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Thanks, Doug Green, for your note from
Virginia. He still keeps busy on the
Wintergreen golf course several times a
week. Like me, he gave up skiing a number
of years ago. He especially remembers the
wonderful times with his brothers of St.
Anthony Hall and other friends.

Also, thanks to Stan Newman. He and wife
Carol will be celebrating their 65th wedding
anniversary in July 2023 on the *Queen Mary 2*
heading to England. Stan has many friends
in the U.K. from his years spent at the
London School of Economics in the '60s.

And Bill Conner has a busy summer ahead;
two grandchildren are getting married, and
a third grandchild is having a baby. That will
make him a great-grandfather. He thinks
that should qualify as making you feel old. I
think it should make him feel lucky.

I happily was feted on my 90th birthday
by friends who prepared a fantastic five-
course Italian dinner for about 30.

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What a year this has been! What a rare
mood I'm in! Why, it's almost like being . . .
90! Of course, this year has been a roller-
coaster ride of emotions as we have sadly
lost several classmates to old age, but what
joy to celebrate with Trinity buddies the
reality that many of us are embarking on our
91st year. As of this writing, many already

have hit the mark in fall 2022 and early
2023, enjoying large family events, and that
includes David Dimling, Leif Carlson, Warren
Gelman, and Norman Catir. And still to come
are celebrations that will fill the balance
of 2023, confirmed via June phone calls to
Charlie Eberle, Craig Mehlau, Art O'Connell,
Frank Solomita, Ed Yeomans, David Hoag, and
Charlie Gardner. The mood at family outings
has produced lots of expectations for many
more happy years to come.

A long phone chat with Tom Brett revealed
that he, Greg Petrakis, and Bill La Porte
reside in the same retirement community,
Chatfield, located in West Hartford. Tom
experienced quite a diverse personal and
business life following his Trinity/RPI
graduation, including the U.S. Air Force,
owner/operator of Stop & Shop stores,
plus running a maintenance/management
business. Barbara and Irwin Meiselman have
settled in a wonderful retirement complex in
Silver Spring, Maryland. Irwin continues to
perform in a singing group that includes bar-
bershop “Goodbye, My Coney Island Baby”
performances. Another classmate warbler is
Dick Ferraro, who displays his singing talents
in the Dover, New Hampshire, area.

My calls to Art O'Connell and Leif Carlson
generated some wonderful memories regard-
ing the success we had as participants on the
Trinity varsity soccer squad. The three of
us as halfbacks and fullback were responsi-
ble for preventing opponents from scoring.
Our efforts produced three years where
our record was losing only one game each
season, and that included opponents Yale,
Harvard, MIT, UMass, WPI, Tufts, Amherst,
and Wesleyan. Art spent 19 years with the
U.S. Navy as a logistics and supply officer
and then earned an M.B.A. from the George
Washington University, finally becoming a
financial industry public certified arbitrator.

The crazy hot weather we all have experi-
enced this summer was made more tolerable
by escapees Tom Bolger and Ken Wildrick.
Tom and family members spent the better
part of two months' time in Montana, while
Ken and Nancy hightailed it to their second
home in Northern Maine. Bill Gardiner
continues to live on Cape Cod, a place
that others may see as a seasonal getaway
destination. Hal Burdon enjoys his retire-
ment community home in the Miami area.

He admitted his 90th was celebrated two
years ago; as a result, he may be our oldest
classmate. The youngest might be Frank
Solomita, who turns 90 in February 2024.
Phil Truitt has moved to a new apartment
in the North Philadelphia area to be more
accessible to his nearby daughter.

I'm sad to report that my phone call to
Ron Gagosz resulted in being informed by
his wife, Gerry, that Ron passed away this
spring. They had been married 51 years.
Also, David Dimling advised me that he lost
his wife, Connie, this past November. David
and Connie added so much to all of our
Reunions, which they attended faithfully. Ed
Yeomans is certainly our most durable class-
mate, as he continues his passion of chopping
firewood for himself and nearby family. I am
happy to come “close” (no pun intended)
to that by playing competitive tennis three
times a week. Thank you, Lord! Looking
forward to our next printed gathering.

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Ken Weisberger sent me a collection of very
funny picture/word jokes that he created.
This is especially heartening since Ken has
had many debilitating problems of late. After
his wife died in 2021, he sold his house in
Westport, concluded his business, and moved
into a facility in Bridgeport, Connecticut.
He suffers from neuropathy, which is painful
and not curable and makes walking very dif-
ficult, except in the pool at his new residence.
There he can get the physical therapy he
needs and, of course, the company of others.
They must love him, especially for his humor.

Roger Martin wrote in May to tell me he
has been busy and involved, notably at the
local hospital pursuing his “new career” as
a watercolor artist. He says it is “quite the
contrast from his business career,” when he
was immersed in finance and accounting for
manufacturing and insurance companies
(Aetna, General Electric, and Stanley) and
later for some 30 years teaching at Keene
State College. Bravo, Roger. Paint well.

Charlie Stehle told me that he has been
taking tennis lessons lately, surprising from

such an accomplished tennis player (and team captain in 1956) but wise as a recommended and worthwhile exercise for his mobility problems.

Skip Beardsell, who visited my wife and me here in Virginia last March, writes that he is planning an extended visit to the Maritime islands in summer 2023 and may spend some time on Martha's Vineyard in October when the crowds have thinned out. Martha's Vineyard is where my wife and I will spend a week in July with our daughter and grandkids.

David Taylor writes that he had communicated with **David Hoare** during a snowstorm last March. David lives in Camillus, New York, where the snow can be fierce. He also passed on notes from a conversation with **Gil Vigneault**. Gil told David that while he still owns his company (a highly regarded collections agency), he works remotely from home and currently without pay. He commented that his business as related to health care has been particularly hard of late, largely because of a plethora of new federal compliance rules. He plans to leave the business to his two daughters and hopes that business improves by then. **Arnold Persky** and David talked in February. He told him that he lost his wife in June 2022 and now lives in a retirement community. We, our class, extend our sympathies as well, Arnie. David also tells me of a fun chat he had with **Bob Holmstrom** about early memories of Trinity, about professors and coaches. Bob says that he was recruited by swim coach Art Christ. Bob had a very distinguished career as professor and chair of the Psychology Department at the George Washington University. **Dick Abbott** contributed to the discussion of early Trinity memories (like "first impressions"). Dick's first memory is most favorable and special: the handwritten acceptance letter he received from Bert Holland. Bert brought a human quality to the enrollment process and a feeling of warm welcome to all of us freshmen, some of us (like me) away from home for the first time.

Finally, it is with deep regret that I must inform our class that **William Zito** passed away in May 2023. His obituary is long and impressive. After Trinity, he went to Hartford Seminary, where he earned a doctor of ministry degree, all in preparation for a life as a congregational minister and clergyman. And he blossomed in this capacity, first as associate minister at First Congregational church in Westbrook, Connecticut, for a decade, reviving and transforming a

failing church into a vibrant faith community. His next triumph was in Watertown, Connecticut, where he served for 33 years as senior minister. He is remembered with love for his sense of humor (sometimes offbeat), his joy, and as a first-class musician (organist and choir director). He will be missed and never forgotten by his parishioners. We, your classmates, extend our deepest respect and sympathy to his family.

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The 65th Reunion. 65 years. You have got to be kidding. We are all in our late 80s! Those years may be the primary factor in an attendance of only 14. However, according to the Alumni Office, that number is the most who ever attended a 65th.

Renewed friendships, fond memories, and much good feeling for the quality education the College afforded us. One thing that was agreed by all: the chicken was so bad, it was inedible and embarrassing. Several suggested that it was intentional to discourage us from having a 70th, something the College doesn't arrange.

Yours truly could not attend other than in spirit. But, several responded with notes on which this report is based.

At my request, **Bordie Painter** wrote, "Reunion went well. Dinner on Friday for 12 classmates and four spouses. **Beattie Bailey, Gary Bogli, Frank Kury** and Beth, **Peter Lowenstein** and Connie, **Art Polstein, Joe Repole, Peter Smith** and Agneta, **David Smith** and Dorothea, **Ed Speno, Dean Uphoff** and Ann, and **Mike Zoob**. We looked pretty good for a bunch of old geezers. On Saturday, alumnus George Will '62 spoke, and a highlight was a question from **Frank Kury** about the Supreme Court, Justice Thomas, and improper favors."

From **Bernard Moran**: "Had a great time at our 65th. Roomed on campus with **Ed Speno, Joe Repole, Franklin Kury, and Pete Bailey**. All in good physical and mental health. Looking forward to our 70th."

Mike Zoob had to leave on Saturday for Road Scholar business but displayed some paper memorabilia from the '50s sent by **Jack Thompson**. Mike and Bordie arranged with the College to organize a Class of '58 Zoom meeting in mid-June. About a dozen of us participated. A pleasant personal aside was when Bordie waxed enthusiastically about our granddaughter Caroline. She is a junior at Mount Holyoke, and we convinced her to do the Trinity Rome program last semester. Bordie attended the 50th anniversary program in Rome and was greeted, hosted, and charmed by her. He shared some dubious recollection of her father, Jeffrey, who took several courses with Bordie as an undergraduate.

Joe Repole writes, not about his continual biking, but about his softball granddaughters. All three play for Clinton High School's championship competitive team. They hit consecutively in the middle of the order and often are all on base at the same time. Pitcher Ella is headed to Bentley College, and short-stop Ava will be at Brandeis. Joe may have to give up that season ticket to the "Saux" to keep up with the girls' schedules.

Tom Barrett writes as an irregular correspondent: "I am not so fat, not so dumb, and happy as can be living in New Hampshire. One wife, one career in insurance, one house on 20 acres for 50-plus years, five kids, six grands, money in the bank, and no debt. A 45-year loyal Bantam, a 50-year Rotarian, and I still swim a mile a week. Hearing is poor, eyes are bad, balance could be better, but everything else works. I did not make the 65th because the Trinity of today is not the Trinity I knew. I am so grateful for the education Trinity gave me and the doors that Trinity opened for me. John Dando was my favorite professor, freshman math my least favorite course, and the AFROTC still haunts my dreams."

Poor eyesight is **Pete Bailey's** excuse for not writing more often. He did enjoy his short two days back at the College and recalls, fondly, having great conversations with my wife, Shirley, during undergraduate days. He is back in New Mexico.

On the personal side, Shirley's four-year battle with Parkinson's keeps us homebound. I do play some bogie golf, read and write a bit, and watch the wild political scene. This is Florida, and our politics can be intriguing. I still preside over our HOA board. We have four children who are no longer kids. The exploits of their eight children keep us happily grandparenting in person and afar.

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Pat Terry, the widow of **Clifford Terry**, submitted the following: “**Cliff Terry**, longtime *Chicago Tribune* critic and entertainment writer, was well-known for his witty movie reviews and colorful features prompting thank-you letters from interviewees like George Halas, Mel Brooks, Harrison Ford, Jack Lemon, Jerry Reinsdorf, and Eugene McCarthy. In 1969, Cliff broke barriers as the first *Chicago Tribune* writer ever honored with the prestigious Nieman Fellowship at Harvard University. Early on, Cliff’s articles about Steppenwolf Theatre helped bring the ensemble to national attention, acknowledged co-founder Gary Sinise to one of Cliff’s sons. Extremely intelligent and modest, Cliff is perhaps less widely known today than his self-promoting peers in the movie critic world. As a father, Cliff was a quiet, always-there parent to sons Chris and Scott, slipping out of the office to cheer at their soccer games, rock-band gigs, and Chicago Public Schools activities—living up to a promise he made journalist wife Pat (they met at the *Chicago Tribune*) to do 50 percent of the parenting. A lifelong Episcopalian, Cliff was active in Church of Our Saviour, Lincoln Park, working with Pat on the homeless/low-income lunch team for 35 years, singing in the choir—something he’d begun in the boys’ choir at St. Luke’s, Evanston—and one very long year co-teaching the sixth-grade Sunday school class. Cliff attended Evanston Township High School, where he served as sports editor, graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity, and began a master’s degree program at Columbia University but dropped out when the TV anchor he followed to N.Y.C. dropped him. Although active in sports—an outstanding third baseman—Cliff wasn’t too keen on the physical part of building homes with Pat in the Mekong Delta, rural Chile, and Honduras or helping scientists in the remote Brazilian Pantanal. But he did it anyway. Reluctantly. When a recent visit to the ER turned into a four-day stay and Cliff’s sudden death,

notes from friends began pouring into the family’s downtown apartment, mentioning his humor, his kindness, his intelligence, and the twinkle in his eye. Pat only wishes she could tell Cliff just how much he was loved and admired. We said goodbye at his funeral in May 2023 in Chicago.”

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The Class of 1960 continues to belie its advancing age by staying active and continuing to stay in touch with other classmates. Example number one is **Matt Levine**, who traveled with his wife to Brazil and enjoyed the nightlife in Rio and the splendors of the Amazon. Incredibly, Matt did some fishing for piranhas and to top it off had one of those nasty fishes for dinner and said it was delicious.

Got a nice note from **Aaron Fleischman**, who has had a distinguished career as a Washington lawyer specializing in communications law, where he held a vaunted position. In his spare time, he built one of the premier collections of American and European modernism and contemporary art. Aaron also is an honorary trustee emeritus of The Metropolitan Museum of Art and a trustee emeritus of the Art Institute of Chicago. Quite a distinguished career.

Continuing in the area of art, **Tim Baum** recently had a showing of the art of Man Ray, a preeminent photographer and artist of the 20th century. Tim is an authority in the area of Dada and surrealism and a noted collector in his own right.

I’ve talked a lot lately with my good pal **Dick Stockton**, who says of the last year, “My age has taken quite a bite out of me.” Dick had a stroke and a hernia procedure, with a new belly button to prove it. Dick and Barbara spend their lives between Vero Beach and Nantucket. Not bad for a kid from Millburn, New Jersey.

Got the usual informative note from **Marv Peterson**, who unfortunately couldn’t make the Trinity 200th birthday celebration because of some serious health issues with his son-in-law. Sadly, Marv also had to forego

his usual annual trip to Big Sky, Montana.

Lastly, a hard-core group of classmates joined yours truly at the Trinity Bicentennial in mid-June. Kudos to **Bob Johnson, Bob Pedemonti, Charley Middleton, Bob Adams**, and **Skip Morse** for coming to the College on a beautiful spring day. Big news was made when **Skip Morse** announced he’d married his wonderful lady friend, Ann, and he did it with a big smile on his face. Special thanks go to **Charley Middleton** for helping **Bob Johnson** navigate the trip from Philadelphia to Hartford and to **Bob Adams** for traveling all the way from Kentucky. In the immortal words of Bugs Bunny, “That’s all folks.”

From **Skip Morse**: “On Sunday, May 21, 2023, I was married to Anne Toombs (formerly of Southport, Connecticut) in a very private wedding ceremony beside Farm Pond at the Connecticut Audubon Society Center at Fairfield. I had known Anne and her late husband, David, socially for over 45 years. Anne’s husband and my late wife (Ellie) both passed away approximately nine years ago. I reconnected with Anne at a Connecticut Audubon charity event four years ago, quarantined at Anne’s house in Southport for three months during the COVID pandemic, fell in love, sold the house, moved to a cottage at Essex Meadows, and the rest is history.”

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Frank Brosgol sends greetings and a newsy letter from Bucks County, Pennsylvania, where he had a hip replacement in early May. He traveled to Swarthmore to watch his grandson play lacrosse, following in his father’s (David ’90) and grandfather’s footsteps (Frank played on an early Trinity lacrosse team). He gives “many thanks to **Vin Stempien** for trying to teach me to cradle.”

Andy Cantor and I still get together for lunch, where we commiserate about the ’76ers. Andy and Ann recently returned from their granddaughter’s graduation from Davidson.

Mike Perlman reports from Northampton, Massachusetts, that things are going well, though he says he is slowing down by cutting Saturday hours in his psychiatric practice.

Doug Tansill represented the class at Trinity’s 200th celebration.

We regret to report the recent deaths of **Bruce McFarland, Neil Newberg**, and **Red**

Ramsey (whose obituary is included in this issue's "In Memory" section).

Bruce died at 84 on May 21 in Charleston, South Carolina. At Trinity, he was active on the *Ivy* and *Tripod* and in Campus Chest, the Canterbury Club, and the Corinthian Yacht Club; he also represented Psi Upsilon on the Interfraternity Council. His wife of 60 years, Sonja, says that after Bruce's many years in the hotel business, they operated Charleston's popular Kites Fly 'N Hi shop for 35 years before closing it last December. He leaves a daughter, Christine, and a granddaughter.

Neil, of Winter Park, Florida, died on May 23 at 82. At Trinity, he was secretary of Alpha Delta Phi and a member of the *Tripod* staff, Campus Chest, Hillel Society, and the International Relations Club. His eldest son, Eric '88, notes that Neil and Francine had been married for nearly 59 years and that he was a distinguished practitioner of hematology, oncology, and internal medicine. He and his wife were loyal patrons of the arts and active in charitable organizations. Neil also leaves sons Daniel and Todd and six grandchildren.

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Hello again, classmates! How time flies, especially now that we are effectively in the post-pandemic era. Due to space limitations, some of this content is a bit dated but nonetheless worthy of reporting. Apologies, and thanks for your patience!

Don Mackay submitted the following news in January: Some of you know that he went to Virginia Theological Seminary and was subsequently ordained an Episcopal priest in 1965. In October 2005, he retired after 40-plus very fulfilling years of parish ministry in Montana and finally in Kirkland, Washington. His wife, Rosemary, passed in 2017 after a valiant battle against Alzheimer's. Don remarried to Jocelyn, and together they have seven children, 13 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. They live in West Linn, Oregon, and enjoy travel and exciting adventures. Before COVID, they traveled in Europe, visiting ancestral cousins in Sweden, taking a Viking river cruise from Amsterdam to Basel, Switzerland, and then onward to Paris

and Rome. Don and Jocelyn are certified in hypnotherapy and invite anyone interested in this to contact Don at dmackay3@gmail.com, with ability to participate over the internet. By the time you read this, Don and Jocelyn will have spent almost the entire month of July in Estonia and in the fall will have taken a small boat cruise through the Inside Passage from Juneau to Seattle; they have a trip to Antarctica planned for 2024. When not traveling to faraway places, they enjoy the Pacific Northwest, camping, and kayaking on local lakes and rivers. In addition, they are helping individuals and families reconnect with their biological family and welcome contact by email if you want to know more about your DNA family. Don says he's enjoying great health and is planning on sticking around well past 120 years!

