Hartford Public Library, and the nonprofit RiseUP for Arts was designed to be accompanied by a bilingual walking tour that tells the people's history of the neighborhood. But, says Singerman, “We didn't know exactly how to make this happen, so that's where the Trinity partnership came in.”



### LIBERAL ARTS ACTION LAB

In fall 2021, Singerman brought the idea for an oral history-based walking tour to Trinity's Liberal Arts Action Lab, where Hartford community partners propose semester-long research projects to pursue in collaboration with students and faculty from Trinity and Capital Community College.

“The essential question was, ‘What is the people's history of Frog Hollow, as told by people in the neighborhood?’ Camilo Ruiz Sanchez [then a postdoctoral fellow in the Action Lab] and the students did a wonderful job conducting interviews and creating an initial database,” Singerman says.

One student on the Action Lab team, Emeline Avignon '24, says the research involved visiting people and places she wouldn't otherwise know. “I learned there are a lot of people doing really hard and interesting work and that so many people care a lot about the Hartford community and making a future in Hartford,” she says. “I felt more connected by meeting so many community members and learning about their businesses and roles in Hartford's history.”

Joshua Jacoves '23 says that the project combined aspects of his major in anthropology and minor in community action. “I find storytelling to be one of the most effective ways to communicate,” he says. “Through this project, I learned how to help tell the story of a community I've now spent four years living in and how to represent their voices through the lens of oral history.”

Other Trinity students on the Action Lab team were Catherine Doyle '23, Kristina Kendall '23, Lily McMahon '24, and Sophia Sczurko '23.

### COMMUNITY ACTION GATEWAY

Work on the Frog Hollow project continued in spring 2022 in Trinity's Community Action Gateway program, which offers first-year students the opportunity to engage with Hartford

through community-based research and social change projects. Supervised by Singerman and Trinity Director of Community Learning Erica Crowley, students Jules Bourbeau '25, Jenissa Leilany Cortes '25, and Jeremias Vazquez '25 gathered additional interviews in Spanish and researched possible online platforms to house the walking tour.

"The 15 students in the Community Action Gateway are each matched with a project for a community partner organization for the semester, working in small groups," Crowley says. "Our students who partnered with SINA built on the work of the Liberal Arts Action Lab and on what the organization wanted. They could see their role in a longer-term project."

To Cortes, this experience had personal significance. "Ever since I was a little girl, I have been curious about my family history and how to preserve it," she says. "I wanted to be part of the process of honoring Frog Hollow voices and histories to empower the community, especially since I am Latina, and the Frog Hollow neighborhood is a predominately Latino community. This project helped me connect with Hartford and develop skills that can connect to recording my own family history."

### **PUBLIC HUMANITIES COLLABORATIVE**

Maxwell Norteman '23 and Isabelle Sayas '23 spent summer 2022 organizing the ongoing project's recordings, photos, and other information into tour stops and building a pilot of the online walking tour. This work was done through Trinity's Public Humanities Collaborative, a summer research opportunity that brings together students, faculty, and individuals and organizations in Hartford to work on public humanities, which

is the study of how people interpret stories of human experience.

"It was an honor to be able to tell stories of people who have had such an incredible influence on the community and the city," Norteman says. "The tour highlights important places, art installations, and the compelling history that has taken place here. I hope that our work will lead Trinity students to explore the history and culture in Frog Hollow and throughout Hartford."

Singerman notes that the tour forms a big "T," with Park Street Library as the hub. It runs west to east along Park Street between Putnam and Washington and south down Broad Street toward the Trinity campus. "We have some more content for the Learning Corridor and Trinfo. Café that we could add in the future," he says.

The categories for the different stops are neighborhood heroes, places, art, and voices of Frog Hollow. "The tour is made for anyone who lives in, works in, or visits Frog Hollow," Singerman says. "It gives the feel of a neighborhood hero showing you around. For example, one stop is about bilingual education champion Edna Negron Rosario, as told by her own daughter. It's a powerful thing to hear real people telling you what has happened here."

The students tested the tour by walking the route and following along online with their phones. They fine-tuned it during the 2022–23 academic year, and it was set to be made public midyear, Singerman says.

### **'COLLABORATIVELY DESIGNED'**

"This project literally would not have happened without Trinity's students," Singerman says. "This started as just an idea. The students were curious, and they showed a humility and a level of awareness as they went into the neighborhood.



They listened well and uncovered beautiful stories. The students really left their mark on this project and did an exceptional job; the final product itself shows that."

Crowley notes, "Every step of this project was collaboratively designed. The continuous thread here has been the students. They created something that will have meaning to the whole neighborhood, far beyond Trinity and SINA."

This multi-semester undertaking is just one of the ways in which Trinity's Center for Hartford Engagement and Research (CHER) builds mutually beneficial connections with the city. CHER, which was created in 2018 to bring together the College's community engagement programs, works to strengthen partnerships between Hartford's diverse communities and students, staff, and faculty at the College. "Being part of Hartford is understanding Hartford—knowing this community that we're a part of," Crowley says. "Trinity has a role to play in uplifting voices and stories that are of significance to residents."

Singerman hopes that the tour encourages people not only to look back at the past but also to reflect on the present. "There are so many topics this tour brings up—education, housing, the media and how neighborhoods are portrayed, the immigrant experience—and they are not just history; they are happening now." ● ✕ ◆

To learn more about the walking tour, please visit [trincollreporter.online/FrogHollow](http://trincollreporter.online/FrogHollow).





# In their own words

**JFK expert**  
**Marc Selverstone '84**  
offers insights on  
presidential recordings

BY ANDREW J. CONCATELLI

In this May 1961 photo,  
John F. Kennedy  
proposes to Congress a  
program that will land  
a man on the moon.  
Lyndon Johnson sits  
behind him.

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Marc Selverstone '84, associate professor in presidential studies and chair of the Presidential Recordings Program at the University of Virginia's Miller Center of Public Affairs

Selverstone's most recent book, *The Kennedy Withdrawal: Camelot and the American Commitment to Vietnam*, was published in 2022.



**M**arc Selverstone '84 knows why President John F. Kennedy continues to captivate the hearts and minds of Americans 60 years after his assassination. "His was a life unfinished," says Selverstone, associate professor in presidential studies and chair of the Presidential Recordings Program at the University of Virginia's Miller Center of Public Affairs.

"Cut down at 46, seemingly with still so much promise ahead of him, and after coming through the fire of the Cuban missile crisis, Kennedy represented what for many people was the best of the United States—progressive, vibrant, with a young, attractive family," Selverstone says. "There was a hope that we were on the cusp of great things—charting a course on the 'New Frontier,' entering the Space Age. Although Lyndon Johnson was able to realize and extend elements of JFK's program, the promise and opportunity that Kennedy symbolized were cut short."

Through his work in the Presidential Recordings Program, Selverstone preserves and studies Kennedy's legacy using JFK's own words. Kennedy was one in a series of sitting U.S. presidents—from Franklin D. Roosevelt to Richard M. Nixon—who recorded their phone calls and meetings. The Presidential Recordings Program makes these formerly secret White House tapes accessible to citizens, journalists, policymakers, scholars, students, and teachers

while providing historical context and scholarly analysis of the recordings.

Selverstone's new book, *The Kennedy Withdrawal: Camelot and the American Commitment to Vietnam*, uses these recordings, alongside declassified documents, memoirs, and oral histories, to explore the question of whether Kennedy would have gotten the United States out of the Vietnam War had he lived and pursued his own plans. "The loss of Kennedy's capacity for real discernment, judgment, and prudence—characteristics he displayed during the missile crisis—was, for some, keenly felt when the country plunged ever deeper into Vietnam," Selverstone says.

The presidential recordings offer a unique window into the process of policy making and the use of power, illuminating the decisions made

by Kennedy and other presidents. "Living in a democracy," Selverstone says, "it's important that we have a better understanding of the policies that our leaders carry out in our name."

The era documented on the tapes in some ways marks the beginning of the modern presidency, when presidents became more adept at using the media to reach the public and the media became more energetic in covering presidents, Selverstone says. "The tapes capture a period when American political life was undergoing seismic shifts. They provide the ability to listen in as presidents and their advisers try to work through the challenges associated with Vietnam, the war on poverty, the civil rights movement, health care, housing, urban unrest, the environment, education, and more. To be a fly on the wall during that moment is really extraordinary."

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SELVERSTONE didn't major in political science or history while at Trinity but says he always had an inquisitive mind that was ready to grapple with big questions through his study of philosophy. "I had never experienced anything like my first philosophy class. The challenging subject matter, the approach to thinking, the rigor, the discipline—that stayed with me," he says. "One of the gifts that Trinity gave me came through my study of philosophy. It encouraged me to develop

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some habits of mind that were important as I continued my studies.”

Drew A. Hyland, Charles A. Dana Professor of Philosophy, Emeritus, remembers Selverstone as an engaged and intelligent student. Hyland has seen generations of Trinity philosophy majors enjoy successful careers in any field they choose. “Political philosophy is one of the most important branches of philosophy. No doubt, Marc can call on the philosophers we studied— Plato, Aristotle, Marx, Rousseau, Camus—for insights into the contemporary political scene,” Hyland says. “I’ve always believed that the most important learning goal of philosophy was to make the students more thoughtful. Obviously, Marc learned this well.”

After teaching high school social studies for several years, Selverstone decided to go back to school, earning a master’s in international affairs from Columbia University. He worked in Washington, D.C., for a Connecticut congressman who served on the House Foreign Affairs Committee but realized he was drawn to the academy. A Ph.D. in history from Ohio University and a dissertation about the emergence of Cold War anti-communism during the Truman presidency ultimately led to Selverstone being recruited by UVA’s Miller Center in 2000.

“The study of these tapes was relatively new at the time, as they were just being released to the public,” Selverstone says. “The Miller Center gave me the opportunity to teach, do research, and to transform my dissertation into a published monograph, all the while working with these fascinating materials. I feel incredibly fortunate to have been here for more than 20 years.”

Selverstone contributes to the Miller Center’s public and academic programs and teaches a course on the United States and Vietnam. He is general editor of the Presidential Recordings Digital Edition, which publishes the center’s transcripts and adorns them with footnotes, annotations, and introductory essays. Scholars and authors use these materials widely in academic works and in content for general audiences. “One of my goals is to make this collection more readily accessible to the public, especially to institutions of higher education and to secondary schools,” Selverstone says.

Barbara A. Perry, Gerald L. Baliles Professor and director of presidential studies at UVA’s Miller Center, says that Selverstone’s ongoing work with the recordings demonstrates the relevance they continue to hold today. “Whether listening to FDR’s conversations with civil rights advocates, Kennedy’s meetings during the Cuban missile crisis, Johnson’s

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verbal arm-twisting, or Nixon’s Watergate cover-up plans, Marc unearths historic gems that can guide current officials on crucial decisions related to social justice, political corruption, and defense policy,” Perry says.

One of the takeaways from listening to the recordings, Selverstone says, is grasping the enormous complexity of the president’s job. “Presidents are continually leapfrogging from one challenge or crisis to another,” he says. “The president is not just the chief executive but has become so much more, including political standard-bearer, legislative leader, commander-in-chief, consoler-in-chief—the very face of our democracy at home and of the nation abroad. There’s so much expected of the president.”

Selverstone believes these recordings ultimately help to humanize presidents, including those such as Kennedy who have taken on a near-mythical status. “To hear them work through problems, to hear the emotion and frustration in their voices, it encourages us to develop some empathy and gain better insight into the job at hand,” he says. “And this should encourage us to think harder about how the institution might be transformed so that those who inhabit the Oval Office can achieve more success—not just for themselves, but really for the American people.” ●✕◆



### Did you know?

The presidents were well aware of “secret White House tapes.” According to the Miller Center, “Between 1940 and 1973, six consecutive American presidents [FDR, Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon] secretly taped thousands of their meetings and telephone conversations. These exchanges took place in the White House and in the Executive Office Building, at Camp David and at the LBJ Ranch, and during travel. From Franklin D. Roosevelt, whose infrequent recordings yielded only eight hours of taped material, to Richard M. Nixon, whose voice-activated system captured 3,400 hours of discussion, the White House tapes constitute a unique and irreplaceable source for the study of U.S. history and American government.”

Selverstone says that the presidents’ reasons for making these secret recordings included using them as a verbatim record to refute misquoting or misrepresentation, as a source of information for writing their memoirs, and as a way to privately review what was said during important meetings.





**Supporting equity**

**for women's athletics**

**Alumni friends' gift  
creates new fund**

BY KATHY ANDREWS



**A**sk Susan Rost Monahan '93 about her time as a Trinity student-athlete, and she recalls the outstanding talents of women's lacrosse teammates and the impact of their coach, Robin Sheppard M'76, professor of physical education, emerita, former associate director of athletics, and former head field hockey and women's lacrosse coach.

Monahan, an optometrist who majored in psychology, downplays her own contributions to Trinity women's lacrosse. But she always will remember the skill and leadership of three particular players who remain her close friends and says of Sheppard, "She is such a charismatic leader and coach and has such an amazing history with Trinity. She influenced me, certainly, but I think she influenced all of the women on her teams in a very positive way."

Monahan met her husband, Joseph "Jay" W. Monahan '93, in a freshman seminar, "The Underside of American History." "Meeting each other was certainly the most important, life-changing aspect of Trinity for both of us," she says.

The Monahans are among a tight-knit group of friends—all of whom graduated in the 1990s, met their spouses at Trinity, and participated on Bantam sports teams—who recently got together to make a joint leadership gift establishing a new fund at Trinity, one dedicated to supporting equity for women's athletics. The others who initiated this fund are Billy Hogan '96 and Jennifer Martinelli Hogan '98, Sam Kennedy '95, H'19 and Amanda Johnson Kennedy '94, and Dan Sullivan '99 and Kate McLaren Sullivan '99.

Upon learning about plans to create the fund, two additional Trinity couples—James Kennedy '99 and Tamara Wiley Kennedy '97 and Brendan Monahan '95 and Abigail Hudson Monahan '94—jumped in with contributions, too. Jamie is

Sam Kennedy's brother, and Brendan is Jay Monahan's brother.

All 12 alumni attest that their time as Trinity students and athletes had a tremendous influence on their lives. Trinity is where they met some of their closest friends and steadiest mentors; in some cases, those mentors were fellow students. For all, participation in athletics was an important part of their college experience, and several went on to pursue athletics-related careers and great achievement in that realm.

Jay Monahan, who played golf and ice hockey at Trinity and since 2017 has served as commissioner of the PGA Tour, says, "You see how much playing competitive college athletics contributes to the experience at Trinity and how it helps prepare people for the challenges and opportunities in life. And, recognizing that we've benefited from Trinity athletics, it felt like a nice way for us to lend a hand to a bigger effort that the school has and, in particular, President [Joanne] Berger-Sweeney has, to address equity for female student-athletes."

Says Berger-Sweeney, "I am grateful to the Hogan, Kennedy, Monahan, and Sullivan families for the significant and heartfelt contributions they have made in support





athlete at the school. At the end of the day, these things cost money.

“England won the Women’s Euros last summer, filling the biggest stadiums in the country,” he continues. “There were massive crowds, great TV ratings, and I think the trajectory of women’s sports is really positive. It takes investment, though. All of us in the sports industry are the beneficiaries of decades, if not centuries, of investment. I always think it’s unfair when people say, ‘Well, women’s sports aren’t the same as men’s.’ That’s because we haven’t been investing.”

Jen Hogan, who volunteers with the Athletic Board of the American School in London, adds, “My hope is that we open more people’s eyes. When someone reads this Trinity article, they might think, ‘Oh, I didn’t realize that was something where I could make an impact.’ So, will our gift help bring us to the point where we’ll generate the fan base that our male counterparts do? I don’t know. I hope in my lifetime I see that, I hope that my daughters feel that, and I’m excited that Trinity is embracing it because I think it’s so important.”

Sam Kennedy ’95, H’19 and Amanda Johnson Kennedy ’94 both had what he sums up as a “life-changing” experience at Trinity. “It was an amazing group of people we were blessed to meet, and we didn’t realize we were going to be lifelong friends,” says Sam Kennedy, who played baseball at Trinity and now serves as president and CEO of the Boston Red Sox.

Amanda Kennedy says, “While I was not a recruited athlete, I wound up swimming for Coach Chet McPhee and enjoyed being part of the team. I recall the excitement with the new pool opening at Ferris in 1993 and have been impressed over the years—now decades—with how much the program has grown since the school invested in the expanded facilities.”

Says Sam Kennedy, “When we thought about the College’s Bicentennial milestone, we wanted to do something as a group to give back to a place that’s been so special to us and, specifically, to a school that has prioritized equity and opportunity for all student-athletes and especially the women’s programs, which have really grown and become a huge part of Trinity’s success. All of the women I know from Trinity who are my classmates or Trinity alums—certainly my wife, my sister-in-law, all of the women who are a part of this gift—are incredibly strong leaders and athletes and great role models for Trinity students.”

**Jennifer Martinelli Hogan ’98 moves the ball down the field as a member of Trinity’s women’s lacrosse team. She served as a team co-captain and received All-American honors.**

of our female Trinity student-athletes, and in recognition of the meaningful experiences all of them had as Trinity student-athletes. We have already been able to address some of the work outlined in the recent Title IX audit of the athletic program. It is important to provide our female athletes with the conditions they need to thrive and for us to recommit to supporting gender equity.”

Jen Hogan ’98, who was co-captain of her lacrosse and soccer teams at Trinity, says of her family’s relocation in 2014 to England, “The move opened up our eyes even more to this challenge. As we moved here, we wanted to find our eldest daughter a football program—soccer in the United States—and that was difficult. England is even further behind the States, as far as this movement is concerned. So, we see it and I feel it every day with my daughters. And when we decided [to create the fund], I felt really excited about it.”

Billy Hogan ’96, who was a Trinity ice hockey captain and today is CEO of Liverpool Football Club, says, “I think the critical part was identifying something that can make an impact and ensure that the women who attend Trinity have the same opportunities as the men at Trinity. And that then starts to drill down into what does that look like in terms of facilities and support services and all the things that go into being an



For more on the Title IX audit, please visit [trincollreporter.online/TitleIX](http://trincollreporter.online/TitleIX).

he continues. “Hopefully the statement that this makes about the importance of equity and inclusion will resonate and lead to future women leaders coming out of Trinity College.”

Dan Sullivan '99 notes that he and Kate McLaren Sullivan '99 became close friends with several in the group after graduation. “Jamie Kennedy was in our class year and was my roommate junior year; then after college I joined a men’s hockey league [in the Boston area] with Jamie, Sam, Billy, and Brendan,” he explains.

Staying informed about Trinity men’s ice hockey is important to Dan Sullivan, who is managing principal at a commercial real estate firm, Cresa Boston. “I continue to get regular email updates from Head Coach Matt Greason ['02, M'10], who was a freshman on the team when I was a senior player, so I know him well,” he says. “It’s always good to get those emails, and I’ve been able to attend games over the years, too.” About seven years ago, Greason reached out to suggest Sullivan consider interviewing a senior member of the hockey team who was interested in working in real estate. “Actually, he was the MVP on their national championship team; I met with him, we ended up hiring him, and now he’s been here about seven years. He’s terrific, and I really appreciate Matt making that connection.”

Kate Sullivan, who is president of Churchill Forge Properties, says, “Dan and I have nieces and nephews who are applying to colleges, so we have encouraged them to consider Trinity and have taken them to see the school. Trinity remains a really important part of our day-to-day life because of the network of fellow alumni we spend so much time with. This is, for us, the first time that we’re donating a substantial gift to the school,



and we are excited to give back to the college that gave us so much.”

Having played softball at Trinity, Kate Sullivan says, “Sports were such an incredibly important part of my life and my development. The opportunity to continue building up Trinity’s programs and ensure equitable resources are channeled toward them is really important. I think the future of women’s athletics is incredibly bright.”

Jamie Kennedy '99, who is vice president, international, of the PGA Tour, and Tamara Wiley Kennedy '97 share, “Our daughter is an aspiring collegiate soccer player who has always

Kate McLaren Sullivan '99, right, fist-bumps with teammates during a Trinity softball game in the late 1990s.

**“When we thought about the College’s Bicentennial milestone, we wanted to do something as a group to give back to a place that’s been so special to us and, specifically, to a school that has prioritized equity and opportunity for all student-athletes and especially the women’s programs, which have really grown and become a huge part of Trinity’s success.”**

[ SAM KENNEDY '95, H'19 ]



been involved in sport, and we have seen firsthand the positive effects in terms of self-esteem, social life, and discipline in time management. We have cheered as a family the U.S. women's national team, both their on-field success and their advocacy for equal pay. While an athletic career for our daughter is a current short-term goal, there is no doubt that the long-term support of women's athletics—both at Trinity and beyond—is something near and dear to our hearts."

Brendan Monahan '95, who is managing director at Marsh McLennan, and Abigail Hudson Monahan '94 note, "We are so pleased our friends and family members initiated this effort, and we're delighted to contribute. Trinity women's athletics—all of the College's athletics programs—are life changing. As alumni, there is such a remarkable network of former Bantam athletes who remain connected and supportive of each other. The more we can support equal opportunities and resources for all our student-athletes, the more they will flourish and excel, on campus and after graduation."

Jay Monahan adds, "What it really comes down to is that Trinity women's athletics is a strength of the school, and it always has been. I think our support of this effort will add to that strength. We're hopeful other families and individuals who have had similar experiences are going to get behind this, and this will become a collective effort." ●✕♣

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**For more information about supporting equity for women's athletics and other Power of Bantam Women initiative giving opportunities, please contact Assistant Director of Athletics Giving Lynsey Majka at 860-297-5334 or [lynsey.majka@trincoll.edu](mailto:lynsey.majka@trincoll.edu).**

## Key couples

### [ 1 ] Jen Martinelli Hogan '98 and Billy Hogan '96

*Residents of London*

#### MAJORS AND TEAMS

**Billy:** economics; ice hockey (co-captain)

**Jen:** studio arts; lacrosse (co-captain and All-American) and soccer (co-captain)

#### PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER INFO

**Billy:** CEO at Liverpool Football Club; Trinity Athletics Campaign Committee; starting in AY 2023–24, will serve on Trinity Board of Fellows

**Jen:** master's degree in education, University of San Francisco; volunteer for the Athletic Board of the American School in London, special events committee; previously taught and coached at boarding and day school in California; starting in AY 2023–24, will serve on Trinity Board of Fellows

### [ 2 ] Jamie Kennedy '99 and Tam Wiley Kennedy '97

*Residents of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida*

#### MAJORS AND TEAMS

**Jamie:** American studies; baseball and golf

**Tam:** art history; track

#### PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER INFO

**Jamie:** vice president, international, of the PGA Tour

**Tam:** master's degree in education, Boston College; former sponsorship officer, Museum of Fine Arts Boston; former English teacher in Massachusetts and Florida

### [ 3 ] Amanda Johnson Kennedy '94 and Sam Kennedy '95, H'19

*Residents of Boston*

#### MAJORS AND TEAMS

**Sam:** American studies; baseball

**Amanda:** economics; swimming

#### PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER INFO

**Sam:** president and CEO of the Boston Red Sox and chief executive of Fenway Sports Group; serves in leadership volunteer roles with community organizations, including the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center Trustee/Advisory Board; Trinity Athletics Campaign Committee; past member of the Trinity College Board of Fellows; 2019 Trinity Commencement speaker and honorary degree recipient

**Amanda:** chartered financial analyst (CFA) and member of the CFA Boston Society; previously worked for Clelland & Company and TJX Companies; past member of the Trinity College Alumni Association Executive Committee; active



with community and educational organizations, including REACH Beyond Domestic Violence, the Wellesley Free Library Foundation, and the Parents' Association of The Winsor School

**[ 4 ] Brendan Monahan '95 and Abbey Hudson Monahan '94**

*Residents of Boston*

**MAJORS AND TEAMS**

**Brendan:** history; golf (captain, Academic All-American, and All-American) and ice hockey (co-captain); Golf Fights Cancer volunteer

**Abbey:** economics; field hockey

**PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER INFO**

**Brendan:** managing director at Marsh McLennan; Trinity Athletics Campaign Committee

**Abbey:** former management consultant and private equity analyst; Golf Fights Cancer volunteer

**[ 5 ] Susan Rost Monahan '93 and Jay Monahan '93**

*Residents of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida*

**MAJORS AND TEAMS**

**Jay:** history; ice hockey and golf (Academic All-American)

**Susan:** psychology; lacrosse

**PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER INFO**

**Jay:** commissioner of the PGA Tour; master's degree in sport management, University of Massachusetts Amherst; co-founder of Golf Fights Cancer; Trinity Athletics Campaign Committee; 2018 recipient of Paul E. Raether '68 Alumni Achievement Award

**Susan:** optometrist; also sees patients for and serves on the boards of directors of two nonprofit organizations that provide vision care for uninsured and underinsured adults

**[ 6 ] Kate McLaren Sullivan '99 and Dan Sullivan '99**

*Residents of Boston*

**MAJORS AND TEAMS**

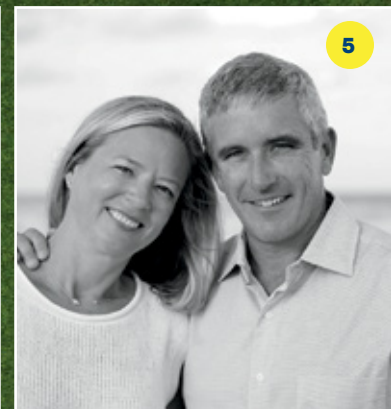
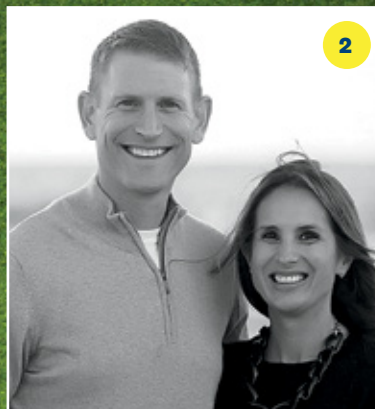
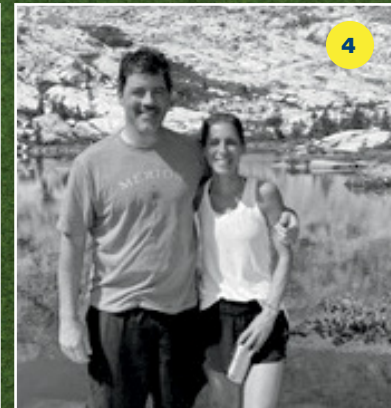
**Dan:** economics; ice hockey

**Kate:** public policy; softball

**PROFESSIONAL AND OTHER INFO**

**Dan:** managing principal at Cresa Boston (commercial real estate)

**Kate:** M.B.A., Boston University; president of Churchill Forge Properties (real estate management)



**Go Bantams**



# What will your legacy be?



**Irving Hamilton '51** believed so deeply in the value of a liberal arts education that he and his wife, Cynthia, included a generous provision in their estate plans to benefit Trinity College. Their legacy will live on through a \$3.75 million bequest that recently came to Trinity to support academics, the Chapel restoration, and student life.



# Class Notes

**1941** Paul Hoylen Jr. writes: “My father, Paul J. Hoylen, graduated from Trinity in 1941. He entered the Army that same year, where he served in the Counter Intelligence Corps (CIC). My father loved Trinity and credited the school for the language courses he took, which served him so well in the CIC.”

**1951** Vice President: Norman L. Wack • Class Agent: Vacant

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**1953** President: John A. North Jr. • Secretary: Stanley R. McCandless Jr., stanley.mccandless.1953@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Vacant

**1954** President: Albert L. Smith Jr. • Vice President: Alexander J. “Sandy” Campbell • Secretary: Robert A. Wolff, robert.wolff.1954@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Alexander J. “Sandy” Campbell II  
Class of 1954: Glad to hear from those who wrote. All classmates who are reading about those brave, those few who have answered the call, step up next time. Fingers to keyboard; make me work. Thank you.

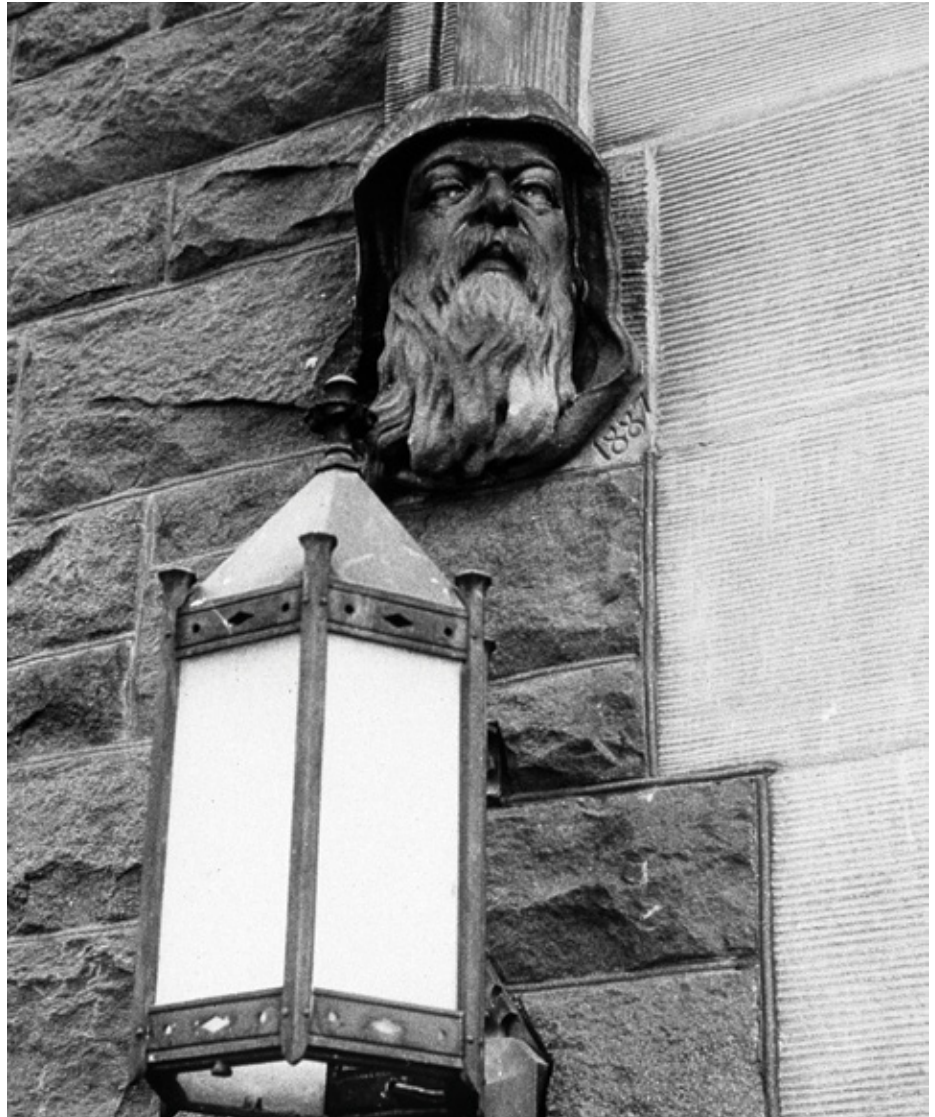
**Stan Newman** and his wife of 64 years have moved from D.C. to Sea Colony in Bethany Beach, Delaware.

**Charlie Bowen** and wife Calvine (like your unusual name) celebrated 90th birthdays in September. Had a family gathering in Chicago to celebrate. My old math counted more than 10. Congratulations! Keep up the tennis; I envy you.

**Doug Green** turned 92 on January 25. We are both Aquarians. As an old skier, I looked up Wintergreen. Snow on his ski slopes. Doug’s note from last month has him playing golf with buddies on a 46-degree day. Way to go; another classmate living in a paradise.

From me, your secretary: I have lived in the paradise of Santa Monica for 51 years. Love seeing the new growth in my 30-plus rosebushes and lots of bulbs breaking ground. It is interesting getting dressed in layers to go work in my garden beds. I turn 90 this Sunday; I was born on Sunday February 5, in Hartford. Feel very lucky.

**1955** Secretary: E. Wade Close Jr., wade.close.1955@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: E. Wade Close Jr., Richard Ferraro, Joseph Michelson



After more than 65 years of being your class secretary, why am I still enjoying the responsibility so very, very much? Well, it’s simple. The process of keeping in touch with my classmates has resulted in filling my life with wonderful personal interactions that include a wide swath of very interesting and entertaining individuals. This issue includes the escapades of **Walter Blake** and **Greg Petrakis**. Walter has experienced the most complicated and complex health challenges, yet through his own research efforts, always seeking a second opinion, and eating nothing but organic foods, he has emerged successfully at 90 years old ready to live and enjoy his next 10 years. Greg recently experienced the process that too many elderly folks go

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through: he moved three times during the last year. Having retired from a successful Hartford-based medical-dental practice, his family decided he should move to Virginia to be near his kids and his grands. Oops, where are his friends? Back in the West Hartford area. So, he returned to Brookdale Chatfield, a beautiful, 10-acre senior living community that includes classmate **Tom Brett**. Also, this allowed Greg to attend seven of the nine 2022 football season games, all of which Trinity won.

**John Palshaw** sent me the most wonderful 2022 holiday greeting card that included a picture of 12 Palshaw family members celebrating John's 90th this past summer on Hawaii's Kauai Island. John looked like a king, with his court bedecked in their luau shirts. Judy has kept her youthful look, and at first, I couldn't tell which woman was the mother.

Amy and **Charlie Gardner** continue living in a very large retirement community (about 10,000 residents). They enjoy a full Washington, D.C., life of activities with friends and neighbors who come from all over the world.

Shaila and **Tom Bolger** are most grateful for their family activities that four children and a boatload of grands create, plus they are both active caregivers within their Madison, Wisconsin, area. Tom is a competitive duplicate bridge player and continues to generate his disc jockey show each Saturday on radio WLHA (1:00-3:00 p.m. CST), and thanks to computer technology, you can dial in and catch his musical program live.

**Bill La Porte** is a survivor. Last spring, Bill was ready to check out. Hospice had been called, and Bill and I said goodbye. Ten months later, we are still saying hello. He is so upbeat and has taken the extension of life with his positive personality and happy manner. What joy!

**Hank Scheinberg** has continued to be a loyal contact, calling me regularly despite the three-hour time difference. He's still a viable consultant to his former company as its younger generation seeks his advice and counsel.

**Irwin Meiselman** has found a terrific new home in the 2,000-resident Riderwood retirement community in Silver Spring, Maryland. He and Barb are thrilled with their situation and enjoy meeting new friends who have come from far and wide.

I enjoy staying in touch with **Craig Mehlidau** and hearing about son Brad and his continuing successful musical career, mostly performing in Europe. Brad is a classical and jazz pianist and a Grammy recipient.

I'm sorry to report **Don Penfield** passed away in December after a lengthy illness (22-year cancer survivor). He was such a

high-energy, happy, and positive person. He was always up and popular at Trinity. He and Abbie had 67 wonderful years, mostly in their beautiful home in Lyme, New Hampshire, producing four children and nine grands. He and **Tom Ullmann** jointly owned a "sailing barge" that generated his and others' many happy memories. Abbie was a Wellesley classmate with **Don Mountford's** wife, Lura, and the two couples doubled up on celebrating college reunions together.

I send you all best wishes from paradise, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

**1956** President: **Henry M. Zachs** • Vice President: **David M. Taylor** • Secretary: **Bruce N. Macdonald, bruce.macdonald.1956@trincoll.edu** • Class Agents: **Edward A. Montgomery Jr., David Renkert, David M. Taylor, Henry M. Zachs**

**David Taylor** called me in November to offer congratulations on my 88th birthday and to bring me up-to-date on his life. We had a good visit during which he described the pleasures of having his daughters visit (he has four). First daughter came to Hawaii at Thanksgiving, then another girl shortly after during a family vacation to a neighboring island (island of Hawaii), where the volcano recently erupted. His final visit was at Christmas when his twin daughters (the youngest) came to visit and celebrate. He has two surfboards standing in his living room—reminders of a happy two weeks and their next visit.

**Charlie Stehle** and I talked in October, our first visit since Reunion last June. He has had some health problems, mostly arthritis related, but coping. We talked about his book on Native American affairs (still in development) and of his great-great-uncle Colonel Manadier. We shared stories of house repairs (a constant task) and relived the fun we had from attending our Reunion together last June. We both felt that the school never looked better, vibrant, and alive.

In December, I got an email with photo from **Henry Zachs**. He had just returned from a reception to celebrate Hanukkah at the White House. Henry was invited and made the news when he arrived armed with 200 \$2 bills, and he gave them out to all and anyone in attendance (except the president). Evidently such a gesture commemorates an old Hartford oyster house tradition.

I talked to Laird Mortimer '57 last month about the state of fraternities at Trinity. He felt that they were generally healthy and functioning well, although not as much the center of social life as in our day.

**Dick Abbott** is recovering successfully after an operation to clean out his arteries. He reports that it was a precaution and that he is feeling well.

**David Hoare** will be 90 years old in May and lives in Camillus, New York. He recently talked with **David Taylor** about the rugged winter this year. David H. lives in one of the cold spots of New York, which this year is in the grip of severe cold weather; he reported 9 degrees during the first week of February. They reminisced about the contrasts between early life at Trinity and now and noted that their fraternity class (Delta Phi) has been reduced to just five living brothers.

**1957** President: **Ward S. Curran Stokes** • Secretary: **Frederick M. Tobin, frederick.tobin.1957@trincoll.edu** • Class Agents: **Ward S. Curran, Neil Day, Donald B. Stokes, Melvin Tews, Frederick M. Tobin** **Fred Baird** lives in Midlothian, Virginia, enjoying golf and tennis and watching UVA basketball games.

**Paul Russo** is well and living in Chelmsford, Massachusetts.

**Don Stokes** says that he is doing nothing interesting, but with Karen temporarily away visiting relatives, he is reading, eating, and sleeping.

**Jim Kenefick** is looking forward to trips with his family to Ireland in June and to Washington, D.C., in April.

Marty and **Russ Partridge** have closed their cottage in Vermont and moved to their home in Wethersfield for the winter. One of their grandsons is a first-year at Trinity.

I regret to inform you that **Ron LaBella** and the wife of **Paul Cataldo** have passed away. May they rest in peace.

Carroll and I are enjoying our annual six-month stay in Sarasota. We look forward to our Western Caribbean cruise.

**1958** President: **Gary L. Bogli** • Secretary: **John L. Thompson, john.thompson.1958@trincoll.edu** • Class Agents: **Gary L. Bogli, Joseph J. Repole Jr., Edward B. Speno**

**1959** President: **Robert D. Coykendall** • Vice President: **Jon Widing** • Secretary: **Paul S. Campion, paul.campion.1959@trincoll.edu** • Class Agents: **Robert D. Coykendall, William H. Pfeffer**

I received a note from **Bob Harnish**, who was taking advantage of the Presidents' Day weekend by flying with Nancy to Phoenix to catch up with some old friends they had not seen due to COVID. Bob is putting the final touches on his Declaration of Inclusion (diversity) for the small town in Vermont that is receiving a lot of attention, and he will give us more substantial information when they return.

It was great to reminisce with **Art Judge** about our sharing a monumental baseball

event in New England. We are confident that we are the only living two who have witnessed a Major League exhibition game between the Boston Red Sox and the Boston Braves (1951). We both played hooky and went with our dads. We were treated to a 13–13 thriller, with Ted Williams driving two long shots over the right-field fence! The game was held at Bulkeley Stadium in Hartford. Both teams had shared a train from Florida for spring training and played several exhibition games up the East Coast on their way back to Boston. Art also informed me that he had a visit from **Paul Kardon** earlier this year. They were close buddies while at Trinity.

**Bob Coykendall**, class president and class agent, has a report, and he would like me to pass along this message to our class: “Trinity recently informed me that our Class of 1959 Scholar is Anthony Casillo Jr., of the Class of 2024. His hometown is Staten Island, New York. He is a captain of the football team and is majoring in urban studies. At our age, we think of what our class’s legacy may be. The scholarship is one, but it could use some more contributions. The market value of the endowment at the end of June last year was \$124,000, and \$4,485 was drawn for the scholarship. Many thanks to our classmates who have supported this fund. New contributors welcomed. (This is endowment and is invested, not annual fund, which is spent immediately.) May all be well with you.”

**1960** President: **George P. Kroh**  
• Vice President: **Murray H. Morse Jr.** • Secretary: **Edward M. Cimilluca**,  
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**Class Agent: Charles J. Middleton**  
The Class of 1960 continues to work hard at staying in touch despite our advancing years. The highlight of the recent past was a Zoom call in late January with Trinity’s president, Joanne Berger-Sweeney. Many topics were discussed, including the need for strong mental health programs, the upcoming 200th anniversary of the College, the current capital campaign, and the College’s focus on continuing to attract the highest caliber of student. On a more individual note, the following news from classmates is worth noting.

**Bob Johnson** reports he’s moved back to the town he and Faith lived in for 45 years, having spent a short time in a senior living facility. Bob’s son Greg ’90 is within walking distance, and son Chris ’92 is not that far away in Darien, Connecticut.

Ray Beech and wife Roberta signed up for the Trinity Rome trip in March. This brings back fond memories, as my wife, Carol, and I did a Rome Trinity trip many years ago where Ray and his son also participated, and we enjoyed it immensely.

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Got a nice note from **Clark “Corky” Phippen** saying that he lives in Mystic, Connecticut, and loves it after 30 years being exiled in Delaware.

On a very sad note, we recently learned of the passing of **Rodney “Scotty” Whitelaw** in December. Rod was a very dear friend, and he will be missed.

Tim Baum dropped us a note telling of a reunion with his dear friend **Bill Huffer**, who has lived in France since graduation.

Received a note from **Bob Lockwood**, who spent a very short time at Trinity. His uncle John Lockwood chaired the Engineering Department. Bob has written 12 historic novels, the latest being *Deflowering the Lotus*.

**Dick Brenner** reports his daughter has been elected to the Maine State Senate. Kudos to Stacy Brenner.

**John Flynn** shares that he’s moved into a continuing care retirement community, Vicar’s Landing in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida. His sister Ellie also is moving there; she’s a wonderful lady whom I remember fondly.

**Ned Chalker** continues to enjoy life on Cobb Island, Maryland. Ned joined the Peace Corps in 1961 and still stays in touch with fellow volunteers.

**Marv Peterson** sent his usual very informative note in between his many trips between Santa Cruz, California, and Big Sky, Montana. On a serious note, Marv has largely escaped the severe wind and rainstorms in and around Santa Cruz since he lives on a high ridge. His town, Aptos, suffered wharf damage, and many of the surrounding towns were hard hit. On a more pleasant note, Marv spoke highly of a trip to San Blas, Mexico. San Blas has a historic past; it was Spain’s primary headquarters when it ruled Mexico and from there did many worldwide explorations.

Finally, I’m writing this note from Vero Beach, Florida. Other classmates here include **Dick Stockton**, **Bud Anderson**, and **Jack LaMothe**. Hopefully we cross paths.

**Ed Cimilluca**, class secretary

**1961** Co-President: **Peter H. Kreisel** • Co-President: **Vincent R. Stempien** • Secretary: **William Kirtz**, [william.kirtz.1961@trincoll.edu](mailto:william.kirtz.1961@trincoll.edu) •  
Class Agents: **George P. Lynch Jr.**, **Vincent R. Stempien**, **Douglas T. Tansill**

As we in New England bask in the land of frozen pipes, we’re reassured that the Vero Beach contingent is keeping toasty. **Bill Scully** reports, “**Guy Dove**, **Andy Forrester**, **Doug Tansill**, and I are doing well, comparing notes and swapping investment ideas.” The Scullys looked forward to visits from Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney and Vice President for Advancement Michael Casey.

You think you’re busy? Check out **Spike Gummere**’s schedule. He writes: “We moved into a senior residence community, Lake Forest Place. We have enjoyed the move immensely, with lots of activities and many services. Judy has reconnected with four singers from a group and takes advantage of the fitness center and enjoys walking on the extensive grounds. I have a ‘man room’ and no longer must go to the basement for my beer. I am also a mile closer to Lake Forest College. After 55 years, I remain involved and committed (as special assistant to the president).

“For the first time since COVID hit, we were able to gather the family in Teton Village (Wyoming) for eight days at Christmas. We are breaking up the winter with a Caribbean cruise in February. In the past year, we have been on three Seabourn cruises, including two weeks in the Gulf of Mexico and Panama Canal. We spent three weeks going up the coast of California with a delightful stay in San Francisco, where we had dinner with our daughter and grandkids and two of my nieces and their spouses and kids. We then proceeded to Victoria, Vancouver, and Juneau. Later in the fall, after a few days in London, we came across the North Atlantic with stops in northern Scotland, Iceland, and Greenland, then Labrador/Newfoundland and up the St. Lawrence, concluding in Montreal.

“We figure it’s best to get these trips in now while we can. I love packing, unpacking, doing the trip, and repeating the process. It isn’t all bad to be led by the nose. In the coming year, we will get to Lisbon, the Canary Islands, Morocco, the Strait of Gibraltar, Casablanca, Tangier, Barcelona, and Monte Carlo.”

**Carl Zimmerman**’s carillon expertise was highlighted in a Christmas morning show on KPLR-TV St. Louis. Google “hec media bells past present.”



**1962** President: Charles L. Hoffman  
 • Vice President: Michael W. Creighton • Co-Secretary: John Densem, john.densem.1962@trincoll.edu • Co-Secretary: Frederick M. Pryor, frederick.pryor.1962@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Michael W. Creighton

Greetings! **John Densem** here, your new Class of 1962 co-secretary! I live in the San Francisco Bay Area, am in excellent health, and am back to more limited travel. Widowed in 2017, I was seeing the world until COVID hit. I thought health or money issues might stop me, but no, we all didn't see a pandemic virus tagged as COVID coming. I never caught it, but I sympathize with those who were impacted. I was in Invercargill, New Zealand, (know where that is?) when all hell broke loose in March 2020. I scooted home under orders of the New Zealand government only to encounter ghost-town conditions. I'm sure you experienced the same. Contrary to previous reports, I did make it to Hartford for our Reunion a year ago, but so many things went wrong on my trip to Hartford that I decided to head home. Good decision as it turned out, as I had to make another trans-con trip early the following week on personal business. **Jack Baker** was recognized as coming the farthest for Reunion, but he passed his award on to me, as he said that I traveled a bit farther to get to SFO than he did, on our local light rail system. That's splitting hairs, as he traveled to Hartford from the San Francisco Bay Area via Florida. I appreciated his humor, though. By the time you read this, I will have been back to Australia (second visit) and New Zealand (fourth visit) and will be prepping for an 18-day visit to Gloucester, England, for the 295th Three Choirs Festival in late July!

**Daniel Tuerk** sadly reports the passing of **Roger Wilson**, M.D. He says that Roger had an outstanding career as an anesthesiologist at Mass General Hospital in Boston and later at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, where he served as chair of the anesthesiology and critical care departments for 23 years, as well as the head of the Institutional Review Board. May perpetual light shine upon him.

Our prolific writer of op-ed pieces for *The Washington Post*, **George Will**, continues to publish twice a week on a vast range of topics. While you may or may not agree with his political views, I'm sure you're like me in having to look up some of his words! George drives me to a dictionary regularly. If you're not reading his columns, you really should. Thank you, George, for your contributions to social and political dialogue all of these years!

**Jim Whitters** writes that, since 2015, he has been actively involved in the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement, taking



Charlie Classen '62, right and in khaki shorts, enjoys the Galapagos Islands with his family in May 2022.

courses and developing/leading courses focused mostly on U.S. Supreme Court justices. His latest interest has been on Justice Louis Brandeis and his pathbreaking decisions on freedom of speech and privacy, including his presentations on the subject to retirees in Wellesley and Weston.

**George Woolsey** reports that his two sons, John and Ben, are graduates in engineering/pipe organ performance from the University of Michigan (as your class correspondent, one of my alma maters). Ben works at FANUC, a robotics firm in Oxford, Michigan, and John earned an M.B.A. from Oxford University and works on a start-up in Kampala, Uganda, while his wife, Mary, is senior research librarian at Cardinal Intellectual Properties in Evanston, Illinois. (Ed: I'm astounded at the variety of focuses of our spouses and families.)

**Paul Sullivan** sends input with both good and poor news. Paul and wife Melinda, after decamping from their home in West Hartford, continue to divide their time among summers on Nantucket (restoring their 1838 Greek Revival structure), winters in Naples, Florida, and at their apartment in N.Y.C. They're planning to repeat celebrating Melinda's 80th birthday in June with family and friends at Ballyfin

Demesne in Ireland (an ultra-luxe 1820s manor in Co. Laois), as they did 10 years ago for her 70th. He notes that their three generations of family number 12, with employment in the fields of architecture, medicine, and finance. He especially appreciates the three family members in medicine, especially son Ryan, who heads the melanoma clinical and research program at Mass General Hospital in Boston. The not-so-good-but-not-really-bad news is that they dodged much of the destruction caused by Hurricane Ian (which did an astonishing amount of damage to the Fort Myers and Naples, Florida, areas), including destruction of their favorite Port Royal Club, which will have to be rebuilt but which spared their home during the storm surge.

**Tom Johnson** says that he and wife Ann still spend winters in Palm Beach, Florida, with a home on the Intracoastal Waterway. Ann continues her long association with the United Way, and Tom remains active on the board of the Norton Museum of Art in West Palm Beach. He encourages any classmates visiting their area in Florida to be in touch (tjohnson@tsjohnson.net). The rest of the year, they are mostly at their longtime home in Montclair, New Jersey. Tom says he's still on the boards of IIE (Institute of

International Education) and the National 9/11 Memorial & Museum Foundation. They also support IIE's newest program, the Odyssey Scholarships for refugees.

In closing, please consider participating in our College's Bicentennial events beginning in mid-2023!

**Charles Classen** says that he and wife Marion took a two-week Rocky Mountaineer rail trip in the Canadian Rockies, unfortunately missing Reunion in 2022 due to COVID. He writes, "Plan to go diving with two daughters and grandson in Honduras (Guanaja) the first week in March. Now in Ann Arbor, Michigan, with daughter and son-in-law who are professors at the University of Michigan and two grandsons, one of whom attends UM and is on the crew team. Lots of snow here! Took entire family to Galápagos last May."

## 1963 President: Timothy F. Lenicheck • Vice President: John S.

**Waggett • Secretary: Thomas E. Calabrese, thomas.calabrese.1963@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: William C. Howland, Scott Reynolds**  
Dear fellow Trinity alums, all eyes of Trin '63ers are on June 2023 and our 60th Reunion. Here's a bit of news from classmates leading up to it:

From **Dan Moore**: "I haven't accomplished a huge amount in the last 10 years. I've taken several interesting motorcycle trips, one through Tibet. I've had a few accidents as well, so I'm going to back off anything that requires balance! I haven't retired, and I'm starting a new company, 2Swift Boards (2swiftboards.com). I sold Team Wendy in 2020."

From **Bob Bordogna**: "Elaine and I have enjoyed our last five years in Carmel. One thing I wanted to do when we moved here was to play more golf and try to improve my game. My handicap has gotten worse, but I've had a lot of fun competing and meeting new people. Winning our flight against 15 other foursomes in Clint Eastwood's eponymous tournament 'The Clint' was my golfing highlight for 2022. Clint gave the winners a replica of the gun he used in his spaghetti westerns and the movie *Unforgiven*. It was a fun experience, and you couldn't meet a more gracious host."

From **Mal McGawn**: "On September 15, 2021, I was diagnosed with ALS. I wasn't surprised because I've known something was wrong for the last five or six years based on how my running's declined, but the doctors weren't able to diagnose it till now. Since April 2022, I've had to give up trying to run altogether after 66 years and taken to walking, although I can't even do that anymore, even with the help of my high-rise walker. At the end of 2022, my walking pace was

around 40 minutes a mile, a far cry from my school record (4:24). I'm grateful for several things. I'm glad to finally know what's going on. I'm glad it's not cancer or dementia. I'm glad it hit me in old age. Most patients get it in middle age. I'm glad I've survived five going on six years. Only about 20 percent of us last that long. Ten percent of patients last 10 years. I hope I'm in the top 10 percent! I'm taking two different drugs that are supposed to retard the progress of ALS symptoms, so we'll see. Psalm 90:12 says, 'Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.' Being a math major and numbers guy, I have numbered my days and hope to make it to an even 30,000. That would take me to September 5, 2023. My wife of 54 years, Marilyn, and I have moved to a retirement community in Valparaiso, Indiana, only about five miles from where we lived for the 12 years prior, one mile from our daughter and family, one mile from church. We're very happy here."

## 1964 Co-Secretary: Thomas J. Monahan, thomas.

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From **Dick Brainerd**: "Twenty years ago (that's 2002), in a celebration of members of the Class of 1964 reaching the seemingly ripe old age of 60, some 15 alums plus wives all came together at the Equinox Inn in Manchester, Vermont, where a good time was had by all! Well, we did it again! In October 2022, eight members of the Alpha Delta Phi Class of 1964, plus two AD wannabes, met together again in Manchester, Vermont, to celebrate this, the year of turning 80 (yikes!). ADs attending were **Dick** and Diane **Brainerd**, **Jeff** and Mary **Chandor**, **John** and Susie **Day**, **Mike** and Sanna **Feirstein**, **Michael** and Cynthia **Malm**, **Frank** and Alex **McCann**, **Tom** and Cynthia **Monahan**, and **Buzz** and Frances **Tompkins**, as well as AD wannabes **George** and Bicky **Kellner** and **Ted** and Lisa **Pettus**. Those traveling the farthest were the Days (Portland, Oregon) and the Tompkinses (Dallas). While the partying and carrying on was wonderful fun, bedtimes were earlier and carousing a mere shadow of its former self. But most important were the celebration, the camaraderie, and the endurance of the friendships lasting over 60 years. Thank you, Trinity, for providing us with the platform to make friendships like these endure."

## 1965 President: David O. Williams • Vice President: Jon D. Simonian • Secretary: Thomas A. Garson, thomas. garson.1965@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Robert H. Mason

**Chris Arterton's** new book was published in February by Oxford University Press. Congratulations to Chris! *Strategy in Politics: Plotting Victory in a Democracy* offers guidance to those engaged in democratic politics about how they can win and yet remain within ethical guardrails. It is available via Amazon and in bookstores.

**Nic Cantor** is not ready yet to hang up his brushes and paints. In addition to exhibiting his paintings at shows around England, Nic is forming a new company, Nic's Nacks, to market products, beginning with coasters, that are taken directly from his art. Very creative! Nic has advised that a portion of any proceeds in the company will be donated to the Art Department at Trinity. To find out more, please reach out to Nic at nic.cantor@gmail.com.

**Henry Hopkins** is enjoying the winters in sunny Florida and his biweekly Tuesday lunches with AD brothers George Andrews '66, Mike Moonves '66, and Bill Notman '64. He became a full-fledged octogenarian this past December. "Glad I made it. The alternative is not good for your health." They have a lot of Trinity grads in the Jupiter/Stuart area. So, go on down and join the fun. Beats the cold up north. Henry continues to enjoy his work on various boards in Maryland, especially the Baltimore area, and Nancy has taken up pottery in addition to her other activities. They are quite proud of their children and grandchildren (Ella, 14 and in eighth grade, is an actress, field hockey and basketball player, and a writer; Alden, 12 and in sixth grade, and is a hockey player and actor; and Henry Atticus, 8 and in second grade, has an early interest in science and music).

**Phil Parsons** writes, "I started a new book for me: *The New Jim Crow* by Michelle Alexander, shining new light on the national problem of mass incarceration. This book was on *The New York Times* best-seller list for almost 250 weeks."

**Barry Rosen** recently received an important award in his field. He still works as a distinguished university professor at Florida International University's Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine in Miami, in cellular biology and pharmacology. For his recent patents on a new arsenic-containing antibiotic that he discovered, the National Academy of Inventors (NAI) appointed him as an NAI senior member. The NAI stated: "You are being recognized because you are an academic inventor who is a rising leader in your field with success in patents, licensing, and commercialization and for producing technologies that have brought, or aspire to bring, real impact on the welfare of society. We are excited to honor your achievements and contributions to the innovation ecosystem





Class of 1965 Alpha Chi Rho brothers and several of their wives gather in February 2023 at The Little Club in Gulf Stream, Florida. Front row: Carol Williams, Hella Jay, Cindy Yavinsky, Nancy Garson; back row: Chris Arterton, Merrill Yavinsky, Bruce Jay, Dave Williams, Eric Lodge, John Ellwood, Park Benjamin III, Fred Prillaman, Tom Garson



Nic Cantor '65 shows off two of his coasters during a recent visit in the States.



Barry Rosen '65 and wife Patricia celebrate the holidays in December 2022 at their home in Boynton Beach, Florida.

at Florida International University. You are now one of 430 senior members affiliated with NAI member institutions all over the world.” Congratulations, Barry! He writes, “Outside of work, my wife, Pat, and I have been cruising around the world. Last year we went to Antarctica, where I completed my bucket list of playing golf on every continent, putting on top of a glacier. We also took a river cruise from Paris to Zurich. This year, we are going on a Danube River cruise from Bucharest to Budapest and later in the year will cruise from Iceland to Greenland to Nova Scotia to New York.”

Having missed their 55th Reunion on the Trinity campus due to COVID, several brothers of Alpha Chi Rho met in February in Southeast Florida for a special reunion. The group included those who spend winters in the area, live there year-round, or came from as far away California, Illinois, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York. Four wives joined in the activities. Included were two boat excursions, including a trip in the Everglades, highlighted by the feeding of an alligator, and a visit to two museums, one that featured a new exhibit of drawings and oils by artists such as Degas, Vuillard, Freud, and Hitchcock (yes, that one). Also, there was lots of conversation on a wide variety of subjects, delicious food, soda, other liquids, and just being together in person—not by Zoom.

Secretary’s note: The winter *Reporter’s* notes included my thoughts on aging, as most of our class will celebrate 80 years of birthdays in the coming year. If interested,

kindly look back at the winter issue for the commentary.

Two notes from the Alumni Office: **Sebastian Mozzicato, M.D.**, recently self-published *A Brief Encounter of Two Hearts*, available on Amazon. He writes that he “retired in March 2022 after practicing as a psychiatrist for 48 years. I live in Avon and Niantic, Connecticut.” The author’s bio on the back of the book says that after Trinity, he earned a medical degree at the University of Louisville.

**Jonathan L. Stolz, M.D.**, recently self-published *Presidential Vignettes: Stories about Those Who Have Held the Highest Office in the Land*. The book, which is available on Amazon, is a compendium of 73 columns on presidential history that he wrote for *The Virginia Gazette*, the local newspaper in Williamsburg, Virginia. He shares, “*Presidential Vignettes* unravels the multifaceted lives and political undertakings of those who were elected to the nation’s highest office. . . . The potpourri of narratives in *Presidential Vignettes* illuminates the strengths, shortcomings, and character of those who have risen to lead our nation. The anthology is an entertaining and informative read that also serves as a reminder, as author Carl Sagan remarked, that ‘you have to know the past to understand the present.’”