George Rand also responded in January but questions that, at our ages, how much could be new. That said, he retired in 2005 and continued to live in New York City, but about a year ago, he sold his apartment and moved to suburban New Jersey. As a "city boy," he says he misses that, but, on the other hand, he enjoys being able to park in his own driveway and swim in his own pool. He married his longtime girlfriend, Pam, a few years ago, after promising to tie the knot before turning 81, thinking he wouldn't last that long anyway, but then he did, and he did. He says, aside from that, that he's "just doing the usual old geezer things, walking his dog, knocking back the brewskis, and trying to stay a step or two ahead of the Reaper."

Ilhi Synn responded to your secretary's contact with pleasure at the reconnection. He continues his involvement with Keimyung University, a two-hour rail trip from Seoul, South Korea, where he was president from 1988–2004 and appears to be "back in the saddle" again since 2008. After Trinity, he attended Princeton University for his doctorate.

Your secretary, **John Densem**, has done some domestic travel this year, taking the train (again) from Vancouver to Toronto (the last of the real streamliners from the late '70s) and attending a granddaughter's graduation from the University of Connecticut in early May in Storrs. On the drawing board is a return to Australia and New Zealand next March, featuring the rail journey from Perth to Sydney. John has agreed to be our class steward, whatever that means (actually, to thank those of you who have made donations to the College in

recent times). You may be hearing from him in thanks for your generosity!

George Shaw also submitted news in February, but, as there is a 1,000-word limit, your secretary now adds content from George. He notes that his time at Trinity could have been happier (your secretary JD shares the feeling), but then his life "took off" when he attended Harvard Law School, graduating in 1965. George spent three years lawyering in the Navy, serving as assistant legal officer to the commander of Atlantic fleet amphibious forces. He spent many years at the Hemenway & Barnes law firm in Boston, retiring in 2000 after focusing on trust and estate work. He and wife Anna lived briefly in Newcastle, Maine, and then moved to an over-55 condo in Mystic, Connecticut, where they are actively involved with a host of nonprofits. (Sound familiar?)

Tom Johnson also submitted some news earlier in the year. He says he's in excellent health, walking two miles every morning before breakfast (what we all should be doing). A big family trip was planned for this past summer, taking a cruise to celebrate Tom's 80th and his and wife Ann's 50th wedding anniversary (hopefully some details in the next column?).

Dennis Rodgers writes about surviving Hurricane Ian and how having a concrete block structure with hurricane-impact windows and doors and a whole-house generator got them through the event, except for roofing shingles landing all over the place.

Finally, **Paul LaRocca** writes that he has returned to the world of work (without pay) to help a good friend/former student with a sports card business, involving travel to conventions in Los Angeles and Las Vegas. He recalls his time at Trinity doing intramural wrestling during his senior year, in the former infamous Alumni Hall Gym (remember the rope climb?).

More next time.

1963 **President: Timothy F. Lenicheck • Vice President: Mike Schulenberg • Secretary: Thomas E. Calabrese, thomas.calabrese.1963@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: William C. Howland, Scott Reynolds**

Dear fellow Trinity alums, another special event in the life of our class took place on campus from June 8 through 11, 2023, our 60th Reunion—as well as the 200th anniversary of the College.

From **Scott Reynolds**: "Our Reunion was a little different this year because of the

Bicentennial celebration of the College. The normal class procession, ceremonial presentation of checks, and awarding of alumni awards were not held. Needless to say, the Class of 1963 was, as always, a leader. We exceeded our \$100,000 annual fund goal comfortably, with about 50 percent participation. Thank you one and all for your continuing support. In addition, gifts to the Chapel project, individual scholarship funds, and academic initiatives raised our giving since the last Reunion to more than \$9 million. As a class, we have much to be proud of. Our class was a lively presence all weekend. To get things rolling, **Peter Sherin** organized a wonderful golf-cart tour of campus with commentary that brought back many memories. **Richard Birney-Smith** gave a wonderful organ recital in the Chapel, where just prior we remembered classmates who died since our last Reunion. This moving ceremony was held in our new home, the 1963 Chapel of the Perfect Friendship. **Stan Marcuss** conducted a thought-provoking session of introspection, a wonderful opportunity for each of us to put our Trinity and life experiences in perspective. Many classmates also contributed to a slideshow celebration of alumni serving our country in the military. Much attention was given to the *Directory of the Scholars in the Trinity Class of 1963 Scholarship Program*, undertaken by **Vic Keen** and Tony Canata '93, with much help from many. We are very mindful that our alumni scholars will increasingly be taking on more responsibility in running our hallmark scholarship program. The Bicentennial events were excellent. Sports was a big theme, hearing from alumni prominent in professional sports management and George Will '62 opining on baseball, particularly his beloved Chicago Cubs. The music of Aloe Blacc and fireworks made Saturday's dinner on the quad a big success. Congratulations to the classmates who worked so hard to make the weekend a wonderful success."

From **Tim Lenicheck**: "Our 60th Reunion was enhanced by the College's Bicentennial celebration . . . or maybe it was the other way around. In any event, it was a salutary experience: a program that combined reflection (a discussion involving classmates and spouses led expertly by **Stan Marcuss**), information (**Vic Keen**, Tony Canata '93, Mohammed Zeb '21, and Adam Minahan '23) updating us on the scholar directory, time in the main Chapel and in the Chapel of the Perfect Friendship remembering those classmates no longer with us, an organ

recital by Christopher Houlihan '09 and our **Richard Birney-Smith**, a spirited dinner in Hamlin, and a class meeting followed by a detailed report on how the financial underpinnings of our scholarship program operates. We kicked off Thursday evening with **Peter Sherin's** nostalgic golf-cart tour of the campus then and now and concluded Sunday with a worship service. Most important were the nearly palpable good vibes throughout. Homecoming in the fall might seem to be anticlimactic, but stay tuned . . . it won't be."

From **Mike Schulenberg**: "I am blessed to finally report that I have had success with my vision problems. For nearly four years, I have been struggling with double vision caused by thyroid eye disease and Graves' disease. It has taken three surgeries to relocate the muscles that control my sight as well as multiple pairs of prescription lenses with prisms ground into the glasses to 'bend' the images of things I see. About the end of April, I had my third surgery, and it was successful. I no longer have double vision and can read with drugstore reading glasses! It isn't perfect but so much better! Hopefully my brain will learn to fine-tune my sight, and hopefully it will only get better as time goes on. Hoping to see folks (literally) at Trinity on the weekend of the 60th Reunion."

From **Steve Haarstick**: "I am moving again in early June to Reston, Virginia, to be closer to my son and his family. When I sold my sail loft, I moved to Chester, Maryland, an island across the Bay Bridge from Annapolis, and continued to do some sailing. Unfortunately, now at 81, my health has dictated my latest move."

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Nic Cantor, our intrepid reporter from
London, advised that he went to the Trinity
College reception in Knightsbridge recently.
Nic commented: "It was a lovely evening,
and the reception was held on a long outside
terrace behind the yacht club in which it was
held and facing Hyde Park. At one point, we
all watched a long motorcade driving past;

we were told that it was some royal bounding toward Buck House (Buckingham Palace to you Yanks). I enjoyed the reception, though I did feel like the ancient mariner at this yacht club. The next guest to me in age was from the Class of '82. When he introduced himself by saying, 'I'm '82,' I said, 'Gosh, you're well preserved!' Most everyone else graduated around year 2000. And they considered themselves old-timers! I had a long chat with the head of the Rome Campus, who was the guest of honor. An interesting guy. I told him that I took Italian Renaissance literature in translation and audited an Italian course with Michael Campo '48, who founded the Rome Campus a few years after we graduated. The campus is celebrating its 53rd year [in summer 2023]! Anyway, there was good wine and canapes, and it was nice to meet other 'elmers' (neath the, I mean). The Trinity reception was a nice get-together of alumni who live in the U.K. to get to know one another. It was a very pleasant evening. Unfortunately, the tube was up the spout, and it took me over two hours to get home after the reception was over. Ah well."

Henry Hopkins sent word on the closing Phi Kappa Fahey Society lunch for the season, including a photo of him with George Andrews '66, Michael Moonves '66, and William Notman '64. All are looking forward to another winter season in sunny Florida continuing their important work with the society. "Go Bantams."

Jon Simonian writes that his heart literally broke in 2022 when the P2 chordae tendineae in the left ventricle snapped, and he needed heart surgery to replace the tendon. Then eight months later, he won the year-end Memorial Golf Tournament at Saint Andrew's Golf Club in New York. He added, "It goes to show that if you're lucky and can still manage the course, the putts will continue to drop." In a further update, he notes: "I'm in reasonably good shape. My heart is physically OK, but the follow-up medications have too many side effects for me. I'd rather take scotch, but docs say nyet. What do they know about the benefits of Macallan 12-year-old? Charlene and I take care of the little kids every day. Charlene really earns her grandmother stripes. I do 'Uber driving duty' every morning taking Charlotte (almost 5) to preschool with her dad before he goes to work, but Charlene does the really heavy lifting with both Charlotte and Jon David III (almost 3). He is in full-time day care. Nevertheless, I marvel at the fact that there is a Simonian 'triple sticks.' With that



Charles Kurz II '67, P'99 congratulates Class of 1967 Scholar Dhiraj Ganji '23.

moniker, he could fit right into the Trinity Class of 2038 when he's ready for the big time."

Merrill Yavinsky was surprised for his big birthday in D.C. by 35 family members from three generations. They came from as far away as Hawaii and Florida!

Dick Gann writes that he and wife Debbie celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a luxury cruise around the north-western Mediterranean. Great food, great weather, and a marvelous part of the world. They returned home to news that Dick's textbook, *Principles of Fire Behavior and Combustion, Fifth Edition*, is in print and is listed on Amazon. Dick wrote this introductory book for people who are embarking on a career in fire safety and for those who would like to learn more about this fascinating yet threatening phenomenon. The fourth edition sold more than 30,000 copies.

On a more somber note, it was sad to hear of **Bruce Basch's** passing. Bruce and Dick had been playmates, classmates, and friends since elementary school.

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Angelica, George Barrows, Ken Button, Richard Coyle, Daniel L. Goldberg, Malcolm L. Hayward, Bennett Jaffee, Paul H. Jones, Michael Lestz, Christopher McCrudden, Joseph McKeigue, Douglas Morrill, Stephen Peters, Richard Pullman, Lawrence Roberts, Geoffrey Steinemann, Richard Weingarten

Our 55th Reunion was a blast, and reporting on it will be reflected in this and the next several Class Notes. First, the report on our class meeting. **Larry Roberts** was elected president emeritus and was gifted a statue of a bull (Coach Jesse's nickname for him: "Just give the ball to the Bull") for his fabulous decades serving as our class president. **Barry Bedrick** did the presentation, with wonderful tales of the "old farts baseball tour" that he and Larry did over years of travel together. A heartfelt thanks to Larry for his humor, humility, and dedication to our class. We are told he was the College's longest serving class president, and a shout-out goes to his "chief of staff" (a.k.a. wife), Deb, who made sure he was everywhere he needed to be. **Paul Jones** moved up from his veep spot to succeed Larry as president, and **Michael Lestz** has stepped into Paul's shoes as veep. **Barry Bedrick** and I will continue our roles as class agent and secretary, respectively. We added three new class ambassadors: **Ken Button, Geoffrey Steinemann, and Rich Weingarten.**

For our 50th Reunion class gift, we had created the Class of '68 Scholarship, with an initial goal of reaching a \$2 million endowment by our 55th. I am pleased to report that the small gap to meet that goal has been filled. The endowment, once pledges are fulfilled, will allow us to help fund a Class of '68 Scholar in each class in perpetuity. Thanks to all who have helped us achieve this goal. We are next set on doubling that endowment in the coming years. We have had immeasurable administrative help from Director of Milestone Reunions Theresa Kidd. To express our thanks, Theresa was elected an honorary member of our class, and **Paul Jones** presented her with glass wall art depicting a carrot and whip, although Theresa has always relied on the carrots and has never needed the whip!

Three of our '68 Scholars joined us at our class dinner. Julia Cheesman '24, Emma Markowski '25, and Anupam Khargharia '26 had a chance to interact with classmates, who came away uniformly impressed with our scholars. Among our goals is to mentor our scholars, and a really important connection was made between Julia Cheesman '24, with her interest in environmental science,

and **Ernie Williams**, a foremost expert in that field. We hope these kinds of connections will augment the advantages of being a Class of '68 Scholar. The decision was made to make all of our '68 Scholars honorary members of our class, with the hope that they will carry on with future selections of scholars after we are no longer around to do so.

Other highlights of our class dinner included a slideshow, with accompanying music from our college years, put together by **Joe McKeigue**, with help from daughter Heather, **George Fosque**, and **Barry Bedrick**. It was a tour de force, capturing memorable moments from our college years and Reunions, and included a tribute to the 52 classmates who have passed on. For a link to the slideshow, email theresa.kidd@trincoll.edu. It is not to be missed. Joe got a well-deserved standing ovation for the slideshow.

One of our Reunion roundtables, "Defining and Managing Your Legacy," focused on how to pass along values, perspectives, and personal and family histories to future generations. **Kim Miles** had copies of his book, *Miles to Go . . . Episodes from a Life Half-Lived*, which covers 70 years of experiences and puts in the context of his life the idyllic '50s, the turmoil of the '60s, and the ensuing decades. **Bill Dickey** told us about Storyworth.com, which prompts you with weekly questions on personal views and experiences to answer and then puts them into a book. **Joe McKeigue** suggested WordPress, which helps create websites. We discussed the collective legacies of such things as our class scholarship, and **Scott Horton** mentioned the idea of "inadvertent legacies" such as the legacies gifted to him by the friendships he made at Trinity. **Rich Weingarten's** funding of cross-cultural internships for Trinity students is among his ways of passing along the importance of cross-cultural experiences, which he also does through his radio show. **Emil Angelica** has created oral histories on video of important historical events, including health care workers dealing with the AIDS and COVID epidemics. **Joe Saginor's** story of how his son adopted the generosity that Joe had shown over the years by always giving the sweetest part of the watermelon to his son, reflecting that how we live is often the most important means of passing along our values. **Steve Peters** spoke of colleges and universities as potential repositories for historical content. He added some levity by sharing the last conversation he had with his dad, asking if there were secrets his dad would take to the

grave, to which the answer was a blunt “yes” . . . and he took those secrets with him three days later. **T. John Hughes** shared his photo book *Apparitions*, in which he superimposed former architectural sites on what exists in their place now, a graphic way to show that places have legacies as well. T. John also offered thumb drives of his writings on his time in a small rural town in Colorado. **Mike Lestz** had wonderful tales of being gifted his father’s extensive book collection on the history of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, a gift he didn’t quite know what to do with! Emil and your secretary also shared how they are passing along the importance of charitable giving by gifting to others the right to designate charities that we will contribute to on their behalf. That is part of my annual Chanukah gift to each of my nine grandchildren. The Reunion roundtables were recorded and are available by emailing theresa.kidd@trincoll.edu.

After Reunion, I received further legacy input from others. **Bill Walsh**, having worked for Project HOPE for 30 years, developed his legacy through monographs on his work in Central Europe and China, telling how Project HOPE and local health care professionals worked together in a spirit of cooperation and friendship to help thousands of people annually. Bill also is counseling his children on the need to step up and help set a new direction to the current political climate. **John Covington**, now 50 years in the clergy, hopes his clerical life has had a positive impact on others and has devoted his financial legacy to helping a variety of parishes and organizations, including The Chapel Singers and the New York Community Trust to help the poor and the homeless.

My report on the second roundtable, “Tales of Serendipity,” other input from Reunion, and updates from classmates will be in the next *Reporter*.

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Peter Berger sent in this “update after all of these years” to classmates: “I served in the USAF for six years, including 13 months flying in an airborne command post over Laos 1971–72. I married Ronnie at the Chapel in June 1972 after my return, and we had three sons who are all doing well in life. We also have four grandchildren with another

on the way. Ronnie and I grew apart after many years and divorced a few years ago. I re-met a woman I graduated high school with (Barbara), and we have been together for several years now. I spent 14 years in the Arizona Air National Guard and retired as the director of operations of a command and control radar squadron. I have been active in a veterans’ organization serving as immediate past president on the Board of Directors of the Arizona Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America and am a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and the American Legion. I have been in behavioral health since 1973, managing and administering two large treatment programs in Phoenix, where I have been in private practice as a psychotherapist for over 30 years. So yes, I am still working and enjoying it. I hope to reconnect with some of my classmates over this coming year and wish everyone good health and great happiness.”

Rob Freeman reports that he celebrated his 50th anniversary of graduation from the Tufts University School of Medicine and retired in July 2023 from his practice of ophthalmology, which he began in 1978 in Swampscott and Salem, Massachusetts. Time now to devote to his three sons and five grandchildren.

Herb Wigder and wife Cathy celebrated their 50th Reunion at the Medical College of Wisconsin. They married two days before their graduation in 1973. They recently moved to downtown Chicago and enjoy city life and living next to Lake Michigan.

Bill and Diane **Marimow**, **Jim Jones**, and **Alden Gordon** attended the Trinity Bicentennial event in June. Your secretary, now in my 45th year on the Trinity faculty, gave a talk on “Trinity’s 1923 Centennial and the Landmark Campus of Today,” which is available on YouTube. Members of our class have been affiliated with Trinity for more than one quarter of its entire 200-year history.

Bill Marimow did a masterful job as interviewer to navigate keynote speaker George Will ’62 to discuss much more than recent rule changes in Major League Baseball. The session covered journalistic integrity, detecting internet disinformation, and controversial Supreme Court rulings and handicapped the 2024 presidential field. Will expressed enthusiastic endorsement of the MLB 20-second rule for pitchers in the national pastime. He was characteristically acerbic on politics, as Marimow’s piercing questioning brought out.

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Trinity’s 200th birthday celebration on June 10 for its Bicentennial was a real blast and will continue throughout the year with many more activities. It was especially gratifying to feel the energy of enthusiastic participation from our class so soon after the huge effort we put into our 50th Reunion. On Friday evening, a core group gathered at the Artisan restaurant in the Delamar West Hartford for an absolutely fabulous dinner. The ambience produced many smiles and much happiness among the group: yours truly, **Joe Barkley** and Mary Lou Ambrose, **Ernie** and Mickey **Mattei**, **Dan Reilert**, **Charlie Taylor**, **Dick Wyland**, and **Mike Lavorgna** and special guest Bill Reynolds ’71. On Saturday evening under the big tent on the quad, we were joined by **Richard Turk**, **John Scholes**, **Tony DiBella**, **Dan Maxwell**, and **John Chapin**. Unfortunately, **John Robson**, **Alan Gibby**, **Billy Peelle**, **Dix Leeson**, **Curt Shaw**, **Peter Brinckerhoff**, and others who had participated in helping with the planning for months prior with the wonderful and patient guidance of Theresa Kidd were not able to attend. Everyone’s collective effort was greatly appreciated. **Charlie Taylor** could not help commenting at dinner that it brought so much gratification to him to be in our presence once again, which meant so much to all of us because we felt the same way. Do not miss the special musical contribution by **Dan Reilert** made available to us through **Richard Turk**’s efforts via the Alumni Office. It is available by searching Class of 1970 on the Trinity website. To be clear, the story reflects Dan’s time at Trinity as music reviewer for the *Tripod*. The background music we used are recordings of the Beatles, Eric Clapton/Cream, Blood Sweat and Tears, Earth Opera, and The Band. Dan has devoted himself to music since graduation, and we should hear his phenomenal recording. I



In June 2023, Cathy and Herb Wigder '69 celebrate the 50th anniversary of their graduation from the Medical College of Wisconsin.