**1966 President: Randolph M. Lee • Class Secretary: Vacant • Class Agent: Joseph A. Hourihan**

The class secretary position for the Class of 1966 is vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at 860-297-2403 or [julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu](mailto:julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu).

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Thanks to everyone who answered my request for news in your parts of the Trinity universe. I also want to apologize to **Allen Elstein** and **Bob Ebinger** for neglecting to post their news in the last issue.

So, I’ll start with **Allen Elstein**. “I never thought I would be old enough to encounter ageism. But lo and behold, being isolated and older has brought much of that bad stuff home. Ageism is not about being upset that some ‘other’ group is showing prejudice but that we—seniors—are a discriminated group. So, I made up a slogan: ‘Avoid Ageism. Value Seniors Equally.’ The implication is that everyone is vulnerable to age prejudice and that seniors should not be treated as one-down.”

**Bob Ebinger** writes, “My wife, Robin, and I have been living in Livingston, Montana, for the past 20 years. Retired from the film industry, I have never been busier. Getting politically involved, not merely an advocate, I served on the city commission in the early 2000s and was a state legislator serving two terms in Helena (2007–10). Along with Robin and an architect partner, we adapted an 1891 brick structure in our historic district into high-end condos. I serve on our Historic Preservation Commission, Urban Renewal Agency board, two museum boards, and the Montana Preservation Alliance. For the past 17 years, Robin and I have been principals on the nonprofit Livingston Center for Art and Culture board. For pleasure, we recently traveled to Morocco and China. We also have built getaway cabins in the mountains outside Livingston. Originally off the grid, we now have water, a flush toilet, and a shower. As we get older, [we get] more user-friendly for family and guests. Having been to two Reunions, I truly look forward to our next roundup, using a Western term. Hope for more activities not tied just to fraternities! Best regards to all of our 1967 classmates! Look forward to seeing you!”

Class President **Charlie Kurz** wants everyone to know that we now have two Class of 1967 Scholars thanks to your generosity. Also, this year is the Bicentennial of Trinity’s founding.

**Rich Ratzan** has officially retired, really. “I am fully clinically retired, as is my pediatric endocrinologist wife, Susan. Four children. Five grandchildren. Am finishing up an essay on masks—all masks but with emphasis on medical masks—for a book I am editing with my daughter, Katie, a pediatric intensivist in Boston. It will be on COVID-19 and the humanities and is being published by the University of California Press. I’m in frequent contact with **Jeff Fox**, whose house in Florida, unfortunately, took a major hit with one of the frequent storms the United States is having lately. Not sure if it has already been published, but **Goose McConnell** passed away in 2020 from multiple system atrophy. Best wishes to all!”

**Bob Brickley** dashed off a quick note. “**Paul Kroekel**, **Warren Weigand**, **Charlie Kurz**, **Bill Fox**, and I will be attending our 60th reunion from Penn Charter in Philadelphia in May. Among the events? A class dinner at the childhood home of Grace Kelly that is nearby and restored in 2016 by her son, Prince Albert.”

**Bob Fowler** and wife Susana really enjoy their new home in San Diego. Bob wants everyone to know about two amazing apps he has discovered. “There is an app you can get for any smartphone called Picture This. You download it, aim it at any tree or plant

or flower, etc., push the button on the screen, and it 1) identifies the specimen with something like a 98 percent accuracy; 2) gives all sorts of information, like native vs. invasive, likes sun or shade, has edible parts, and so on; 3) stores the picture you took and the info in ‘your personal garden,’ so you have an ongoing record of species you have identified. When you download it, you get a 30-day free trial. Then it costs something like \$35 a year. Well, \$35 is a lot of money, so you can also download an app called Seek (there are actually several apps with that name, so look for the one that deals with botany). Seek is free and works pretty much the same as Picture This.” Then Bob discovered another app. “In response to my email about the plant and tree apps, a good friend responded by telling me about an app called Merlin Bird ID. This works the same way the plant apps work. After you download (free), just boot up Merlin, point your phone at a bird, and click. That’s it. Again, very cool. By the way, both Merlin Bird ID and Seek cover most foreign countries as well. Cool and cool again!”

**Jesse Brewer** is slowing down, sort of. He still runs track and dominates the British Columbia men-over-75 category. Lately he’s been competing in high hurdles. He says his results aren’t that great, but he did set a record for the 60-meter hurdles. I doubt any of us could attempt hurdles and not break a leg. Or worse. Jessie, wife Pat, and kids took a long road trip to Florida for a mini-family reunion on Little Gasparilla Island.

**Rob Boas** reports, “In early January, my wife, Suzanne, and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary (two years late due to the pandemic) by taking our whole family of 10 on a Disney cruise to the Western Caribbean. We made stops in Cozumel, Mexico; Grand Cayman Island; Jamaica; and a private Disney island in the Bahamas. This was our second all-family Disney cruise in the last seven years, and we can highly recommend it to families where there is a huge range in ages. For us, the age range was from 8 months (our newest granddaughter) to 77 years (yours truly).”

As I mentioned in my solicitation memo, I saw a report on Facebook that **Gil Campbell’s** triplet grandsons had been ordained as Mormon priests. In two years, when they are 18, they will become elders and missionaries. The triplets’ younger brother, Caleb, 12, has been called as president of his deacons quorum in the church. The deacons pass the sacrament to church members each Sunday. The boys’ cousin, Paxton Campbell, is a deacon. He also is a star pitcher and third basemen on his school’s baseball team.

That’s all for now. Hope to see many of you at the Bicentennial celebrations. Jim (oconnor.jim111@gmail.com)

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You will be receiving this *Reporter* on the eve of our 55th Reunion, where I hope that we will be able to share updates, anecdotes, and good cheer in person. So, I will keep these notes short, especially because they contain some sad news.

Few of our classmates have been as dedicated to Trinity as our former class agent **Larry Slutsky**. I am sorry to report that Larry passed away earlier this year. A stellar student at Trinity who graduated Phi Beta Kappa and with honors, Larry earned an M.D. at Columbia University and then spent most of his radiology career in Wichita, Kansas. He loved our College, attended most of our Reunions, and will be missed at our 55th.

It is with particular and personal sadness that I report that **Gerry Pryor** passed away several months ago. Gerry was dedicated to Trinity, where I was privileged to serve on the Medusa with him and have him as a fraternity brother. As his freshman roommate, **Joe Saginor** recalls, Gerry had a maturity and social consciousness far beyond his years and was warm and creative. After Trinity, Gerry earned an M.A. at Hunter and became an associate professor, artist-in-residence, and photo head at NYU, and he exhibited his art around the world. Gerry was the creative force behind our 50th Reunion book.

We will remember all of our departed classmates at our 55th, but even more importantly we will reconnect and celebrate life with classmates able to attend. Recent studies have confirmed the critical health benefits of social interactions and personal relationships. Many of us are fortunate to have maintained the bonds we formed at Trinity over the intervening decades; most



of us who have attended Reunions also have reconnected with those with whom we'd lost touch or didn't know that well in school. So, I hope, for your health if for no other reason, that you will make that extra effort to attend our 55th June 8–11. See you on campus!

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In celebration of **Stephen Horenstein's** 75th birthday, the Jerusalem Institute of Contemporary Music is producing a four-day festival titled *Music on the Edge*, featuring several of Horenstein's extended works. One of them, "Wheels within Wheels" is composed for the Lab Orchestra (which Horenstein conducts) and explores real-time composition through kinetic conducting and density structures. The festival also will include a forum of composers and creative performers discussing various questions, including, "How will composers and performers give value to musical creation in real time as we approach the 'Age of Singularity' and advanced AI?" Other evenings will feature duets and trios by new generation i-composers who have worked with Horenstein over the last four decades. Your secretary asked Stephen to explain kinetic conducting. "Kinetic conducting employs gestures to generate musicians' playing primarily in orchestral settings. I employ over 100 gestures that I have invented and codified over the years. Musicians who have worked with me understand them. Others can easily learn. The gestures can be combined with traditional and graphic notation. This essentially creates the combining of both set (pre-composed) and invention in real time (spontaneous) musical creation. Hence the player is more than a reader and the conductor more than an interpreter. In my work, I am conductor-composer as well as 'dancer' (I use the term very loosely!) Of course, there are parallels in the visual art world, whether it be a Japanese rice painting, Jackson Pollock, etc. In theater, it would include Grotowski, Peter Brook, etc. For me, there are also totally traditionally notated pieces (e.g., my *Wind Quintets 1, 2, and 3*) in which the music is purposely flowing in the spirit of spontaneity."

**Leighton Smith** is writing his ninth book about his father, **Lloyd E. Smith**, Class of 1923, who "established and promulgated the legal concept of intellectual property rights as a landmark publisher in Racine, Wisconsin, in 1932. Dad was a grad in Trincoll's centennial year, and I will publish this commemorative retrospective in Trinity's Bicentennial year in his honor." The title of the book will

be *It Always Was Yours*. The words of the title occur only as the last four words of the book. It will be published in fall 2023.

**Michael Beautyman** sponsors a professional (prize money of \$35,000) tennis tournament that pits Team USA against Team World in senior tennis. The 2023 Beautyman Cup will be held November 6–9, 2023, in Lake Worth Beach, Florida.

**Bill Canning** retired on December 31, 2022, after 51 years in the wealth management business. Bill's business will be carried on by son **Will Canning**. In 2019, Bill and Suzie lost son **Peter**, who had been part of the family business. Bill writes: "2022 has been a hard year for me. I had two surgeries on my leg to remove plates and screws from my skiing accident in December 2019. In May, I got a new knee. I am now walking normally for the first time in almost three years. It is nice to have both legs going in the same direction." Bill had other medical infections as fallout from the knee replacement. He reports: "I am fine now, but I figured I better quit so that I can do some physical things before I run out of racecourse."

**David Seidel** also retired from a career in investment. He has four daughters and seven grandchildren. In 2020, the pandemic motivated him to buy a place in Florida, but he says he is a "rain bird" Floridian who spends the summer months in Connecticut to escape the rain.

**Ted Cook** is retired as professor of history and director of the Asian Studies Program at William Paterson University of New Jersey, he is looking forward to reestablishing contact with Trinity friends and engaging in 200th anniversary activities. Ted sends the call: "Please reach out."

I hope many of you will return to campus in June for the Trinity College Bicentennial. It is 58 years since we matriculated in 1965, so more than a quarter of the College's entire history also belongs to us, the members of the Class of 1969.

**Alden Rand Gordon**, secretary, Class of 1969

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**Joseph A. Barkley III**, **Ernest J. Mattei**, **John Bonee**, **Ernie Mattei**, and Trinity Director of Milestone Reunions **Theresa Kidd** recently had a lunch meeting to plan for our class participation at the first segment of the Bicentennial celebration, which takes place June 9–11. It is a tremendous concept in calling all alumni to return to campus for a once-in-a-lifetime celebration during the traditional Reunion Weekend. Trinity hopes that the Reunion classes will have their individual dinner meetings on the

Thursday and Friday evenings of the weekend so that everyone interested in the Bicentennial grand event can join together in one huge gathering for the Bicentennial. We are hoping that we can have as many of us present as possible, perhaps with a great big class MCMLXX sign high up on our table or tables. **Theresa** said that the College plans to have an after-dinner show with a national-level personality and then dancing into the wee hours of the morning. Sounds like it could be a real blast not to be missed. We may even be able to have our own private gathering on Friday evening as a precursor. We are organizing to do our first planning Zoom meeting in mid-February with our ever-loyal extensive Reunion Committee of classmates. Please write with your thoughts and enthusiasm. So far, we have definite commitments from **Peter Brinckerhoff**, **Joe Barkley**, **Bob Berardino**, **Dan Reilert**, **Richard Turk**, and **Bob Wilson**. Many more are interested.

Regretfully, I must report the passing of our beloved classmates **Randy Gretz** and **James O'Brien**. Please see their obituaries in "In Memory." **Richard Turk** was kind enough to tell me about **James O'Brien**, and **Charlie Taylor** heard from **Paul Herron** about **Randy Gretz**. **Paul** learned of the news from **Howie Alfred**. **Randy** was living in a Chicago suburb with his spouse and planning to see friends in Naples, Florida. Memorial services will be held for **Randy** in East Hampton, New York. **Charlie Taylor** remembers that **Randy** had a room in Jones basement their sophomore year, where he had a two-room suite with **Dick Harvey**. **Randy** had the prize possession of a real television for dormmates to frequently watch *Mission Impossible* on Sunday nights. **Ed Wells** made the music. **Randy** wanted to come to our 50th, but his daughter was getting married at the same time and could not. He invited **Charlie** to come to Chicago to see a Cubs game. **Randy** was a huge personality.

**Richard Turk** mentions that the College released a better site to view the Trinity doorknob 3D model. Google "antique Trinity doorknob in 3D."

**Dan Reilert** not only wants to come and help with the Bicentennial attendance but also notes that last year, his Red and Yellow music act performed classic American music more than 210 times last year, and his dog rescue work with two Texas organizations saved some 15 foster pups, all adopted out to forever homes.

**Andy Shaw** still happily works as a lawyer and is about to go on a Broadway cruise in March that features various performers doing shows. He really wishes he could be with us at the Bicentennial. **Sam French** also wishes he could be with us. He will be on

the Outer Banks at the time, but he thinks it sounds like a fabulous event.

**Jim McClaugherty** writes that he enjoys editorials in *The Wall Street Journal*, especially Peggy Noonan's column. As do I. Too bad Jim and I cannot form a political advice committee to offer binding opinions to whatever current powers that be who seem to make all of us increasingly uneasy about the future as we so idealistically and naïvely did way back when on the Freshman Executive Council!

**1971** **President: David M. Sample**  
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 And the winner of the long-distance award is **Howie Weinberg!** (That's why I'm stepping in as substitute secretary, writes **Debbie Endersby Gwazda.**) "I'm on a fantastic trip to Southeast Asia, visiting Vietnam, Cambodia, and Thailand. People are so nice, and it is beautiful here. Food is great. I highly recommend a trip to this eye-opening region. There are lots of tourists from all over. Most people wear masks, and locals take the vaccines seriously."

**David Sample** took a wonderful cruise in the fall. "After three days in Lisbon, great sights, food, and port (as in boats or glasses, David?), we boarded the *Silver Moon* for a 15-day cruise to Bridgetown, Barbados. Along the way, we stopped at Madeira, the Canary Islands, and St. Vincent Island. The excursions while at Bridgetown were great, and the ambiance on board was very enjoyable. I'm planning a national parks camping trip for the spring/summer and perhaps another cruise next fall."

Also on the road were Carolyn and **Kevin Sullivan.** "After being super careful since the onset of the pandemic, we went to a Cowboys game in Texas with all the trimmings—box seats and VIP dining—but returned home with COVID. Fortunately, we had mild cases and in January were able to take a cruise on the Mississippi, including several days in New Orleans. We enjoyed great food, zydeco, and jazz, plus a stop at the Civil War battlefield in Vicksburg where I thought of Professor Ron Spencer. The cruise was great except for the added 10 pounds that I now need to lose." (Better than COVID, Kevin!)

Not everyone sought pleasure away from home. **Bonnie Coriale Figgatt** writes, "I've been a garden volunteer for the last few years at nearby Weir Farm, which was the home of American impressionist painter, J. Alden Weir; it's now a national historic park (in Connecticut) tucked away on a country road and perhaps the best-kept secret of the National Park Service. We volunteers help

maintain the historic gardens, doing a lot of 'invasive species control' (i.e., weeding) and also pruning, planting, propagation, and periodically comparing the garden plans with what's actually growing to keep the gardens as historically accurate as possible. I'm at the way lower end of the expertise spectrum among the garden volunteers and learn so much on every visit!"

**Jeff and Margot Clark** volunteer for their community as well as for the class. Jeff writes, "After 31 years teaching middle school science at an all-boys independent school, I've found several interesting and enjoyable activities." Jeff serves on the Environment Committee for his local co-op, as a guide at the Morris Arboretum, as a trail ambassador for the Friends of the Wissahickon, and with Margot, creek watchers for their local watershed. They also participate in Project FeederWatch, through the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, contributing to a body of knowledge that helps researchers understand birds and their habitats.

Birds have kept **David Pumphrey** active and entertained on Nantucket Island. For two years, he's volunteered for the Audubon Society annual bird count. In addition to spotting a rare frigatebird, he "finds pleasure in identifying year-round residents, [as well as birds, David?] and coming to know them as friends, though I shall be evermore a 'washashore' in local lingo. Swimming, reading, and enjoying the peace and quiet in the 'bleak midwinter' are rewarded in the spring by the annual Daffodil Festival."

The Trinity campus also is a location for bird watchers. Every Wednesday at noon, birders can enjoy "flipping the bird" when a page is turned to one of 435 portraits from the masterpiece *The Birds of America* by John James Audubon. This rare double-leaf was donated to the Watkinson Library in 1900 by Gurdon Wadsworth Russell, Class of 1834.

While some of us have found bliss in the new experiences of retirement, others have kept up their blistering pace. **Bill Reynolds** continues to lead important changes at lodging and hospitality businesses. He recently received a best mentor/mentee award at Cal Poly Pomona, "where the students are definitely the future of our lodging and restaurant industry." Both Bill and **Jon Miller** had hip replacement surgery this winter, thereby adding to the increasing number of bionic classmates. Bill quipped that his doctor "has guaranteed me that my golf will be as bad as ever and that Jerry Jones will not hire me as a placekicker."

Another award winner is **Bruce Colman**, who writes, "Starting this year, the San Francisco Conservatory of Music will be awarding the Bruce Colman Scholarship

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for Low Brass to incoming trombone and tuba players." At Trinity, he played trombone for the New Collegiate Jazz Band and only returned to playing music in 1989—big band, small-group jazz, salsa, Latin rock, orchestra music, two operas, and several stage shows. He and partner Margaret Sheehan were joined in September by **Fred Goodhue** for Fred's introductory visit to Yosemite.

Sometimes the news brings sad reminders of friends lost. **Tom Weiner** writes, "My beloved friend, **Diane Clancy**, died last summer after a life of struggle with health issues. She fought a 50-year-long valiant battle to maintain her spirits, her extraordinary commitment to social justice, and her love for her daughter." It is remarkable that until this past summer, Diane had attended every Reunion since our 10th.

**Philip Khoury** writes in his capacity as co-chair of the Trinity Bicentennial, "Trinity at 200 is before us, and I want to encourage all of you to participate in one or more of the many activities. Check out the Bicentennial website at [www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial/](http://www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial/). The first all-college Alumni Bicentennial Celebration will be June 9-11. Between May 2023 and May 2024, there will be regional events and online symposia. Countless free and open events at Trinity will be located at Cinestudio and other campus arts and sports venues. There is a project called '200 Stories' to which you are invited to contribute."

Let's meet again 'neath the elms.

**1972** **President: Peter R. Blum • Vice President: William Miller • Secretary: John R. "Jack" Nelson, john.nelson.1972@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Archibald Smith, Will Whetzel • @groups/Trinity1972**

News from two of the Class of 1972's recently published authors: It's fantastic to hear that **Peter Wheelwright's** *The Door-Man* was listed as "one of The Best Books of 2022 by *The New Yorker*. Other recent events have me babysitting in Tbilisi, Georgia, for a fourth grandchild and still marveling at the fabulous recent exhibition of equally old pal Mel Kendrick '71 at the Parrish Museum [in Water Mill, New York]. My next novel, *Adam's Navel*, is underway."



**Bill Miller** reports, “I was traveling last fall to promote [my book] *Steel City* in Rhode Island, N.Y.C., North Carolina, Virginia, and D.C., and of course lots of time in Pittsburgh. Also, Florida in February for a few more events: Delray, Palm Beach, and Vero right now.”

From **Bob Ellis**, who is part of the Climate Reality Project Leadership Corps, Philadelphia and Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter: “In September this past year, I attended Climate Week NYC at the Javits Center. This is one of the key summits on the international calendar and has taken place every year in New York City since 2009. The Climate Group ([climategroup.org](http://climategroup.org)) is a nonprofit organization that works with business and government leaders around the world to address climate change. There were many renowned speakers from all over the world with expertise on an array of topics. Recordings of presentations are available on YouTube. I found Dr. Jonathan Foley of Project Drawdown to be particularly informative and inspiring. For anyone who really wants to know the status of the fight to mitigate climate change and what each of us can do to participate, Project Drawdown is the place to look ([drawdown.org](http://drawdown.org)).”

Note: Contact Bob, Bill, and Peter by email through [mytrinnet.trincoll.edu](mailto:mytrinnet.trincoll.edu) to arrange a presentation on their cause or craft. You also can see Bob in his video presentation *Our Climate Moment* on Trinity’s Virtual Long Walk at [trincoll.edu/AlumniAndFamilies/VirtualLongWalk](http://trincoll.edu/AlumniAndFamilies/VirtualLongWalk).

**Mike Sooley** has a trifecta of happy news from California after yet more extreme weather events. “Things are great in Santa Rosa and Northern California! We just welcomed our second granddaughter on Friday. Everly Mikaela Pugh! I asked Veronica to wait until the rains stopped, and she graciously complied. Julie and I drove down on Friday to help out with little Skylar, 3½, while Veronica and Matt hurried off to the hospital. Julie is still there (Danville) helping out, and I am back in Santa Rosa waiting for the 49ers’ game to start! Because we live up on a hill with a very rocky base, nothing moves here during heavy rains or earthquakes (we have had both recently). The soil drains quickly, and now the sun is out! I love it! There have been some slides and flooding, but for the most part, the area is OK.

“Last August, **Don Viering** and Emily stopped by in their amazing camper for a visit, and Mark De Meulenaere ’73 and Wendy drove down from Ukiah to join us. Donnie and Emily were traveling up the Pacific Coast and went well into Oregon. His son is in Napa, so they stopped by our place before visiting him and heading back to their off-the-grid home in New Mexico.

Right after Donnie’s visit, I rode out to Ely, Nevada, to meet up with **Michael ‘Irv’ Price**. We did a good one-week ride through the Sierra Nevada mountains before splitting up and heading home. Coming down from Sherman Pass, just south of Mount Whitney, we came across this funky isolated country store in Kennedy Meadows. It was a nice respite from the heat. We missed **Al Winrow**, but we three amigos will reunite for a ride around the Great Lakes this summer. Life is good!”

Note: Mike, Al, and Irv have been motor-cycling nearly every year since 2005. They’ve biked all around the United States and Canada, each ride usually two to four weeks. As they live in California, Colorado, and Massachusetts, their rides often end with one riding home cross-country solo, though sometimes they ship their bikes and fly.

The Class of 1972 has gotten together a couple times so far this year via Zoom. In January, we co-hosted a panel discussion with our friends in the Class of 1971, exploring the value of a Trinity liberal arts education. Longtime Trustee Philip Khoury ’71, H’21 (Ph.D., Harvard) expertly moderated a panel that included Susan Masino, Vernon D. Roosa Professor of Applied Science; Mitch Polin ’96, associate dean for curriculum and professor of theater and dance; Caroline Reiss ’12, a scientist at **Burt Adelman**’s company Verve Therapeutics (Ph.D. in molecular biophysics and biochemistry, Yale University); and Joshua Jacoves ’23, a very bright and engaged student majoring in anthropology. Michael Casey, vice president for advancement, joined us as well.

The discussion was very informative and interesting; the panelists made a convincing case for the outstanding value of a Trinity education and the liberal arts to graduates and to society. We had a good turnout from both classes who participated in a lively discussion afterward. Bill Reynolds, Jeffry Clark, and David Sample (all ’71) and **Peter Blum** and I organized the discussion with the invaluable help (yet again) of Theresa Kidd of Trinity’s Advancement Office. All of our class with email addresses on file received a link to a video of the session, so if you didn’t get it, send me an email, and I’ll forward it to you.

As I sit here polishing up this Class Notes submission, Peter and I are working on scheduling one, possibly two, Class of ’72 Zoom meetings, more of a social nature, as well as working on finding ways for our class to meet at Trinity’s Bicentennial celebration in June. (Peter serves on the organizing committee as well.)

If you’ve received this *Reporter* but no emails from our class or Trinity, please

update your information at [mytrinnet.trincoll.edu](http://mytrinnet.trincoll.edu). To register, have your secret code number handy; it’s located above your name on the back of this *Reporter*. I know I’m sounding like a broken record, but please update your info—we miss you! Peace

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**Martha Wettemann** writes, “I am still working for the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, doing industry and employment projections and collaborating with the Tennessee Departments of Education and Economic and Community Development and the Tennessee Board of Regents on workforce policy and publications. Tennessee is fast becoming the capital of electric vehicle manufacturing, with four companies producing or scheduled to produce electric vehicles in the near future. Soon I will talk myself into buying one.

“Working and also receiving Social Security after all these years is great! I am the local secretary of the county Democratic Party in our very red state, which is a challenge, but I am encouraged by people from Connecticut, California, and other states moving in and increasing our diversity of opinion. My husband, Jim, is still working as a physician at Vanderbilt and the Nashville VA, and our grandchildren are in Chicago. Our son recently married at age 40 to a woman who has been active in the music business. Every kind of music from jazz to classical to country to gospel is great in Nashville; visit if you have not been!”

**Kenneth Wayne Harl**, professor emeritus, Department of History, Tulane University, retired as of July 1, 2022, after 43 years of teaching 45 different courses with an unparalleled record in excellence. He plans to spend more time with wife Sema Tekgul Harl, a citizen of Turkey, so that they can travel together. He has a new book forthcoming, *Empires of the Steppes: A History of the Nomadic Tribes Who Shaped Civilization*. He will continue his scholarly research on Greek, Roman, and Byzantine history and numismatics.

**John Gatsos** relayed the sad news of the death of **Patrick Curley**. He died peacefully on December 2 at home in New York City. At Trinity, Patrick met classmate **Jane Bayard**, his wife of 43 years. John reports that Patrick’s memorial service was attended by several Hall brothers and Trinity alumni, including **Jonathan Gould**, **Holly Hotchner**, Bill Miller ’72, Peter Wheelwright ’72, Will Whetzel ’72, and Elizabeth Beautyman ’72.

We also are sad to report that **Joyce Krinitsky**, our class president, passed away on February 18. Several of us knew that Joyce was battling a tough medical challenge, yet it was a very sad shock to hear of her passing. Until her death, she was fully involved in all the Reunion Committee work to create a fun, celebratory, and joyous 50th Reunion. Joyce spoke strongly about the significance of our coed “adventure” and the recognition due our class at this Reunion and at the 200th anniversary of the College for being the first coed class. She will be missed when we gather in June. (Please see “In Memory” for Patrick’s and Joyce’s obituaries.)

“An honest man in politics shines more there than he would elsewhere.”

—Mark Twain

From the Alumni Office: **Michael A. Battle** recently was confirmed as U.S. ambassador to the United Republic of Tanzania. Battle, who was nominated to the position by President Joe Biden, has had a distinguished, four-decade career of public service as a diplomat, in academia, in the faith community, and as a military chaplain. Battle served as executive vice president/provost at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in Cincinnati, Ohio, and as a senior adviser to the Bureau of African Affairs at the U.S. Department of State for the 2014 U.S.-Africa Leaders Summit. He also served as the U.S. representative to the U.N. Economic Commission for Africa and as the U.S. ambassador to the African Union in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Earlier positions included service as president of the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta and as chair of the Atlanta University Center Robert W. Woodruff Library, as well as a chaplain in the U.S. Army Reserve, retiring with the rank of lieutenant colonel in 1997. Battle has held senior academic administrator positions at Chicago State University, Virginia State University, and Hampton University, and he participated as an election observer in 1994 for the first free election in South Africa. He has authored numerous books and publications on topics related to ecumenism and the Black church. Battle earned an M.Div. from Duke University and a D.Min. from Howard University.

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The class secretary position for the Class of 1974 is vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at 860-297-2403 or julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu.



**Consie Proud Berghausen '75, Ted Berghausen '75, Elizabeth Gryska Rice '06, and Von Gryska '75 get together during summer 2022 at Chatham on Cape Cod.**

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**Chris Lane** writes, “I have entered the land of the retired! Last June, after 40 years owning an antique map and prints shop, I closed down the business and retired. Main goal was to have more time to travel with my wife of 45 years, Lindsey, and to be able to enjoy our two grandsons. I am no longer doing the *Antiques Roadshow*, but I am keeping my toes in the water by offering appraisals, writing articles, and lecturing around the country. Basically, I get to do all the fun stuff without the hassle of regular hours, staff, and all the paperwork. My connection to Trinity is mainly through seeing **Michael Pogue** from time to time and still getting together yearly with **Tony Piccirillo**, **Jeff Keller**, and **Jim Gomes**.”

A shout-out from **Chris Max**, who sends his regards: “Hey, Steve and Chris, I got together with **Rich Tucci** and **Bill Curren** at the Wesleyan game. Would love to see you all at Homecoming 2023. Hope all is well with you and Moondog.”

**Rich Tucci** adds, “Great seeing **Bill Curren**, **Gil Childers '77**, **Steve Thoren '76**, **Hal Smullen '76**, and the one and only **Dr. Chris Max** at the Trin-Wes game this past fall. The campus has never looked better!”

And we hear from **Scott Adams**, “After many moons of little contact among the

group, **Tom Britton** took the initiative to send a thumb drive of vintage photos to members of the Cook Arch eight-man. Thanks to his effort, Tom, **Dave Kuncio**, **John Appler**, and I have been chatting and reminiscing (as much as we can remember). Next step will be some sort of reunion somewhere in the USA. Good times!”