Alumni get together on Friday evening of Reunion at the Artisan restaurant in the Delamar West Hartford. Front row: Danny Reilert '70, John Bonee '70, Dick Wyland '70, Mike Lavorgna '70; back row: Ernie Mattei '70, Joe Barkley '70, Charley Taylor '70, Bill Reynolds '71

treasured my moments with Dan before everyone else arrived at dinner, learning of his personal odyssey with music over the last 50 years.

One of the highlights on Saturday was a lecture by George Will '62, which began with his massive knowledge of baseball and references to his more than 15 publications on the subject and which inevitably got into his well-known political commentary coupled with his erudite analysis of the current political situation. His in-depth historical perspective gleaned from the truly superior professors we had in the History Department at Trinity enabled his responses to be exceptionally insightful. I was certainly proud of Trinity and the audience when George Will's answers and commentary were extremely civilly received, unlike the student audience behavior in many of the large universities across the country with controversial speakers. I attempted to ask him about the *Wall Street Journal* story that morning titled "Great Books Can Heal Our Divided Campuses," hoping that he could give us some thoughts on how the philosophy of sport could be interjected into the mix of an academic initiative for a common intellectual experience. The article was by Columbia professor Andrew Delbanco, author of *College:*

What It Was, Is, and Should Be. There is something that our generation experienced, which, in retrospect, has unified us and left us with the belief that we had a common intellectual experience imparting a civilizing liberalism in our thought processes to our betterment. Hopefully our alma mater can strive to impart the same type of collective wisdom to the next generation via a core curriculum from which, when they come together in the future, they recognize jointly their uniqueness in their understanding of the world as Trinity graduates.

Speaking of which, I am in the throes of reading classmate **Hugo Luke's** *Mark's Journey to the West*. As you know, Hugo has passed; a major collective loss. His karate lessons for me were an unforgettable experience. *Mark's Journey* is a must read for all of us. It is so enlightening to see our world through the eyes of someone who came to Trinity, with a full scholarship, from the island of Okinawa, Japan, where he had attended school with American military dependents. His unique cross-cultural experience with his encounters with issues and individuals at Trinity brings back a remarkable mélange of sights and sounds deep within us all. I highly recommend that you read *Mark's Journey* yourself to reignite so many of the experiences we encountered with him as we went through the unforgettable days between 1966 and 1970 together as the generation of the flowering of love and the dismay of unexplained war coupled with alienation from political process and traditional culture that our generation endured together. See if you can guess whose names were changed or abbreviated.

Finally, two other books to consider. *My Father's House* (oblique reference to the Book of John) by Joseph O'Connor is a story of smuggling fugitives out of Europe via the sanctity of the Vatican in 1943; it provides really amazing encounters and unusual approaches to historical prose with fictional license. One chapter will immerse you in the culture of Irish lingo, and then the next will share all of Italy's complexity. The Irish-Italian cultural milieu comes through in a fascinating fashion, especially for me personally. Bonus: in O'Connor's credits section, he gives recognition to Borden W. Painter's *Mussolini's Rome* (2005). Further, we all owe it to ourselves to read *Ultra-Processed People* by Chris van Tulleken, which explains how ultraprocessed food can have a seriously deleterious effect on the quality and length of our lives. Bon appétit, everyone!

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Edward W Osipowicz Jr. writes, "For the first time since 2019, my husband and I visited his homeland (Thailand) and then ventured to Vietnam, Cambodia, Malaysia, and Singapore in early 2023. Seems Southeast Asia was the place to visit post-COVID as our secretary also vacationed there! Though beautiful and exciting to visit Southeast Asia, our prior trip to Alaska was the highlight of our post-COVID trips. Glaciers (those remaining), snowcapped mountains, and breathtaking scenery made our cruise and Denali land voyage memorable. We live in Florida on the Indian River in Titusville, watching NASA and SpaceX try to outdo each other with spectacular rocket launches (100 launches planned by SpaceX alone this year!). All are welcome to visit to watch a launch, as we are ideally situated across from the Vehicle Assembly Building."

Ed Karam writes, "On a torrentially rainy April 29, **John Durland** and wife Brooke were visiting the Big Apple from Rochester. They had come to New York to see a matinee, and at my suggestion, we got together for a pre-theater lunch at Amarone, a favorite Italian restaurant of mine. Happily, both of them thought the food was outstanding (John and I ordered the pumpkin ravioli with sage). Afterward, I guided them through the downpour to the long line they had to stand in for *Sweeney Todd*, which stars Josh Groban and Annaleigh Ashford. I headed a block away to see *Summer, 1976*, which had Laura Linney and Jessica Hecht and, I think, would spark nostalgic memories for anyone who lived through that decade. Despite the rain, it was a good day for a reunion."

David Sample writes that he enjoyed a fun 200th anniversary/Reunion celebration on campus. It was made special by time with classmates (**Tom DiBenedetto, Bill Reynolds, Howie Weinberg, Debbie Gwazda, Bob Muller, and Jon Miller**, with a special appearance by Coach Don Miller). "Following Reunion. I began a four-week camping/hiking trip to the Dakotas, Montana, Wyoming, Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah, staying at many national parks. Should be fun!" Your secretary adds that it was so nice seeing and speaking with economics major **Steve Freudenthal**, whom I had not spoken with in 53 or more years. Recounted many departmental stories. So much fun.

Bill O'Reilly writes, "I hope this message finds you well. I am reaching out to you regarding a project that is close to my heart, a book that will pay tribute to our friend, **Charles 'Chuck' Shouse**. As you may know, Chuck was a brilliant artist who enlisted in the U.S. Navy at the height of the Vietnam War. He was a unique and extraordinary person whose life and legacy deserve to be remembered and celebrated. The book will feature Chuck's personal letters, transcripts, and original artwork, providing a fascinating look into his life during a turbulent era. However, I believe that the narrative would be enriched by incorporating diverse perspectives and stories about Chuck from those who knew him. This is why I am reaching out to you. If you knew Chuck and have any memories or stories you would be willing to share, I would be honored to include them in the book. Your insights and experiences could help to paint a fuller picture of Chuck's life and the impact he had on those around him. If you are interested and available to contribute, please reach out to me at wjoreilly@gmail.com. This project is a small way for us to honor a truly special person who touched our lives in profound ways. Thank you for considering this request. I look forward to hearing from you and potentially working together to pay tribute to our friend, Chuck. Best regards, **Bill O'Reilly '71, NYU '77, Harvard '95**"

Debbie Gwazda writes, "My husband, Ed, and I attended the Trinity College at 200 Bicentennial celebration in June accompanied by my brother, Elric Endersby '68, who was on campus to celebrate his 55th Reunion. While there, we enjoyed the company of friends made at our 50+1 Reunion last spring. We had a good conversation with Director of Milestone Reunions Theresa Kidd, who has been our helpful guide through planning and attending Reunion events. She said that she enjoys strolling on the campus because the students are so friendly and greet her with a smile. Good to know that our 21st-century counterparts are promoting friendships with those who make the college experience so rewarding."

Spencer Reese writes: "I arrived home one day to a FedEx box outside my door. Puzzled, since I wasn't expecting anything, I was more than surprised to see that it was from one of my freshman roommates, **Doug Evarts**. Surprise gave way to mystery, since Doug and I hadn't communicated since the 1980s. Opening the box, I was genuinely warmed to discover that it contained photos

of me that Doug had taken way back in 1968; he'd even framed a couple. *Que amable!* It's hard to remember that I was once that young looking, but I now have conclusive proof for my smart-alecky great-grandson that, yes, Grandpop once had hair!"

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A few personal updates and an important message from **Peter Blum**: "I miss you guys. Our 50th last spring was a fantastic opportunity to hang, once again, with the boys and girls of '72. Some of you I'd not seen for 50 years; some of you I'll not get to see again. What fun that was, to gather once more on that beautiful campus, ribboned with stones and elms and ivy. It was a delight to see you.

"And short months later, several of us—**Gene Stamell, Willie Schaeffer, Bill Lingard, and Kristin Emerson**—convened in Greenfield, Massachusetts, to see Outerspace, the musical heartbeat of '72. I drove home that night smiling and still bouncing to 'She's Doing the Whirl.'

"My life is busy with work (still) as a founding partner of an investment management firm, along with whatever skiing, fishing, and biking I can fit in. Learning piano (endless) and growing a plot of pumpkins and watermelons that I share with the deer (they get more). Sarah just completed her Ph.D. in psychology; we now have two doctors in the family (she joins daughter Jess). We have three kids, three grandkids, and two dogs. Eldest son Nick and his wife and boys live close by in Belmont, Massachusetts; Jess and her husband and nearly 2-year-old daughter are moving East from San Francisco to Providence, where she's accepted a job as classics professor at Providence College; and youngest son Keefer is in Seattle in tech, and we wish he were closer.

"I want to devote a full paragraph to **Jack Nelson**, who's been a stalwart class secretary, and who writes, today, his final column. More than anyone, nearly single-handedly, Jack has kept our class together. His persistence, eloquence, and humor have chronicled and celebrated our past seven years together. He's found us, far-flung as we are, and roped us back. He's elicited words and stories and memories from so many of us. His column is the part of the *Reporter* to which we turn first (sometimes the only

part), and he's encouraged us to correspond with him and more importantly with one another. He brought us home for Reunion. He brought us together for Zoom sessions, some serious and some silly, and they were delightful. He reminded us again and again that being a member of the Trinity Class of 1972 is less about the College and more about ourselves and our classmates. What a gift he's given us—we owe him a tremendous debt of gratitude.

"A resounding thanks, too, to **Jim Gamerman**, our new class secretary, who will pick up where Jack leaves off. Gams loves a good story (I know this, as his roommate and fellow member of the Northam Fine Arts Society). Please flood him with your correspondence. Great things will follow.

"I'll finish where I began—I miss you guys and relish our rare gatherings. Please stay in touch. It's worth it. Happy summer to you all."

Thanks for your kind words, Peter, as well as for your significant efforts as class president for so long. So, my friends! This is the last Class Notes I shall ever assemble and write, so I'd like to share one more reminiscence and, of course, an accompanying message and request.

For 30 years after graduation, I pretty much went my own way; fond memories but minimal interactions with Trinity or my friends from '72. In 2002, during a dinner at the Schuylkill Regatta, **Mike Sooley, Bob Fass, Bob Ellis, and Harvey Zendt** said, "Hey, let's get together somewhere and see who else will come!" The following spring, 12 of us journeyed to a resort in West Virginia, where we rafted, kayaked, hiked, and partied while sharing many conversations both fun and heartfelt. This motivated us to get together every year for 12 years, culminating in a fantastic reunion of 32 classmates and spouses at a dude ranch in Colorado arranged by **Irv Price** and Susan Snyder '73.

A message: Why did these events stir us to such great efforts? Yes, they were fun, but more importantly, they were "meaningful and satisfying on deeply personal levels that are hard to articulate." I assure you, if you get together with an old classmate, whether by text, email, parchment, or phone, you'll find your experience deeply fulfilling as well. Sometimes it just closes a loop. Sometimes it opens a door. And as time marches relentlessly on and our personal circles become ever smaller, inevitably we will value, even need, such communications. For example, through my Reunion outreach,



President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, front row left, joins Class of 1973 Reunion attendees.

I was able to help a classmate I barely knew obtain some needed help. We've stayed in touch, now as friends.

My request: Please make that effort. Trinity and our class offer the tools to do so. Find classmates at mytrinnet.trincoll.edu. Update your contact info so people can find you. Try searching for classmates who live in your state or somewhere you're traveling to. Also, most of our class communications are by email only, and personally, I'm chagrined that only half of you receive them. Our Zooms have been informative and fun, and we're planning more, as well as perhaps some regional mini reunions. We'll continue to help people find one another and get together. And photos! Yes, we have photos, both old and new, online.

Finally: Please support your new class secretary. As I've said before, send in anything—it doesn't have to be monumentally exciting or accomplished. Jim needs filler, and, if he's like me, will sweat bullets until he's received a few contributions. A sincere thanks to all of you who have written the past six years. I've truly enjoyed serving as your class secretary and have now run out of words, time, and patience. So long, my friends. Let's all stay in touch!

From the Alumni Office: The Washington Institute for Near East Policy Board of Trustees elected **Steven Levy** of Stuart, Florida, to its Board of Directors. Levy, a longtime institute trustee, is the president of Tamarack Investments. The Board of Directors provides fiduciary oversight for the research organization. The mission of The Washington Institute, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is to advance a balanced and realistic understanding of American interests in the Middle East and to promote the policies that secure them. It is supported exclusively by U.S. citizens and foundations.

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Laurie Cherbonnier writes, "I am married to Chris Nielsen, founded the Waldorf School of New Orleans, live now in Winnetka, Illinois, and have two grown daughters and a niece who went to Trinity. When I am in Naples, Florida, for the winter, I love going to the Trinity lecture/lunches organized by John Ellwood '65 and formerly by Michael Wallace '57. They always have interesting speakers and alumni who are fun to talk to."

We are pleased to report that our 50th Reunion and Trinity Alumni Bicentennial Celebration was a once-in-a-lifetime celebration. Fifty of your fellow classmates were in attendance for the Reunion Weekend, as we also celebrated the first four-year coed class at Trinity. The following classmates worked intensely to make our 50th Reunion successful: **Art Baldwin, Diane Brown, Susan Fishman, Rob Haff, Dave Harrold, Ed Huntley, Joyce Krintsky, Karen Kupferberg, Lenn Kupferberg, and Patti Mantell-Broad**. Joyce unfortunately passed on February 18, 2023. Alumni association award winners, presented at our Reunion Class Dinner, included **Daniel Freeland** (Medal for Excellence), **Michael Battle** (Eigenbrodt), and **Danny Korengold** (Schulenberg). Well-attended class events included a beautiful 50th Reunion Memorial Service for class members who have passed and a lively "Retrospective Roundtable" with the Class of 1973. Those in attendance were inducted into the Half-Century Club at the Eigenbrodt Cup Reception and Luncheon. All class members and their spouses are entitled to free admission to all athletic events. Many thanks to all who submitted entries to our 50th Reunion yearbook and contributed to our class gift. As of June 21, the 1973 50th

Reunion class gift totaled \$3,742,887. **Diane Brown** was elected as our new class president, and **Rob Haff** will continue as secretary.

"History has tried hard to teach us that we can't have good government under politicians. Now, to go and stick one at the very head of the government couldn't be wise." Mark Twain

From the Alumni Office: Day Pitney attorney **Stanley A. Twardy Jr.** was selected by the judges of the District of Connecticut as the second recipient of the 2023 Richard Law Award, which honors those who have rendered exemplary service to the federal court of Connecticut.

1974 Secretary: **Vacant** • Class Agents: **Lise Gescheidt, Ted Stehle**

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.

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Lea Ingersoll writes, "Hi, Steve and Chris! You might have already heard from others in our class about this, but in September 2022, Bart Schneider '74, **Peter Donovan**, and **Wendy Wheeler** organized a reunion of our Rome Campus, fall 1973 group. Our former Italian cinema teacher, Umberto Todini, was also instrumental in bringing us together and hosting a welcome event. Attendees from Trinity, in addition to the organizers, Dave Sylvestro '74, and myself, were Aimee Brown '74, Connie Hart '74, Jon Entine '74, and Lise Gescheidt '74. **Milt Marder**, Kent Allen '76, and Jon Doolittle '76 also joined us. It was an added joy to reconnect with members of our group from other schools as well as spouses. Thanks to Stephen Marth, the program director, we gathered at the convent for a dinner with current students and were treated to tours with professors Livio Pestilli and Cristiana Filippini. As if Rome, pasta, wine, tours, and a week with old friends were not blessings enough, I loved our e-bike tour of the Appia Antica! I hope all is stellar with the two of you!"

From **Chris Mooney**: “Not breaking news, perhaps, but breaking ground in Linville, North Carolina, for a 4,100-foot mountain escape from Florida summers. It is a stunning part of the Blue Ridge and much easier drive with two big dogs than the beauty of Maine or Catskills, both of which homes we liked immensely but have put in rearview mirror. Turned 70 in early June but still skied hard this past winter, so age is just a number. Best to all.”

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From Co-Secretary **Lisa Heilbronn**: “I’m just finishing three months temporary duty as the acting public affairs officer for the American Embassy in Dushanbe, Tajikistan. It’s been very busy and very interesting.”

From Co-Secretary **Hal Smullen**: “Mary and I spent three weeks traveling south this spring, visiting some friends along the way. In Myrtle Beach, we spent time with **Steve** and **Denise Thoren**. In Naples, Florida, we visited **John** and **Aelish Clifford**. Steve, John, and I regularly get together for golf back here in Connecticut. In May, we spent time with **Elaine** and **Gregg Patterson** and some other former trustees during Commencement Weekend. Finally, I recently reconnected with **Mark Salonia**, retired U.S. Navy commander. Mark and wife **Kathy** settled in Virginia Beach, Virginia, after a 21-year career in the Navy, when he served aboard five naval ships and conducted numerous deployments, including operations in support of Desert Shield and Desert Storm. After retiring from the Navy, Mark served as a military analyst for a civilian defense contractor before retiring for good in 2011. Mark says, ‘It took several years for my wife, **Kathy**, to convince me to take a cruise and let someone else do the driving. I had seen way too much blue sky and water over those years.’ Congratulations to **Hobie Porter** for being named to the 2023 Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame class. **Hobie** was a member of the 1976 undefeated squash team. He was named the **Brian Foley** Captain winner and MVP of the team multiple times. He

competed for the Bantams in five sports (men’s soccer, men’s squash, men’s swimming and diving, men’s tennis, and men’s track and field) and was awarded the Blanket Award for being a 10-time varsity letter winner, which in 1976, no other athlete in Trinity’s history had received.”

From Co-Secretary **Sue Weisselberg**: “Nick and I visited Central Europe for two weeks in April, staying in Prague, Vienna, Bratislava, and Budapest, where we visited my brother and his girlfriend in an apartment on the Danube. I had not been in Vienna since my junior year abroad in England in 1974 and had never been to the other cities. It was a fascinating and fun trip, and we appreciated learning about Nazi and Communist regimes.”

From **Elaine Feldman Patterson**: “Gregg and I have always had a passion for travel, and we covered a lot of miles on work and vacation trips over the years. Now that we’re retired and have more time, traveling is definitely our top priority. In April, we spent two fabulous weeks in Sicily, revisiting some favorite places from a trip 20 years ago but also seeing a lot of new sites and cities. Ever since my days at the Rome Campus, anything in Italy is a winner for me. Next month, we’ll be taking a bicycle trip in England, and then we’ll see what the rest of the year brings. We also recently had the pleasure of spending a weekend on campus in Hartford. The College invited former trustees to join current trustees at this year’s Commencement, so I had the chance to visit with **Hal Smullen** (we served as trustees at the same time) and his wife, **Mary**. Hard to believe that our graduation was 47 years ago!”

Louise Albin writes that Cafe Louise in West Hartford celebrated its 30-year anniversary at the beginning of 2023 with its retail storefront and its catering business. Find her at www.cafelouise.com.

Intrepid traveler **Rebecca Dunn Reinmann** writes that she and husband **Paul** “are leaving in May for another seven-to-eight-week journey, to Edinburgh, Scotland (a place I have not visited since I was studying in London in 1975). After a few days exploring, we board a Windstar ship toward Copenhagen by way of Norway’s fjords. Then, after a visit with a cousin who lives there, it’s back on the ship to head toward Iceland (again via more fjords and Scotland). After circumventing Iceland, we go to Reykjavik to tour inland with several British cousins. We are doing our best to make up lost travel time due to COVID.”

Roger Bowie writes, “All is fine in the Bay Area. Enjoying retirement. Just returned from a trip to Yosemite with wife **MaryAlice** and **Jack** and **Margie Orrick**. We had a great time enjoying the waterfalls and the beauty of the park. We did our best to keep up with **Margie** on the trails.”

Jim Pratzon reports from New York City: He’s working his penultimate year as a public school teacher at Lyons Community School in Brooklyn, a member of the New York State consortium of Regents-exempt schools, on the cutting edge of alternative assessment. His Lyons’ Needs Theatre Company is in its 12th year, and in spring 2023, Jim directed his second WILSONFEST, a festival of scenes taken from August Wilson’s Century Cycle. Jim is the school’s facilitator for the Outward Bound Crew Initiative, a citywide effort to improve social/emotional learning through restorative practice. Last spring, Jim worked for a Turkish-American film on narrative therapy (title TBA) and was awarded a scholarship by The Academy for Teachers to attend the Middlebury Bread Loaf School of English in 2022. While there, he wrote a short story that became a finalist in a flash-fiction contest and the first act of a play based on *The Arabian Nights*. He also appeared in the first production of *Johnny Eyre*, a play written and directed by **Brian McEleney ’74** and performed at Bread Loaf’s Burgess Meredith Theatre. In December, Jim spent a week in Rock Hill, South Carolina, where wife **Jill Pratzon** designed the state’s second-largest mural, for the York County Library’s exterior, paying homage to famed illustrator and local celebrity **Vernon Grant**, who in 1932 created the Snap, Crackle, and Pop characters for Kellogg’s. In January 2023, Jim could be heard in the world premiere of “A Suite for Teachers,” written by **Danny Clay** for the Kronos Quartet, which performed the piece at Manhattan’s Chapin School.

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Melodye Woods Marks writes that she and husband **David Marks** are “just two old retirees living the dream.” In addition, **Melodye** notes that she and **David** have not split any atoms recently. (Secretary’s note: Did anyone realize that these two split atoms?)

Jeff Dufresne '78

DEGREE:

B.A. in economics

JOB TITLES:

Mushroom farmer; former real estate developer, executive director of Urban Land Institute

FAVORITE

TRINITY MEMORY:

One of my favorite Trinity memories was being editor-in-chief of *The Trinity Tripod*. I was proud to be sitting at the same desk once occupied by political commentator George Will '62, who had edited the *Tripod* long before me. My staff and I covered stories for the campus newspaper ranging from Trinity crew winning the Henley in England in 1976, the opening of the Rathskeller in Mather Hall, and the never-ending debate about Greek life at Trinity. Personally, I have fond memories of my time at the Hall.

What did you do in the real estate field?

After Trinity and business school at Columbia, I married my soulmate and headed for Atlanta in pursuit of a career in commercial real estate development. I worked with institutional investors and pension funds on real estate development and redevelopment projects primarily in Atlanta, Denver, Miami, and Washington, D.C. I also served as executive director of the Urban Land Institute (ULI), which is a research and education think tank dedicated to providing leadership in the responsible use of land. Over time, I've focused on real estate "placemaking," which is the act of transforming underutilized property into economically vibrant space for the betterment of both the property owner and the surrounding community.

How did your time at Trinity prepare you for the work in real estate?

Majoring in economics taught me how to use analytical reasoning to study behavioral patterns, policy problems, and business practices. My architectural courses taught me about design, drafting, and three-dimensional thinking. My studio arts classes included a variety of visual art mediums where I was encouraged to express myself and to develop creative solutions. Studying art history equipped me with an understanding of the built environment as well as artistic approaches to the study of monuments and cities. In total, my Trinity experience and contacts made at the time have served me well in my professional endeavors.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity?

During my junior year, I took "Architectural Drawing and Design" taught by Professor Dave Woodard. The course challenged me to design with a purpose. I recall many hours laboring over my drafting board trying to design the perfect pocket park or town house in Frog Hollow near the Trinity campus. I also was the teacher's assistant for that course, which gave me a decent foundation in architectural design that has been helpful throughout my real estate career. For example, I served on the Design Review Board of Milton, which is a newly established city within metropolitan Atlanta and also is where I live.

Did you have a professor who was particularly influential?

That would be Professor Andy Gold. While I never took any of his courses, Andy was my senior adviser, and I recall our chats during my senior year about the complex interaction between humans and the built environment. We talked about



how we could transform the "insurance capital of the world" into a more economically, socially, and racially integrated city. Dr. Gold definitely sparked my interest in urban development and land use.

What led you to take up mushroom farming in your retirement?

I have always been intrigued by mushrooms. As a child, I'd throw puffballs [variety of mushroom] at my brother. On the family dinner table, we'd often feast on white button mushrooms or other edible fungi. So now in my third trimester of life, I've become a bona fide mushroom farmer. Specifically, I harvest and sell edible mushrooms like shiitake, oyster, and lion's mane to local farm-to-table restaurants and directly to consumers. I was attracted to this encore career largely due to the health benefits from eating mushrooms, which include promoting heart health, lowering cancer risk, improving memory, and much more.

What do you enjoy most about farming?

I enjoy mushroom farming because it's environmentally friendly, and it brings me closer to nature. I grow mushrooms on hardwood logs such as oak, maple, and beech trees gathered from my farm. Mushrooms generally fruit between spring and fall, and as mycologists say, "When it rains, it spores." Mushroom farming also can be quite profitable considering the start-up cost is low and capital investment is minimal. Fungiculture can be highly entrepreneurial, and as a result, I am branching out into offering value-added products like mushroom jerkies, soups, and chips.

What are the biggest challenges you face?

Controlling moisture, shade, and pests, and most of all, having patience.

The usually secretive **Greg Burns** reports that he was writing from his grandson's first birthday party in Arlington, Virginia.

We heard from **Laurie Blair Ernst**, too, who writes, "Right now I am between Southampton and Newcastle, England, on a ship that will take us through Edinburgh, Scotland, before heading to Norway and Iceland. My husband and I moved to Maine full time in November and have a son who lives with his wife and two small children (William, 6, and Avery Jane, almost 11 months) about 20 minutes away from us near Portland. Our daughter Rebecca lives and works in Boston. I am still working part time as a seasonal admission officer/application reader after a long career as a college counselor at independent schools. I am in frequent contact with **Gwynne MacColl Campbell** from our class and Laura Scanlan, a Mount Holyoke grad who spent her junior year at Trinity."

Also, on the road in summer 2023, **Jack Santos** updated us on his fabulous travels: "I missed the gathering at Trin because I was on a two-month camping trip with my wife, Astrid—coast to coast! Boston to Cape Disappointment at the mouth of the Columbia River, following the Oregon Trail out and Lewis and Clark trail back. It's been awesome! Loving retirement!" Jack kept a blog and gave us permission to share the URL. Check out www.findthose2.com. It's a great read! Thanks, Jack!

Steve Stueck is another happy retiree, writing, "I am enjoying three weeks at the cottage in Connecticut with my grandchildren, Miles, 4, and Maren, 10 months. Retirement can be great!"

As I mentioned last time, our granddaughter Peggy joined our team in December 2022, and it's been the best! I had no idea what to expect, but it is marvelous. I'm so grateful.

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Cindy Bero shares, "My daughter Katie just graduated from Villanova University and is starting work later this summer in New York City. My husband and I encouraged her to do a little traveling before work begins because getting time away from a new job is tough. She was excited about the opportunity to travel, but I shared one condition with her: travel starts with Mom in Paris. So, while I

am sorry to have missed the Trinity gathering, I thoroughly enjoyed four very busy days in Paris with my daughter. I will catch up with you all at the 50th!"

Tom Lenahan writes, "Great to see many former classmates at our 45th Reunion dinner. Thanks to **Jim Abrams** for his job as emcee! While my job as president of the class was interrupted by a couple health issues over the last two years and I had to step aside, I am hoping over the next five years we are able as a class to put together a strong showing with fundraising support and attendance at our 50th Reunion. Carol and I are in the process of getting ready for eight of our 11 grandchildren on vacation over the Fourth of July holiday in the Adirondacks. It'll be a fantastic time, especially if the sun shines. We're hoping we'll still be standing after the good times!"

Ted Pardoe has this: "Sorry to miss our 45th Reunion. I was on a ministry mission to baptize the daughter of a couple I married several years ago. Enjoyed home and home Mets/Yankees games with **Peter Van Loon** recently. Peace and blessings."

Randy Pearsall tells us, "Was able to briefly attend Reunion and enjoyed the two sports-related presentations (Robin Sheppard M'76 and George Will '62 are Trinity treasures). Biggest reason for traveling to Hartford was to see **Mike 'Cheeks' Cohen** and his wife and fellow classmate **Cindy Wessick**. It had been more than 40 years. Also joining for dinner that night at First and Last were **George and Donna Smith** and Steve Haydasz '76 and wife Terri Anne. A wonderful day in Hartford!"

Author and Williams College professor **Jim Shepard** writes, "The latest around here is that my eighth novel, *Phase Six*, came out with Knopf in 2021, and one of my short stories, 'The World to Come,' was made into a film that was released in 2020 starring Casey Affleck, Katherine Waterston, Vanessa Kirby, and Christopher Abbott. And I'm still teaching at Williams and living in Williamstown with my wife, Karen, and our little squad of beagles."

Jory Lockwood reports: "Election results are in, and **Kathy Maye-Maggio** is beginning her term as class president, while **Jim Abrams** will be serving as vice president. I will be returning as class secretary. I am always here if you want to send me a news update. I would like to insert a brief advertisement for the Trinity College Class of 1978 Facebook page, which is administered by **Cindy Bero** and moderated by **Jim Smith**. If



Bill Irvine '79, Mike Foye '79, Bill McCandless '79, Mike Daly '79, and Bruce Shea '79 attend the April 2023 wedding of Bill McCandless's daughter in Portland, Maine.

you are on Facebook, please visit and become a member. It is one way for us to share news, pictures, and updates. Our 45th Reunion sported beautiful weather, fireworks to celebrate Trinity's Bicentennial, music, and overflowing amounts of food and drink. I stayed on campus and enjoyed bunking in Jarvis, which allowed me the view of the Chapel illuminated at night. I connected with old friends and made some new ones; both experiences were wonderful."

Kathy Maye-Maggio writes, "Hello, classmates of '78! First, I am truly honored and grateful to serve for another term as your class president, and I want to thank all of you for your confidence in reelecting me to a third term. For the first two terms, **Tina Orsi-Lirot** and I served as co-presidents. She and I set the precedent for our class of serving as co-presidents. Next, many thanks go to our outgoing leaders, **Tom Lenahan** and **Bob Carey**, for their service, and to our tireless secretary, **Jory Lockwood**, for her impeccable service over the past 10 years. Many thanks to anyone who has served as a class or student government officer in the past and to anyone who served on Reunion Committees in any manner. On behalf of the Class of 1978, thank you for all of your hard work over the years and especially during the past year! It has been a pleasure serving with you, sharing ideas, seeing how we have shaped our class event, and seeing it all come together. I'm sure all members of our class appreciate all of you. Many thanks to **Jory Lockwood** and **Livia DeFilippis Barndollar** for their planning and moderating of our 45th Reunion Discussion Session: 'Navigating to and through Retirement.' It was well attended and gave folks a good opportunity to share with and learn from one another.

"**Lisa Bisaccia** is serving as the chair of the Trinity College Board of Trustees. Thank you to her for her service. I look forward to working with **Jim Abrams** and **Jory** over the

next five years as our class works toward our 50th Reunion! My philosophy is to be inclusive and welcoming. All volunteers will be encouraged and respected. All ideas are welcome. My communication door will always be open. I'm only a phone call or text away. I'm not quite so good with email, so please call or text.

"This next year is going to be a great opportunity for us to participate in the College's Bicentennial. The next Bicentennial event will be July 12 in the Chapel and on the Main Quad for chamber music, a carillon concert, and a free picnic. This fall, come to campus for a series of free movies at Cinestudio. Homecoming will be combined with Family Weekend this year on October 13-15. Please check the College's Bicentennial website for more information and events.

"Finally, I am truly honored and grateful to the Trinity College Alumni Association Executive Committee and the Boelhouwer Family for my receiving the Kathleen O'Connor Boelhouwer '85 Alumni Initiative Award. It is and has been a great pleasure to serve the College and my community during my lifetime!"

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First, a reminder for all of us that our 45th

Reunion is less than a year away, in June 2024. Please consider attending and catching up in person.

We have plenty of things to report. Trinity's Board of Trustees saw two of our classmates, **Kevin Maloney** and **Nancy Davis**, depart from helping guide the College. Kevin best describes how it is to leave the board. He says he officially completed his 12-year tenure, with his last official act his participation in Commencement exercises and celebrating the Class of 2023 graduates. He writes, "I have met so many committed and passionate Trinity alumni and worked with so many dedicated faculty and administrators over the years. I hope that in my own small way I was able to contribute ideas and guidance that helped Trinity to fulfill its mission and build a strong foundation for continued success as it enters its third century." Having known Kevin since freshman year when he

and **Don Silk** lived across the hall in Jarvis Tower, you can be sure that his "own small way" was bigger than he's admitting.

It's always great to hear from **Lisa Gillette**, who writes, "I did mean to send an update this time. Not that I have anything momentous to mention, but I did travel internationally for the first time since COVID took hold: fascinating trip to Quito, Ecuador, and the Galapagos Islands. Anyone wanting to understand how Darwin figured out natural selection should visit the islands. Darwin was already ruminating about the idea, but the animals on the islands proved his hypothesis. I was pretty awestruck, personally."

All news is momentous. When we hear from classmates, they say all the time they're glad to read what's happening in our ranks. That's why you should write. We'll get you into an edition of *The Trinity Reporter*. Plus, you may spark some interest from others.

George Brickley is a regular contributor who's always on the move. George says he "attended the annual Bantam ice hockey/golf outing at Hop Meadow Country Club in Simsbury Connecticut. There he met up with classmates **Ted Almy**, **Clint Brown**, and **Sam Gray**. Retiring assistant coach Paul Davidson was honored after 50 years behind the Trinity hockey bench! Happy retirement, Paul!" George then flew to San Francisco with wife Cindy (Higgins) '80 to visit son George '10 and celebrate granddaughter Quinn's first birthday. Daughter Hannah '14, who lives in Oakland, joined the festivities, too. Back in their hometown of Melrose, Massachusetts, eldest daughter Sarah gave birth to Zora, granddaughter number three. She joins her older sister, 2-year-old Lola. "Retirement is a lot of work!" quipped George.

Sarah Wright Neal writes that she and husband David "are loving this new season of being grandparents. Our son, Oliver, lives in Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he is finishing a residency in neurology. He and his wife have 3-year-old Elsie and a baby due in July. Our daughter, Emily, lives near Cleveland, where she works at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. She and her husband welcomed their daughter, Beth, on my birthday in January. I am retiring at the end of June as education coordinator from our historical society, so I am looking forward to more visits with family. David and I will head north to our cottage in Rosseau, Ontario, for most of the summer, then plan to drive to Nova Scotia to help with the new baby."

More classmates are diving into their next chapters.

David P. Rosenblatt reports "that after 24 years at the helm, I have stepped down as managing partner of the Boston-based law firm Burns & Levinson. It's been a fun, challenging, and ultimately rewarding ride through these many years as the firm has grown and diversified into one of the top regional firms in the Northeast. I am considered somewhat of a unicorn in the Boston market, having spent my entire 41-year legal career at one law firm. While I will no longer continue in firm management, I plan to stay at the firm practicing in my specialty field of environmental law and making more time for my family (including two grandkids!), nonprofit work, and mentoring junior attorneys and students. Looking forward to the next chapter!"

Keeping in touch with David is **Andrew Escoll**. "Almost 35 years after starting my practice in family medicine in Tewksbury, Massachusetts, I have opted to semi-retire. Admittedly, it is difficult to leave after caring for generations of my patients there, and it would be difficult to leave medicine. I am staying on per diem and still involved with Tufts Medical students. I am lucky to have my two daughters, Sophie and Laurel, in the Boston area and to have my son, Dylan, in Denver, where we can ski and hike together. I remain in Winchester, Massachusetts, living with my partner, Beth. I am still mountain biking aggressively. I have had more time to write and play guitar than I have had since Trinity days. I hang out with old friends **Jim Rice** and **Dave Rosenblatt**, and I'm back in touch with **Uko Udodong**, who is a professor of chemistry at a college in Wyoming."

Jim Cropsey found out that **Bill Ambrose** is marking his 10th anniversary with Bluefield Research, a water industry market research company outside of Boston.

The College celebrated its Bicentennial and Reunion in June, drawing more than 1,500 attendees. It was possible to relive the Class of 1979 highlights in one Saturday afternoon. There was the Matriculation book in which we all signed our names during our first days on campus. And our Commencement speaker, George Will '62, H'79, spoke about baseball and politics.

A special thanks to our class president, **Holly Singer-Eland**, for checking in and urging friends to contribute news. Classmates taking an interest make our Class Notes happen.