**Bill Curren** adds, “Attended the November Trinity vs. Wesleyan football classic with classmates **Chris Max** and **Rich Tucci**, plus **Gil Childers '77**. A beautiful fall day to see the Bantams complete their first nine-win football season. The campus looked great, and I hope that Cinestudio will host a *2001: Space Odyssey* event for our 50th, only two years hence, so we can spend a night arguing what it all means. I am well, working in development at the Frederick Gunn School (but keeping my DGA card in case Spielberg calls!). Wife **Dariel** and I kicked off the new year with an adventure to Argentina’s wine region and Uruguay’s beaches! We are anxiously awaiting the arrival of our second grandchild in late-February, a double Bantam due to dad Matt ’12! Happy 200th birthday to our alma mater!”

**Alex “Bobby” Murenia** writes from Siesta Key, Florida, “We go to Florida for a month every year and hope to extend to a six-week vacation in winter 2024. After retiring from Choate Rosemary Hall in Wallingford, Connecticut, where I lived and worked for 10 years in Choate’s Alumni Relations/Development Office, I have moved to Cheshire, Connecticut. Recently was in contact with **Rick Uluski '77**, who has lived in Cheshire for decades. (Rick was probably pound for pound the hardest hitter on our Trinity football teams of the mid-’70s.) Planning to play golf with Rick and **Bill Curren**, with whom I am in regular contact, this spring. We three would welcome a

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fourth, so if there are any Bantams out there who would be interested in a round of casual golf, give one of us a call. We love the College. Go Trinity!”

And **Gail Mardfin** chimes in, “I love being older and wiser: a crone! Happily living in Northern California, some days and one night a week are spent with my 7½-year-old granddaughter, and I am now teaching art in an active 55-plus community in Santa Rosa. I finally got a shopping cart website going for my greeting cards, SeeTheGoodCards.com. Hope everyone is enjoying their lives and still learning something new every day.”

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**Rebecca Dunn Reinmann** writes that she retired almost four years ago from running the Cooperative Fund of New England (a community development financial institution) and has lived in Wilmington, North Carolina, since 1994, when she remarried. She enjoys “having time with my three grandkids, to exercise daily, and to offer gratitude for my health and my good life.” She reports on her two-month trip to the South Pacific with husband Paul, starting with a cruise in Fiji followed by a tour of Australia and New Zealand: “I woke up on my birthday (November 5) in one of those grass-roofed cabins over the water (as seen in the travel magazines). We then rested up with another cruise in Tahiti before flying home. It was a wonderful trip. Highlights included seeing over 2,000 tiny penguins come in from the sea as night fell in Tasmania as well as a boat ride around Milford Sound, a fjord in New Zealand.”

**Andy Bassford** sent greetings. “I’m still here in the Bronx, playing, recording, and teaching despite ongoing battles with arthritis. I recently recorded a various-artists album in Iceland at Flóki Studios, 40 miles from the Arctic Circle. A track I played on last year, Clinton Fearon’s ‘Guiding Star,’ has reached 100K plays on Spotify. I also appear on the anthology *Monty Alexander: The Montreux Years (Live)* and the new album by Saturday Night Live trombonist Steve Turre. I teach privately and at Mind-Builders Creative Arts Center in the Bronx. There are still children interested in the guitar here! Regularly have dinner with Bill Flowerree ’75 and Alani Golanski IDP’83; just saw

them both. [www.andybassford.com](http://www.andybassford.com) for my latest adventures. I’m also on Facebook and Instagram. Trying to cure a Twitter addiction, so don’t look for me there!”

**Margaret E. “Peggy” Smith** writes, “After a wonderful career teaching high school mathematics for the St. Louis Public Schools, I have retired. I must say I am excited about all the free time that I have now, especially not having to swipe in at 7:00 a.m. every workday, but I really miss the kids.”


**Peter Hansen** writes: “While it’s not new, we love our life in Merida, Mexico. We have lived here for 5½ years with our two dogs. I have been providing nonprofit fundraising consulting since 2016 and recently launched a new partnership—Arts, Culture, & Media Philanthropic Advisors—with a larger consulting firm. I maintain an office in Miami for my work with clients. One of my interesting projects is securing funding for a three-part PBS TV special starring John Leguizamo, *American Historia*. We also are working on a women’s sports series produced by Billie Jean King. Any members of the Class of ’76 who find themselves in Merida, Mexico, should reach out to me by email, [peterhenryhansen@gmail.com](mailto:peterhenryhansen@gmail.com).”

**Hobie Porter** sent news that he and Pam Porter were “delighted to welcome our first grandchild, Josephine Faye Porter, on December 4, 2022. Parents Andrew and Margaux plus aunts Molly and Becky are all thrilled with our new family member.”

Our class co-secretary **Hal Smullen** sent in a Caribbean missive in January: “Mary and I ran into **Rick** and Diane **Trachimowicz** in a restaurant on St. John. They are spending a couple of weeks there escaping the cold Maine winter.”

Two notes from the Alumni Office: **Elaine Patterson** writes, “Gregg and I are fine and came through the January deluge of rain in Los Angeles in relatively good shape. Just a couple of leaky windows and an outdoor cinderblock wall that shifted and is now nearing collapse. Nothing that can’t be fixed and not bad compared with a lot of people. It definitely helped to be living in the heart of the city, far from any streams or hillsides with running water or mud. We are loving retiree life and the freedom that comes with it, focusing mostly on doing as much traveling as possible while we still can. During the past 18 months, we’ve been to Italy twice, taken two bicycle trips (one in Ireland, one in Holland, miraculously with no rain in either place), and have plans for several more European adventures in 2023. Hoping to get back to Hartford and on campus sometime during the Bicentennial celebrations, and hoping that all my old friends and their families are having fun and are in good health.”

**Stuart Koman** recently was named to the Board of Trustees of William James College, an independent, nonprofit institution educating behavioral health professionals. Stuart serves as president of Walden Behavioral Care, which he founded in 2003, as well as chief strategy officer of its parent company, Monte Nido & Affiliates. Walden Behavioral Care is a longtime partner of William James College’s Behavioral Health Service Corps program, serving as an employment site for students, interns, and alumni. Stuart previously served as the CEO of Choate Health Systems and as president of Charles River Health Management. He also serves on the board at CYCLE Kids, a nonprofit whose mission is to encourage healthy and fun movement for children by teaching them the practical skill of riding a bike. After graduating from Trinity with a B.S., Stuart earned a Ph.D. from Duke University.

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**Margo Halle** says, “Wishing my classmates a healthy and happy 2023.” And she especially likes being connected with us all.

It’s terrific to hear from **Bill Clark**, who writes, “I sure have some fond memories of Trinity. Not one negative comes to mind. Have been enjoying life in Southern Vermont since 1996 and think of Trin when taking kids to Bradley airport for their flight back to Colorado, where they have set down roots. Have been trying to retire, but somehow I wind up doing more IT work. Stay in touch with Jarvis roommate **Law Fountain**, legendary Giants fan who is probably licking his wounds after the Eagles game last week. Have been thinking of Sam Kassow and Jay West as I finish *A Gentleman in Moscow*; amazing to think I went there in 1976 with Prof Kassow . . . what an honor. I would say, ‘Go Eagles,’ but by the time this gets published, they will have won the Super Bowl. Come to Vermont and help me stack firewood.” (Bill, *A Gentleman in Moscow* is one of my favorite books. When is the movie going to arrive? Showtime promises this year, so I’m holding my breath.)

And from **Pete Switchenko**: “My wife, Pat, and I have been living on Cape Cod for 15 years. We’re both retired, but I do tutor mainly college students. We have three grandchildren (so far) and thoroughly enjoy our limited time with them. They live in Manhattan and the Atlanta area.”

**Deb Flower** wrote to **Angelee Diana Carta** and me to give us some sad news: Our classmate and friend **Rick Meier** passed on

January 23, 2023, at his home in Manchester, Connecticut, the same house where he grew up. Rick lost his wife, Joanne, in September 2022. The family asked that in his memory, friends could donate to a local animal shelter in his name.

I have some bright news—our daughter and her husband had a baby girl, Peggy, on December 7. Grandparenthood is a completely delicious experience, but a lot of you knew that already! I'm so grateful to have joined the club. They live about 40 minutes away in Connecticut, and that's lucky, too!

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Jeff DuFresne leads us off with this: "Life's been good so far. You may recall those lyrics from a Joe Walsh song that was released during our graduation year of 1978. Fortunately, the statement stills rings true today for me. Naturally, we all have peaks and valleys, but basically I'm a happy camper. After Trinity, I married my soulmate and packed our bags for Hotlanta almost 40 years ago. After four decades of real estate investment and development, I'm now retired, serve on a few boards, and manage a mushroom-farming business. We harvest edible mushrooms like shitake, oyster, and lion's mane and sell to local farm-to-table restaurants. While at Trinity, I would never have guessed that the pinnacle of my professional career would farming mushrooms in Georgia! Hope to see everybody at Trinity's Bicentennial this summer."

Peggy Fredrickson Eckman shares, "My husband, Mark '76, and I moved to the Lake Sunapee region of New Hampshire after more than two decades in Ohio. While Cincinnati was a great place to live, I am glad to be back in New England. It is wonderful to be much closer to our daughter in Vermont and our son in Massachusetts. We were delighted when our first grandchild was born a couple weeks after we moved here, so we can be nearby to watch him grow. I have hiked in the White Mountains since my high school years. Mark and I have come to New Hampshire to hike, cross-country ski, and kayak for many years, so this was the perfect place to retire and be near our family. We have always loved sailing with my family in Connecticut and on a lake in Ohio, so we are excited to be adding that to the things we enjoy doing in New Hampshire. Seeing the mountains around us and being close to nature is revitalizing."

We hear this from Randy Pearsall: "My wife and I were fortunate to spend a few

weeks in the Palm Springs, California, area this January. While enjoying the warmer weather, desert hiking, and golf, we also attended the AMEX PGA Tour Championship at PGA West in La Quinta. While there, I was able to meet Jay Monahan, who was playing in the pro-am. Jay is commissioner of the PGA Tour and Trinity Class of 1993."

Andrew Terhune reports, "Ira Goldman, Tina Orsi, and I got together with Charles Glanville in Darien in November for a celebration of the life of Charles's mother. Tina has relocated north to Canaan, New Hampshire, where I have a place that a number of our classmates visited during our college years."

Ty Tregellas catches us up with this: "We had a mini Class of '78 reunion with a few Bantam alums biking through the Alentejo Region of Portugal."

Jory Lockwood: "What should I tell you in this Reporter? After a long run of dodging and weaving, my husband got COVID on Christmas Day, which means I got COVID shortly thereafter. I've exhausted that experience and am more or less back to ground level again. I've returned to my reading-mysterics phase and am marching through some very enjoyable British whodunnits. I am waiting for true winter to hit New England and in the meantime have been hiking in Litchfield County. Plans are afoot for our Reunion in 2023, which coincides with Trinity's Bicentennial; it promises to be fun."

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The amazing thing about our Class Notes is the variety that comes from our classmates, giving a tantalizing look the arts, podcasts, family, work, mention of retirement (we are there or fast approaching), some presidential references, and my personal favorite, a calendar entry.

Stephanie Vignone writes with news about a show she was having at the Back Gallery of The Oxbow Gallery in Easthampton, Massachusetts. Stephanie did a pastel, *It's Up on the Ridge*.

Gus Reynolds has been on the airwaves. He says, "During the past two years, I have been producing a weekly radio show/podcast called *The First Note*, which is a lighthearted look at the history of some of your favorite songs. It aired weekly every Saturday night at 11:00 p.m. on Homegrown Radio NJ. You

can listen to the shows at [www.thefirstnotes.com](http://www.thefirstnotes.com) and select your favorite songs/show. I have started a new show, *Going Down the Rabbit Hole*, which examines popular musical artists/bands. You can hear these shows at [www.gdtrh.com](http://www.gdtrh.com). Who said retirement was boring?"

From Karen Schloss Diaz, "Life is colorful and busy here. Let's start with the important stuff: My daughter, Lucy, is 19 and a junior at Macalester in St. Paul. She's been a STEM girl forever and plans to pursue a Ph.D. in human genomics. She's also associate features editor for the campus newspaper (says her proud mom, who wrote a restaurant and food trends column for 10 years). I've loved getting to know the Twins (as she calls them). I did not expect to become a single mom to a 14-year-old at the age of 59, but as they say, man plans and God laughs. My ex and I adopted Lucy from China when she was 10 months old. My agency, diaz · schloss communications, has launched probably 100 restaurants across the country and in Mexico (but mostly N.Y.C. and New Jersey), along with wine and specialty food shop representation, food products, cookbooks, culinary schools, and hotels. Special shout-outs to the folks I'm in touch with: Kurt Meister, Louise Dewar, Barrie Andrian, Mark Glick, and Diane Molleson. Be well everyone, and here's to a really good 2023 for all."

Holly Singer, our class president and marketing ace, decided to go big on the praise for Jim Cropsey, Diane Molleson, and Ken Crowe. With our 45th Reunion a year away (yes, that's 2024), we're going to bask in it. Better to let Holly take it from here: "First, please join me with kudos to Ken, Diane, and Jim, our class 'glue' and inspiration to communicate personal notes, as I urge many



Jim Cropsey '79 recently shows off his award-winning elk.



readers to come out from hiding and share what's new or even recently happening in your life. From this end, I've been living in Central New Jersey for decades, including the past couple years in a low-maintenance downsized home, along with my husband, Richard, two cats, and very occasionally one or two adult children when they visit. I continue to run a marketing communication business, enjoying the home-office setup and flexibility to play tennis multiple times a week, as well as leading a couple volunteer groups, mainly focused on addressing food insecurity. Our daughter, Ariel, living in New Orleans since 2014 college graduation, is the special education coordinator for a charter school. Our son, Jeremy, a college senior, lives in Philadelphia and looks forward to receiving his B.S. in environmental science from Temple."

What better jumping-off point for Jim's news than that. Jim is very much the conservationist ala the school of President Teddy Roosevelt. He works to promote duck populations and even wild sheep. Jim also hunts. You may remember that on the Long Walk there's a marker to commemorate Roosevelt's visit to the College in 1918 to deliver an address the day before Commencement. While we were on campus, future President Jimmy Carter visited while campaigning. Jim reports that in January 2023, he "traveled to the GSCO [Grand Slam Club/Ovis] convention in Las Vegas. GSCO is a goat and sheep conservation organization. GSCO was instrumental in bringing the three populations of wild desert sheep in Mexico back from near extinction. There're actually two conservation organizations for sheep. Who'd of thought that? I won the top category, a Diamond Award, for a tule elk harvested in New Mexico in 2021. Elk consist of four subspecies in North America, with the tule being the smallest in body mass. This 6-by-7 elk had a Boone and Crockett score of 306 2/8. The Boone and Crockett Club was founded by none other than the conservationist Theodore Roosevelt in 1887, before he was president or charged up that hill in 1898, and, incidentally, also before he spoke at Trinity College on the Long Walk. Tule elk are not often found in New Mexico."

Jim also writes, "BioTouch of West Haven, Connecticut, has just announced that **Bob Childs** is the new vice president of program management. BioTouch is a transportation, logistics, supply chain, and storage company."

**Tom Johnson** provided my favorite item for these notes when he sent the January 30, 2023, word-a-day calendar entry. The word was "absolve." The sentence to illustrate its use came from an article I wrote on October 26, 2020. Here's the entry: "If descendants

cannot be found, the church is hopeful that courts will legally absolve them from having to do so.—**Kenneth C. Crowe II**, *The Albany (New York) Times Union*." January 30 happens to be my anniversary date for starting work at the *Times Union* in 1984. Tom's sharing the calendar entry proved to be a big hit in the newsroom. As for himself, Tom says, "All's well on my end. Regrettably, nothing notable to report. Still slogging away. Who knows when retirement will come."

A last-moment update from **George Brickley**, who writes from Melrose, Massachusetts, to say, "Cindy (Higgins) '80 and I are awaiting the birth of our third granddaughter shortly. Amazing to think how much time has passed since we were all 'neath the elms!"

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Back in October, **Mark Leavitt** and his wife were at and Beyond Sossusvlei Desert Lodge. Mark said they were going to miss the beauty of Nambia, which included a hike on the highest peak in the country. It sounded like they went with friends and had a wonderful time.

Also in October, **Lee Clayton Roper, Cynthia Rolph Ballantyne, John Burchenal, Dede Faulkner**, Coach George Sutherland, and **Beth Davison Hyde** spent a weekend at **Page Lansdale's** beautiful home in Claiborne, Maryland, on the Chesapeake. Everyone had a wonderful time reminiscing about Trinity. It was great to see "Coach," who drove all the way from his home in West Virginia.

Last I heard from **Steven Stuart**, he was waiting for grandchild number two in February from his son and daughter-in-law Rachel.

**Susan Angelastro** is happy to have resumed travel post COVID lockdown, and the last two years have taken her on lengthy trips to Firenze, which she missed very much during the pandemic. She and her husband went to Vienna for Thanksgiving and loved every moment of their time in the very elegant and cultured city. She wrote on the eve of her 65th birthday, a milestone that many of us will be marking in 2023. She said the fan mail from Medicare and health plans has kept the mailbox full. She lamented that it seems to be a time of reflection and contemplation and a time to count blessings. She is still contemplating her life after retirement, which is delayed like many due to the pandemic.

**Thomas Hunter** shares that he has lived in Chicago for the past 28 years. He said it has



**John Burchenal '80, former coach of men's squash George Sutherland, and Page Lansdale '80 get together in October 2022 at Page's home in Claiborne, Maryland.**

gone by so quickly. He got an M.B.A. from NYU's Stern School of Business. After working in marketing for many years, he made a career change and began working in social services. He then got a master's in social work from the University of Chicago and is manager of case management at Chicago House and Social Service Agency. Thomas reported that life has had plenty of ups and downs but for the most part has been good!

**Chip Adams** writes from Deep River, Connecticut. In 2021, he created Seabird Cruises as a "post-corporate" activity. Using a classic New England picnic boat, a Dyer 29, he offers sunset, picnic, and custom cruises into Long Island Sound, across to Long Island, and up the Connecticut River from their base at the Saybrook Point Marina. He is having a blast with this and invites everyone looking to get out on the water between May 1 and October 31 to look him up at seabirdct.com. Otherwise, he said recent activity includes a family move to Deep River from Madison, Connecticut, where they were for 20 years, along with keeping track of grown children in Boston and Southern Maine.

**William Bullard**, class vice president, and **John Burchenal** faced each other in the reprieve finals of the APTA Masters 60+ National Championships February 8, 2023, in Pelham, New York. They had not seen each other in years. William commented, "We lost in a tiebreaker in the third set. I thought of Burch as a squash player, but he is also a very good paddle player." John and his partner traveled from Short Hills, New Jersey, and William and his partner came from the Boston area. They both commented how great it was to run into each other and had a fun match. My husband and I used to run into **William Bullard** at a paddle tournament in Baltimore before he moved to Boston. The Pelham APTA Tournament was Bull's 11th Nationals between the Open versions and Seniors.

**Peter Jongbloed**, former 1980 class secretary, sent me some news about **Charles "Chuck" E. Tiernan III**. Chuck was elected in November 2022 and sworn in on January 3, 2023, as the 35th District judge of probate serving Branford and North Branford, Connecticut. He is an attorney who has been practicing law in New Haven at Lynch, Traub, Keefe & Errante for nearly 40 years. Chuck was born and lives in Branford.

**Kate Youngdahl** wrote from Vermont. She is happy to report that she hosted **Bruce Mitchell** and his family this past September. Despite a driving rain, they tramped about their hilltop farm and appreciated the damp chill after a hot summer in San Antonio, where Bruce has lived for decades. Kate and husband Roger see her old roommate (and she meant that in the nicest way) **Anita Spigulis** and husband Chuck DeSnyder at their lovely home on Lake Winnepesaukee in the summer. She also keeps in touch with fellow Vermont transplant **Dave King**, whose woodworking and restoration carpentry is beautiful and who shares her love of good dogs. Kate still teaches English, a second-love career, and is about to earn her third English degree (because who could stop at one?). She continues writing documentaries on the side; two aired on PBS last year. Like many, she is thinking of retiring and the next big chapter but eager to work at a slower pace and enjoy the Green Mountains more. She says, "I hope to see you at our 45th!"

And I hope to see you at our 45th at Trinity in 2025 if not sooner or at the very least hear from you soon! Sincerely submitted, **Beth Davison Hyde**

From the Alumni Office: The Honorable **Patrice Ball-Reed** is a 2023 honoree of the Earl B. Dickerson Award. The award recognizes and honors minority lawyers and judges whose careers at the bar have emulated courage in making the law the key to justice for all in our society.

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**Mike Bienkowski** retired "for my sanity." For 33 years, he was an associate professor at Russell Sage College in Albany, New York, a program manager, department chair, and popular teacher of hated courses including "Business Law" and "Economics." For the last 13 years, he was the sole creator and teacher of "Innovation Thinking," a course focused on creative and logical problem solving. Mike now spends his time reading

literature, history, cosmology, and quantum mechanics. He also is teaching himself to play the flute, trumpet, piano, and chromatic accordion, using his knowledge as a music major at Trinity. He and wife Abby live in Averill Park, New York, with Atticus (mostly beagle) and three cats.

**Sidnie White Crawford** writes that after taking early retirement from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 2018, she and husband Dan moved to Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. Since then, she has become a visiting professor and scholar in the Department of Biblical Studies at Princeton Theological Seminary and a visiting professor at Gratz College near Philadelphia. She also serves as an assisting priest at Christ Episcopal in Stroudsburg. She sees **Jeanne Penn** regularly on Cape Cod, where they live only 15 minutes apart. The biggest news, however, is that Trinity will be giving Sidnie an honorary degree during May's Commencement Weekend, where she will deliver the Baccalaureate address.

**Jim D'Angelo** was elected president of the Japanese Association for Asian Englishes (JAF AE) in April 2022. At its 50th conference in December, the organization was honored to host world-renowned Sri Lankan Scholar Suresh Canagarajah as keynote speaker.

**David Albin** still practices corporate law at Finn Dixon & Herling in Stamford, Connecticut, and chairs the American Bar Association's Private Equity Mergers and Acquisitions Subcommittee. David lives in Fairfield, Connecticut, with his wife of more than 40 years, Catherine, and is waiting for either of his sons, Josh '09 or Bryan, to make him a grandparent.

**Susan Walsh Ober** shares, "I had the pleasure of catching up with **David Albin** for over an hour via Zoom recently. We reminisced about our time spent as legislative aides at the capitol our senior year and how we'd gotten over our misconceptions about each other to become friends late in our Trinity years. It was no surprise to me how successful Dave has been; I was just surprised and disappointed that he never ran for public office as he would've been an amazing leader. It was fun catching up on family, friendships, and outlooks. We agreed to not let another 40 years pass!"

**Dede Seeber Boyd** sent in a snippet from an Instagram post on Doyle-powered Etchells: "In Florida, sailing in the Florida State Championships, **Peter Duncan's** Doyle-powered *Oatmeal* took home the silverware, sailing with Mark Mendelblatt and Andrew Palfrey. Adverse weather conditions and gale warnings saw the first day of racing abandoned. However, a very proactive race committee ensured three races were held on Sunday in various tricky conditions."

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First, I'd like to fill you all in on a little-known challenge with Class Notes. We class secretaries are given an opportunity to have Alumni Relations send an email that invites classmates to share news. I then compile the updates that come my way and craft what I hope is a cohesive and entertaining update. Sometimes the news comes in too late for inclusion in the next *Reporter*. In fact, often as I write the current update, the notes I compiled months ago are in the issue arriving in our mailboxes. The lag creates an odd crossover where classmates who have just sent updates wonder why theirs didn't get into the issue they are reading. Patience is a virtue. Please keep sending your updates, and encourage any classmates you see to do the same. I'll keep weaving together the threads and hoping you enjoy the final piece.

Perhaps most exciting is the upcoming Bicentennial celebration planned for June. **Bill Talbot**, one of our three class agents for the Trinity Fund, writes, "We have an ambitious goal of 166 classmates (45 percent) giving to Trinity by June 30, in this Bicentennial year for our College. At the time these notes were submitted in January, we were halfway to the goal. We hope you'll help us reach it by making your gift today!"

**Tom Mathews** shares that he is excited to get started with the first round of empty nest travel in a long time. He also enjoys trips planned around the board of the SHRM Foundation, which he has been sitting on for the past five years and currently chairs. This organization mobilizes the power of HR for positive social change in the workplace. He is proud of the work it does to help organizations tap the talents of veterans and previously incarcerated folks who "have been given a second chance and made good on it."

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# John Manak '84



## DEGREES:

**B.S. in biology; Ph.D. in molecular biology/biochemistry, Columbia University; postdoctoral work, Stanford University School of Medicine**

## JOB TITLES:

**Professor, Departments of Biology and Pediatrics, University of Iowa and U.I. Carver College of Medicine**

## FAVORITE

### TRINITY MEMORY:

**I enjoyed being in a vibrant liberal arts setting that allowed me to obtain a world-class education across a variety of different disciplines. I really appreciated the breadth of my education. And I can't forget playing guitar in rock bands on campus with fellow Trinity students, including at the Iron Pony Pub!**

## What has been your professional path?

After working for two biotech firms, it quickly became clear that I needed to get back to academia. I wanted to run my own lab. I was a unique candidate for academia because I had extensive experience in biotech with microarrays (a hot technology at the time), which allow you to look at gene expression across an entire genome. Once I was hired at the University of Iowa (2008), I was opportunistic in terms of what projects to work on. One was understanding the genetics of seizure disorders by developing a fruit fly model of epilepsy, and the other was identifying regions of the human genome that might be deleted or mutated in individuals with genetic disorders. Both projects really took off and became the focus of my laboratory.

## Would you explain a bit more about your research?

We study human disease genetics. We have discovered new genes for a number of congenital anomalies, including renal agenesis, spina bifida, and orofacial clefting (also known as cleft lip and/or palate). We just published a study in *The American Journal of Human Genetics* about the identification of three new genes associated with orofacial clefting. We also have generated the first direct genetic proof that activation of the innate immune system in the brain is involved in epilepsy progression, and we just had a paper on this accepted for an upcoming issue of *Cell Reports*.

## What do you enjoy most about doing research?

The excitement of discovery. When you are the first to work out a challenging biomedical problem. Nothing better!

## What courses do you teach?

I teach three classes. "Fundamental Genetics," which in my opinion is the underpinning of all of biology. In "Readings in Genetics," we go over some of the classic papers in scientific literature. I developed the third course, "Good Genes Gone Bad: Genetic Disorders of Notable Celebrities," which allows students with no biology or genetics background to learn about human disease genetics. In it, I teach a little about embryology and about what goes wrong when a particular gene is mutated. Ultimately, I show a video or interview with a celebrity who has that disorder. I've also found that the best way to reach students is to bring in individuals with genetic disorders to talk with the students and start a dialogue where students can ask questions about living with the disorder and the challenges they face. My goal is to make the next generation much more aware and sensitive to the needs of individuals with genetic disorders.

## And what do you enjoy most about teaching?

When a student takes a genuine interest in the subject matter and you see that elusive spark in their eyes! If my courses influence students to go into biomedical careers, all the better.

## What are the biggest challenges you face?

This is true for virtually anyone who engages in biomedical research: continuing to obtain substantial funding, to weather the periods when experiments aren't working or aren't yielding interesting results, and the overall time commitments necessary to continue publishing in top-tier journals.

## What were the most memorable courses you took at Trinity?

Certainly, one of my favorite courses was "Creative Writing" with the late Hugh Ogden. Also, "Myth, Rite, and Sacrament" with Leslie Desmangles. I'm convinced that good scientists are creative people, and there's a nice marriage between the left and right brain, so to speak. Your analytic side is heavily influenced by your creative and artistic side and vice versa. I think it's important to develop both, as there's a lot of cross-pollination. Trinity also gave me an opportunity to engage in research in biology. I really enjoyed, and learned a lot from, the biology classes that were taught; all of them were exceptional (in a good way!). I have fond memories of any biology course that was taught by the late James Van Stone. He was such a kind soul, and he gave me my first research opportunity in his laboratory. I even remember the project—studying amphibian limb regeneration in the red-spotted newt.

**Dan Boyne** reached out to let us know that he has a new book coming out called *Body of Water*. “It’s a murder mystery set on the Charles River in Boston and features rowing . . . naturally!”

And while we are on the topic of crew stories, here’s a happy coincidence. At our recent St. Valentine’s Party, we had the pleasure of hosting **Rob Leavitt** and his wife, among others. He shared the story of Dan’s earlier book, *The Seven Seat*. “It’s a hilarious narrative about our freshman lightweight eight boat that went undefeated and won the national championship at the Dad Vail Regatta.” The boat consisted of **Mark Malkovich, Mark Thilbaut, Rob Leavitt, Joe Reineman, Henry DePhillips, Rich Malabre, Dan Boyne, Peter Tyson**, and coxswain **Heidi Wittwer**. “There’s also a cameo appearance by **Henry Cropsey**. Some names have been changed to protect the innocent. The book transports you back the halcyon days of 1979. It’s inspired me to take up rowing again, though the lightweight days are far behind me. As far as muscle memory: memory, yes; muscle, no.”

We also got to catch up with **Margaret Evans Cosgrove** at the party. She shared the happy news that she and husband Jim welcomed three new grandchildren around the holidays. I believe this makes eight total between them. Country life is agreeing with her as they continue to transform their lovely property, which includes a fabulous house and a soon-to-be finished barn.