From the Alumni Office: **William "Bill" McCandless** wrote in April, "This past weekend, my daughter Rebecca was married

in Portland, Maine, and six classmates were in attendance.” Those joining him in the celebration were **Bill Irvine, Mike Foye, Mike Daly, Bruce Shea** (husband of **Nancy Albis Shea**), **Jim Davis**, and **Nancy Miller Davis**.

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It has been a big year for Trinity College celebrating our 200th anniversary. Trinity is the second-oldest higher education institution in Connecticut, and in recognition, the legislature hung our flag on top of the State Capitol building, which was built about 50 years after Trinity was founded. On May 31, I attended the Trinity College in Philadelphia reception at Merion Cricket Club. The event was sponsored by Rick Campbell '91 and my niece Lindsey Page '94. Recently retired Coach Paul Assaiante and Director of Athletics Drew Galbraith attended and spoke about all the wonderful things going on at Trinity and the renovation of Ferris Athletic Center. It was a nice event and so much fun to connect with fellow alums. I was pleased to learn that Coach will remain involved with Trinity. A special treat was seeing Jerry Hansen '51. Jerry was the reason I went to Trinity, and I imagine many of you from the Greater Philadelphia area knew “Mr. Trinity” as well. I received an email from Rob Dinerman, who has been commissioned to write a history of squash. He is an accomplished squash player, writer, and a Yale/Exeter graduate. He also talked to **Page Lansdale** and **Laurie Fergusson Plumb**. I talked briefly to Laurie, who sounded great. She promised to catch up when she returned from Europe. Laurie played an amazing match freshman year against Yale. It went five games, with a tie-breaker. I was looking through some old files and found a newsclip, “Davison Gets Varsity ‘T,’” highlighting our sophomore year, when our record was 10–4. Dinerman hopes to make women’s history as robust as men’s. Since the Class of 1980 was the 10th year of women, we have some catching up to do. If you have any good stories (**Janny Meagher, Karen Webb**), please reach out to dinermanrob@gmail.com. I also found a copy of the summer 1980 *Reporter*. There was a fun picture of our valedictorian, **Eric Grevstad**, and salutatorian, **Robert Herbst**. **Mark Leavitt** is still smiling as his son is newly



Rich Clift '81, Jim Lamenzo '81, Dave Cameron '81, Ed Phelan '81, Peter Nolan '81, Marty Parkes '81, Len Adam '81, and Stewart Beckwith '81 get together in Newport, Rhode Island, at the June 2023 wedding of Peter's daughter **Caroline '14**.

engaged. On June 17, my grandniece was married on the beach in Cape May. Gathering the Trinity alums was a bit like herding cats, but I found eight of the 10 I knew were there. Four from my family: John Davison '67, Christina Melchionni '92, Lindsey Page '94, and Lindsey's son Bo Page, starting this year, Ruthie Strong Ferraro '83, Morgan Salmon '01, and Sarah Greenwood Salmon '01. **Carol Goldberg** recently saw James Taylor in Tanglewood, which makes me think back that **Elizabeth Thrasher** nannied for Carly and James Taylor when we were at Trinity. **Susan Angelastro** writes she is continuing to travel in this post-COVID-lockdown era. Looking forward to hearing from you soon.

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Peter Nolan writes, “This past Saturday, my wife, Cathy, and I had the privilege of seeing our daughter, Caroline '14, married in Newport. It was a truly joyous occasion. Her older brother, Connor '11, and younger brother, Peter (WPI '19), were groomsmen. There were a good number of Bantams, from two generations, in attendance. Among them were seven of my oldest, or rather, longest-tenured, friends, including **Rich Clift, Jim Lamenzo, Dave Cameron, Ed Phelan, Marty Parkes, Len Adam, and Stewart Beckwith**. We've stayed in touch over the years, but it had been a very long time since we've all been able to get together. I'm so glad that they were all able and willing to take time out from their lives to join me and my family. It made a great celebration even better!”

From **Peter Whalen**: “I continue to stay in touch with many of our classmates. In

March, I attended **Ellen Gould Baber's** son's wedding in Philadelphia. While there, my wife, Janna, and I dined with **Scott Growney** and his wife, McCall. Earlier that same month, **Justin Maccarone** and I hosted **Faraj Saghri, Bob Aiello, Tom Roche, Peter Pfister, Ken Savino, and Roger Knight** at our places in Vermont for the annual ski weekend. **Rich Kermond** wasn't able to make it this year. Faraj and I are heading to England and Ireland at the end of July for a week of golfing. Can't wait. **Alan Schiffman** visited us in Northampton in April on a visit home from Hong Kong, where he's lived for decades. Last December, I stayed with **Alex Kirk** in N.Y.C. while there on business. I continue to run my insurance and real estate business with no plans to retire anytime soon. My son entered the business in January, and I am enjoying mentoring him. Just ran into **Eleanor Wenner Kerr, Ken Savino, Justin Maccarone, and Steve Dylag** at the Bicentennial celebration on campus.”

Jim D'Angelo writes that he was able to connect with Peter “O'B” O'Brien '83 and his wife and daughter last month for coffee and cake at the Nagoya Marriott Associa Hotel as they passed through on their way to Kyoto. It was so great to reconnect with one of the key members of the Crescent Street/New Britain gang after 42 years!

From **Sarah Neilly**: “Hello to the Class of 1981! I was unable to attend the Bicentennial event, and I am sorry to have missed it. Our last child graduated from college last month. Seems like a milestone, although they are all not exactly settled yet. One is off to grad school in N.Y.C. in August. If anyone is in the Brooklyn area, let me know! I will be trying to figure out the area and her living quarters. I have been traveling back and forth from Florida, where we live, and Connecticut, helping care for my parents. I expect a lot of you are dealing with the same thing. Trying to give them the kind of care they deserve

Andrea Keogh '82

DEGREE:

B.A. in history

JOB TITLE:

Gallery owner, Andrea S. Keogh Art & Design LLC

FAVORITE

TRINITY MEMORY:

The wonderful people I met. Many are still my closest friends. From my first days on campus, I was struck by how genuinely nice everyone was. My freshman and sophomore years, I coxed the women's varsity crew. We worked hard, had fun, and were undefeated. It was magical. The lessons learned on the river about teamwork and perseverance have informed my career and life.

What was your path to owning an art gallery?

The summer after my junior year, I grappled with the question of what kind of a career I wanted to pursue. I wanted it to be interesting and to incorporate my passion for art, history, and travel. Walking past a gallery in Geneva, Switzerland, I had my epiphany. I'll become a gallerist!

My Trinity class graduated in a recession. Thankfully, two alums, Deedee Look ['81] and Angela Vorder Bruegge Hudson ['80], both worked at Sotheby's and helped me get a summer internship. That fall, I was offered a full-time position, but I couldn't afford to take it. Citibank hired me for an administrative role in its pioneering Art Advisory Service. It was too corporate (I hail from a long line of entrepreneurs), and I went on to work for a number of private dealers and galleries in New York and London in the old master, British watercolor, and American painting fields learning "the trade."

My days included hours of research in art reference libraries, cataloging acquisitions, previewing auctions, and checking on art at the conservators and framers. In those days, the art business had a Wild West quality. It attracted colorful characters. The adage that sometimes learning what not to do can be more instructive than what to do certainly applied. Numerous dealers I knew went bankrupt or to jail. The most important lesson learned was to avoid debt.

Generally, working at a gallery isn't well paid. But, if you can sell, you make commissions. A wise Italian old master dealer counseled me to start buying, too. He said, "When your own money is on the line, it makes you focus." He was right. By 1994, I was ready to go off on my own, buying and selling American paintings from my apartment and later from a gallery space on the fourth floor of a townhouse on New York's Upper East Side. Around 2010, collector and museum interest in American paintings waned. Ready for a new challenge, I pivoted to modern and contemporary art, opening a gallery in Litchfield, Connecticut, in 2014. Learning a new field was challenging yet rewarding. When our family relocated to Rhode Island in 2016, I acquired the smallest building in the smallest state for my business. I continue to buy and sell modern and contemporary art and added estate jewelry from the 1960s to 1980s.

What do you enjoy most about your work? My career as a gallerist has been an adventure. I've been surrounded by great art, experienced the thrill of making discoveries, selling to fascinating collectors, finding and promoting talented artists, and seeing



works that passed through my hands on museum walls. And I really do learn something new every day. It hasn't been easy, but it has been wonderful.

What challenges do you face? The only typical thing in the running of an art gallery is the sitting and waiting for people to stop in. A lot goes on behind the scenes. Keeping an eye on the markets is crucial. That means perusing endless sales online and in person. There are visits to conservators, framers, artists, and collectors. Going to museum exhibitions is important, too. Cataloging acquisitions, organizing exhibitions, hanging shows, and promoting them is essential. The biggest challenge is managing the income and the outlays. Since I buy and sell, it is always a balancing act.

How did Trinity prepare you for what you do now?

My studies at Trinity taught me to think critically, to research, and to write well.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Was there a professor who was particularly influential? As a history major, I enjoyed almost all of my classes, particularly "European History" with Borden Painter and two courses with McKim Steele, "Imperialism" and an independent study. I had an art history class with Alden Gordon. Sadly, it was at 8:30 a.m. in a dark room after early-morning crew practice. Not a good combination. Professor Gordon has been a great supporter of my career. I regret that I didn't major in art history. The department has a fabulous reputation and an active alumni network.

after all they have done for me. If anyone is in the Space Coast area of Florida let me know!”

Ed Theurkauf says, “Looking forward to summer here in Chester County, Pennsylvania. Family of wife Eva, daughter Anika, and two doggos are all happy and well. Anika is leaving for a five-country orchestra trip to Europe in June–July; at age 16, she’ll be more well traveled than I am! My professional life as a municipal landscape architectural consultant is deeply satisfying (mostly), with no signs as yet of imminent retirement; I do enjoy the autonomy afforded by self-employment. I keep promising myself a trip to New England to visit Trinity pals Dave Conwell ’82, **Rob Pollien**, **Kristen West Grant**, Scott Bowden ’83, and **Kate Youngdahl**. It will happen one day, guys. Don’t throw out the liquor yet!”

Hilary M’04 and **Dutch Barhydt** moved back to Litchfield, Connecticut, after living in Southern California for five years. They have connected with Holly and **Tim Henry** several times as well as other members of the class, most recently at Trinity’s Bicentennial, where Hilary and Dutch renewed their wedding vows with about 24 other Trinity couples. They were married in the Chapel 41 years ago, surrounded by many Trinity classmates and friends.

From the Alumni Office: Board of Fellows member **Alan Schiffman** had a chance meeting with Tad Hazelton ’92 in November 2022 when Alan took a Cathay Pacific flight from Hong Kong to JFK that Tad, a senior captain, was piloting. Alan is a retired partner at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP and Affiliates. While both alumni live in Hong Kong, they hadn’t gotten together in some time. Alan writes, “It was a fun story and great to catch up with Tad, whom I hadn’t seen in probably 18 or so years. Plus sitting in the cockpit was a thrill.”

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Since the last update, **Matt** and I traveled with 100-plus alumni to Rome for the 50th anniversary of the Rome Campus. The long weekend was packed with fascinating lecture tours and spectacular meals at restaurants chosen by Trinity’s own culinary connoisseur, **Danny Meyer**.

More recently, Bicentennial weekend offered Trinity couples an opportunity to

renew wedding vows. The ceremony was all the more precious for Matt and I as we celebrated our 40th anniversary with maid of honor **Victoria Lenkeit Scanlon** at my side once again.

Speaking of Trinity couples, **Joe and Sue Upton** ran into **Steve Andsager** at “The Big House” in Ann Arbor, Michigan, when Penn State played Michigan in football. Steve says, “It was great to see some familiar Trinity faces in a crowd of over 107,000!”

Betsy O’Herron Swindell writes that she, **Sherry Benzel Willard**, **Martha Brackenridge Sayre**, and **Britta Keehn Scott** attempted to turn back time at a recent weekday dinner in Lower Manhattan. “While we can’t turn back time, we try to gather regularly. Thank you to Sherry, the road warrior, who so often heads north on 95 to make this happen.” In keeping with the I-95 theme, Betsy met **Ginny Knetzger Unger** and Scott Growney ’81 for lunch in Radnor. Talk is great, but follow-through is really awesome.

Carl Rapp reached out to invite any classmates to come join him on the Appalachian Trail this summer (or next). He joined a team in summer 2022 building a stone staircase in the 100-mile wilderness near Katahdin and is heading back in July/August. “The Maine ATC is maintained mostly by volunteers. Become one. No experience needed. Work, hard. Showers, unlikely. Food, enough. Exhaustion and good deeding guaranteed.”

Mark Modica loves living in L.A. and connecting with Trinity alumni, such as a mentoring Zoom with some of the championship football team this past year. He’s also created a podcast *Moonsbooting*, in which he mentions a chance encounter with **Matt Pace** during our college days that led to “one of the greatest experiences and life-changing times in my life as we both interned in D.C. during Reagan’s first 100 days in office! It’s what I loved most about Trinity . . . the focus on living your dream.”

Chrisy Masters Jones and husband Roger returned from “the experience of a lifetime,” a yearlong motorboat trip. “Cruising the 6,000-mile Great Loop route counterclockwise, we completed a circumnavigation of the eastern U.S. and part of Canada via inland waterways. We are now settled back in Jamestown, Rhode Island, for the summer, awaiting the arrival of our second grandchild! Life is good!”

Sarah Glynn Peters fulfilled a longtime dream: moving to London. She’s the new user services librarian at Richmond American

University. “I’m really excited to be living in Europe again and can’t wait to begin working on my travel bucket list.”

Karen Miller Boudreau retired at the end of 2022 after a 36-year career in health care. She is active with the Trinity women’s rowing alumni group and continues to row several days a week. She also enjoys being able to ski and hike in the middle of the week. Oldest daughter Sarah was wed atop Palisades ski resort in March. She also loves periodic Zoom chats with **Vicky Lenkeit Scanlon**, **Barb Levinson**, **Minnie Mahoney Hickes**, **Lucida DeLorenzo**, **Ellen Lasch**, and me.

Palmer Sloan is still the librarian at Greenwich Country Day. Her three children went to Trinity. “My daughter Haley ’17 married Tim McDermott ’18 last August. Many Accidentals sang at the wedding. Son Heath ’16 is engaged. Son Finley Harckham Jr. ’10 had a sweet baby girl who just turned 1. Other than that, I am spending a lot of time with my dogs.”

Bailey Johnston Farrin is working in immigration court in Charlotte, North Carolina, for asylum seekers. It’s the hardest work she’s ever done. She invites any classmates coming through North Carolina to please let her know. “Next I hope to travel the world, maybe live in Argentina, work for the Peace Corps . . . the possibilities are endless!”

Gina Bonsignore is enjoying her ever-expanding garden, picking up the paintbrush again, and playing ice hockey year-round two or three times a week. She had a fun visit with **Libby Powell** and **Rima Sirota** last summer on an East Coast road trip.

In closing, **Jason Smith** shared a touching reminiscence written with **Mark Murphy**. Trinity has been both a place of higher education and the center of his family life. Now it has become a springboard to career experiences he never imagined. “My father graduated from and worked at the school for 37 years, the last 17 of those as vice president. He watched three of his children and the same number of grandchildren attend the school. The role my father played in the Trinity community over those years cannot be overestimated. For the six of us touched by the Trinity experience, we still see its beneficial effects in our daily life.

“For me, the connection to Trinity has meaning that spreads beyond my family and embraces the core of Trinity’s purpose. This year’s Commencement speaker, Nicole Hockley ’92, has become a voice so needed today due to the horrible and needless actions that took the life of her son Dylan and others

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at Sandy Hook in Newtown in December 2012. It was the privilege of my career to perform the role of site superintendent on the building of the Sandy Hook Permanent Memorial, where Nicole's son now has a place to be remembered as a beautiful child with his classmates and the educators whose lives were taken that day.

"While it's important to understand why Trinity exists in a material, physical sense, it has to be understood that acts of kindness and generosity by the thousands have been performed by Trinity's people. This clearly was the case in selecting Nicole Hockley as 2023 Commencement speaker.

"My two cents, as they are counted, are just pennies to the outcomes Trinity's 200 years have brought forth."

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It was a wonderful time at Reunion Weekend as the Class of 1983 celebrated 40 years since we donned the cap and gown. There was, of course, the additional bonus in that our event coincided with Trinity's 200th birthday, which made it even more special.

Friday evening began with our class dinner and **Mark Bronsky** providing the equipment and music to support a great mood. After dinner, our president for life, **Todd Beati**, spoke a few words of welcome and remembrance. Following that, I gave out awards to **Mark Dibble** and **Al Strickler** for being the biggest contributors to our *Trinity Reporter* Class Notes over the past five years.

After dinner, people went off in different directions. I was among those who went to see a special performance of the Class of '83's Glass Bullet Band, with **Jake Edwards** and John O'Brien '84 on guitar, **Joe Tucker** on bass, and **Amy Fulton Kuzmicki** on vocals. **Kevin Slattery** and Sue Clifton also sang separately. It rained a little but not enough to dampen the enthusiasm.

On Saturday, I headed back out to the quad with my host, **Tom Merrill**, and cohorts **Chuck Petridis**, **Angelos Orfanos**, **Ron Carroll**, **Leif Fellingner**, and **Bruce Zawodniak**. There we found our long-lost buddy **Mark Rourke**, who in addition to taking in the festivities was there to renew his wedding vows with wife Carmen Leslie-Rourke '82.

Among the many of the afternoon's great sessions, I attended "Baseball: Going Back to the Future," featuring alumni George Will '62 and Bill Marimow '69. Then it was back to the quad to push through to dinner and a wonderful fireworks display. I was able to catch up with **Sasha Opel**, **Agi Sardi**, **MaryBeth Callan Serdechny**, **Janet Bollinger Huley**, **Eric Fisher**, **Anne Zinkin**, **Pani Potrepka**, **Marissa Ocasio**, **Wendy Gorland Tayer**, **Wendy Farnham**, **Ben Howe**, **Ami Clymer Maron**, **Jon Main**, **Henry Mallari-D'Auria**, **Sue Fiske** and **Rusty Williams**, **Dave Nagle**, **Mike Collins**, and more than my old mind can remember.

I don't have the final numbers, but we came close to setting the record for a 40th Reunion, which was 75 registered attendees. I'll update with a final number in the next post.

Mike Isko also attended Reunion, but I wanted to call him out separately. Mike was named Big Brother of the Year for 2023 by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut. The recognition was presented at the group's annual award event, which was held at the Mark Twain House & Museum in Hartford. Way to give back, Mike.

Thanks all, and don't wait another five years to reach out to a valued classmate.

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Peter Stinson starts things off by writing, "I recently put aside retired life and rejoined the full-time workforce as a change management specialist working with the Coast Guard. The best part of the new job is that it's mostly remote. "I've been into the office

twice in three months." Sounds more like "retired with benefits" if you ask me!