Heard from **Jeffrey More** with an update that some fellow whiskey lovers may appreciate. Jeff recently went to Louisville to pick a cask of Angel’s Envy and a barrel of Old Forester for his restaurant, Ashley’s, in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Jeff created Ashley’s shortly after graduating from Trinity. “While at Trinity, I gained an appreciation for beers with flavor, be it Heineken Dark from the Trinity Pub or John Courage” (an English ale he enjoyed at a pub off campus). His unique restaurant was one of the first craft beer bars in the country at the time, even though “we didn’t call it a craft beer bar at the time because the term had not been invented. We kept adding more taps every couple of years until 1994, when we went from 31 to 65. Now we go through 500 to 800 different beers in a year.” Jeff also has always loved Scotch whisky, so he carries a huge selection of them (currently about 60). The bar looks out over the University of Michigan in downtown Ann Arbor and has become a favorite of the university community.

I also heard from **Doug Brooks**, who recently finished teaching his Japanese boatbuilding class at Harvard. An exhibit will be in place at the Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies on the Cambridge campus.

I learned that the exhibit, *In the Making*, highlights the sights, sounds, and experiences involved in constructing a traditional Japanese wooden boat (wasen). During the 2023 January winter session, 12 students—many with little or no previous woodworking experience—built a Japanese river skiff through an apprenticeship-style “silent” workshop led by Doug, who is a professional boatbuilder. Now he is off to Australia to teach two one-week Japanese boatbuilding workshops, including one in Tasmania in conjunction with the Australian Wooden Boat Festival, the second largest such event in the world. Next, he will head back to Japan, where he will build six traditional wooden river tour boats to replace a fleet that was destroyed in flooding in 2020.

Last but not least, Matt and I are looking forward to the upcoming Trinity trip to celebrate the anniversary of the Rome Campus. Originally planned for 2020, this trip was postponed as the pandemic swept across Italy. Matt is excited to return and hopes to see classmates with whom he shared that wonderful summer between junior and senior year.

From the Alumni Office: **Sarah Jane Nelson** recently released *Ballad Hunting with Max Hunter: Stories of an Ozark Folksong Collector*. A traveling salesman with little formal education, Hunter gravitated to song catching and ballad hunting while on business trips in the Ozarks. He recorded nearly 1,600 traditional songs by more than 200 singers from the mid-1950s through the mid-1970s while focusing on preserving the music in its unaltered form. Sarah Jane chronicles Hunter’s song-collecting adventures alongside portraits of the singers and mentors he met along the way. The book is available from the University of Illinois Press.

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It was nice to hear from some new voices for this latest update. The first was from **Glen D’Abate**, who writes that he and wife Kirsten live in Medfield, Massachusetts, and that his son Adam recently graduated from St. Lawrence University and lives, works, and skis in nearby Burlington, Vermont. Meanwhile, daughter Jane, after completing her undergraduate degree in international relations at King’s College, is pursuing a master’s degree in creative writing at Goldsmiths, University of London. During the past 25 years, Glen has been busy building the health care software and services

company he founded, Acmeaware. He keeps in touch with many Trinity alumni, including **David Nagle**. Glen and Dave recently enjoyed with Bantam enthusiasm front-row seats to watch the Eagles take on the Commanders in Philly this past November. You might remember Dave was the radio voice of Trinity sports when we were there. He parlayed that experience and his love for sports into a long and successful career at ESPN, from which he recently retired.

Another first-time contributor was **Marlene Arling Kurban**. She recently started a new job at Magellan Federal as a senior proposal writer. Magellan Federal provides wellness services to the military, federal civil employees, and their families. Marlene and her husband still live in Sarasota, Florida, where she adds they are often busy dodging hurricanes.

**Jeff Bamonte**, my old Brooklyn buddy, is a full-time resident of Nashville, Tennessee. He reports on recently stepping down as vice president of sales at Novocure after 11 years, which included helping the medical device company go public on the NASDAQ in 2015. Jeff remains as a part-time adviser to the company but plans to fully retire in 2024 along with wife Lisa, who is finishing her nursing career. Jeff’s older daughter, Marissa, continues to live in downtown Charleston, South Carolina, on the peninsula, working for the College of Charleston as a digital social media manager. Younger daughter Lauren is a 2L at the University of Virginia School of Law in Charlottesville, Virginia, and will be a summer associate at Morgan Lewis in D.C. when school is out.

**Al Strickler** writes of some good communication back and forth with **Bert Banta** in California during TCU’s run to the CFP national championship game. Both had daughters who went there. My wife did as well, and I think they all will treasure the Michigan semifinal game and try to forget what followed.

**Bruce Zawodniak** reports on some even better football news as he attended the Trinity versus Wesleyan football game with classmates **Tom Merrill, Diane Rapalus Beir, Ronny Carroll**, and me, where we watched the Bantams complete an undefeated season on a sunny, 70-degree afternoon. Our group also ran into friendly 1982 graduates Jim Kachadoorian, Chuck Welsh, and Ben Baron.

**Wendy Gorlin Tayer** writes of a very busy life of late. She recently was promoted to associate clinical professor in the Psychiatry Department at UCSD but reduced her work schedule to three days a week. Her oldest is engaged and will be getting married in San Diego this July. The free time and empty nest prompted an adventurous journey to the southern hemisphere in January for



Wendy and her husband. Their expedition to Antarctica was the trip of a lifetime to the most vast, pristine, surreal sea and land wilderness on the planet. Highlights included a glacial kayak trip around two islands with closeup vistas of orcas, humpback, and minke whales as well as hundreds of gentoo and chinstrap penguins, walks on the continent and ice sheets, hikes around the calderas of volcanic Deception Island, Zodiac rides to shipwrecks, and many informative science lectures from naturalists and university professors who are experts in biology and environmental science. The post-trip excursion to Iguazú Falls in Argentina and Brazil was equally spectacular, with stellar views from the air and both sides of the falls. They enjoyed checking out Buenos Aires and Ushuaia (the southernmost city in the world) on the tip of Patagonia (Tierra del Fuego). Wendy stays in regular contact with **Sasha Opel**, **Marissa Ocasio**, **Wendy Farnham**, **Margot Blattmann**, **Tina Tricarichi**, **Cara Bachenheimer**, **Agi Sardi**, **Jane Klapper Sykes**, and **Ami Maron**. Current report has all attending the Reunion in June.

Finally, regarding our 40th Reunion this June, our class president for life, **Todd Beati**, wants to remind everyone of the dates, June 9–11. Also, since it aligns with the 200th anniversary of the College, he'd like us to pass the word to our surrounding Classes of '80, '81, '82, '84, '85, and '86 to please join us on Friday night if they are around. That's all for now!

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Short and sweet this time! I hope you are all saving up your news for the next *Reporter!*



Susan Thomas Schlett '84, center, joins alumni Gina Buzzelli '16, Rahul Mitra '21, Anthony Ragazzi '21, and Liz Garypie '99 at an engineering alumni panel discussion on campus in March 2023. PHOTO: NICK CAITO

From the Alumni Office: **Susan Thomas Schlett** returned to Trinity in early March. She spent several days in Hartford, speaking at a Common Hour for engineering students, moderating a panel discussion with engineering alumni, and attending the Society of Women Engineers conference in downtown Hartford with nine students and Professor of Engineering John Mertens. She writes, "It is an exciting year for me to join in the 200th anniversary of the school and the 40th anniversary of the Society of Women Engineers section at Trinity College." As a student, Susan played an instrumental role in founding the College's SWE section.

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**Jane McDonough Bayer** had a big year in 2022. In July, she got a new job at ADS Environmental as project manager/office manager. "It is very exciting and very challenging learning about all the equipment, managing staff, monthly financials, and client service," she says. She also had a total hip replacement. Jane remains in contact with her dear friend **Joy Hayden Newburn**. Plus, she moved to a little place of her own. "I have never been happier," she said.

**Louise Williams Senopoulos** writes with pride that her oldest daughter got married last July, and her twin sister followed suit in February. Her youngest, who is 26, just took a job at the University of Illinois as the head athletic trainer for men's and women's tennis. Louise still coaches women's tennis at Camden County College, and her team came in second at the NJCAA national tournament this past fall! Meanwhile, she and her significant other recently purchased a little condo in Savannah, where they hope to spend more time playing golf and tennis and enjoying the history and great restaurants. Needless to say, she remains in daily contact with **Nancy McKeown Aboyan**, **Victoria Arvanitis Jenks**, and **Bonnie Adams Connors** via text. She said Nancy and Bonnie also have moved south, so she is hoping to see them more frequently.

**John Fiske** shares, "I'm still in love with my teaching practice. My sweet spot has been the college classroom for more than a decade, and I have no reason to stop."

The Rev. **Robert Flanagan** responded to my invitation to philosophize. "Good God, Stephen. I'm in so deep with church writing, teaching, and pastoring that I would bore the ink it's written in," he says, adding, "Seriously, by the next time, I will be close to having a couple of longer works about mental health and the Bible. That might be interesting." Check out Bob's scholarship on Amazon!

**Alex Boyle** saw **Sam Reid** and **Rick Cleary** at a social function I hosted at the New York Athletic Club in late October. Alex remains deeply ensconced in the world of painters of the Hudson River School. He has taken on the project coming out of a PBS film he was in about 20 years ago, *America's First River: Stories from the Hudson*. He is remastering the still images for today's HD format. The visual upgrade of the paintings and period photography involves dealing with copyright

holders and more. “I will probably have to purchase the film outright to remaster it and make the Hudson River School appeal to a new generation,” he said.

I invite you to ponder what is surprising you, for good or otherwise, as we enter a new decade. And please feel free to reach out.

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Greetings! I hope everyone is well and enjoying winter.

**Jay Gangi** passed along a great picture and writes, “I recently had the pleasure of getting together with several of my Trinity classmates. This year, we chose Miami for some great food, fishing, golf, and horse racing. Our almost annual trip to various locations (25 out of the past 30 years—crazy!) has become an institution. We count the days to the next one when we can share laughs and stories about our lives, families, and our time at Trin.”

**Mimi Gatchell Rodgers** shares the following update, “After 25 years of living overseas, my husband and I will be moving back to the United States, namely to Williamsburg, Virginia. If anyone from our Trinity days lives in that area, please reach out. Our two kids, now in their 20s, are living in Vancouver and Nantucket, studying and working. Other than that, I am bracing myself to enter a new decade this year, as I imagine many of us are. Cheers!” Happy birthday, Mimi!

**Molly Schnorr Dunne** writes, “My daughter Dorothea ’25 is living her best life in a Jarvis eight-person and as a thrilled member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. My 18-year-old son, Spencer, a senior at Dexter Southfield here in Boston, was admitted early decision to Providence College, so sadly not becoming a Bantam but staying close to home in the Northeast. We saw many Trinity Bantams at the annual US Squash Century Doubles tournament in N.Y.C. over the January 13–15 holiday weekend. Sightings included **JD Cregan**, Sue Greene ’84, Scott Fuller ’84, Carl Baglio ’03, and Mikey Ferreira ’04, who came to watch some of the incredible squash competition!” Molly continues on as a trusty class agent, so please respond favorably to her calls for donations to help our class fundraising goals and participation percentages.

Feel free to pass along any news you want to share to **Paul Ferrucci** (paul.ferrucci@icloud.com).

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Not one but two classmates—**Sharon Larson Schmidt** and **Michele Amendola**—shared details of the Trinity Musical Theater Alumni Reunion at Montclair State University in New Jersey in November 2022 at which the Class of 1987 was well represented. Sharon writes, “We were treated to performances by alumni, a group choral sing, and the extraordinary talents of Terrence Bogan ’24 and Marisa Tornello ’15. A wonderful time was had by all, and it was fun to see ’87ers **Michele Amendola, Kimberly Ditallo Gentile, Jeanne Harrison, Phoebe McBride Madden, Jon Potter, and Lisa Howell Ruhl**.

In all, there were 125-plus Trinity alumni in attendance from across 40 years of Trinity musical theater.” According to **Michele Amendola**, “We . . . enjoyed cocktails, dinner, and a short program, under the direction of Gerry Moshell. It was a fun evening, the Class of ’87 was well represented, and I especially enjoyed catching up with my former roommate, **Jeanne Harrison**.”

**Melissa Bronzino Regan** is director of engagement in the Alumni and Development Office at the Frederick Gunn School in Washington, Connecticut. She left Trinity’s Alumni Relations Office after nearly 10 years there, “where it was my privilege to work with the Women’s Leadership Council and the Entrepreneurial Network, among other projects” since 2013; she previously was at Trinity from 1990–2005 before taking eight years off to be home with her kids.

**Bill Cunningham** checks in from Louisville, Kentucky. Son William Cunningham is a freshman at Trinity, a member of the Class of 2026, which will be the 200th class to graduate from Trinity! Bill says his son is “loving it” at Trinity. Bill recently had dinner with **Bill Eastburn** and Charlotte Dunham Eastburn ’89 in New Hope, Pennsylvania, while staying at their home.

**Jeff Durmer** sends this impressive news from the world of health care innovation: “This past year (2022), I exited the company I co-founded over 17 years ago (Nox Health), which created the first FDA-cleared home sleep-testing device in the U.S., the first (and largest) tele-based population sleep health and health care program in the U.S., and the first value-based sleep health program for self-insured employers in the U.S. It was a wild ride being one of first movers in the digital value-based health care space, but now that the current wave of tech-enabled health care innovation is here, it makes it all feel worth it! Not happy resting on the sidelines,



1987 classmates **Phoebe McBride Madden, Sharon Larson Schmidt, and Kim DiTallo Gentile** spend time together at the Trinity Musical Theater Alumni Reunion at Montclair State University in November 2022.

I jumped back into the health-tech world this year as a consultant with my new company, Limbico Health (limbicohealth.com). It’s a great feeling to support the next generation of health care innovators, entrepreneurs, and accountable health care business leaders.” Jeff, wife Fernanda, and 9-year-old son Hayden live in Denver.

**Isabelle Parsons Loring** and husband Ian downsized recently, “thankfully after the pandemic, to Brookline, Massachusetts. It’s nice to be closer to Boston at our age, with easier access to my volunteer commitments and cultural activities. I serve as a volunteer at several hospitals as well as at an educational access organization called The Steppingstone Foundation, which once had a branch on Trinity’s campus, as well as the Nantucket Conservation Foundation. Our greatest enjoyment is spending time with our three children and one son-in-law.”

**Jamie Harper** keeps up with various classmates, but “the standout this quarter was a delightful chance meeting with **Tracy Killoren Chadwell**” while he was in Philadelphia to give a lecture at the University of Pennsylvania. Jamie dropped in at the White Dog Cafe for a bite to eat after the lecture. “Who should be two tables over but Tracy, who has a son in the sophomore class at Penn. So fun to catch up and to meet the spouses who, we’re happy to report, are both ‘up to snuff.’” Jamie also reports that he is getting ready for a “major Camp Trin-Trin flashback” in March 2023, when he’ll go to hear *The English Beat* play at The State Theatre in State College, Pennsylvania. ’87ers (your faithful secretary included) “recommended the show in droves and attest that even if Ranking Roger is rankin’ in the grave, lead man Dave Wakeling lives on and ‘has not lost any of it!’”

Trinity’s Alumni Bicentennial Celebration takes place this June, perhaps as you are



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Hello! Hoping everyone is well. So nice to hear news from near and far.

**Matt Bergeron** writes that he “recently retired from ExxonMobil after a 33-year career and 14 domestic and international moves. After spending the last four years in Singapore, my wife and I have resettled in McLean, Virginia. I’m currently exploring part-time nonprofit opportunities and would welcome the chance to reconnect with classmates in the D.C. area.” Welcome back to the DMV, Matt. Look forward to catching up in person!

**Bridget McCormack** “retired from the Michigan Supreme Court on December 31, 2022, after serving for 10 years and four as the chief justice. On February 1, I will be the new CEO and president of the American Arbitration Association. My main office is in Manhattan, and I hope to connect with friends and classmates in New York. My husband and I have four adult kids now: one in medical school, one doing a Ph.D. in economics, one working in Brooklyn, and one graduating this spring from college. We are enjoying this phase of life, and when we are not working, we like to ride road bikes, swim in Michigan’s Great Lakes, and hike.” Congratulations on your new position, Bridget!

**TJ Turner** sends news that his “daughter, Emily, was married just before Thanksgiving. The wedding and reception were held in Falmouth, and it was a beautiful day. Among those joining in the celebration were classmates **Jinny Swope Varley, Fran Tresniowski Lanning, Annie Griffenberg, Matt Donahue, and Dan Smith**. They were joined by eight members of the Class of 2018, including the bride. While those in the Class of 2018 certainly know how to party, the ’88ers held their own! As we’re on the same Reunion cycle, we are looking forward to celebrating with them again in June.”

Bantam pride and lifelong friendships abound! **Mary Ambrogio Cashman** is sharing



**Doug Macdonald '89 and Andrew Walker '89 (and Andrew's 50-year-old Trinity tie) meet at a November 2022 Long Walk Societies event in New York City.**

a similar reflection to many of us. “It’s hard to believe we’re coming upon our 35th Reunion. I’m so grateful for the friendships we’ve maintained over the last four decades. In January, I hosted several of those great friends at our place in Delray Beach. This group tries to get together at least annually since graduation. It was a weekend of Trinity memories, full of laughter and appreciation for our time there. I got to see **Gina Gewant Doyle, Kim Coursen Parker, Leslie Chvatal Ward, Nancy Spalding Gray, Jennifer Goffman Greenawalt, and Wendy Carlson Cataldo. Kristy Gebhardt Macoy** unfortunately couldn’t make it. A special guest appearance by **Susan Tiffany**, who came to see us from her home in Miami Beach, rounded out the perfect weekend.” Reunion Weekend is approaching. What fun it will be to catch up in person. I hope to see all of you on campus the weekend of June 9–11 for our 35th Reunion and the Bicentennial celebration. Cheers to the Class of ’88 and to Trinity’s 200th!

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**Bob Markee** has been busy. He writes, “I went on vacation in the Poconos with **Sean Dougherty** and **Julie Lowry** last fall, but it was cut short because Sean gave us both COVID. I purchased a new home in Cleveland Heights this past fall, marking the very first time I’ve ever owned property (largely affected by 20 years in N.Y.C. as a chronic renter). I am looking forward to an upcoming trip with **Michael Vanderbilt** and **Seth Lipton**, which will have happened by the time everyone reads this. We’re getting together for our fourth annual Presidents’ Day weekend of games in Maine, where we regress to childhood playing board games for four days

without getting out of our pajamas. Yes, it smells like you think it would.”

**Becky Holt Fine** provides an update about her son. “Gabriel is in kindergarten and practicing swimming, horseback riding, and skating!” He’s an achiever, Becky!

**Michelle McEtrick** sends this update from across the pond: “I started a new job in September as the chief customer officer for the fashion retailer Primark. It is Dublin based, which is easy for me to get to every other week from London and handy that I got my Irish passport after being frustrated by Brexit! Sustainability is important to the brand and a part of my remit, so I am off to India on Tuesday to see the cotton harvest. I’m so excited! My husband, Mike, and I were in New York in November for **Nancy Cudlipp’s** dad’s memorial service in Chelsea. It was partially virtual for her oldest relatives and a very moving experience. Bill was a family archivist, so the storytelling at the event was rich and made everyone smile. Nancy, **Sue Kinz Maggioni, Kevin Scollan**, and I are still in a book club we started a few years ago, although we are a few months behind at this writing. Must recommit! Otherwise, Mike and I are still living in our converted warehouse in East London. We adopted two new kittens last year, René and Georgette. And Mike’s band, My Fine Companions, is back out doing gigs after all the COVID disruption. My dream of being a groupie has finally been realized.”

From **Todd Gillespie**, “I’m still out here in Sparta, New Jersey, living on the lake!” He reports he still holds his global HR job at Mars, and it allows him to work remotely most days. Todd has continued to stay closely connected to several classmates. He recently hosted **Maia Sharpley** during one of her visits to N.Y.C. “Maia is based in San Francisco but spends a lot of time traveling for her educational technology investment fund business.” Together, they caught up with **Amy Kestnbaum Janzon** in Ridgefield, Connecticut. Todd told me Amy’s three sons are budding soccer stars playing for Bates College and the Ridgefield High School team. He continues to see **Chris Dickinson** and **Donna Haghghat** often; “I’m traveling up to see them next weekend for our regular ‘catch up’; expecting lots of good food, drink, and reminiscing!”

**Lydia Babbitt** had a favorable encounter with an undergrad recently. “I ran into a very talented Trinity undergrad in a very unexpected place over the last few weekends while workshopping a new musical in Thomaston, Connecticut. Our leading man was none other than Trinity’s own Terrence Bogan ’24. Be sure to make a note of the name; my prediction is that his singing voice will take him far!”

This section of notes is called “**Mike Miller’s** Menagerie.” This is what he shared: “Still live in Boxford with wife, daughter, two sons, two dogs, three turtles, three goats, three ducks, a horse, and a chinchilla; started a new job in December, and I am now officially an agent of Shield; everyone is healthy, and life is good!”

And from **Maria Walsh**, “I am coming up on five years at Save the Children on the impact communications team. I love my job (who wouldn’t like thanking donors all the time for their generosity)! My husband, Brian, and I have two kids—my son is 21 and daughter is 19—and we got our first dog in 2021, and we’re all in love with her.”

**Matt Gandal** reports in, too. “I’m still living happily in the Washington, D.C., area with my wife, Class of ’88 alum Trina Pew Gandal. We became empty nesters this past year as our daughter headed off to college (Tulane not Trinity). Our two sons have graduated college and are living and working in the D.C. area, which is nice for us. I keep myself busy running a national consulting business, Education Strategy Group, which I launched in 2022 after serving in the Obama administration. We specialize in the intersection between education and the economy, and we work with K–12 school systems, colleges, and employers around the country to build clearer pathways from education into the workforce. There’s much work to be done in this arena coming out of the pandemic. I keep in good touch with a variety of other Class of ’89ers, including **Jeff Jacobson**, who lives in Boston; **Ridge Cromwell** and **Jonah Cohen**, who live in Connecticut; **Steve Belber**, **Rich Maloney**, and **Steve Brauer**, who live in New York; and **Steve Ryan**, who lives in New Jersey. While we don’t see each other as much as we’d like to, the ties that bind run deep. Look forward to seeing many more of our classmates at a Reunion or other venue soon.”

I, **Andrew Walker**, was fortunate to run into **Doug Macdonald** in late November at a Trinity event in Manhattan. It was great to spend an evening with him to catch up in person. I wore a 50-year-old Trinity tie handed down to me in 1989 from my grandfather, acquired in his days as Trinity parent; my uncle, Stow Walker, was Class of 1975. The tie has held up well.

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**Scott Gettinger** is a professor of internal medicine and chief, thoracic medical oncology, at Yale Cancer Center. He sees patients, does research, and teaches. Scott reports that he

has two boys, one in college and the other a junior in high school. He keeps in touch with **Chris Seufert** and **Chris Sullivan**.

**Courtney Zanelli** shares, “My oldest three boys are all launched, working full time and happily off the payroll. Our youngest son is a junior at Colgate and studying in Barcelona for the semester with **Angie Han’s** son, who is a fraternity brother. I’m planning to visit him this spring with two of his brothers, including Bart ’18.”

From **Greg Milbourne**: “My eldest is an honors student at Ursinus, double majoring in Spanish and chemistry. Our son considered Trinity but is deciding between Lehigh and Ursinus for math, linguistics, and engineering. I continue to pace races like the New York City Marathon and guide blind athletes for Achilles International while maintaining my private practice as a psychologist virtually from our home. Wishing everyone well.”

**Melissa Gold Jelinek** writes, “We are adjusting to becoming empty nesters! My daughter Sophie is graduating in May from Virginia Tech, and she is on the job hunt, and my son Benjamin is a freshman at Syracuse. I just passed my five-year anniversary at BNY Mellon in N.Y.C., where I manage the employment legal team for the Americas. We took a wonderful three-generation trip to Lisbon, Israel, and Petra, Jordan, and enjoyed the special time together while learning a lot.”

**Dan “Mono” Goldman** started a business making and selling ski racks (Gravirax). He went to Reno last summer to get **Bill Macartney’s** help selling racks in the Tahoe area. Presently, he has **Al Fuente** sleeping on his couch in Snowmass watching hockey. He spends a lot of time driving around the western United States flogging racks—would be happy to ski or share a drink with any Trinity folk.

**Dave Hupper** shares, “After six years in New Mexico, Marney and I have moved back East to Belfast, Maine, where, among other things, we are renovating an old sea captain’s house.”

**Alana Jeydel** writes, “In August 2021, I started teaching at Fresno City College. Freya is a first-year at Wellesley College and is settling in well. Her attending Wellesley has enabled me to visit **Beth** and **Kim Lincoln**, and many other Trinity classmates have offered her their help, like **Robin Silver Grace**, **Steve Safran**, and **JD Creedon**. This West Coast parent is super grateful for the offers of help from my classmates near Wellesley.”

**A.J. Kohlhepp** writes that while he is teaching and coaching at Boys’ Latin School of Maryland, his wife is working afternoons at Gilman School and consulting with a nonprofit called CityLit.

From **Elya Schwartzman**: “After a 200-plus-year career working for large financial corporations, I co-founded BondBloxx Investment Management in 2021 with several partners. Susan and I are very proud of our three boys: our oldest, Nathan, graduated USF last year with honors and is working as an architect; Jonah is a sophomore at Washington University; and our youngest, Gabriel, is a high school senior and enjoying his last year here in Mill Valley, California.”

**Ron Goodman** writes: “All is good in Sharon, Massachusetts. My son Tyler will be starting at Trinity in the fall, Class of 2027. At Homecoming, I caught up with **Adam Herzlich**, **Jason Hicks**, **Terry McNamara**, **Mike** and **Robin ’91 Cavanaugh**, and **Dede DePatie Consoli ’88**. Did you hear **Andy Steinberg**, who moved to Phoenix a few years ago, recently bought a share of the Phoenix Suns?”

From **Will Thimes**: “After 25 years living on the north side of Chicago, I just bought a loft with my beautiful partner, Tina. It’s close to most of Chicago’s film production facilities, which I hope will come in handy as I prepare to produce my first indie feature later this year. I recently had lunch with **Paul Nikolaidis**, who also still lives in the city.”

**Paul Diaz** and **Ana Carvajal** are well and still living in Great Falls, Virginia. Ana’s digital organizing business is flourishing, and she recently completed a multiyear term on the Carvajal family council. Meanwhile, their eldest daughter is completing a master’s at Columbia University and plans to pursue a Ph.D. Their middle daughter recently graduated from the University of Toronto. Finally, their son is finishing his second year at Northeastern University.

**Neil Walsh** writes: “My wife, Anne, and I live in Newburyport, Massachusetts. I left the corporate day job four years ago after 11 years at Epsilon running professional services. I am now doing freelance management consulting and leadership coaching for technology companies that are looking to scale. I have four kids, two in college and two in high school, and all are doing well. I’ve run into **Tim Boylan** at Northeastern’s parents’ weekend and met up with him a few times when he has been in Boston. Tim is CEO of OP360, which provides global outsourcing services, and **Steve Kemler** is on his board. I also run into **Linda DiPaolo Jones**. She and husband Mike are doing great!”

**Jim Murphy** shares: “I recently opened a Connecticut office for Bernstein Private Wealth Management. I see **Peter Denious**, who is CEO of AdvanceCT, on a regular basis. **Mike Cavanaugh**, **Greg Johnson**, and a number of AD brothers are on an ongoing text chain that results in a lot of laughs.



# Maxine Skaggs Kennedy '95

## DEGREES:

**B.A. in American studies; master of architecture, the University of Pennsylvania**

## JOB TITLES:

**Architect and principal at Studio Skaggs Kennedy, Architecture + Urbanism, in Berkeley, California**

## FAVORITE

### TRINITY MEMORY:

**So many great memories from the rugby field, to RA training, to Kappa, to SGA spades tournaments, but really the best was just being able to walk down the halls to see which friends wanted to hang out. So many nights talking and laughing in Elton, Jarvis, and what we called New Dorm. So many friendships that I cherish to this day were made in those dorms.**



### What was your path to your current position?

Growing up I was told I should go to law school because I like to argue, but after getting introduced to architecture through various classes at Trinity, I wanted to learn more about the profession. Since my college degree wasn't in architecture, I started in the mailroom at Gensler, a global architecture firm headquartered in San Francisco. Two years of working there in different administrative positions convinced me that I wanted to be the one designing buildings. My graduate program at the University of Pennsylvania was three years plus a summer studio for students who had non-architecture undergrad degrees. One summer, I joined Penn's Japan program studying and traveling throughout the country, and after it finished, I worked at Gensler's Tokyo office. After graduate school, I came back to San Francisco and worked at three firms on a variety of projects from residential to urban design with a majority of the time designing public architecture, specializing in libraries, university buildings, and community centers. After my second child was born, during maternity leave, I passed my final architecture exam to get licensed in California and started off on my own as a sole practitioner. A few years later, my husband, Sean, who was a classmate of mine at Penn, and I bought a small, crumbling house to flip. As the architect, contractor, and construction workers, we fixed it up on nights and weekends with our young kids in tow and sold it nine months later. This gave us the opportunity for Sean to quit his day job and join me full time in founding our architecture firm, Studio Skaggs Kennedy.