Cathy Villano Berey says, "Just a few things to report. The first is that our oldest daughter is getting married in 2024, so we are hoping to be grandparents someday! The second is that Ami Clymer Maron '83 is in town for her 40th Reunion next weekend, so she will be staying with us for a couple days, and **Maria DiBella Kiley** from our class will be coming, too, so we can have a mini reunion. We have not seen each other since pre-COVID! Looking forward to sharing lots of laughs and catching up!"

Laura Baird adds, "I do have a tidbit to share: **Susan Lawrence Lebow** and I bumped into each other in West Hartford; this happens to us about every five years or so. This time we stayed connected and took the train to N.Y.C. to meet with **Cathy Marona Shrestha** and her husband, Suman, who were visiting one of their sons, Neil. The five of us had a fabulous day together at the Rubin Museum of Art and caught up with each other over drinks and delicious meals. We are looking forward to future visits (and having other Trin alums join as well)."

Martha Cross Stewart writes, "I'm really excited about attending Trinity's Bicentennial celebration this coming weekend. I'm a sucker for an open bar and fireworks! It's been years since I've been to campus. I get to stay in Crescent Street apartments, which I gather are much improved from when I lived there in the summer before senior year with **Jackie Kim**, when we both had jobs on campus. I had bought a cheap charcoal grill, and one night we decided to grill a steak on the back porch, which was made of wood. I applied liberal amounts of lighter fluid and lit the fire, then went into the kitchen to continue food prep. Next thing we hear sirens, and I look out the window and see a fire truck pulling up outside and a neighbor pointing up at our porch. I was really embarrassed when firefighters came running up all those stairs in their gear only to find it was a grill and not an actual house fire. I'd like to think I have more common sense now. Last year, my husband and I sold our cattle farm in Micanopy, Florida, and relocated a few hours south to Vero Beach. I was delighted to reconnect recently with **Donna LaPlante**, who is also a Florida resident, and am in frequent contact with **Laura Dyson Evancho**—both friends from Jackson Hall our freshman year."

Stephen Tall and I missed the Bicentennial because we spent a long weekend in L.A. to

celebrate the marriage of our son Sam. It was a rare moment to have all four of our children in one place now that we are so spread out, literally coast to coast. That's two kids married and one grandchild to date! We're looking forward to seeing our youngest, Charlie, on tour with Frances Forever at the end of the summer. Otherwise, Steve and I are still looking to expand our Row House footprint into other areas but are having fun with our Boston Lovejoy Wharf location. Come take a class with us!

One final note: Next June is our 40th Reunion! Please, please, please plan to attend. We always end up having so much fun now that we are adults at similar places in our lives. I know life gets in the way, but I'd really like to reconnect with more of you in person!

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Hello, classmates, and happy Bicentennial. Imagine, Trinity was not yet 160 when we matriculated!

Mike Duffy reports he is busy heading the GO Foundation, a nonprofit that provides tutors to public school students throughout the Northeast. Mike recently caught up with John Molner's son, Henry, who was helping the GO Foundation plan a fundraising gala. Henry had been an AmeriCorps member serving as a tutor/mentor at a GO Foundation school on the Lower East Side. Mike notes that they are still recruiting for the incoming group of 200-plus AmeriCorps Fellows needed for the fall, so if anyone reading this needs to put their recently graduated son/daughter to work for a year, have them apply at GOFellows.org). In addition, Mike says he gets a lot of joy from his volunteer work as chair of the board of the Lyme Academy of Fine Arts in Old Lyme, Connecticut, where he has a summer home. It turns out the place is a few doors down from where the late dean David Winer lived. Mike and husband Patrick hosted a recent Trinity grad (Hanifa Darwish '22) while she did an internship at Lyme Academy. The saga of her family's escape from the Taliban to her graduate work at Penn sounded remarkable. Fitting that the pursuit of education continues to deepen Trinity bonds, past, present, and future.

Mike caught up with Paul Newman and wife Lisa at their beautiful home in Topanga Canyon and also had a chance to connect with Chris Doyle at the Manhattan offices of Stroock, Stroock & Lavan, where Chris leads the firm's corporate practice. Over dinner nearby in the Tin Building, Chris was excited to give Mike updates on both of his sons, Peter '23 and Kevin '24, who were studying at Trinity. Mike also was planning to go to Massachusetts to help celebrate Lou Shipley's 60th birthday.

Jeff Lang reports he and Jay Gangi '86 committed to weekly golf outings on the San Francisco Peninsula. "It's not a pretty sight as neither of us has played in three-four years."

Matt Moore moved back to Fort Lauderdale after spending five years in Los Angeles. He is licensed to practice law in both states, but his work is now centered more in Florida. And besides, he adds, "I am getting too old to be flying back and forth all the time." There was an unofficial reunion last November of musical theater alums held outside N.Y.C. and orchestrated by now-retired professor Gerald Moshell. To celebrate his 60th, Matt was planning on a weekend cruise with a dozen friends. He also enjoys family life vicariously through his brother's family, which includes grandkids.

Louise Williams Senopoulos, Nancy McKeown Aboyan, Bonnie Adams Connors, and Victoria Arvenitis Jenks begin each day with Wordle and got together to celebrate Bonnie's 60th in the spring in Florida, where they golfed, beached, boated, and laughed (naturally!) for three days.

Finally, a note of remembrance for our classmate Hunter Sloan. May happy memories of friendship with her provide solace to friends and family.

That's it for now, sexagenarians one and all! From the Alumni Office: Joe Shield was inducted into the Vermont Principals Association Hall of Fame Class of 2023 in Montpelier, Vermont.

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Greetings! I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. We surely are getting older now that we've already had our 35th Reunion and the updates seem to be about retirements and our children's college graduations and weddings!



Three generations of the Ferrucci family gather at the May 2023 Commencement of Charlie Ferrucci '23, second from right. Ben Ferrucci '20, Peter Ferrucci Jr. '58, and Paul Ferrucci '86 joined in the celebration.



1986 classmates Lisa Moorhead Price, Tom Price, and Karin Bennett Micheletti attend the University of Richmond graduation in May 2023.

In May, Karin Bennett Micheletti was at the University of Richmond attending her son Will's graduation and ran into Lisa Muirhead Price and Tom Price, who were there to watch their daughter Sara graduate. Congrats to all!

Jerome Kapelus sent the following note: "My wife, Jolie, and I still live in N.Y.C. after raising our three kids here. We have had a lot going on the past year with our oldest daughter, Liza '16, getting married in September, with a big Trinity contingent celebrating with us, including Ben and Christine Rhodes, Paul Kipnes '85 and wife Michelle, and Erik Smith. We also sold our apartment after 22 years and moved into a smaller apartment in the same Upper West Side neighborhood. On the work front, I was the CFO of a cool company, TCGplayer, that is a leading online marketplace for trading collectible card games like Magic, Pokémon, and Yu-Gi-Oh. We sold the company to eBay late last year, and I just finished up to find my next opportunity. A few weeks ago, Bill Villari pulled our '83-'86 squash team together for a Zoom reunion. It was wonderful to see Bill, J.D. Cregan, and Paul Stauffer from our class, as well as John Holmes '83 and the amazing '85ers, including John Conway, Bill Doyle, Mike Georgy, Doug Burbank, and Sandy Monaghan. Despite so much time, the catch-up was as fun and raucous as 40 years ago. Wishing you all a great summer."

Laurie Cohen writes, “I have been living in Vermont for the past 31 years. My husband and I are both lawyers. He has a small-town solo practice, and I work as a health care attorney for Nixon Peabody. We have two daughters. Our older daughter graduated from Northeastern and is finishing her accelerated B.S.N. program back at Northeastern. Our younger daughter just finished her sophomore year at University of Wisconsin-Madison. Life is good.”

Tom Madden sent the following update: “I was just awarded tenure and promoted to associate professor of business law at Marist College School of Management, completing a long transition from full-time law practice to academia. I continue to enjoy additional work as an arbitrator and mediator for FINRA (primarily in New York and Connecticut) and am enjoying writing law review articles—most recently on the SEC’s Climate-Related Disclosure Proposal— forthcoming in the *University of Pennsylvania Journal of Business Law*. Phoebe ’87 and I will be taking our college-age kids to our Florence campus for half the summer, and then I will be on sabbatical for fall ’23! Have had a few meetups with **John Stratakis** and **Joe Scorese** in N.Y.C. celebrating the would-be end of the pandemic and more social time!”

This past May, your secretary’s family was back on campus to see our son Charlie ’23 graduate. We had three generations of Trinity graduates on campus for the celebration. Our daughter, Hanley ’26, just finished her first year on campus.

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Hello, ’87ers! It was 40 years ago this fall that we were beginning our time ’neath the elms at Trinity. As you read this installment of Class Notes, think back to those days on the quad, in Mather, and on Vernon Street, when we were just beginning to meet the names you are about to read—and about 400 others!

I enjoyed reading **John Decesare’s** update about his post-Trinity career path. He started his career as an electrical engineer at GTECH in Rhode Island (where John is from) after graduation and designed lottery terminals; he moved to Cape Cod in 1998 and joined a small telecom company, Excel

Switching, and designed telecom products and later managed three design teams in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. “I hated it. I was driving all over the place, or should I say sitting in traffic all over the place! So, in 2007, I had had enough and started my own company.” John’s company Celerity provides “electronic hardware, software, and mechanical design services to numerous companies all over the country. We are small (five people), but I absolutely love it. Very little stress. I learn new things every day. Work at my own schedule and work with some really cool companies. One of my favorites is Disney, where we work with their ‘Imagineers’ and design all sorts of cool stuff, my favorite being the extendable laser saber.” John lives in Plymouth, Massachusetts; he saw **Will Piculell** last year while in town for a graduation and writes, “It was great to see him. I also met up with Andy Zimmerman ’88 and Dave Lemons ’88 in Falmouth for a few cocktails.”

Lisa Van Ripper has been named vice president of marketing and communications at Goucher College in Baltimore. At the time of this writing, she had just relocated to Baltimore and—in the small world department—bought a house about two blocks away from where I attended grammar school! Welcome to the Big Crab, Lisa!

If you attended Trinity’s Rome Campus the spring 1986 semester, perhaps you were with **Jamie Harper** when he first saw the Palazzo Barberini and heard Professor Franca Camiz discuss Pope Urban VIII and his patronage of art. Jamie writes that 37 years later, he “is a collaborator on a major exhibition there about the Barberini family and the art of propaganda” titled *L’immagine Sovrana: Urbano VIII e i Barberini* that was on view earlier in 2023. Jamie also consulted on the tapestry section of the exhibition and authored (in Italian) that section of the sumptuous 400-page catalog.

Jane Swift sends an update from Eph country (Williamstown, Massachusetts): Her twins graduated from college this spring: Sarah ’23 from Trinity, joining Jane as an alum, and twin Lauren finished a term early at Northwestern University. “Sarah heads to Case Western this fall to pursue her M.S.W. Lauren is working as a coordinator for the Harvard football team. This summer, the new nonprofit we launched on our family farm, Cobble Hill Farm Education & Rescue Center (www.chfarm.org), will welcome our first group of middle school students. Rising

fifth and sixth graders from my hometown school district, the North Adams Public Schools, will attend for four weeks, and rising seventh and eighth graders will be here for two weeks. We are hoping to create a strong sense of belonging and to expose them to new areas of interest in four career clusters—animal science, horticulture, health and wellness, and construction and engineering—through experiential learning and work-based opportunities. I continue my advisory and board work in education innovation and my speaking gigs. I’ve added the topic of grief and loss, which I blog about here: janeswift.substack.com.” (Secretary’s note: I enjoyed reading Jane’s blog in the past year and encourage others to read it as well.)

Lisa McNamara, another Bantam alumni parent, writes that she was remarried during the pandemic “to a wonderful man who is a Venezuelan, Jewish, bald, pediatrician widower, none of which were on my bingo card. Life provides wonderful surprises sometimes, and we are very happy. We split our time between West Hartford and Galicia (Spain). My daughters are the light of my life and my best friends; we are a squad. My youngest, **Darcy Hughes**, also graduated from Trinity (2018). My eldest, Charlotte Hughes, has unexpectedly followed me into my career as a professional lines insurance broker and is clearly a natural. As for Trin friends, I stay close with Mei-wa Cheng ’86, **Robin Scullin**, your faithful secretary, **Jamie Harper**, and Sarah Oman Horne ’86, all five of whom are (still) highly entertaining. I am routinely impressed by all the good and important work our classmates are doing. Still ‘all in’ on liberal arts!”

Lisa’s update reminded me that she and I were enrolled in the same freshman seminar 40 years ago this fall, “Modern European Intellectual History” with Professor Sam Kassow ’66, and that made me wonder about the other classmates in our freshman seminar, so . . . **Peter Voudouris, Tom Noguerola, Hugh Morgan, Kevin McKaig, Will Piculell, Kathy Graham Duggan, Kim Ditallo Gentile, and Anne Scribner**, what are you up to these days? (Did I manage to name everyone?) Do you remember who was in your freshman seminar, and are you still in touch with any of them? I challenge all ’87ers to reach out to their freshman seminar classmates, and I look forward to hearing whatever news is unearthed! With that challenge, I will sign off!

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Class Notes submitted by **Tara Lichtenfels Gans**: Hello! Hoping all of you had a wonderful summer! We kicked it off with a bang celebrating our 35th Reunion and Alumni Bicentennial Celebration June 9–11. What an amazing weekend it was with more than 100 of us ‘neath the elms. The weekend was filled with cocktails, dining, panels, and presentations with esteemed alumni; wedding vow renewals; musical performances; and a grand fireworks finale! It was fabulous to reconnect and recall wonderful memories. Two of our classmates received special recognition: **Eve Perugini** was awarded the Alumni Medal for Excellence, and **Bryant McBride** was awarded the Paul E. Raether ’68 Alumni Achievement Award. Congratulations, Eve and Bryant! We also lived up to our reputation as a close-knit class with late-night gatherings outside our weekend “dorms” at the Crescent Street Townhouses. Thirty-five years hasn’t slowed us down a bit! A big shout-out to **Dede DePatie Consoli**, our fearless class president, and the entire Reunion Committee for their hard work to make our event such a great success.

We also would like to say congratulations to **Jennifer Blum**, who recently was appointed to Trinity’s Board of Trustees. Jennifer has demonstrated a deep commitment to the College over the last three decades, and we know she will be a great asset to the board.

Prior to Reunion, I heard from **Lisa Alvarez-Calderon**. “I am so looking forward to seeing everyone at Reunion next weekend. We decided to sell our place in West Seattle and will move to our ‘happy place’ in Chincoteague, Virginia, sometime early next year. In the meantime, we plan to do some road-tripping and deeper exploring of the United States while I continue to pursue my executive coaching certification with the Hudson Institute of Coaching in Santa Barbara, California. I am truly enjoying the freedom of this new life chapter.”

Bridget McCormack sent her regrets. “I am sorry I will miss you all at Reunion. My brother, Will ’96, will be there. But I’ll be on the West Coast for work. I retired from my position as chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court at the end of December.

I started as the president and CEO of the American Arbitration Association on February 1. My office is in Manhattan (120 Broadway), and it is fun to be back in the city, though I still go home to Michigan on the weekends. My husband, Steve Croley, is the chief policy officer and general counsel for Ford Motor Company, and we spend our weekends in western and northern Michigan, biking and hiking and swimming (and eating and drinking). Our kids are all done with college, and two of the four are in graduate school (one for economics and one in medical school). I hope to cross paths with some Trinity friends in N.Y.C.!”

Mark Sommaruga writes to say that he would be unable to attend Reunion as June was going to be a busy month. “June 2023 is a time of anniversaries for me. I am celebrating my 20th wedding anniversary with my wife, Monette Goodrich. June 2023 will also mark 10 years of being a member of the law firm of Pullman & Comley in Hartford. I currently serve as chair of the firm’s Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. I am also currently chair of the Connecticut Bar Association’s Media and the Law Section. However, my favorite ‘job’ responsibility is being dad to my ever-growing son, Spencer, who is 13 years old.”

After our Reunion Weekend, I heard from **Lou O’Brien Berl**, who writes, “Chris (Berl) and I were sad to miss the Bicentennial, but I was hosting an 85th birthday dinner party for my mom here in Westport, Massachusetts, where we now live full time. We were in Fenwick (Old Saybrook) last Thursday at the Trinity Athletic Department reception for the new wing of Ferris. We chatted with Drew Galbraith, the athletic director, and met several coaches, which was fun for me, because I coached rowing at Trinity and have been in close contact with several Trinity women who have been involved in the new Friends of Trinity Women’s Rowing group. I actually went out on the water with the women’s team and coach Peter Graves ’07 the week before they went to NCAA’s a few weeks ago, which was fun. We love being in Westport. Chris’s business is in Mooresville, North Carolina, near where we used to live (in Davidson) and is growing by the day; he is in the process of designing a new, larger warehouse, which is exciting. We have three daughters: one graduated from Davidson and lives in Boston. One graduated from WashU and is moving to Madison, Wisconsin, and one will be a second year at Kenyon and is captain of the tennis team.”

Michelle Boudreau also wrote following Reunion. “I wanted to send a note of thanks to everyone who contributed to putting on such a fun Reunion! I helped organize a group of ’88ers—**Nancy Barry, Barbara Caldarone, Jennifer Elwell O’Donnell, and Tom Chapman**—with Terry Caldarone ’86 and Judy Sandford ’89 thrown in, to stay in the Crescent Street Townhouses (so different from the ‘sophomore slums’ I lived in). When we arrived, we were lucky to find out that Trinity placed **Scotland Davis** with us to round out the group. We all had so much fun attending lectures, re-touring the campus, and dancing Friday and Saturday nights away. While there were some hesitations about signing up for Reunion, we all can’t wait for the next one! In April, I was thrilled to be invited to attend the wedding of Dan Carozzi ’13, the nephew of Terry Caldarone ’86 and **Barbara Caldarone**, along with **Nancy Barry, Tom Chapman, and Lisa Lake**. Again, we danced the night away and spent time looking back on our experiences at Trinity reliving so many of our favorite memories and stories.”

Reunion years are always filled with fun and reflection as we grow older in age but remain young at heart! Bicentennial celebrations will continue through 2024, so there are more opportunities to visit campus, see classmates, and take part in the fanfare. Until next time, cheers to ’88!

The class secretary position for the Class of 1988 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.

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Sandy Jedziniak and **Doug Macdonald** caught up on campus during a joint Parents Leadership Council and Board of Fellows dinner in last spring. Sandy serves on the PLC and has twins in the Class of 2026, and Doug is on the Executive Committee for the Board of Fellows.

Michelle Monti has a lot of great news to share. “A story I wrote for Trinity called ‘The Legacy that Can’t be Squashed’ has been included in the Bicentennial website as part of the 200 Stories initiative. I had such a great time interviewing alumni

Brendan T. Campbell, M.D., M.P.H., '92

DEGREES:

B.S. in biology, with interdisciplinary minor in Soviet studies; M.D., University of Connecticut; M.P.H., University of Michigan

JOB TITLES:

Donald W. Hight Endowed Chair in Pediatric Surgery and chief surgical quality officer at Connecticut Children's Medical Center; professor of surgery and pediatrics at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine

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TRINITY MEMORY:

I have many notable memories from my time at Trinity, but here's one favorite. Craig TenBrink, Pete Cuomo, and I made a bet with Jim O'Brien, and the loser(s) had to streak across campus. The three of us lost the bet, or at least we couldn't prove that we had won the bet. So, at halftime of a Monday night football game in early December, Noah Eccles drove us across campus to make good on the bet. After being dropped off on Vernon Street, we began our jog back to Clemens Hall along the Lower Long Walk. Even without cell phones, word had traveled fast, and we had at least what seemed like several hundred of our classmates cheering us on and others who were just wondering why three idiots were running naked across campus on a cold December evening.

What was your path to your current position?

My path was geographically circuitous over nine years of postgraduate surgical and research training, which included time in Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Ann Arbor, Michigan; and Little Rock, Arkansas. Along the way, I met and married my wife, Angela, who grew up in Iowa. We were not dead set on moving to the Northeast when I completed my training and was looking for my first job, but the opportunity at Connecticut Children's had everything I was looking for, and they really needed another pediatric surgeon at the time.

What do you do in your various roles?

I wear a lot of hats at Connecticut Children's and through my work with the American College of Surgeons. Much of this work involves building programs and systems that are designed to improve the care for surgery and trauma patients. A thoughtful mentor told me that one of the keys to having high job satisfaction is simply prioritizing impactful work, and my current job allows me to do that.

What do you enjoy most about what you do?

Providing care to infants and children with problems that can be improved or corrected with a surgical procedure can be very rewarding and makes you want to come to work most days. It also motivates you to continuously work to get better because perfection in pediatric surgery is an elusive goal. I also enjoy having the opportunity to teach and mentor students and residents and focus part of my nonclinical work on improving care at the population level through my health services research and advocacy work related to surgical quality, injury prevention, and trauma systems.

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

The science courses I took at Trinity certainly prepared me well for medical school, where the first two years focus on the scientific basis of clinical medicine. But the most valuable aspect of my Trinity education that continues to serve me well is the liberal arts foundation that taught me to think critically and to write clearly. I tell anyone who will listen that my parents are still getting value from their investment in my Trinity education because I continue to utilize these skills in my daily work.



Did you have a professor who was particularly influential?

There are several exceptional Trinity faculty members who challenged me and contributed in important ways to my liberal arts education—Kathleen Archer (biology), Robert Battis (economics), Carol Clark (economics), Don Galbraith (biology), James Heeren (chemistry), Sam Kassow (history), and Craig Schneider (biology).

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity?

"Organic Chemistry" with Professor James K. Heeren. The content of this course was not particularly interesting or useful, but it was more intellectually challenging and demanding than anything I had to master before. This course and Professor Heeren's method of teaching helped me learn how to process, retain, and apply a large amount of complex information. Professor Heeren let you know at the outset what his expectations were, and he taught using the Socratic method, which motivated you to show up prepared for class every day. He told us early on that if you could master the material he presented in his course and do well, you would be able to manage the volume and complexity of information presented in medical school. He was right.

from different classes for that piece, as well as New England Patriots Coach Bill Belichick! I had my first piece of creative work published. My poem 'Mother's Lonely Paintbrushes' was published in *Cosmic Daffodil* journal. And finally, I'm making a career shift and hope to focus more on freelance and creative writing going forward. I'm revising my website (michelle-monti.com) to reflect these changes." Congratulations on all fronts, Michelle!

And speaking of Michelle, **Becky Holt Fine** reported that they had seen each other recently and that she's very impressed by all Michelle is up to these days. She adds, "I'm taking on school food in my Nyack, New York, school district, researching better food-service vendors with healthier, more appealing meals. Our current one was in the national news for an egregious error of cultural insensitivity on the first day of Black History Month at our local middle school. Move over, Aramark! Gabe's finishing kindergarten and his first season of Little League! He has just discovered *Star Wars!* I have a lot to catch up on since I only saw the first movie and maybe *The Empire Strikes Back!* I also see **Barbara Scudder Pritchard**, who is raising three courageous girls in N.Y.C. and helping them know there's a bigger world out there with semester and summer adventures outside the Big Apple. Barbara takes on adventures with trips and what I'd call epic bike rides."

It also is great to hear from **Benjamin W. Cilento**. He writes, "I finished 21 years in the military in 2010 and have been a physician in Houston, Texas, ever since. I'm married with three beautiful kids and living life to the fullest every day!"

From **Juliana Lowry**: "Retirement isn't just about finances. My new book, *Beyond Money*, shows you how to find true happiness and fulfillment in this new chapter of your life. Paperback, hardcover, and Kindle versions are available on Amazon."

Ridge Cromwell writes, "I have joined a family office, M Mountain Capital, making private equity investments in small/mid-size companies in the U.S. I'm still living in Fairfield, Connecticut, and get to see folks in the New York-Boston corridor now and again. We had a gathering of folks this past March in N.Y.C. to watch **Stephen Belber's** latest movie, *What We Do Next*, that should be available to stream online and scores 94 on Rotten Tomatoes!"

Lydia Babbitt writes, "**Dana Skinger Farr** and I are members of the vestry

(ecclesiastical version of a board of directors) at Trinity Episcopal Church in Torrington, Connecticut. Luckily, Dana was astute enough to actually read my bio information and connect the dots for us. And while the faces in the 1989 yearbook are passingly familiar to both of us, we are pretty sure that we never really interacted at all during our four years in Hartford. We are delighted to work together in our parish and are getting to know one another better. It just goes to show that you meet the nicest people at Trinity, even if it is 35 years after you graduate!"

Sean Dougherty and wife Julie still enjoy their retirement lifestyle, which includes long visits to family in Boston and Oregon, living in Las Vegas between trips, and catching up with friends when they can. For Sean, that included **Doug Macdonald** in Los Angeles last winter and **Mike Vanderbilt** when he was passing through Las Vegas in the spring. He remains active with street hockey(!), and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Society to Preserve and Encourage Radio, Drama, Variety and Comedy (SPERDVAC). He can't wait to see everyone at Reunion next year!

My appeal for news from fall '87 Rome classmates prompted a reconnection with two classmates. It was great to hear from **Dave Barcomb**. He and his family relocated to Sarasota, Florida, from Boston 3½ years ago and enjoy it thoroughly. Dave is a managing director at Merrill Lynch and is the principal of The Barcomb Group.

I also had a text exchange with **Bart Coughlin**, who writes, "The Rome semester was one of the highlights of my time at Trinity. My niece Schuyler Coughlin '24 studied at the Rome Campus last fall. I was happy to hear Livio Pestilli still teaches there, and it sounds like Schuyler loved it just as much as I did. I live in Dedham, Massachusetts, which is also home to some other Trinity alumni from our era, including **Jim Beakey**, **John Emery**, Jen Brewster Jordan '88, Will Dunning '88, and probably some others I am forgetting. My wife and I are transitioning to the empty nest phase, with our youngest starting his sophomore year at College of Charleston in August."

And finally, I can report the Alumni Bicentennial Celebration weekend in June was fantastic. I had a chance to spend time with our class president, **Doug Macdonald**, which is always entertaining. I also caught up with **Brian Johnson**, who is an anesthesiologist in Northampton, Massachusetts, and, from the same area, **Dave Hower** after

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his stellar performance with The Nields. They shared with me the amazing story of Brian being one of the attending physicians during Dave's wife's childbirth. I also had a quick catch-up with **Judy Sandford** while we danced together with none other than President Joanne Berger-Sweeney. The weekend fun has me looking forward to our 35th next year. I hope to see you there.

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From **Ann Newman Selvitelli**: "As of July 1, I will be co-chair of Trinity's Women's Leadership Council. I am very excited about taking on this leadership role and encourage all female-identifying classmates to join the WLC and take advantage of our programming and networking opportunities. Please reach out to me if you have any questions. Membership is free and easy!"

From **Robin Cavanaugh**: "We have had a fun-filled spring of all things Trinity, so I thought I'd write a bit down for the *Reporter!* Mike '90 and I have had many Bantam sightings so far in '23. In February, we had



Members of the Class of 1993 reunite on the Main Quad during Reunion.

a great weekend in N.Y.C., beginning with a fun evening with LJ and Alexis Brashich Morledge '90, a dinner at the NYAC with **Jorge** and Shawn **Rodriguez** and **Bill** and Antonia **Ryckman**, followed by a rugby party with Bobby Cullum '89. We were on campus a few times for our boys' senior spring: a rugby tournament, a fun birthday party at AD, and the volunteer weekend for the Parents Leadership Council and the TCAA (our own **Jorge Rodriguez** is the incoming president!). The following weekend, I saw many classmates at the Remley Cup Regatta in Massachusetts. It was a wonderful memorial for **Dylan Remley**, who passed away in the fall of '21. Missy and her children were surrounded by many friends and family members, and we all watched the Bantams win the first cup! Rob and MaryBeth Madarasz DeLena '90, **Mark Russell**, **Scott Mattoon**, **Bill Brick**, **Tony Paruszewski**, **Amey Wilson Jensen**, **Mike Irwin**, and **Heather Watkins** (I know I'm forgetting a few others) were all there. In May, we traveled to Denver to see **Andrew Halpern** for his daughter's high school graduation and had a quick trip to Breckenridge to spend time with **Russ Kauff**. Why is it that we can pick up right where we left off with so many of our Trinity friends? The next week, we were with Andrew again to see our twins, Charlie and Aidan, graduate. It was an amazing weekend 'neath the elms. Very fun to spend time with **Eric Estes**, who was representing the current trustees, and Chris '92 and **Brooke Rorer Brown** and Tom Scull '92, whose daughters were also graduating. A huge thrill for me was being able to present my sons with their diplomas! We were back on campus in June for the Bicentennial Reunion, spending time with **Scott** and **Jessica Reinis Lister**, **Peter** and **Susanna Smetana Kagan**, **Jorge**, **Mike** and **Kate Brennan Ersevim**, **Mark** and **Kara Molway Russell**, Heidi Wisbach '90, Jane Reynolds Flynn '92, **Jon Buoni**, **Rob DeLena**, Jason Hicks '90, Art '88 and **Peyton Tansill Muldoon**, Alex Paidas '90, Nat and Caty

Campbell Kessler '93, Bob Johnson '60 (missing the 'Great One,' Greg '90, though), Pat and Charlie McGill '63, Dhuanne and Doug Tansill '61, and Peggy and Scott Reynolds '63, to name a few. We recently moved from Sudbury to West Boylston, Massachusetts. We're loving the Worcester area, so if anyone is in town for a WooSox game, let us know! Happy summer!"

From **Shawn Wooden**: "My term as state treasurer of Connecticut ended in January, and I joined Apollo Global Management as partner and chief public pension strategist."

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Great Reunion! We missed everyone who could not be there! **Trip Pierson** kicked off the fun by emceeding our class dinner on Friday night. That was a spectacle that needed to be witnessed; it is impossible to describe! On Saturday, the weather was perfect. We had music, fireworks, and some good laughs. Looking forward to our 35th.

Lloyd Nemeverever agrees. "I recently went to my 30th Reunion. Saw **Kelsey Hubbard**, **Pres Stewart**, **Jim Hazelton**, and **Rob Stempien**. Drank beer on the quad, then to AD for some flat beer and then late-night Campus Pizza delivery. College!"

Also attending was **Steve "Red" Woodworth**, and he tells me he is happy to report that his son Teddy is a rising

sophomore at The University of Utah, where he is studying international business, and his other son, Caleb, is a rising freshman at Clemson University, studying history and education.

We missed **Liza Baumgarten**, but she says, "I saw **Jill Griffin Zehner** a couple months back, as she was in the Carolinas on a college tour with her youngest son. We had a great dinner/catch-up in Greenville, South Carolina—so great to see her and enjoy a fun evening in a really cool city. Jill also hosted a bunch of us last November at her home in Wilmington, Delaware, which was a blast! The group included **Ashley Farrar**, **Susan Rost**, **Caty Campbell**, **Amy Secret**, **Grace Cragin**, and, of course, Jill and I. Sadly, **Lexi Carr** was on the other side of the world, but we all had a great time on her behalf. Otherwise, in N.Y.C., I see **Ashley Farrar Ashe** regularly on trips back to the city and got back in touch with **Megan Meany** last year, so I also have seen her a few times. Sorry to be missing our 30th; can't wait to hear all about it and am sure it will be a blast."

Rick Zednik wasn't able to make it either. "I've embarked on a new adventure of creating the Slovak national chapter of Volt, the pan-European progressive political party. Volt Slovakia intends to run candidates in the 2024 European Parliament elections. Any political junkies out there? I'll be happy to tell you more about it!" Very cool, Rick!

From the Alumni Office: **Tomoyo Wakamatsu** took part in an April panel discussion at Trinity that included the topic of Loctite, invented by Trinity Scovill Professor of Chemistry Vernon K. Kriebel, a faculty member from 1920 to 1955. Henkel, the company that owns Loctite, was represented at the discussion by four employees, including Tomoyo, who according to an event flyer has worked at Henkel for 30 years. Loctite, said to be the world's largest adhesive brand, was founded by Kriebel.

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Hope everyone is having a great summer. Here are some updates from around the class.

Peter Friedman writes, "My eldest, Annabelle, will be going to Fordham

University School of Law in fall 2024, which I'm excited about. More lawyers!"

Ash Altschuler writes, "I will be at the Trinity Bicentennial in June and look forward to celebrating 200 years on campus. I am the managing partner of the Delaware office of McDermott Will & Emery LLP, having founded the firm's Wilmington presence in 2019. I regularly see in N.Y.C. 1994 Bantams **Steve Lari, Rob Weber, Mike Robinson, Keil Merrick, Dan Herbert, Peter Lease, Carter Meyer, Kim Flaster, and Amanda Pitman**. I also see **Sanji Fernando, Graham Schelter, Carter McNabb, Joe Stein, and Bethany Patten**. All are doing so well, from coast to coast!" He followed up with a report from the Bicentennial, "I saw **Ben Brunt** and **Joe Gross** at Bicentennial Reunion. They look amazing, just as they did at graduation in 1994! I also saw our beloved professor Renny Fulco speaking at her seminar in Cinestudio."

Matthew Longcore writes that he is earning a Ph.D. in humanities at Salve Regina University in Newport, Rhode Island. He continues to work for Yale University and to teach anthropology at the University of Connecticut. In his free time, Matthew is the commodore of the Minuteman Yacht Club in Westport, Connecticut. He also sails as a member of the Cedar Point Yacht Club, also in Westport.

Cliff Fuller writes, "Carrie and I got married in August 2020 and due to pandemic ripples hadn't been able to travel or take vacations. So, we're excited to visit Scotland for a few weeks in July 2023 and finally go on our delayed honeymoon!"

Amanda Kauff Jacobson reports, "It's been a busy spring, culminating with my daughter, Bex, graduating from the American School in London. Rather amazing to think I moved to London pregnant with her. Time flies! She's off to Williams College this autumn and just got her U.K. driving license in the nick of time. My son, Gus, is 16 and attends St Paul's School, so we joke we are bilingual. He just finished taking his GCSE's and is very ready for summer. I will take him on a college road trip this coming autumn and will look forward to a visit to Trinity hopefully in time to catch some of the Bicentennial celebrations. My husband, Blair, and I had the pleasure of being in Rome with lots of Bantams in late March. It was a really wonderful showing by Trinity, reconnecting with old friends and meeting new ones, as well as mingling with staff and faculty. I felt really proud of Trinity. I've become involved with the Board

of Fellows, and it is meaningful to be back in the fold. Looking at colleges with Bex and thinking ahead to Gus has me really remembering my time at Trinity well and what that experience taught me . . . very valuable life lessons and academics that have served me well since."

I had a chance to hang out with **Jeff Almeida, John Donohue, Mark Kastrud, Will Sargisson, and Graham Schelter**. We spent a night in Boston and Cambridge. We had hoped to see **Tom Corderman**, but he was being recognized for a lifetime of service to the NSA. I also had the chance to hang out with **Steve Lari, Dan Herbert, Peter Lease, Mike Robinson, and Rob Weber**. We spent the weekend in the Bahamas, probably taking too many risks playing golf amid some lightning strikes. Steve and Dan cleaned up at the craps table, which made up a little for our interrupted golf weekend. We missed **Ash Altschuler**, busy planning his trip to the Bicentennial, and **Keil Merrick**, who was busy that weekend speaking at the St. Lawrence University graduation. Keil's son Charlie won the New Jersey State Championship with Ridgewood High School after an amazing playoff run and is committed to Lafayette for lacrosse.

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 Thank you to those who shared news this edition! Always nice to hear from classmates!

Joanna Marsden Solfrian writes, "Reporting for Class Notes duty. My family and I still happily live in Brooklyn, New York, where we run into various Pipes (Molly Goggins Talbot '97 and Jamie Talbot '94 among them). I am hoping to see my dear pal **Aaron O'Connell** and his new baby soon. I published two more poetry collections in '20 and '21, and a new one will come out in early '24, which sounds amazing, but lest anybody think life is perfect, I spent much of COVID in dingy pajamas like everyone else. Still, life is full of love for family and former classmates."

Lisa Koh Rao and **Ashvin "Abs" Rao** sent in news that they "have been busy! We have a high school senior graduating from Cranbrook Schools in Bloomfield Hills,

Michigan, this year and a freshman beginning Bronxville High School this fall. Both are active and definitely keep us on our toes. Lisa started an art and events advisory firm in the last year (Little Star Projects) and worked with **Amy Kerrigan Cole** on a major fundraising event for The Picture House Regional Film Center this spring. It was nice to see some Trinity friends in attendance, including Kierstie Clark Rucci '97, and to celebrate the arts in Westchester. As the Bicentennial year coincides with many of our milestone birthdays, we hope we can meet up this fall at Homecoming to celebrate!"

Ashley Gilmore Myles shared a couple of great photos from a trip a group of classmates "took to Mexico to celebrate our combined 50th!" Sounds like they had a lot of fun hosting a blue/gold Olympics.

Jon Massey and I had the pleasure of seeing our oldest daughter graduate from Middlebury College. Our youngest finished fifth grade, and our middle daughter completed her first year as a fellow Bantam. We're looking forward to Homecoming this October and hope to see some of you there!