**What do you do in your role?** As architect and principal, I run the architecture firm that we started nine years ago and oversee the design of all the projects. We purposely seek out projects that vary in size and type, and we always pursue a modern and sustainable design. Currently our office is finishing construction on a retail store in San Francisco and a house in Silicon Valley. We are in design development of a historic theater, rehabilitating and reimagining it as a mixed-use food hall, co-work, and event space. We are also researching multifamily housing and how to add much-needed housing to the Bay Area. While we take on diverse projects, a recurring theme in our designs is integrating the outside with the interior and the enhancement of the public realm.

**What do you enjoy most about your work?** I love the diversity of what I do—some days I'm drawing designs, some I'm visiting the jobsite of a project in construction, some I'm meeting with clients, and some I'm managing the office dealing with administrative, marketing, and business development. But the most rewarding part of my job is having my ideas built and seeing the enjoyment of people in these spaces.

**What are your biggest challenges?** My biggest challenge is making sure we have enough work to actively engage and pay our employees but not so much that we are all overworked and not attending to all the details that our work demands. Architecture can be unpredictable, and it is a constant balancing act running my own firm.

**How did your time at Trinity prepare you for your career?** Architecture is an interdisciplinary profession where you need to know something about everything. Having a solid liberal arts education from Trinity with a broad mix of classes helped prepare me for my career.

**Did you have a professor who was particularly influential? What about a most memorable course?** Professor Kathleen Curran and her "20th Century Modern Architecture" course was both the most memorable and most influential. This is the course that changed my direction from law school. I originally took it because I finished the requirements for my major early, and I started taking other courses that interested me. I liked it so much I was her teaching assistant for the class the next year. Professor Curran encouraged me to take every class related to architecture at Trinity, including architectural history, studio art, and architectural drawing and design. I continued this exploration by enrolling in a summer semester architecture program with Syracuse University in Florence, Italy, before senior year.



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For more on her work, please visit [trincollreporter.online/SkaggsKennedy](http://trincollreporter.online/SkaggsKennedy).

Ray Hannan, Neil Walsh, Jeff Proulx, Paul Diaz, Ed Troiano, and I got together again this year for our 27th annual Super Bowl weekend trip. This year we visited Austin, Texas.”

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From the Alumni Office: Robert DeLena shares that he and son Ryan co-wrote a memoir. *Without Restraint* was published on March 1 by Falcon Press/Globe Pequot, a division of Rowman & Littlefield. Rob writes, “I’ll spare you the long version, but Ryan was an intense and highly active toddler. Our town preschool couldn’t manage him, and he was placed in a therapeutic school that physically restrained him. We were also advised by a pediatric neuropsychologist and the school director to restrain him at home, and eventually we succumbed to medication before things backfired and he ended up in a mental hospital for two weeks in 2010. But here is where the story gets good. A year before during a horrendous school vacation when Ryan was acting out, I randomly decided to take him skiing. We then started skiing every weekend in New England and soon around the world. On each trip, I saw a different kid than everyone else, and my wife, Mary Beth ’90, and I began to challenge the doctors and educators who were so certain about Ryan’s future. Today, he is a well-known outdoorsman and spends most days in the backcountry of the Presidential Range or at one of the New Hampshire/Vermont/Maine resorts. He is training to be a professional ski guide and rock-climbing guide. He interned last year in Svalbard and in Antarctica for a company called Ice Axe Expeditions. He’s also a college student at Northern Vermont University and isn’t living in a group home like everyone said he would.” Rob closes by noting that they began writing *Without Restraint*, which also became available on Blackstone Audio in April, on their phones during a trip to Antarctica in 2018.

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Greetings from N.Y.C.! I hope everyone is doing well. So happy to share that a group of Trinity KKG alums—Christina Bennett,

Nicole Moretti Hockley, Katie Kwak Garvin, Ellen McCusker Devlin, Jamie Weisberg ’93, Chrissy Hewitt ’93, and Gabin Rubin ’90 met in N.Y.C. for brunch. They almost had to kick us out of our table! Would love to meet with other Bants in the city, so give us a shout!

Here’s some other news from our classmates:

**Matt Duffy** reached out to say he had dinner in Boston with **Rob Hayes**, **Jeff Luzzi**, and **Andre Bouvier**. “It was partially to celebrate Andre’s birthday but mostly just to catch up over food and drinks and make fun of each other for hours like we used to do in High Rise. We only wished that other Trinity friends were there.”

**Jim Hausman** reports his daughter is attending Trinity in the fall. Jim is president of Eagle Rock Properties, which has made, and continues to make, multifamily investments in the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast, including West Hartford, Enfield, Hartford, Simsbury, New Haven, and other areas in Connecticut.

**Chris Weiss** writes, “I’m living in Wellesley, Massachusetts, with my wife and three kids. My oldest is finally off the family payroll! He graduated from the University of Michigan in 2022 and is working in Boston for Cambridge Associates. My middle guy is a sophomore at Miami of Ohio as a marketing major and absolutely loves it. My daughter is a junior in high school and is starting to explore colleges (mostly Big 10 schools!). I see some Trinity guys on the paddle tennis courts from time to time (**Eric Brown**, **Nat Kessler** ’93, **Prescott Stewart** ’93, **Chris O’Brien** ’90, **Graham Schelter** ’94, etc.) and also get together with **Tom Mullen** and **Mike Cavanaugh** ’90 every so often.”

**Ron Irwin** writes that he has published a new novel, *My Side of the Ocean* with Pan Macmillan South Africa. American rights are being negotiated. His first novel, *Flat Water Tuesday* (St. Martin’s Press), was partly about his rowing experiences at Trinity and at boarding school. Film rights for *Flat Water Tuesday* were acquired. Find out more at [www.ronirwin.com](http://www.ronirwin.com). Congratulations, Ron!

From the Alumni Office: Harvey Havel recently self-published *The Queen of Intelligence: A 9/11 Conspiracy Novel*. [Indiereader.com](http://Indiereader.com) notes, “While its subject matter—dealing with 9/11 terrorist attacks may seem sensationalistic—Harvey Havel’s dense, sprawling political thriller . . . presents a nuanced and complex take on the chain of events leading to the attack.”

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Creamer, Steve Curley, Betsy Yahn Gillon, James M. Hazelton, Jen McArdle Hoppa, Matt Peterson, Jon Trevisan, Steve Woodworth, Nick Zaino • [f/groups/522663641408997](https://www.facebook.com/groups/522663641408997) Not much to report; it’s quality over quantity this round. The theme seems to be **Prescott Stewart**. I saw him as well as **Mark Kastrud** ’94, **Rob Stempien**, and **Josh Bruno** in Boston over the holidays. We happened to all run into one another, so we had lunch!

**Dan O’Neil** lets us know, “It was great to catch up on all things Trinity with **Prescott Stewart** this past October at the Ocean Edge Beach Bar on the Cape.”

This is very cool: **Cam Hopkins** writes that his oldest son, “Walker, is finishing up his career as a member of Coach Assaiante’s men’s squash team and graduating in the Bicentennial class in May!” Prescott did not play squash.

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Hope everyone is staying warm this winter. **Matthew Longcore** continues to work at Yale University while pursuing a Ph.D. in humanities at Salve Regina University in Newport, Rhode Island. Matthew is president of the Trinity Club of Fairfield County and commodore of the Minuteman Yacht Club in Westport, Connecticut.

**Cliff Fuller** writes, “I left my position at Horace Mann School after one semester for a wonderful new opportunity as the assistant



Cliff Fuller ’94, right, recently joins his boss, Neil deGrasse Tyson.



## Class Notes

to Neil deGrasse Tyson and production associate on his podcast, *StarTalk*.”

**Ali Baird** writes, “I was enjoying a cold beer on the beach in Santa Monica when I spotted someone riding along the shore. As he got closer, I recognized the face: **Tom Corderman**. We caught up on each other’s lives over a drink, but just as he was about to finish his beer, there was a loud commotion. Someone had run over his bike, leaving it badly damaged. With a heavy heart, Tom had to leave, but as he walked away, I couldn’t help but remember how he used to leave his beer unfinished in college, no matter how much he seemed to be enjoying it. It was funny how some things never change.”

**Rachel Brumberg** writes, “I’m currently happily unemployed after leaving my job at Congregation Emanu-El of the City of New York in October, where I had been working for over 15 years. Since then, I’ve been spending my time decompressing, traveling, exploring my hometown (N.Y.C.), working out, and trying out new things. My recent travels included a trip to Vermont in October where I saw both **Lisa Whitney** and **Chris Patton**. In December, I celebrated my 50th birthday in Hawaii, which was my 50th state (state number 49 was Alaska last summer with **Tanya Khouri**; I’ve been on a mission to get to number 50 by 50 and inspire others to travel domestically as well—there’s so much to see in our country!). And most recently I spent a weekend in the Bay Area and got to catch up with **Kelli Harrington Tomlinson** (who’s planning some great stuff for the 200th anniversary), **Clare Schneider Robinson**, and **Dana Nachman**. I’m gearing up for one more road trip next month, and then it’s time to start looking for a job.”

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Dear Class of 1995, it is with a heavy heart that I report the passing of our classmate and dear friend **Brian “Woody” Woodward** in November 2022. Whether he was your close friend or someone you saw in passing on the Long Walk, his good nature and positive attitude toward life were undeniable. **Jon Massey** and I were fortunate to know him well and to share many memories that included him. While at Trinity, Woody, who was a history major, wrote for the *Tripod* and was a mentor in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. After graduating, he went on to The Fletcher School

at Tufts University to earn an M.A. in law and diplomacy. He enjoyed a 20-plus-year career with the Department of Commerce. He leaves behind his wonderful wife, Ellen, and three beautiful children. Shortly before Christmas, we attended his funeral with fellow classmates **Christy Brown Murray, Cindy Darling, Grace Kurdian, Joyce Kurdian, Bryan Satter, Rachel Schneider Mehta, Tim Sullivan, and Kiersten Zimmerman**, where his family expressed how much his years at Trinity meant to him. The church was packed to standing room only, and the clear theme was that if you were lucky to merely have come in brief contact with Woody, you would know what it meant to have met a wonderful, kind, and caring person.

As this is Trinity’s Bicentennial year, I look forward to seeing many of you at one of the various celebrations being held so we can share some stories and some laughs.

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Greetings, classmates! Many thanks to **Geoffrey Zampiello**, who was the only person who answered my plea for information. Geoff writes, “I invented a platform that takes internet surveillance from end-user devices and uses a weighted algorithm from words of a data intercept to produce a dynamic real-time television, smartphone, or computer segment or commercial. The content evaluation patent changes the segment on the user’s television, smartphone, or computer in real time, altering the perception of the subject. The patents are called method and

system for multicasting targeted advertising data. I invented the patent(s), and they are assigned to AT&T. I invented them while working at home as an employee of AT&T Labs in Middletown, New Jersey.” He also is listed in the *Marquis Who’s Who Top Executives*. Congratulations, Geoff!

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Hello, Trin pals. I hope you are preparing to savor what will begin (for most) this last year of our mid-40s. And I hope you are marking your calendars and clearing your schedules for Reunion next year—25 years! I believe the dates will be June 6–9, 2024, or something close. I can’t stress enough how much “the more the merrier” applies here. We were a small contingent at the last Reunion in 2019, so I am hoping more of our classmates will attend this time around as it really is a fun weekend! I will continue posting info in the Facebook group as I receive it, so please join the page “Trinity College Class of 1999 Alumni” if you haven’t already. Additionally, if you are not a social media person, please send me an email, and I will make sure we contact you accordingly one way or another! In the meantime, please enjoy the following recent updates from our ’99 squad.

It was great to hear from **Andrew Reilly**, who was excited to have seen **Mike Ingrassia, Jason Chapman**, Dan Krook ’00, and **Alexis Gallisa** in Essex, Connecticut, in December for a mini-reunion lunch. Andrew has been living in San Diego for 21 years and has been working in investments since graduation. He is married with two boys.

**Liz Rohfritsch Tarter** also was excited to catch up with **Suzanne Farrell Smith, Laila Schmutzler Forster, Michelle Kennedy Russell**, and **Lisa Davis Tranquillo** ’98 last November at a reunion for students of Professor Gerry Moshell. She also included a photo of the above-mentioned group, and judging by the smiles, a good time was had by all!

**Chris Lane** became chair of the Biological Science Department at the University of Rhode Island in July 2022 and was planning to get married in May 2023. To round out this eventful year, he also was on sabbatical last year in France on a Fulbright fellowship!

Speaking of eventful years, it is fun to hear from **Kerry Ann McKevitt**, who always seems to have interesting news to share. She writes, “I have been rather busy personally and professionally since the end of the pandemic. In the summer of 2021, I bought a flat in the city center of Ferrol, Spain,

where I have been living and working since 2003. After doing some renovation work, my partner and I moved in at the beginning of January 2022, and his father, who was 99 years old at that time and could no longer live alone, joined us a few weeks later. In July 2022, I was appointed principal of the state language school, EOI de Ferrol, and I currently combine teaching and administrative work. Since my appointment, we have taken on a good number of Ukrainian refugees who have fled the war and settled in our area.”

As I write to you, I am on a flight back to Boston from Florida after a week spent on Anna Maria Island near Sarasota. In a most unexpected twist, it turned out that **Bill Mahoney** also was on the island at the same time. I was so excited to join the Mahoney family for breakfast and to catch up with Bill, wife Brianna Stanton Mahoney '01, and their two awesome children, Liam, 16, and Lexi, 13. I held them as tiny babies when I was living in Seattle, so their teenage-ness was quite a reminder of how quickly time is passing! The Mahoneys still live in Seattle, and Bill is the associate dean of student and postdoctoral affairs (UW Graduate School) at the University of Washington.

As for me, the most exciting news I have is that my husband and I have been renovating an 1877 building on Main Street in Bethlehem, New Hampshire, for the past year, with plans to open a retail shop focused on small business and makers local to New England. With any luck, we will be able to open later this year. So, if you spend any time in the White Mountains, stay tuned for more details!

That's all for now! Until next time, be well, and plan to join us at Reunion next June!

**2000** President: Peter B. Collins • Secretary: Virginia W. Lacefield, virginia.lacefield.2000@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Doug Borgerson, Peter B. Collins, Peter Espy, Wick McLean • [f/groups/Trinity-College-Class-of-2000-193274580990](#)

**2001** President: Shana G. Russell • Vice President: Alice L. Vautour • Secretary: Susanna Kise, susanna.kise.2001@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Georgiana Chevre, Jay Civetti, Ann Grasing, David Kieve, Matthew Schiller • [f/groups/TrinityCollegeClassof2001](#)

Classmates, here's to 2023! Hopefully some of you are planning to attend the Bicentennial celebration in June, so your secretary expects loads of photos for the next Class Notes!

**Jeffrey Coleman** started a new job as vice president for diversity, inclusion, and community engagement at Framingham State University (20 miles outside of Boston) on January 3, 2023.

Here's a fun note from **Molly Malgieri** and **Teddy Schiff**: “We recently ventured back to Trinity as our 10-year-old daughter, Lydia, was in a *Nutcracker* holiday performance at The Bushnell in Hartford. We took her around to all the old stomping grounds and were pleased to report that it all pretty much looks the same! We also have an 8-year-old daughter who is applying early to Stanford Med school from second grade and a 5-year-old son who recently won the U6 New England spelling championship.”

**2002** Secretary: Ellen Zarchin, ellen.zarchin.2002@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Shakira Ramos Crespo, Dave Kayiatos, Nhung My Thi Lam, Ellen Zarchin Greetings and salutations, Class of 2002! I hope this edition of the *Reporter* finds you all well. Let's get right to the news.

**Tim Herbst** recently relocated to Branford, Connecticut, where he is practicing law and developing real estate. He also shared that he got engaged at the Trinity Chapel to Jacqueline D'Auria on January 6! Massive congratulations! A number of '02 grads had the pleasure of meeting Jacqueline at our 20th Reunion in June.

**Laura Cohen Escobar** checked in from Boston with wonderful news, too. “Jose and I just welcomed Fernando to the family on Christmas Eve, and we are very excited to have **Laura McCullough** as our pediatrician. It's hard not to call her ‘Cecchi’ when scheduling appointments, but I'm getting used to it!” Congratulations, Laura, Jose, and Fernando!

**Rebecca Brosnan** lives in Hong Kong and recently joined the board of a NASDAQ-listed shipping company called Grindrod Shipping in December. Rebecca writes she saw Megan Myers Hambrick '01 when she was in the States over the winter holidays.

**Andy Robinson** lives in Champaign, Illinois, and, like many of us, notes that since travel restrictions opened up, life is busy! Andy writes, “The Reunion in June was a blast, and we are making plans to come back this summer for the [College's] birthday celebration. Bringing the kids (10, 12) worked great as they are just old enough to tour campus and hang out with the magician but not old enough to think that's lame. I thought of all those TrinTrin econ majors when attending a talk by the president of NASDAQ discussing AI at CES in Las Vegas.” Andy also hung with **Rishi Popat** in sunny Phoenix in January. Andy and Rishi, we're still waiting for the double bow tie photo!

**Kara Klenk** finished a 25-city tour with her podcast, *That's Messed Up*, complete with a bartending gig on Andy Cohen's *Watch What Happens Live*. Shout-out to **Bridget Dullea**, **Angela Iandoli Medeiros**,

**Rebecca Whieldon Griffin**, **Amy Werner Ragsdale**, **Rachel Skolnick**, **Sophia Knight '04**, **Liz Kingsbury Yoshino**, and **Marty McGivern** for supporting Kara in the audience at various stops on the tour!

Speaking of national TV appearances, make sure to check in on what **Anna Sullivan Reiser** is up to regarding women's health. After being diagnosed with breast cancer at age 37 and with her treatments causing early-induced menopause, Anna is starting a much-needed conversation about overlooked survivorship issues such as sexual health. Anna brought the conversation to Tamron Hall's daytime talk show this January after her Huffington Post article on the topic went viral. Anna writes, “I'm writing a book on my experience with early menopause, and I'm the host of the upcoming podcast *Healing + Dealing*. I believe laughter is the best medicine. I'm trying to shine a spotlight on these issues with candor and humor.” Well done, Anna!

Patrick and I are gearing up for a spring season of sitting field side at kids' lacrosse games times three. Our soon-to-be 12-year-old, Luke, qualified and is racing in the U.S. Optimist Team Trials at St. Petersburg Yacht Club in Florida in April. I'm looking forward to a reprieve of traveling up and down 95, the Hutch, and 684 to various lacrosse practices and games for a week!

A final thought, if you lived in Frobb or North freshman year, please email me (ellenzarchin@hotmail.com) with an update for the next edition of Class Notes! Until next time.

**2003** President: Trude Goodman Tiesi • Co-Vice President David J. Alexander • Co-Vice President Colman J. Chamberlain • Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Des Potier, Laura Rand, Suzy Schwartz • [f/groups/trinitycollege2003](#)

The class secretary position for the Class of 2003 is vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at 860-297-2403 or julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu.

**2004** President: Evan W. Uhlick • Vice President: Ann E. Youngman • Secretary: Jake Schneider, jacob.schneider.2004@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Breton Boudreaux, Matt Glasz, Janelle Harewood, Brian Howard, Mimi MacKinnon, Jake Schneider • [f/groups/485669531523501](#)

No news, but thank you to all the '04s for contributing to the College in 2022! Our class raised a touch under \$20,000 for Trinity, which goes a long way toward supporting its students!



# Allison Horrocks '09

## DEGREES:

**B.A. in American studies; Ph.D. in history, University of Connecticut**

## JOB TITLE:

**Park ranger, National Park Service**

## FAVORITE

### TRINITY MEMORY:

**I was part of the first group of students to live in The Fred Pfeil Community Project. It felt special to be part of something new on campus.**



**What does your park ranger work entail?** I currently work as a park ranger at Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. I am based out of Old Slater Mill National Historic Landmark. This bistate park includes six separate historic sites in Rhode Island and Massachusetts. Working for the National Park Service has enabled me to further my passion for historical research. Since taking a job with the agency in 2016, I have had the opportunity to collaborate on exhibits, public tours, virtual programs, app-based content, and lots of community initiatives.

**And what about your podcast?** I am a co-host of the *Dolls of Our Lives* podcast (formerly the *American Girls Podcast*) with Mary Mahoney '09. The show launched four years ago in 2019. For each episode, Mary and I revisit some facet of the American Girl brand, with a special focus on the historical books and characters. This show allows us to combine an interest in American Girl with our backgrounds in history and unofficial credentials in studying popular culture. Both of us grew up loving American Girl. It's been a real privilege to connect with fellow fans as well as critics over the past few years. Being part of this podcast has also opened the door for me to be a guest on other shows and to do some audio work for my job.

**What do you enjoy most about each of your roles?** For a brief period of time, I was teaching in a classroom. That kind of work did not really suit me in the phase of life I was in. Being an interpreter and working on a podcast have enabled me to think more broadly about the uses of education. I love being able to talk about history with people who are choosing to learn with me. The podcast in particular has allowed me to connect with so many people I will never have the pleasure of meeting. That

continues to be a really fun aspect of doing the work. As a park ranger, I appreciate being part of a large agency and working at a landmark that attracts visitors from all over the world. I recently gave a tour to a person who'd been wanting to visit the mill I work in for over 55 years. It's a remarkable thing to be even a small part of that person's life.

**What are the biggest challenges you face in each position?** I never expected that I would be a podcaster or a park ranger. I was premed when I started at Trinity. What I like the most about both of these jobs is the fact that I am always learning and there are always new ways to grow. One of the biggest challenges for public historians is the speed with which news cycles and conversations on the web are moving. It can be hard to produce thoughtful content in this climate where internet trends seem to be accelerating at an almost impossible rate.

### How did Trinity prepare you for what you do now?

I took a lot of history and American studies classes at Trinity. In most of my courses, professors had an interdisciplinary approach. That has served me well in my career as a public servant, where extreme specialization is not really possible or always useful. When I visited Trinity as a high school student, I sat in on a seminar about Sylvia Plath. I was sort of in awe that this type of thing existed. Looking back, something in my worldview shifted just by sitting in that room. Today, having a podcast and making public history content allow me to sit with interesting topics and wide-ranging audiences all the time.

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

One of the most important classes was about the United States and Vietnam. This course was taught by Professor Lestz and Professor Chatfield. I liked that the course was collaborative and challenging. It was also one of my more in-depth introductions to recent history.

### Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential?

I took several classes with Professor Jonathan Elukin, including the historiography course required of majors. A book he assigned on footnotes helped me better understand what I wanted to do with my life. He also had a practice of bringing in books that informed each of his lectures. It was such a simple thing, but it allowed me to understand that he wasn't a magician. He had learned how to become a good lecturer and historian. Showing how he built that knowledge was really transformative for me and an excellent example of how to be a role model.



#### ONLINE EXTRA

To tune into the next episode of *Dolls of Our Lives*, please visit [trincollreporter.online/Horrocks](http://trincollreporter.online/Horrocks).



Abby Alderman '11 and Ryan Linehan were married on August 20, 2022, at the Eleanor Cabot Bradley Estate in Canton, Massachusetts. Front row: Molly McGlynn Peek '11, Sarah Harvey '11, Tracey Suter '11, Abby Alderman Linehan '11, Ryan Linehan, Stephanie Wood LaFond '95, Sarah Quirk '11, Lee Ziesing '11; back row: Chris Maycock '11, Mark LaVoie-Eckess '11, Brian Castelluccio '12, David Dessau '11, James Kukstis '10, Becky Savage '11, Dill Ayres '12, Jenna Carroll Ayres '12



Barton Keery '11 and Marissa Heller were married in October 2022 at the Maidstone Club in East Hampton, New York. Also pictured is Jake Heller '15 and Will Kast '11. See if you can find them!

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## 2006 President: Victoria Hamilton McCarthy • Vice President: Kyle J. Cox • Secretary: Timothy Y. Fox, [timothy.fox.2006@trincoll.edu](mailto:timothy.fox.2006@trincoll.edu) • Class Agents: Nicole Tssemelis Cea, Kyle J. Cox, James McCarthy, Victoria Hamilton McCarthy, Kim Galloway McHale, Gabriel L.P. Rotman

## 2007 Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Joey Butler, Jenny Carson, Devon Lawrence, Samuel J. Rednor • [f/groups/TrinityClassof2007](#)

The class secretary position for the Class of 2007 is vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at 860-297-2403 or [julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu](mailto:julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu).

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The Class of 2008 is proud to share the following career updates:

First, **Adam Hill** is excited to return to Trinity as the Chemistry Department's

newest physical chemistry professor, beginning in fall 2023. He and wife Piper Klemm '09 will be moving to Hartford this summer.

Second, **David Pietrocola** recently founded a new tech start-up called Cohesive Robotics to help small- and medium-sized manufacturers modernize and automate their factory floor operations. Dave has been back in New York City for more than a year after living in Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., and Baltimore. "It's good to be back," he says.

We wish Dave and Adam much luck and continued success in their professional endeavors!

## 2009 President: Madelyn Korengold Terbell • Vice President: Danae G. McKenzie • Secretary: Caitlin M. Brisson, [caitlin.brisson.2009@trincoll.edu](mailto:caitlin.brisson.2009@trincoll.edu) • Class Agents: Alison M. Holmes, Piper Klemm, Christian Montoya, Kumud Nepal, Alexandra Klestadt Patack, Terrance W. Sullivan, Alexandra Purdie Wueger

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## 2011 President: Catherine E. Marinello • Secretary: Remi Evans Dolan, [remi.evans.2011@trincoll.edu](mailto:remi.evans.2011@trincoll.edu) • Class Agents: Rachel L. Meddar Abigail A. Smitka

We have two weddings to celebrate this season. Congratulations to **Abby Alderman** and



Marina Bartzokis '12 and Charles Matley were married on July 4, 2022, in Newport, Rhode Island.

Ryan Linehan, who were married August 20, 2022, at the Eleanor Cabot Bradley Estate in Canton, Massachusetts. The day was made special by being surrounded by so many loved ones, including many Trinity alumni.

We also have an amazing celebratory photo to commemorate the marriage of **Barton Keery** and Marissa Heller in October 2022 at the Maidstone Club in East Hampton, New York. It looks like it was one heck of a dance floor!

Congratulations to both couples from your Bantam family.

## 2012 President: Shayla L. Titley • Vice President: Andrew J. Koris • Secretary: Mary Kate Morr, [mary.morr.2012@trincoll.edu](mailto:mary.morr.2012@trincoll.edu) • Class Agents: James J. Armillay, Naomi Sobelson Mashburn, John Michael Mason, Charles McConnell, Mary Kate Morr, Michael Schlesinger • [f/groups/trincoll2012](#)

**Marina Bartzokis** and Charles Matley were married on July 4, 2022, in Newport, Rhode Island, in front of friends and family.



# Jonathan Handali '13

## DEGREES:

**B.S. in physics and chemistry; Ph.D. in chemistry, University of Wisconsin-Madison**

## JOB TITLE:

**Lithography process engineer, Logic Technology Development, Intel Corporation**

## FAVORITE

### TRINITY MEMORY:

**I have a lot of good memories from Trinity, but I mostly enjoyed playing soccer with my friends in various places on campus. We played on the quad in front of the engineering building, on the football pitch in the summer with the Hartford locals (who were all way better than us), and in a dark, old gym at the very back of the Ferris Athletic Center, where we had to set up our own goals using spare shoes.**



**What was your path to your current position?** My path to the tech industry began when I was offered a generous scholarship to attend Trinity, where I studied chemistry and physics. After graduating, I went to grad school to pursue a Ph.D. in chemistry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where I joined the spectroscopy lab of Dr. John Wright. As I was entering my fifth year of the Ph.D. program without a real postgraduation plan, I received an email from a former colleague at the UW-Madison Chemistry Department who was working for Intel; she informed me that her boss was recruiting engineers. I hastily put together a résumé and sent it to her, and her boss called me to begin the recruitment process. I consider myself fortunate to have been entering the job market at just the right time and to have had just the right connections.

**What do you do in your role?** As a lithography process engineer, my role is to create the technology for a very small segment of the overall process that goes into making a computer processor chip from bare silicon. It is the job of my team to figure out how to bring the designs for future technologies to life on the silicon wafer. Lithography is the step in the process where the pattern of the circuit is printed on the wafer, so I need to design ways to print nanometer scale holes and lines that will set the mask for the transistors and interconnects. Every new technology is harder to make since the transistors need to be continuously shrinking to increase processor performance, so my team and I need to develop new tricks and tools to make the process capable of delivering. Each step in the manufacturing process involves a lot of chemistry and engineering, and we optimize the process to the point where it is mature, robust, and high yielding, after which we hand off the technology to other teams

who will manufacture the chips at high volume while we move on to the next generation of chips.

**What do you enjoy most about your position?** My work involves collecting and tracking large amounts of data and using that data to make decisions on how the process can be improved. I find data crunching a little bit tedious and take a lot of joy in creating computer code that can query, process, and analyze data for my team and me. Creating automated solutions that save people time and energy in the long run is satisfying, especially when I see other people making use of it on a large scale.

**What are the biggest challenges you face?** Figuring out a way to create billions of tiny structures on the order of nanometers and to have a small enough rate of failure that the chip still works at the end of the line is quite difficult. Oftentimes, we change some condition to try to address one particular problem and end up making something else worse. It takes a lot of time and work from many people just to make incremental improvements, and it can be quite challenging to stay patient and to continue to play my part as best I can.

**What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity?** "Instrumental Chemical Analysis" began my interest in optical spectroscopy and lasers, which eventually became the subject of my doctoral dissertation, and my expertise in lasers helped land my job. It was the course that introduced me to the application of physics principles to address real-world problems, which I am now doing as a career.

**Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential?** The faculty members in the Physics and Chemistry Departments felt like an extended family of very smart uncles and aunts, all of whom were trying hard to educate and help the young ones in whatever way they could. It is difficult to pick a particular professor, but if I had to, I would say Associate Professor of Physics David Branning. He was my academic adviser and mentored me through the physics major. As I was growing up in Nepal, science was presented to me as something you had to try very hard to understand and be good at but not something you were necessarily supposed to enjoy. Professor Branning was the first person to instill in me the "isn't this cool?" attitude to science with his enthusiastic teaching style.



Jynette DeMarco '13 and Stu Lovejoy '13 were married on June 26, 2022, at Red Maple Vineyard in West Park, New York, surrounded by plenty of Bantams.



Alix de Gramont '14 and Matthew Inman were married on October 1, 2022, in Mortefontaine, France. Trinity alumni joining the bride, center, included Annalise Welte '12, Maggie Chrusciel '13, Emily Sesko '14, and Alexander Chapman '10.

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**2014** President: Victoria C. Trentacoste • Vice President: Annick J. Bickson • Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Brendan Bader, Carl Barreto, William Gray, Madeleine Dickinson Hansen, Alex Harvey, Sophie Katzman, Juan Lopez Rodriguez, Annie Murdock, Nat Nurmi, Ian Pickrell, Benjamin Plumer, Max Schaefer, Victoria C. Trentacoste, Katherine Weatherly-White  
 Madeleine Dickinson Hansen and husband Quade Hansen '12 welcomed a baby boy on January 16! His name is Gerald J. Hansen V and will go by "Quint."

Raymond Li and Heidi Pi were married in May 2020 in Massachusetts. They live in Connecticut and welcomed baby boy Henry in November 2022.

The class secretary position for the Class of 2014 is vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary, please contact Julie



Raymond Li '14 and Heidi Pi '14 show off baby Henry, born in November 2022.



Quade Hansen '12 and Maddie Hansen '14 snuggle with Gerald J. "Quint" Hansen V, born in January 2023.

Cloutier in the Alumni Office at 860-297-2403 or [julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu](mailto:julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu).

From the Alumni Office: Erik Bloomquist wrote/directed a feature film that opened in February. The movie, *She Came from the Woods*, is a horror-comedy and stars Cara Buono (*Stranger Things*) and William

Sadler (*The Shawsbank Redemption*). It's available in movie theaters.

**2015** President: John A. Kandarian • Vice President: Aysen S. Muderrisoglu • Secretary: Shaina N. Lo, [shaina.io.2015@trincoll.edu](mailto:shaina.io.2015@trincoll.edu) • Class Agents: Stephan "Mac" Morse, Peter J. Ragosta Jr., Stephen Sample, Marie Christner Stansfield, Sarah Wolcott, Robert Zindman

Georgia Summers's book *The City of Stardust* will be published in January 2024 by Hodderscape in the United Kingdom and Orbit in the United States. In 2015, *The Trinity Reporter* did a piece on David Field and Georgia Summers about their theses as they were writing novels instead of short stories. Exciting to see it's all come full circle!

On October 8, 2022, Carolyn Kimmick and Robert Roche were married and celebrated in Locust Valley, New York. Carolyn's parents, Adam Kimmick '86 and Tatine Schwab Kimmick '85, alongside their close friends, danced the night away with a large group of Trinity alumni representing several classes.

Will Strabley and Beau Nixon recently partnered and moved their wealth management practice to First Republic Private Wealth Management in Boston.

Two notes from the Alumni Office: Alix de Gramont and Matthew Inman were married in Mortefontaine, France, on October 1, 2022. Trinity alumni in attendance included Annalise Welte '12, Maggie Chrusciel '13, Emily Sesko '14, and Alexander Chapman '10.

The Bulfinch Group is pleased to announce that William Herbert has become affiliated with the wealth management firm. Founded in 1994, it is headquartered in Needham, Massachusetts, and has offices throughout New England.

**2016** President: Joshua J. Frank • Secretary: Ashira E. Anderson, [ashira.anderson.2016@trincoll.edu](mailto:ashira.anderson.2016@trincoll.edu) • Class Agents: Ethan Cantor, Whitney Gulden, David Linden, Kathryn Orticerio, Ian Robinson • [f/groups/Trinity2016](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Trinity2016)

After meeting on the first day of classes their freshman year in 2012 in an "Introduction to Computer Science" class, Avery Paskal and Abbey Schlagen are celebrating their engagement! The pair started as friends, hanging out through their mutual friend Sean Dunn, until one fateful (late) night during senior year with other mutual friend Bobby Boyle providing romantic background noise in the form of his gentle humming.

David Linden graduated from Georgetown McDonough School of Business in May 2022 and started working as a private wealth adviser at Goldman Sachs. He recently spent time traveling in Turkey, Greece, and Israel and backpacking Patagonia in Chile. David





Carolyn Kimmick '15 and Robert Roche were married on October 8, 2022, in Locust Valley, New York, with many Trinity alumni in attendance. PHOTO: DUET PHOTOGRAPHY



Heather Loring '15 and Alex Kurose '15 were married on September 10, 2022, in Kennebunkport, Maine. Bantams joining the couple included Alexandre Zhang '14, Georgia Zhang '14, Brenin Ford '17, Christopher Buesser '15, Ryan Nelson '15, Sarah Wolcott '15, Eric Fleming '15, Shaina Lo '15, and Elizabeth Lyons '15.



Avery Paskal '16 and Abbey Schlangen '16 celebrate their engagement.

also recently was appointed as a class agent for Trinity's Class of 2016.

Dan Pidgeon and Olivia Reny first crossed paths in the dance class "Principles of Movement" at Trinity during their senior spring. They reconnected years later living in Southern Connecticut and are happy to share that they got engaged in November 2022 at Pine Point Beach in Scarborough, Maine.

**2017** President: Ryan Miller • Vice President: Sebastien Broustra • Secretary: Alexandra Chalfin, alexandra.chalfin.2017@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Alec Buffamonte, Daniel A. Garcia, Clare Knowlton, Kaitlin Lewis, Julianna Maisano, Ryan Miller, Kiley Nygren, Jennifer Tran • [f/groups/Trinity2017](#)

**2018** President: Marketa Kotvova • Secretary: Lauren Ollerhead Fries, lauren.ollerhead.2018@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Bassil Bacare, Winston Brewer, Sarah Dolan, Justin Fortier, Lauren Ollerhead Fries, Michael Fries, Louisa Kammerer, Jamilah Ketcham, Liz Koris, Jake Lord, Meghan Marsh, Timothy McDermott, Molly Nichols, Nia Vogel

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From the Alumni Office: Olivia Curreri was part of the winning team in the Questrom Sustainability Case Competition at Boston University last fall. Olivia, an online M.B.A. student at Suffolk University's Sawyer Business School, and four classmates topped 61 teams from 11 schools to take the top prize of \$50,000, with 10 percent going to a non-profit focused on environmental sustainability.

**2020** Secretary: Natalie Bruno, natalie.bruno.2020@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Luke M. Blough, Samantha Feenstra, Anna Kate Luddy, Elizabeth McCauley, Morgan McKeown

The Class of 2020 has been enjoying settling into "adult life." Some of our classmates have begun to pursue and complete graduate degrees as we start to explore our career niches. Last fall, Kyra Lyons completed an M.A. in civic media at Columbia College Chicago. Her capstone project was an initiative to give back to her hometown of Waukegan, Illinois. She designed and implemented a media education program for high school students with the help of local media professionals. She is excited to use this experience as she continues to pursue a career in production. Congrats, Kyra!

**2021** President: Jaymie D. Bianca A. Jones • Vice President: Giovanni A. Jones • Secretary: Brendan W. Clark, brendan.clark@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Brendan W. Clark, Lindsey Fortin, Jessica Jones, Pearl Rourke

Friends, my gratitude to those who responded and provided meaningful updates on the course of your life and your careers for the *Reporter*. It's always a great pleasure and delight to hear from you. As you surely know, this is a momentous year for the College: we celebrate Trinity's 200th year, with a series of exciting events kicking off in May. We mark the formation of Trinity with Charter Day on May 16—a date to reflect upon the momentous occasions in Connecticut history that brought about the formation of our dear Trinity—and we gather on campus June 9–11 for the Alumni Bicentennial Celebration. I hope to see you at this and a great number of other events in the coming year.

As always, please share your experiences, updates, and milestones with me; this is so crucial to keeping our class connected, especially as the gulf widens from our time at Trinity. Do not hesitate to drop me a line via email (brendanwclark@outlook.com) or telephone (610-781-8446). Please follow our class Instagram page (@trincoll21) for updates and developments on future class events.

I, Brendan W. Clark, your class secretary, will share my own developments. I enter this year with my second year of law school rapidly coming to an end. I will work as a 2023 summer associate at Richards, Layton & Finger in Wilmington, Delaware. I continue to be actively engaged at William & Mary Law School and at Trinity and recently have taken a keen interest in the development of William & Mary's libraries. I also have become active in Delaware and am increasing my involvement with the George Read II House and Gardens in Old New Castle.

**Jeffrey Sagun** is in his second year at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland, working as a postbaccalaureate cancer research fellow (CRTA; Cancer Research Training Award). Some highlights of his experience follow. In November 2022, the CEO of the NIH Clinical Center awarded Jeffrey and his research team with the 2022 NIH Clinical Center CEO Innovation Award for “innovative efforts in the development of a robust, electronic mechanism to upload and annotate NCI dermatology photos into the NIH Clinical Center electronic health record system.” Jeffrey was honored at the awards ceremony in December 2022. In January 2023, he received an American Red Cross volunteer award for dedicating many hours at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center’s physical therapy and occupational therapy outpatient clinic. He also is writing a first-author science manuscript with his research team on the neurodegeneration of xeroderma pigmentosum patients, and he plans to apply soon to medical school or to a Ph.D. neuroscience program.

**2022** Co-President: **Nayantara Ghosh** • Co-President: **Shawn Olstein** • Secretary: **Vacant** • Class Agent: **Ishaan Madhok**

The class secretary position for the Class of 2022 is vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at 860-297-2403 or [julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu](mailto:julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu).

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Greetings from co-secretary **Crisanne Colgan M’74**, who received an M.A. in French. By the time this edition is published, the yearlong Bicentennial celebration will have started. I hope to meet many of you at the special events, including the Alumni Bicentennial Celebration June 9–11. Visit [www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial](http://www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial) for information about symposia, carillon concerts, and other programs throughout the year. And thank you to all of our fellow alumni who shared updates. I know you will enjoy reading their news.

**Thomas Truxes M’75**, clinical professor of Irish studies and history at New York University, notes that this is his 59th year teaching, which included a brief time in Connecticut public schools. He earned an

M.A. in history and then a Ph.D. in history from Trinity College Dublin in 1985.

**Bill Barnes M’91** earned an M.A. in American studies—in his words, “a heck of a thing for a Wesleyan graduate to do”—after taking the necessary courses over the preceding five years. Professor Gene Leach was his mentor and was instrumental in sparking his interest in the program. Bill writes, “For me at that time, at a transition point between my work in the business world in newspaper publishing for 10 years and my return to the ministry, the Trinity master’s program was wonderful. It allowed me to follow some special interests, to take courses at Saint Joseph College and Hartford Seminary as well as at Trinity, and to have my reflections on where I was in life informed by the discipline of an academic setting, three decades after my Wesleyan and Yale Divinity School degrees. I’ll always be grateful for the experience.”

**Anne Ortengren Miranda M’09** writes that she recently started working as “the director of marketing for RMS Companies, an award-winning commercial real estate developer in Stamford, Connecticut.” Anne earned an M.A. in American studies: museums and communities.

**Tom Craig M’10** was appointed assistant principal of the Academy of International Studies in Bloomfield. This academy is a grade 6–12 International Baccalaureate school. Tom earned an M.A. in history.

**Brent Bette M’14** graduated from the Harvard Graduate School of Education in May 2022 and began a job at the Pecos Children’s Center (Pecos, Texas) as senior instructional coordinator, designing the first-ever curriculum to serve unaccompanied migrant children who recently crossed the border. The work focuses on creating a bridge between healing and learning, providing a therapeutic environment within the classroom that allows students to reflect on their journey and prepare to transition to U.S. schools and communities. Brent earned an M.A. in American studies with a concentration in museum studies.

**Matthew Clyburn M’15** recently started a new role as senior manager of issues and crisis communications at DaVita. Matt earned an M.A. in public policy.

**Peter Murphy M’16** shared news since earning an M.A. American studies. He was a contributor to three anthologies on famine in Ireland and presented at conferences in Ireland and in New England. On St. Patrick’s Day, Peter spoke at the Greenpoint Shul (Congregation Ahavas Israel) in Brooklyn, the oldest active synagogue in Brooklyn, on the topic he wrote about in the most recent anthology, *More Heroes of Ireland’s Great Hunger*. Peter wrote about Jewish contributions to famine relief, both in America

and in the United Kingdom. In addition, Peter was invited to speak at the annual Hunger Conference in Strokestown, County Roscommon, Ireland, in June. The topic is the impact of Irish immigration on America during the Great Famine and the intense prejudices encountered. In 2019, he was honored as one of the top 100 Irish businesspersons, given annually by *Irish America* magazine in New York City. Peter is a financial adviser at Merrill Lynch in Farmington. Last June, he remarried and honeymooned in Belgium and Amsterdam. Peter and his wife have traveled extensively. He also shared updates about his three children. Daughter Sarah lives in South Florida, is a CPA for a billion-dollar real estate development company, and has two sons. Son Alex is a software engineer and lives with his fiancée in Denver. Son Cory has his CFA and has been an equity analyst for the past several years, following time in the chemical industry. He will move to Boston to assume a new position with a public company in investor relations.

A final word from **Crisanne Colgan**: Thank you to so many of you who engage with our alma mater. Speaking from personal experience, I find it very rewarding to support the College, other alumni, and most of all, our students. I encourage you to visit [www.trincoll.edu/AlumniAndFamilies](http://www.trincoll.edu/AlumniAndFamilies) for information on how to become involved. For example, you can join and participate in your area alumni association’s programs and sign up for the Bantam Career Network (BCN), a networking platform with more than 3,250 students and alumni, where you can connect to other alumni to build your career path or connect with students and alumni to offer expertise. And in case you plan to share an update the next time, the invitation will be emailed in June.

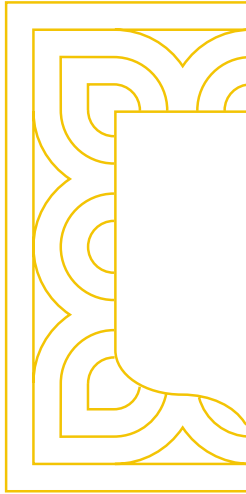
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# “The support you give materially impacts lives.”

—Ryan Barrett '03



Trinity College was “a place of evolution” for **Laura Carty Barrett '03** and **Ryan Barrett '03**, where they grew not only intellectually and academically but also socially and emotionally. At Trinity, they met lifelong friends—and each other—and built the foundation for their professional lives and successes. As a scholarship recipient, Ryan knows firsthand the impact and value of giving, and he and Laura joined the Long Walk Societies, in part, to express their gratitude for everything Trinity has done for them. They also hope to pay it forward to help ensure that the College can continue to offer transformational educational and life experiences for future generations.



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# In Memory

**1948 David S. Gottesman**, 96, of Rye, New York, died on September 28, 2022.

Gottesman served in the U.S. Army and studied at Princeton University before earning a B.A. in economics from Trinity. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. Gottesman founded Wall Street investment house First Manhattan and ran it for five decades.

Gottesman is survived by his wife of more than 70 years, Ruth; children Robert, William, and Alice '77; and six grandchildren.

**1949 Salvatore J. Camilleri**, 98, of Rocky Hill, Connecticut, died on October 26, 2022.

Camilleri's studies were interrupted by service in the U.S. Army Air Forces. He returned to earn an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu, the Newman Club, and the football team. He went on to work for Selective Service for nearly three decades, to teach English to immigrants, and to serve on the City of Hartford Redevelopment Commission.

Camilleri is survived by his son, Scott (Lisa), and four grandsons, as well as best friend Bill Ryan. He was predeceased by his wife of 63 years, Josephine, and brother Joseph Camilleri '51.

**1949 Irving H. Goldberg**, 96, of Cambridge and Falmouth, Massachusetts, died on November 14, 2022.

Goldberg earned a B.S. from Trinity, where he participated in Hillel. He went on to earn an M.D. from Yale University and later a Ph.D. from the Rockefeller University. Goldberg was a physician who served on the faculty of several institutions, including the University of Chicago and Harvard Medical School. The member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences also served as a consultant and

medical adviser to hospitals and pharmaceutical firms.

Goldberg is survived by children Nancy Goldberg (Mark) and Daniel Goldberg (Mary Cullen) and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 63 years, Margaret, and his sister, Jean Hotez.

**1950 Robert M. Blum**, 94, of Rensselaerville, New York, died on November 27, 2022.

Blum earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he held editing roles for *The Trinity Tripod*, *The Trinity Review*, and *Harlequin* and participated in debating and fencing. He went on to earn an LL.B. from Columbia University before launching his law career as a civil litigator. Blum later served as counsel to New York City Mayor John Lindsay and closed his career as an assistant attorney general for the State of New York. He also was an Olympic fencer. The dedicated alumnus served on Trinity's Board of Trustees and was honored with The Eigenbrodt Cup and the Alumni Medal for Excellence. Blum also was a member of the Elms Society.

Blum is survived by children Stephen, Jonathan, Thomas, and Jennifer '88 and their partners; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and step-sister Ellen Fertig. He was predeceased by his wife, Barbara.

**1950 Julian F. Miller Jr.**, 94, of Fenton, Michigan, died on January 16, 2023.

After earning a B.S., Miller served as manager of engineering at Digital Electronic Automation. He retired in 1989.

Miller is survived by wife Hazel Mae; children Jeff Miller, Tim Miller (Gail), Brian Miller, and Jill Carlson (Gary); eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by previous wife Dolores.

**1951 Robert E. Mullen Jr.**, 93, of Roanoke, Virginia, died on October 23, 2022.

Mullen earned a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. He went on to work in the insurance industry at firms including Aetna and Davis & Stephenson, where he served as president. He retired in 2000.

Mullen is survived by his wife of 72 years, Virginia "Ginny"; children David (Joanne), Rick (Aliss), and Sara Cleland (Scott); six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**1952 John A. "Jack" Bishop Jr.**, 91, of Green Cove Springs, Florida, died on September 24, 2022.

Bishop earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. While working at Western Electric, he went on to earn an M.B.A. from New York University.

Bishop is survived by children Jean Patton (Kevin) and John A. Bishop III (Judy) and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by wife Marie.

**1952 Bernard J. Lawlor**, 93, of Watertown, Connecticut, died on October 21, 2022.

Lawlor earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he played football. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and went on to work for four decades as a letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service.

Lawlor is survived by son Kevin (Chris); two grandchildren, including Randi Whitley '08; and four great-granddaughters. He was predeceased by wife Diana and siblings Tom, Joe, Ed, Jack, Marie, Margie, and Helen.

**1952 James D. Robins**, 92, of Mystic, Connecticut, died on September 25, 2022.

Robins attended Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and the squash and track

teams, before serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. He went on to graduate from Yale University. Robins was owner and president of Amplate Corporation.

Robins is survived by wife Ann; children Philip Robins (Lili), Sarah Williams, and Kate Robins (Tom Verde); six step-children; eight grandchildren; 11 step-grandchildren; and sisters Barbara Byron and Louise Lord. He was predeceased by son James and first wife Virginia Monroe.

**1953 Kenneth W. Marriner Jr.**, 91, of Concord, Massachusetts, died on August 26, 2022.

After transferring to Trinity from Denison University, Marriner earned a B.S. in physics. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army.

Marriner is survived wife Judy; children William Marriner (Susan), Nathaniel Marriner (Gail), and Miriam Marriner; and five grandchildren.

**1953 Noble F. "Nobby" Richards**, 91, of Salisbury, Connecticut, died on January 6, 2023.

Richards earned a B.S. in educational studies from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi, played football, and participated in ROTC. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, he began his four-decade career teaching mathematics, coaching, and later serving as head at South Kent School. While teaching, he earned an M.A. in education from Wesleyan University.

Richards is survived by wife Elizabeth; sons Timothy, James, and Andrew; daughters-in-law Margaret Clarke, Yvonne Richards, and Kristin Richards; six grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

**1953 Quentin R. Starr**, 91, of Simsbury, Connecticut, died on December 23, 2022.

Starr earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell



Club. He worked as an auditor for the State of Connecticut. Starr also served in the U.S. Army.

Starr is survived by son Jonathan Starr (Jessica); step-daughter Carolyn Silverstein (Marc); four grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren. He was predeceased by first wife Dorothy, wife Susan, and son Christopher.

**1954 Sheldon M. Berlow**, 90, of Buffalo, New York, died on January 12, 2023.

Berlow earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi, the Jesters, and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*; served as manager of the soccer team; and participated in ROTC. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, he went on to a career in real estate.

Berlow is survived by wife Mary; children Eric Berlow, Carrington Clark, Alexa Berlow '86, and Susan LaVersa; and five grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Nadine.

**1954 Robert S. Heins**, 89, of South Setauket, New York, died on November 30, 2022.

Heins earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force. Heins was a longtime director of bookstores for St. John's University.

Heins is survived by partner Jean Shea; children Laura Ross, Richard Heins, and Donna Heins; six grandchildren; and brother-in-law James Klein (Carol). He was predeceased by wife Joan and son-in-law Steve.

**1954 Richard L. Hirsch**, 89, of Buffalo, New York, died on October 1, 2022.

Hirsch earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he served as president of Theta Xi, Medusa, and his class, as well as editor of *The Trinity Tripod*; he also was a member of the Jesters and the staff of the *Ivy*. Hirsch went on to a career in journalism, including time in broadcasting and as the author of a weekly column for *Buffalo*

*Business First*. He also wrote seven nonfiction books.

Hirsch is survived by wife Lynn; children Jeffrey Hirsch, Betsy Hirsch, and Nancy Hirsch-Ackerman; two grandsons; a great-granddaughter; and sister Barbara Kaplan.

**1955 Harold W. Bartlett Jr.**, 89, of New Gloucester, Maine, died on September 7, 2022.

Bartlett attended Trinity before graduating from dental school at Temple University. He went on to practice dentistry in Connecticut and Maine.

Bartlett is survived by wife Barbara; children Timothy Bartlett (Martha), Beth Curtis (Alan), and Leanna Nighswonger (Jeff); and five grandchildren.

**1955 Cameron F. Hopper**, 89, of Greenwich, Connecticut, died on August 26, 2022.

Hopper graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.A. in history. He was a member of the Glee Club and the band. Hopper went on to earn a J.D. from Yale Law School before serving in the U.S. Air Force and the Air National Guard. He practiced law for Ivey, Barnum & O'Mara before being elected probate judge, a position he held for more than two decades while also having a solo law practice.

Hopper is survived by his wife of 65 years, Peggy; sons Cameron (Ann), Bryant (Betty), Forbes (Patty), David (Susan), and James (Mandy); 15 grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

**1955 George C. Kennedy Jr.**, 90, of Indianapolis, died on November 18, 2022.

Kennedy earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon, the Glee Club, and the Senate. He served in the U.S. Army before launching a career in executive sales.

Kennedy is survived by wife Gala; children Sandy Groninger, David (Karen), Kyle Fishers (Jon), George III (Pam), and Steve; stepson Jeffrey Dupree (Lori); eight grandchildren; one

step-granddaughter; and three great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by first wife Nancy and sister Sally Fownes.

**1955 Donald W. Penfield**, 90, of Lyme, New Hampshire, died on December 13, 2022.

Penfield earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the track team and served as treasurer of the Corinthian Yacht Club. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from Dartmouth College. Penfield ran several businesses, including Hanover Transfer and Storage. The dedicated alumnus volunteered as a class agent and on his Class Executive Board.

Penfield is survived by his wife of 67 years, Abbie; four children; and nine grandchildren.

**1955 Richard D. Roat Jr.**, 89, of Glendale, California, died on August 5, 2022.

Roat earned an undergraduate degree from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and the Jesters and worked at WRTC. He went on to a five-decade career in acting, with more than 135 roles in television and film and on Broadway, including appearances on well-known TV shows including *Friends*, *Seinfeld*, and *Cheers*. Trinity honored his accomplishments with a 150th Anniversary Award. Roat and his wife also ran a tax-preparation business.

Roat is survived by his wife of 40 years, Kathy.

**1955 Richard S. Zampielo**, 89, of Southbury, Connecticut, died on November 1, 2022.

Zampielo earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and worked on the staffs of *The Trinity Tripod* and WRTC. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Bridgeport. Zampielo began his career at Westinghouse Electric and later moved into the scrap recycling industry, including time as president at Plume & Atwood Brass and at Upstate Metals.

Zampielo is survived by his wife of 61 years, Helen; son Geoffrey Zampielo '98 (Amanda Barnes); and three grandchildren.

**1956 David A. Ginns**, 87, of Fountain Valley, California, died on September 12, 2022.

Ginns earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club, took part in Hillel, and played lacrosse. He went on to earn an M.D. from Thomas Jefferson University. Ginns practiced cardiology for 36 years.

Ginns is survived by wife Irene; daughters Randi Finney, Deborah Baumel, and Diana Ginns; stepchildren Bryan Pavalko and Brenda Rubino; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**1957 Ronald V. LaBella**, 87, of Sacramento, California, died on November 27, 2022.

LaBella earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and the track team. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force. LaBella worked in real estate with his firm, Camelot Realty.

LaBella is survived by children David LaBella and Libby Neil (Jimmy), two grandsons, sister Linda Pohl, and companion Dee Schwindt. He was predeceased by his wife, Nancy LaBella, and siblings Frank LaBella Jr., Robert LaBella, and Anita Benjamin.

**1957 Manny Myerson**, 87, of Lantana, Florida, died on October 31, 2022.

Myerson graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.S. in biology. He was a member of the Brownell Club and took part in Hillel. Myerson went on to earn an M.D. from Tufts University School of Medicine before serving in the U.S. Army. He practiced as an ear, nose, and throat specialist in the Hartford area for more than 30 years.

Myerson is survived by wife Thelma, a daughter and a son, three grandchildren, and brother Daniel Myerson '61. He

was predeceased by brother Paul Myerson '61.

**1957 William N. Pierce Jr.**, 87, of Fredericksburg, Virginia, died on September 4, 2022.

Pierce earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force for nearly 25 years, including during the Vietnam War.

Pierce is survived by wife Nancy, children Bill (Amanda) and Greg (Jennifer), four grandchildren, and sister Peri.

**1957 Peter S. Wilson**, 87, of Orinda, California, died on November 1, 2022.

Wilson earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and the lacrosse team and worked on the staffs of *The Trinity Tripod* and WRTC. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard before launching a career in the insurance industry.

Wilson is survived by wife Amelia, daughter Katherine Dureault, stepdaughters Randy Randolph and Mary Lou Best and their children, and two granddaughters.

**1958 Germain D. Newton**, 91, of Nantucket, Massachusetts, died on December 28, 2022.

Newton earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he served as vice president of Sigma Nu. He went on to earn an LL.B. from the University of Virginia School of Law and to serve in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Newton spent his career in personal trust administration and estate planning, retiring as vice president of Shawmut Bank.

Newton is survived by his wife of 64 years, Patricia; sons Ted Newton (Ronni) and Chip Newton (Anne); and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by brother Charles Newton.

**1959 John F. "Jack" Adams Jr.**, 86, of Berlin, Connecticut, died on December 5, 2022.

Adams earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and

the football team. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army. Adams worked as a real estate appraiser.

Adams is survived by his wife of 62 years, Vera; children John Adams III and Tina Hans (Rick); four grandchildren; brother-in-law Richy Raczkowski (Marla); and sister-in-law Charlotte Raczkowski (Jeremy D'Entremont).

**1959 Frederick B. "Bart" Hewitt**, 85, of Springfield, Virginia, died on October 2, 2022.

Hewitt earned a B.A. in English and music from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and played in the band. After serving in the U.S. Army Band, he worked in computer programming with the Defense Information Systems Agency.

Hewitt is survived by his wife of more than 60 years, Evelyn; children James Hewitt and Laura Ackley (Steve); a grandson; and brother-in-law Donald Barnes (Kathy). He was predeceased by sister Carol Barnes and daughter-in-law Julie Philbrook.

**1959 Eugene A. "Gene" Lindemann**, 85, of Arvada, Colorado, died on October 1, 2022.

Lindemann earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi, the Glee Club, the Canterbury Club, the band, and the Jesters. He began his career in the banking industry with Marine Midland Bank and then worked as a securities analyst and data specialist for firms including Interactive Data Corporation. Lindemann also served in the U.S. Army.

Lindemann is survived by brother John. He was predeceased by wife Adrienne.

**1960 James C. Forman**, 85, of Williamsville, New York, died on November 1, 2022.

Forman earned a B.A. in Spanish from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, the Glee Club, the Canterbury Club, and the soccer team. He served in the U.S. Army before starting a career in finance, most

recently managing the Janney Montgomery Scott Williamsville office until his 2019 retirement.

Forman is survived by daughters Holly Fogarty (Mick) and Mimi Coffman (Ed); stepdaughters Arika Pevenstein (Scott) and Andrea Mahoney (Bill); seven grandchildren; and sisters Sally Brittle, Fran Yardley, and Patty Duke. He was predeceased by wife Nancy, son James Forman Jr., and brother David Forman Jr.

**1960 Lloyd M. Gordon**, 84, of Brookline, Massachusetts, died on December 16, 2022.

Gordon attended Trinity before launching a career in real estate. He then purchased American Cellophane & Plastics, serving as its president, and later developed Amcel Center Properties.

Gordon is survived by his wife of 58 years, Diane; children Bradley (Olga), Joshua (Sara), Jay (Alina), and Devon; six grandchildren; and brother Marc.

**1960 Robert N. Spahr**, 84, of Ardmore, Pennsylvania, died on November 30, 2022.

Spahr earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and the squash team. He also served in the Air National Guard. Spahr had a career in sales before buying and managing a bindery, Murphy-Parker. He later joined the family partnership of Lea and Febiger and founded the Spring Haven Center for Healing Arts. The dedicated alumnus served as a class agent and longtime volunteer.

Spahr is survived by wife Julie; daughters Becky Frazier (Graeme '84), Ginny Keator '88 (Matthew '88), Stephanie Pepper '92 (Serge), and Noel Cappillo (Dave); and 11 grandchildren, including Quinton Frazier '15.

**1960 Rodney G. Whitelaw**, 84, of Orleans, Massachusetts, died on December 6, 2022.

Whitelaw earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and

manager of the soccer and tennis teams. He went on to serve in the U.S. Navy. Whitelaw worked for Cape Cod Photo & Art Supply and was a photographer for several arts organizations.

Whitelaw is survived by his wife of 53 years, Katherine; children Daphne (Keith), Gavin (Komako), and John (Stacia); and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by brother William Whitelaw '53.

**1960 M. Curtis Young**, 87, of Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, died on November 14, 2022.

Young earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He launched his career in wholesale pharmaceuticals, later retiring from AmerisourceBergen.

Young is survived by children Jim Young (Michelle) and Laura Murphy (Brian), six grandchildren, and sister Barbara Camp. He was predeceased by wife Jane and son M. Curtis Young Jr.

**1961 Herbert G. Draesel Jr.**, 82, of New York City, died on January 14, 2023.

Draesel earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi and the Glee Club. He went on to earn an M.Div. from General Theological Seminary. Draesel served as an Episcopal priest, including for nearly two decades at The Church of the Holy Trinity.

Draesel is survived by wife Ada and daughters Margaret and Irene and their families.

**1962 David W. Sifton**, 82, of Cocoa Beach, Florida, died on January 4, 2023.

Sifton earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. He went on to earn an M.A. from Stanford University. Sifton authored and edited several books, including the 48th edition of the *Physician's Desk Reference*, for Medical Economics, where he worked for 30 years. He also served in the U.S. Air Force.



Sifton is survived by his partner of 46 years, Stephen Hoagland. He was predeceased by brother Richard Sifton.

**1962 Roger S. Wilson**, 83, of Weston, Connecticut, died on December 27, 2022.

Wilson earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. He went on to earn an M.D. from the New Jersey College of Medicine and Dentistry. Wilson was an anesthesiologist at Mass General Hospital and later Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, where he was chair of the anesthesiology and critical care departments and head of the Institutional Review Board.

Wilson is survived by wife Donna, children Mark Wilson (Tammy) and Susan Berube (Christopher), and four grandchildren.

**1963 Kevin Y. Gebhard**, 82, of Rye, New York, died on November 10, 2022.

Gebhard played baseball while attending Trinity. He went on to work for two decades as a sales manager at Loeb Rhoades and later as a market strategist for The LCP Group. Gebhard also was a playwright, producer, author, actor, and photographer.

Gebhard is survived by sister Cris Sterling.

**1963 G. Carroll Stribling Jr.**, 81, of St. Louis, died on January 20, 2023.

Stribling earned a B.A. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He went on to earn a J.D. from Washington University. Stribling practiced law with multiple firms, retiring in 2006 as shareholder and principal of the firm created by the merger of Ziercher and Hocker and Husch Eppenberger.

Stribling is survived by his wife of 30 years, Lulu; children Will Stribling (Debbie) and Andrew Robsham (Michelle); five grandchildren; and siblings Jim Stribling and Anne Klenk.

**1964 E. Michael Heid**, 79, of Fort Washington, Maryland, died on April 13, 2022.

Heid earned a B.A. in religion from Trinity, where he was a member of The Chapel Singers, the Concert Choir, and the French Club and worked at WRTC. He went on to work on air in radio at stations across the country, including in Philadelphia, New York City, and Washington, D.C. Heid later taught English at the college level. He also served in the U.S. Army Reserves.

Heid is survived by wife Laura, son Andrew (Allison), and two grandchildren.

**1964 David E. Ladewig**, 80, of Norwalk, Connecticut, died on September 23, 2022.

Ladewig earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and ran track. He went on to a career in marketing.

Ladewig is survived by his first wife, Stephanie Close; children Kim Risley (Dane) and Brian Ladewig (Nicole); and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by his second wife, Mary.

**1964 Michael E. McGurkin**, 79, of Surf City, New Jersey, died on September 11, 2022.

McGurkin earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and the Newman Club. His work experience included time at Franklin Electric and American Express.

McGurkin is survived by his wife of 55 years, Mary Lou; children Joseph (Carole), Michael Jr. (Susan), Megan (Brad Humphrey), Peter (Kristine), and Colleen; three grandchildren; and sisters Sheila Smith, Dorothy Millet, Margaret Spell, and Elizabeth Sattelberger.

**1964 Brooks R. Palmer**, 81, of Amelia Island, Florida, died on November 27, 2022.

Palmer earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi and played varsity soccer

and lacrosse. He went on to earn an M.B.A. in finance from the Smith School of Business at the University of Maryland. Palmer also served in the Air National Guard. He began his career at Rouse Company and later was named president of the National Housing Partnership. Palmer retired as executive vice president of Trafalgar House of London.

Palmer is survived by his partner of nearly 20 years, Donna McElroy; daughters Melanie Peterson (Mike), Heather Tarter (Robbie), and Kimberly Palmer; seven grandchildren; one great-grandson; and sister Hollis Younger (John).

**1965 Bruce J. Basch**, 79, of Palmerton, Pennsylvania, died on January 16, 2023.

Basch earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Mu Delta (Q.E.D.), the Political Science Club, and the Jesters and took part in Hillel. Basch went on to earn an M.D. from Hahnemann University Hospital Medical School and to practice medicine for more than four decades. Basch also served in the U.S. Navy.

Basch is survived by his wife of 53 years, Carol; children Michael Basch (Jacqueline), Jeffrey Basch, David Basch (Alison), and Rebecca Christman (Jim); 12 grandchildren; a great-grandson; and brother Donald Basch (Dee).

**1966 David C. Charlesworth**, 77, of Bedford, New Hampshire, died on November 14, 2022.

Charlesworth earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he served as president of Alpha Chi Rho and Cerberus and was a member of the Senate and the track and cross-country teams. He then earned an M.D. from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. Charlesworth served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps and went on to a career as a cardiac surgeon. The dedicated alumnus's activities included serving as a

class secretary, class agent, and Reunion Committee member.

Charlesworth is survived by his wife of 53 years, Jane; children Jill Hellman '95 (Jeremy), Tyler Charlesworth '00 (Melissa), and Ben Charlesworth '09 (Jaclyn); seven grandchildren; and siblings Finn Charlesworth (Colleen), Jane Valliere, and Laura Palmer.

**1966 Lindsay G. Dorrier Jr.**, 79, of Scottsville, Virginia, died on January 30, 2023.

Dorrier earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi, the Young Democrats, and the Jesters, and the crew and wrestling teams. He went on to earn a law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law and an M.B.A. from James Madison University. Dorrier worked as an attorney in state and local government and in private practice. He also served in the U.S. Army.

Dorrier is survived by wife Jane; children Margaret (Daniel Mais) and Lindsay III (Kaitlin); two grandchildren; and siblings Claire Reishman, Bruce Dorrier, and Richard Dorrier and their spouses.

**1966 Arthur T. Hurst Jr.**, 78, of Louisville, Kentucky, died on December 19, 2022.

Hurst earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi. He went on to earn an M.D. from the University of Louisville. Hurst served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War before launching a 45-year career practicing internal medicine.

Hurst is survived by his wife of 46 years, Donna; children Arthur "Skip" Hurst III (Heather), Jennifer Steffen (Josh), and Elizabeth Hurst; and three grandchildren.

**1967 C. Nicholas Edwards III**, 76, of Fairfield, Iowa, died on November 6, 2022.

Edwards earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and played football. He went on to earn an M.S. in psychology from Kansas

State University. Edwards worked as a social worker in Greenwich, Connecticut, for more than three decades. He also was a longtime teacher of Transcendental Meditation.

Edwards is survived by wife Christine, son Charles "Nick" Edwards IV (Lauren Wilcox), and brother Rick (Liz).

**1968 Gerald C. Pryor, 76,** of New York City, died on February 13, 2023.

Pryor earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi, the Jesters, and Medusa. He went on to earn an M.A. from Hunter College. Pryor worked at Steinhardt NYU for more than 44 years, serving as an associate professor, artist-in-residence, and photo head. He also served as a visiting artist in Beijing; taught photography in Seoul, Korea; and created, helped create, and taught at several NYU international programs. The dedicated Trinity alumnus also received multiple accolades, including two National Endowment of the Arts awards.

Pryor is survived by wife Dawn Smith, sons Chance Pryor '17 and Reed Pryor, and brothers Alan Pryor and David Pryor.

**1968 Lawrence J. Slutsky, 76,** of Durham, North Carolina, died on December 25, 2022.

Slutsky graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Mu Delta and took part in Hillel. He went on to earn an M.D. from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. Slutsky practiced as a radiologist in Wichita, Kansas, for more than three decades.

Slutsky is survived by wife Helen, daughters Jessica Macari and Erica Slutsky, two grandchildren, and brother Richard Slutsky '75.

**1969 George T. Simon, 74,** of Evanston, Illinois, died on August 22, 2022.

Simon graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with an

interdisciplinary B.A. in English and music. He was a member of Theta Xi and the Glee Club. Simon went on to earn a J.D. from Harvard Law School and to work in corporate and securities law with the U.S. Securities Exchange Commission and in private firms, including 25 years as a partner with Foley & Lardner. The dedicated alumnus served as a member of Trinity's Board of Fellows.

Simon is survived by his wife of 47 years, Lynne; sons Mark and Andrew; sister Margaret Simon (David Weisbrod); and sister-in-law and brothers-in-law Bill and Sue Martin, Peter Martin, and Donald Wright. He was predeceased by sister-in-law Beth Wright.

**1970 Stephen R. "Randy" Gretz, 74,** of South Holland, Illinois, died on January 21, 2023.

Gretz earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Mu Delta and worked at WRTC. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Gretz served as a financial adviser for Merrill Lynch in New York City and Chicago for more than 45 years. The dedicated alumnus served on Trinity's Board of Fellows and was a member of the Elms Society.

Gretz is survived by wife Patricia; children Laura Cassidy (Kyle), Stephen Gretz Jr., and James Gretz; stepchildren Brittany Duncan, Catriona Duncan, Peter Stevens (Tamara), and Andrew Stevens; three grandchildren; and siblings Bill Gretz (Helen), Rick Gretz (Inge), and Libby Blank (Randy). He was predeceased by his first wife, Connie.

**1970 James M. O'Brien Jr., 74,** of Delray Beach, Florida, died on October 20, 2022.

O'Brien earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. He went on to a career in real estate in Boston and in Florida before founding his own company,

M.O.R. Management.

O'Brien is survived by his life partner, Robert Rinaldi.

**1973 W.J. Patrick Curley III, 71,** of New York City, died on December 2, 2022.

Curley earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and rowed crew. He went on to earn an M.A. in architecture from Yale University. Curley worked for more than two decades as an architect with Mayers & Schiff and later was a principal with EYP, Cannon Design, and Fletcher Thompson.

Curley is survived by his wife of 43 years, Jane '73; sons Joseph (Patrick Hou) and William (Willa); one grandson; and sister Peggy Bacon (Carter). He was predeceased by brothers John and James.

**1973, M.A. 1976 Joyce A. Krinitsky, 71,** of Terryville, Connecticut, died on February 18, 2023.

Krinitsky earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where she worked at WRTC and on the staff of the *Ivy*. She went on to earn an M.A. in educational studies. Krinitsky taught for many years at Harry S. Fisher Middle School and then had a career in real estate. The dedicated alumna was an active member of the Women's Leadership Council and the Trinity Club of Hartford in addition to serving on numerous class committees; in 2018, she was honored with the Alumni Medal for Excellence.

Krinitsky is survived by siblings Cathryn Krinitsky (John Swanke) and John Krinitsky (Wendy).

**1974 Michael S. Hoskinson, 71,** of Weston, Massachusetts, died on January 17, 2023.

Hoskinson earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity, where he served as president of Alpha Chi Rho and played football and baseball. The Illinois Scholar then began a career in the insurance industry, eventually founding his own brokerage firm.

Hoskinson is survived by wife Lyn, brother Kevin Hoskinson (Lynne Spina), sister-in-law Pat Janiak (John), and brothers-in-law Blaise Crotty (Nancy) and Stephen Crotty (Deborah).

**1976 Donald C. Baur, 68,** of Alexandria, Virginia, died on December 15, 2022.

Baur graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he served as co-captain of the track team. He joined the international law firm Perkins Coie in 1987 and rose to partner in its Environment, Energy, and Resources practice.

**1976 Geoffrey R. Booty, 68,** of Naples, Florida, died on October 8, 2022.

Booty earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and rowed crew. His career included time in computer systems consulting.

Booty is survived by wife Helen Platt Booty '76, children Jillian and Christopher (Mari), and two grandchildren.

**1977 Richard W. Meier, 67,** of Manchester, Connecticut, died on January 23, 2023.

Meier earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, the Student Government Association, and the wrestling team. He went on to a career in the insurance industry at Cigna.

Meier was predeceased by wife Joanne.

**1977 Thomas H. Osgood, 69,** of Santa Fe, New Mexico, died on January 24, 2023.

Osgood earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi, played ice hockey, and studied abroad in Rome. His life was spent creating art.

Osgood is survived by wife Dorothy "Deeda," children Grayson and Ravenna, and brothers Chris and Al.



**1977 Theodore C. Roman**, 67, of Jupiter, Florida, died on December 23, 2022.

Roman earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. He went on to a career in the wine and beverage industry, serving as an executive of several companies, including Pernod Ricard, William Grant & Sons, and Q Drinks.

Roman is survived by wife Laura; children Sarah and Kyle and their spouses, Jack and Shelby; and siblings Ann, Bill, and Joan.

**1981 Joseph A. Bierman**, 62, of New York City, died on September 19, 2022.

Bierman earned a B.A. in American studies and English. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from Columbia University and to a career in marketing.

Bierman is survived by wife Riva, children Josh and Sarah (Daniel), and a granddaughter.

**1983 Stanley F. Taylor**, 62, of Casselberry, Florida, died on October 16, 2022.

Taylor earned a B.A. in interdisciplinary computing with history. He went on to a career as a software analyst.

Taylor is survived by children Joseph, James, Shari, Dominique, and Karen; seven grandchildren; mother Veronica; and siblings Peter and Margaret.

**1985 Thomas B. "Tib" Miller**, 59, of Jacksonville, Florida, died on November 15, 2022.

Miller earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he played baseball. For nearly 25 years, he worked as a concert promoter for Flying Saucer Presents, a firm he started.

**1985 Mary H. "Hunter" Sloan**, 59, of Miami, died on August 26, 2022.

Sloan earned a B.A. in intercultural studies from Trinity, where she was a member of the Jesters. She went on to earn an M.Div. from Yale Divinity School and an M.P.A. from the University of Hartford.

Sloan is survived by children Portia Sloan Keady '11 (Griffin), Francesca Smith (Luke Kelly-Clyne), Igor Smith, and Misha Smith; a granddaughter; and sisters Elisabeth Sloan (Arthur Lichtenberger), Palmer Sloan '82, P'10, '16, '17 (Finley Harckham P'10, '16, '17), and Sally Sloan (Thomas Hentoff).

**1986 Weston C. "Casey" Elliot Jr.**, 58, of Fairfield, Connecticut, died on December 8, 2022.

Elliot earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*, worked at WRTC, and played golf. He went on to work as a self-employed carpenter and home contractor.

Elliot is survived by children Eliza and Harrison.

**1991 Jennifer A. Bober**, 54, of South Orange, New Jersey, died on January 21, 2023.

Bober earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where she was a member of The Chapel Singers, the Concert Choir, and the Newman Club. She went on to work in marketing in the non-profit sector, most recently for the Catholic publishing company Renew International.

Bober is survived by her brother, John-Joseph; his wife Jennifer; and their child Ronan.

**1991 Regina Travers "Reg" Stettinius**, 53, of Palm Beach, Florida, died on December 30, 2022.

Stettinius earned a B.A. in art history from Trinity and an M.A. in historic landscape from the George Washington University. She was a co-founder and chairman of Venga, an online restaurant site that was sold in 2019. The next year, she returned to design work, completing projects for Culley Travers Interior Design & Construction Management.

Stettinius is survived by children Isabel Stettinius and Alexander Stettinius '26; father Peter Travers (Cheryl); brothers Peter Travers Jr. (Jennifer) and Andrew Travers (Mary Stuart);

mother-in-law Mary Williams; brothers-in-law Edward Stettinius (Sarah) and Richard Reynolds (Diana); and sisters-in-law Mary Stuart Stettinius, Virginia McMullan (Michael), and Carolyn Rankin (John). She was predeceased by her husband, Joseph Stettinius Jr.

**1995 Brian W. Woodward**, 49, of Kensington, Maryland, died on November 17, 2022.

Woodward earned a B.A. in history before completing graduate studies at Tufts University. He went on to work for the U.S. government, starting his career with the International Trade Administration of the Department of Commerce in 2001.

Woodward is survived by wife Ellen and children Molly, Sean, and Robbie.

**2007 Andrew P. Ahrens Dorf**, 37, of New York City, died on December 31, 2022.

Ahrens Dorf earned a B.A. in American studies from Trinity, where he played soccer and lacrosse. For the past 12 years, he worked for FirstService Financial, most recently as vice president of cash management.

Ahrens Dorf is survived by his parents, Beverly Ahrens Dorf and LeRoy "Lee" Ahrens Dorf, and his sister, Leigh Fitzgerald (Paul).

#### CURRENT STUDENT

**2025 Ryan Chisholm**, 19, of New York City, died on November 1, 2022.

Chisholm was a sophomore at Trinity at the time of her passing.

Chisholm is survived by her parents, Theresa and Scott '87; sister Shannon; and grandmother Cara.

#### MASTER'S

**1955 Theodore T. "Tuck" Orbison**, 97, of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, died on December 6, 2022.

Orbison's undergraduate education at Yale University was interrupted by service in the U.S. Army. He returned to Yale to earn a B.A. in English literature. While teaching at Avon Old

Farms School, Orbison earned an M.A. in English from Trinity; he went on to earn a Ph.D. in English from Boston University. In 1961, Orbison joined the faculty of Bucknell University, rising to professor of English during his three decades there.

Orbison is survived by his wife of 74 years, Val; children Stephanie, David, Kitsie, and Michael; 12 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by twin brother Douglas "Nip" Orbison and sister Nancy Orbison.

**1962 George R. Enos**, 90, of Concord, New Hampshire, died on December 16, 2022.

Enos served in the U.S. Air Force before earning a B.S. in physics from the University of New Hampshire. While working for Connecticut Aircraft Nuclear Energy Lab, he earned an M.S. in physics from Trinity. Enos went on to a career as a research physicist at AVCO (later Textron). He then worked as a technical sales engineer.

Enos is survived by his wife of more than 70 years, Joann; children Janet Barron (Paul), Don Enos, and David Enos; seven grandchildren; sisters Elizabeth Enright and Deborah Enos (Brad Cilley); and brother-in-law William Carter. He was predeceased by daughter Diane Enos, sisters Catherine Carter and Lois Cronin (Drew), brother-in-law Thomas Enright, and sister-in-law Maxine Bryant.

**1962 Raymond G. Kramer** of Berlin, Connecticut, died on December 10, 2022

Kramer served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War before earning a B.A. from the University of Hartford and an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity. He had a 37-year career as a math teacher and guidance counselor at Slade Middle School in New Britain.

Kramer is survived by his wife of 63 years, Irene; daughters Donna Kramer and Cheryl Kramer-Tierney; two grandchildren; and sister Anna Greco. He was predeceased by siblings

Anton Kramer, Frank Kramer, Carl Kramer, Rudy Kramer, Margaret Tucchirone, Karoline Brolin, and Stephanie Carlson.

**1966 Carol (Hastings)**

**Butterworth**, 81, of Tolland, Connecticut, died on January 14, 2023.

Butterworth earned a B.A. from Mount Holyoke College, an M.A. in English from Trinity, and an M.A. in education from Stanford University. She went on to teach high school English in California and Connecticut and then served as assistant to the Tolland town manager. Butterworth later earned a law degree from Western New England School of Law and worked at Robinson and Cole.

Butterworth is survived by her husband of 56 years, Michael; daughter Beth Daitch (Marc); two granddaughters; and brother Allan Hastings (Dale).

**1967 Elizabeth Jones "Betty"**

**Collamore**, 91, of Naples, Florida, died on September 11, 2022.

Collamore earned a B.A. in English from the University of Hartford before earning an M.A. in English from Trinity. She went on to teach the subject in high schools and college before working for Connecticut General Life Insurance and the Hartford Consortium for Higher Learning.

Collamore is survived by husband H. Bacon "Bac" Collamore Jr.; children Harry, Bruce (Laurie), and Tom (Jacqueline); seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and brother Richard Jones III.

**1971 Eugene E. Brull Jr.**, 82, of Redondo Beach, California, died on December 20, 2022.

Brull earned a B.S. in chemistry from Washington University in St. Louis, an M.S. in physics from Trinity, and an M.B.A. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He went on to a four-decade career as an analytical chemist at firms including United Technologies and Northrop.

Brull is survived by wife Margaret; daughters Robin Fichtelberg (Steve), Aimee Crocker (Tom), and Tanja Levine (Scott); six grandchildren; and brothers Tom (Marie) and Jack (Chrystie).

**1973 Judith A. Libby**, 85, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, died on October 12, 2022.

Libby earned a B.A. from Tufts University before earning an M.A. in English from Trinity. She went on to teach high school.

Libby was predeceased by brother Lawrence Libby.

**1978 Frank Moorman**, 73, of Annapolis, Maryland, died on October 27, 2022.

Moorman earned a B.A. in theater from Middlebury College and later an M.A. in French from Trinity. He held positions in radio and publishing before working in communications at the University of Maryland Medical Center.

Moorman is survived by wife Mary Ellen; daughters Barrie Moorman (Julian Hipkins) and Erinna Moorman (Merrick Gordon); two granddaughters; siblings Ellen Helms, Michael Moorman, Bill Schoephoester, and Jere Moorman; and former wife Carol Smith.

**1985 Patricia K. Andersen**, 67, of Canton, Connecticut, died on November 25, 2022.

Andersen graduated from Hartford College for Women before earning a B.A. in economics from Smith College and then an M.A. in public policy from Trinity. She most recently worked as the librarian at St. Mary's School in Simsbury.

Andersen is survived by her husband of 43 years, Rolf; daughters Kathryn (Joseph Rizzo), Megan (Peter Ettlinger), and Erin (Paul Valente); five grandchildren; and siblings Grace Link, Walter Klimczak, Benjamin Klimczak, and John Klimczak.

**1991 Dudley H. "Haley"**

**Manchester III**, 57, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on November 29, 2022.

Manchester earned a B.A. from Gettysburg College and an M.A. in economics from Trinity. He also received advanced language training at Keio and Obirin Universities in Japan. Manchester held senior leadership positions in the oil and gas, consulting, and logistics industries and spent nearly two decades working in Vietnam.

Manchester is survived by his wife of 26 years, Van; children Dudley "Khoi" Manchester IV and Kimberly; mother Arlene; and sisters Anne and Courtney.

**HONORARY DOCTORATES**

**1998 Calvin O. Butts III**, 73, of New York City, died on October 28, 2022.

Butts earned an undergraduate degree in philosophy from Morehouse College, an M.Div. from Union Theological Seminary, and a D.Min. in church and public policy from Drew University. He went on to be a preacher, including three decades leading Harlem's Abyssinian Baptist Church, and worked to revitalize his community. Trinity honored Butts with an honorary doctor of divinity degree, citing his "splendid example of putting faith to work in the community and working to build a more just and inclusive society."

Butts is survived by wife Patricia; children Calvin IV, Alexander, and Patricia; and six grandchildren.

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**DEATH NOTICES**

**1945 John T. Gilmore**

**1950 Donald E. Sheahan**

**1951 Irving A. Hamilton**

**1952 Richard M. Couden**

**1959 John B. Swift Jr.**

**1961 Frank H. Gleason**

**1968 Christopher B. Howard**

**1971 David C. Kimball**

**1973 William Edwin Raws**

**1991 Kalene E. Baker**

**IDP 1981 Theodore Slipchinsky**

**M.A. 1971 Elsa K. Gambarini**

**M.A. 1975 Carolyn M. Skahill**

**HON. 1994 Robert W. Brown**

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We will not announce the death of a community member without first confirming with a previously published obituary or direct notification from a relative. Also, those who passed away more than two years prior to the date of publication will be listed in Death Notices, along with those for whom we do not have enough information for a longer obituary.



# Alumni Events



**1. WLC: An Evening of Networking by Candlelight**  
**New York City**  
**October 13, 2022**  
 Abigail Cook Stone '10, Yarel Silverio  
 Marshall '96, and Jessica Filion '03

**2. WLC: An Evening of Networking by Candlelight**  
**New York City**  
**October 13, 2022**

**3. Alumni Gathering**  
**Los Angeles**  
**November 3, 2022**  
 Trinna Larsen '20, Jim Hazelton '93, and  
 Mike Gilman '76, P'05

**4. Trinity Club of Hartford Holiday Party and  
 Person of the Year Presentation**  
**On Campus**  
**December 1, 2022**  
 2022 Person of the Year Jason Rojas M'12 and  
 Carmen Leslie-Rourke '82, P'21

**THANK YOU FOR HOSTING!**  
 Our thanks to Abigail Cook Stone '10

**5. Trinity Club of Hartford Holiday Party and  
 Person of the Year Presentation**  
**On Campus**  
**December 1, 2022**  
 James Curtiss, Amanda Noble '15, and  
 Eugene Green P'86, '87, GP'13, '15

**6. Trinity Club of Hartford Holiday Party  
 and Person of the Year Presentation**  
**On Campus**  
**December 1, 2022**  
 Scott Lewis '76, P'12 and Austin  
 Berescik-Johns '07

**7. Power: The Rise of Black Women in America  
 with Author Charity Elder '00**  
**On Campus**  
**February 15, 2023**  
 Adyanna Odom '23 and Charity Elder '00

**8. Power: The Rise of Black Women in America  
 with Author Charity Elder '00**  
**On Campus**  
**February 15, 2023**  
 President Joanne Berger-Sweeney



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Voices of the Trinity College community in the media



It really gives us a roadmap where we understand not only where we are now, but where we will continue to go.

Trinity Athletic Director  
**DREW GALBRAITH**, Trinity's director of athletics, on the College's Title IX audit; NBC Connecticut, March 2, 2023



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It actually was one of the later schools that I looked at, and when I did, it just felt like an immediate match, academically as well as athletically.

**JOE SHIELD '85**, who played football and baseball at Trinity; *Brattleboro Reformer*, February 28, 2023

I don't remember many of the 500 wins, but I have a very clear memory of all 25 losses!

**PAUL ASSAIANTE**, head men's squash coach, who recently announced his retirement, on his 500th win leading the Bantams; *DailySquashReport.com*, January 23, 2023

I thought it was really important for the College to do something like that. We were praying with people, sharing the emotions that we were feeling, and telling people about the fund as a way to help. It was a great emotional support, so I'm very grateful for that.

**ZEYNEP OGUZER '26**, on the campus vigil in the Trinity Chapel for Turkey and Syria following the devastating earthquakes in those countries; [www.trincoll.edu](http://www.trincoll.edu), February 16, 2023

Something about him just feels so warm. He's so genuine and honest.

**GIFT NOSAKHARE '23**, on the Granby, Connecticut, senior she's been paired with through the anti-loneliness program For the Ages; WFSB Channel 3, February 16, 2023

The craft of building a college community is a human endeavor . . . with humanity at its core. Our work is rooted in, and fueled by, small, human moments—ones full of care and connection.

**MATTHEW HYDE**, Trinity's dean of admissions and financial aid; *Forbes*, February 17, 2023

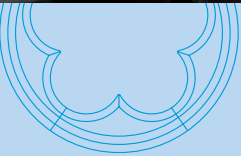
Even when he's in the hospital, these guys will text him or call him and it brings a smile. Sometimes there's not smiles when you're not feeling good and you're going through a tough time. Every single year, season after season, he just forms this bond with each of the guys.

**NICKI ADESSIO**, mother of Sean Chamberland, who has spina bifida and has been paired with the Trinity's men's basketball team through the Team IMPACT program; *The Hartford Courant*, January 23, 2023





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## 1985

The Ramones bring their punk brand of rock 'n' roll to Trinity College during Spring Weekend in May 1985. Take a moment to think back to "Rockaway Beach," "Teenage Lobotomy," "Rock 'n' Roll High School," and more songs from the Ramones. Do you have memories of their visit—or of any concert at Trinity—that you'd like to share? Please email them to [sonya.adams@trincoll.edu](mailto:sonya.adams@trincoll.edu).

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