From the Alumni Office: **Laura Parnum** writes that she is thrilled to announce the publication of her debut novel, *Peril at Price Manor* (HarperCollins, August 8, 2023). "The book blends quirky humor and poignant heart with delightfully creepy creatures, making it a perfect entry point for young readers (ages 8–12) to the horror genre."

1996 President: **Robert Vincent Toomey** • Vice President: **P.J. Louis Jr.** • Secretary: **Vacant** • Class Agents: **John Dugan, Hank Forsyth, Anne Chick Goodrich, Jon Lezner, P.J. Louis Jr., Page Fairman Rich**

The class secretary position for the Class of 1996 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.

1997 President: **Tanya Jones** • Vice President: **Courtney Zwirn** • Secretary: **Raymond Jones, raymond.jones.1997@trincoll.edu** • Class Agents: **Cathy Sharick Clammer, Amily Dunlap, Jim Gilbert, Ronaldo Gonzalez, Ashley Hammarth, Melissa Prober, Ben Russo, Sue Church Zibell** • [f/groups/897545883615307](#)

Colin Woodward shares that his book *Country Boy: The Roots of Johnny Cash* won the 2023 Ragsdale Award from the Arkansas Historical Association for best book on

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Arkansas history. And in May, Colin started a job as an archivist at the Valentine museum in downtown Richmond, Virginia, where he is organizing the personal papers of 19th century sculptor Edward V. Valentine.

1998 President: Levi D. Litman • Vice President: Regan

Farrar Cucinell • Secretary: Jessica Lockhart Vincent, jessica.vincent.1998@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Erin Blakeley, Regan Farrar Cucinell, Katy DeConti Duckworth-Schacter, Levi D. Litman, Jim Rodrigues, Morgan Rissel Tarr, Jessica Lockhart Vincent, Geoffrey Zampielo

Hello, classmates! I'd like to thank everyone who came back to Trinity for our 25th Reunion and the Alumni Bicentennial Celebration. I'm happy to report that the Class of 1998 had a strong showing, with more than 60 alumni in attendance. I know I especially enjoyed hanging out with **Jeff Harris** and **John Walston** at the class dinner on Friday night. It was the first time I had seen them since graduation! I also want to give a shout-out to **Levi Litman**, **Dave Aucoin**, and **Amanda Tucker**, who, after a poor turn-out for the class photo on Friday, rounded up everyone from our class on Saturday evening, hunted down a photographer, and organized a picture that represented our true numbers for the weekend. Thanks!

Sara Upton '99 writes that **Jessica Brierley** (née Telischak) has published a children's book called *Sebastian the Speedy Sloth*. The book was widely available on March 7, 2023, and Jessica and Sebastian have been busy amusing children and adults alike during numerous readings across the country. The press release for the book states: "Sebastian dreams of being fast! Unfortunately for Sebastian . . . he is a sloth. Everyone tells him that sloths are slow, sleepy, and certainly not made for speed. Following his dream seems impossible, but he isn't ready to give up yet! Join Sebastian as he sets out to accomplish his goal of running a race. With grit, determination, and a little help from his personal trainer, Jett Jaguar, can Sebastian succeed? Find out more at www.sebastianthespeedy sloth.com. Follow Sebastian @sebastianthespeedysloth" Congratulations, Jessica!

1999 President: William M. Mahoney • Secretary: Alyssa Daigle Schoenfeld, alyssa.daigle.1999@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Allison Lanzetta, Amie Margolis Haddad, Ben Rohn • [f/groups/TrinColl1999](#)

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, Katie Thomson, Johanna Tighe Traven, Catherine Zito • [f/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 Chevry, Jay Civetti, Ann Grasing, David Kieve, Matthew Schiller • [f/groups/TrinityCollegeClassof2001](#)

Classmates! This is a very Maine-centered Class Notes. By the time you read this, I will have been there twice this spring/early summer visiting family. Maybe I will have gotten to see some classmates over July Fourth! I did take a trip to L.A. in June to attend the U.S. Open (absolutely a blast), but back to Maine . . . **Ana Holwell** writes that she, **Jillian Fowkes Roscoe**, **Brooke Ronhovde Fernandez**, **Kimberly Grad Field**, **Molly Malgieri Schiff**, **Scotty Herron Harris**, and **Tina Couch** had a great time visiting **Michelle Theodat Waring** in her new hometown of Portland, Maine, in April. They also got to see **Newell Gates Brookfield**, who lives in Maine as well.

Sara Fleming says, "I'm still enjoying living in the Maine woods with my wife and two kids but also happy to head into my office in Boston twice a month—best of both worlds! We got to travel quite a bit this year, with trips to San Diego and N.Y.C. Saw **Cristina Lundy** for a brief moment in N.Y.C. before she headed off to her job on *Hamilton*! I'm still close with her, **Amy Cox Siemel**, **Jennie Noakes**, **Lizzie Chua**, **Melissa Baker**, and **Melanie Brezniak**. Most of us were able to get together two summers ago for our own mini reunion!"

2002 Secretary: Ellen Zarchin, ellen.zarchin.2002@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Shakira Ramos Crespo, Dave Kayiatos, Nhung My Thi Lam, Ellen Zarchin

Hello, Class of 2002! As I'm writing this, my kids are finishing their last week of school and eagerly looking forward to the start of summer. By the time you read this, your fabulous summer plans are over and your suntan has faded, but please feel free to share your travels and get-togethers with us! We have lots of news to share, so let's get to it!

Jeanette Bonner writes, "Still livin' the dream in N.Y.C., producing films, podcasting, working toward certification as an intimacy coordinator on film and TV sets, and, of course, acting. Last year, I had a really exciting starring role in the HBO Max (ugh, Max, whatever it's called now) show *Pretty Little Liars: Original Sin* as knife-wielding Rose Waters, and though it's still a bit hush-hush right now, by the time this goes to print, I'll be able to very excitedly announce my return in season two! Thrilled to also have two short films in the festival circuit this year, one of which will have its world premiere next week at the Chinese Theatres in L.A. at Dances With Films. Woohoo!"

Shayla Titley also writes from New York. "**Matt Anderson**, **Nicole Archer**, and I ran the Hartford Half Marathon in October 2022. It was the first time we all raced together and a fitting way to commemorate 20 years since our graduation. I also cheered on **Geraldine Aine** at the New York City Marathon in November 2022. Lastly, I met a fellow Bantam, Kathryn Van Sickle '12, through the Association of Fundraising Professionals, and we were presenters together on February 14 for an event titled '30 Ways to Love and Engage Your Stakeholders.' Kathryn is the director of major gifts and strategic engagement for The Chapin School, and I am the director of patron programs and services for The Public Theater."

Speaking of **Geraldine Aine**, Geraldine also checks in from New York. "I am working at Chubb Insurance Company in financial lines, and I enjoy my team there. But what has been keeping me active is running. On March 5, 2023, I made history as the first Haitian-American woman to complete all six World Marathon Majors, when I finished Tokyo on March 5, 2023, in 3 hours, 38 minutes, and 4 seconds. I first ran New York City in 2018, followed by Boston, Berlin, and Chicago in 2019. I returned to marathoning in London in 2022 after suffering with COVID a month prior. That was not fun, but I did it! While running, I make certain to fundraise for important causes. In Boston, I raised over \$14,000 for Youth Enrichment Services (YES), a nonprofit in Massachusetts that helps youth engage in outdoor sports and confidence-building activities. I first served as a YES Operation Snowsports volunteer, giving free ski lessons for six years and now serve on the YES Board of Trustees. My dad suffers from a variety of ailments, so my London Marathon was personal. I raised over \$7,000 for the Alzheimer's Society, 265



2002 classmates Julia Altieri, Kara Klenk, Katie Bennett, and Eric Brown attend a Dodgers game in spring 2023.

percent over my target. Last but not least, in Tokyo, I donated to the Ronald McDonald House, and Chubb matched the amount to double the impact. At the Tokyo Marathon in 2023, I was part of a successful group of runners hoping to earn their Six Star Medal, which honors runners who completed all six World Major Marathons. *Guinness World Records* designated my group ‘the most people to earn a Six Star Medal at a single marathon.’ I live in Brooklyn, New York, and recently ran the Mini 10K and saw **Shayla Titley** there!”

Eric Brown writes from the West Coast. “I was promoted on January 1, 2023, to managing director and chief legal officer at First Pacific Advisors, LP, an investment fund manager, where I’ve been since September 2016. I was elected in April 2023 to the Board of Trustees of my boarding school, Lake Forest Academy, in suburban Chicago. I act as a mentor for the Thrive Scholars nonprofit organization that sponsors a mentorship program for first-generation college students to assist with navigating college and the job market post-college graduation. I continue to reside in Los Angeles and in Palm Springs, California, and I recently caught up with fellow Angeleno alums **Kara Klenk**, **Julia Altieri**, and **Katie Bennett** at a Dodgers game!”

Patrick Roman met up with **Matt Griffin** during a lacrosse tournament on Long Island. Patrick reports that it was great to see Matt and that Matt’s son is a very talented lacrosse player.

Congratulations on all of these personal and professional accomplishments! With all the runners in our class, maybe Trinity should organize a 10K around campus at our next Reunion! Happy running, friends! Until next time . . .

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Secretary: Joe Noonan, joseph.noonan.2003@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Des Potier, Laura Rand, Suzy Schwartz • [f/groups/trinitycollege2003](#)

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, Ann E. Youngman • [f/groups/485669531523501](#)

From the Alumni Office: **Lorene Boudreau** has been elected partner at the national law firm of Ballard Spahr. Lorene, who works in the firm’s Philadelphia office, assists clients in environmental litigation matters and provides environmental counsel on regulatory and transactional matters. She also is a co-leader of the firm’s Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) Team, with more than a decade of experience advising a range of companies on climate change issues. Lorene has been active in regulatory matters in the energy sector, including national rulemakings under the Clean Air Act and litigation in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia and the U.S. Supreme Court.

2005 President: Erin E. Kinney • Vice President: Rebecca M. Bell • Secretary: Amy Laurenza, amy.laurenza.2005@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Eileen Flynn, Devin Malay, Andrea Leverant Minor, Liz Hanusovsky Patterson • [f/groups/trinitycollegeclassof2005](#)

2006 President: Victoria Hamilton McCarthy • Vice President: Kyle J. Cox • Secretary: Timothy Y. Fox, timothy.fox.2006@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Nicole Tsesmelis Cea, Kyle J. Cox, James McCarthy, Victoria Hamilton McCarthy, Kim Galloway McHale, Gabriel L.P. Rotman **Jared Alexandrov** became branch manager of the Boston branch of CMG Home Loans.

Courtney Howe Cotto completed the Boston Marathon on April 17 and raised \$18,112 for children with autism at The New England Center for Children in Southborough, Massachusetts. She only tripped once.

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

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2008 President: Cory Edmonds • Vice President: Alex Goldberg • Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Nadia Zahran Anderson, Sasha C. Kravetz, Victoria Sprehe

From the Alumni Office: Fox Rothschild is pleased to announce that **Michael Robinson** has been elevated to partner.

The class secretary position for the Class of 2008 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.

2009 President: Madelyn Korengold Terbell • Vice President: Danae G. McKenzie • Secretary: Caitlin M. Brisson, 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

2010 President: Jordyn Sims Pierce • Vice President: Stephanie E. Apstein • Secretary: Rebecca M. Herrigel, rebecca.herrigel.2010@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: James Bancroft, Justin Barrett, Raquasheva Ramirez Darcy, Adam Dawson, Emilia Gagnon Lamb, Amye Waterhouse • [f/groups/777318939001542](#)

Hello, I hope some of you were able to attend the Alumni Bicentennial Celebration in June! I’m pleased to share the update below, and, as always, email me at rmherrigel@gmail.com to be included in the next issue’s Class Notes.

Michael Pierce and **Jordyn Sims Pierce** are delighted to announce the birth of their son, George. They are enjoying parenthood and life in the Berkshires.

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

Hi, 2011 Bantams. I didn’t receive any updates this round but hope you are all doing well and will send in more notes next time! Best, Remi

Salima Etoaka '15

DEGREES:

B.A. in urban studies, political science, and French; M.P.P. from Harvard Kennedy School of Government

JOB TITLE:

Chief of staff, Center for NYC Neighborhoods

FAVORITE

TRINITY MEMORY:

I was involved in the Chapel community on campus. I have very fond memories of Lessons and Carols. I knew it was a big showcase for Trinity and a fantastic way to start the holiday season. Chaplain Read really involved students, and I had many different roles. One year, I was a reader. Another I was carrying incense. One year I was lighting the candle, except I'm super short, so the photographer had to help me out.

What is the Center for NYC Neighborhoods?

The center is a nonprofit with the stated mission of promoting and protecting affordable homeownership in New York so that middle- and working-class families are able to build strong, thriving communities.

What was your path to your current position?

After I graduated, I participated in the Urban Fellows Program in New York City. The program recruits college graduates to work in mayor's offices or city agencies. I did that for about a year and found the Center for NYC Neighborhoods and started there as a program associate. I went to graduate school and continued to work with the center part time as an analyst. Later, I was named deputy chief of staff, and now I am chief of staff.

What do you do in your role? I work with the CEO/ executive director and the executive team and serve as an executive team member. One of my main responsibilities is supporting the CEO, serving as the strategic adviser. I help schedule her meetings, prepare her for internal and external meetings, and lead our executive team meetings. I also work across the organization on key projects and initiatives. I get to do a little bit of everything. In essence, I'm a problem solver across the organization.

Would you share an example of a recent project?

I worked on the Homeowner Assistance Fund, the COVID relief program within New York state. One of my roles within that was to help facilitate the work among us as a nonprofit, the government stakeholder (the state), and other partners to launch that program.

What do you enjoy most about your work? What I do day to day changes, so what I'm working on today is probably not what I'm going to be working on tomorrow. Work is always different and fast paced, so there's always something happening. I like to learn, and I like to be involved in different things, so I think I have found a great career pathway.

What are the biggest challenges you face? I'm working at different levels and with different people, so being able to manage the various dynamics can be a challenge. For me, it's trying to understand where people are coming from while keeping in mind that I have to deploy projects and they have to get done for this organization of 100 people. I don't think everybody is ever going to be happy with every decision, but how



do you make sure that people feel like they are being heard? And once you get feedback, you have to think about how that gets incorporated into whatever you're launching.

Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential?

I took classes with Garth Myers. It was always great to take his classes because he focused on African cities. For someone who was born in Congo and then ended up here, I always have had an interest in African cities. While at Trinity, I went to Dakar, Senegal, and conducted my own research. Dean Chen was big for me because I thought that I wouldn't go to China in my lifetime because it is so expensive and so far away. Taking classes with Dean Chen, I was able to learn about Chinese cities and work with him to find funding to do the China summer program. I also went to the Trinity program in Paris and took classes in French.

What would you say about your overall experience at Trinity?

For me, I came to Trinity College as a low-income Black student from Idaho who wanted different opportunities that maybe I didn't have access to at home. Trinity offered me opportunities not just in the classroom but also outside the classroom. I mentioned my study-away experiences because, until Trinity, I hadn't been able to leave the United States once my family came in because we didn't have the money. As I think about what comes next, how can I offer other students like me the same opportunities to make the most of Trinity and then go out into the world?



Daniel Carlozzi '13 and Kerrie Pratt were married on April 15, 2023, in Southbridge, Massachusetts. Joining the bride and groom, center front, were Sarah Taylor, Nitin Sajankila '13, Barbara Calderone '88, Terry Calderone '86, Nancy Barry '88, Tom Chapman '88 (back), Michelle Boudreau '88 (front), David Pierce '13, Ali Warhaftig, Pooja Khatri, Pathik Khatri '13, Emma Cavaliere, Bach Nguyen '14, Andrew Bannon-Guasp '13, and Avery Dwyer '14 (not pictured: Lisa "Laker" Lake '88).



Mike Cyr '15, front left, joins fellow Bantam Anneliese Pedro '20, back left, and Consuelo Pedro '15, back right, at a retirement community in Port of Spain, Trinidad, after an event held to educate residents on healthy aging and reducing the risk of falls. They are joined by Mike's friend and occupational therapist Destiny Bureau, front right, and a resident of the retirement community.

2012 President: Shayla L. Titley
• Vice President: Andrew J. Koris • Secretary: Mary Kate Morr, 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](#)

The Class of 2012 has two baby Bantams to celebrate!

Lizey Korengold Bernstorf had her second son, Carsen Curtis Bernstorf, on April 1, 2023. He weighed 5 pounds, 15 ounces.

Mary Kate Morr and Thomas Bryenton welcomed their daughter, Marlowe Bryenton-Morr, on May 5, 2023.

2013 Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Lauren Aber, Perin Adams, Caroline Brewster, Kevin Clark, Malcolm X. Evans, Emily Howe Gianis, David Hill, Megan Ingersoll, Matt Mainuli, Michael Mazur, Ryan McGuirl, Chris Novick, Alexander Raffol, James Thaler, Dobromir Trifonov

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From the Alumni Office: Daniel Carlozzi and Kerrie Pratt were married on April 15, 2023, in Southbridge, Massachusetts. He writes that along with several classmates, his aunts Terry Calderone '86 and Barbara Calderone '88 were among the guests. "We were so thrilled to have so many Trinity alums present on our wedding day!"

2014 President: Victoria C. Trentacoste • Vice President: Annick J. Bickson • Secretary: Requita Byrd, requita.byrd.2014@trincoll.edu • 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
Rachael Burke, Charlotte Wilson, Annick Bickson, and Brandon Serafino represented the Class of 2014 at Trinity's Alumni Bicentennial Celebration in June. Rachael is a producer for *The Drew Barrymore Show*, and Charlotte develops unscripted television series in Los Angeles, so the panel featuring Trinity alumni in Hollywood was a highlight. Rachael and Brandon performed in the Samba Ensemble during their time at Trinity and were invited to open for Aloe Blacc's performance on Saturday night of the big weekend. Brandon is still actively writing, producing, and performing original music in the Hartford and New York City areas, as well as providing music education for youth. Annick lives in N.Y.C. and works as a public relations director. Rachael and Charlotte also loved revisiting the English building and recalling all the reading they did and did not do in preparation for classes.

Several classmates recently have become first- or second-time parents. John Fasano recently welcomed Gabriel Otto Fasano, and Will Korengold and wife Kathryn welcomed their second child, Charlie Jane, back in March. Congrats to all the new parents out there—perhaps there are some future baby Bants in the cohort!

The class secretary position for the Class of 2014 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.

From the Alumni Office: Causey Dunlap and Ryan Hebel were married on June 3,

2023, in Manchester, Vermont. Attending were Emily Misencik Sonageri, Catherine Hultgren Ruck, Lauren Blau, Brad Runowicz, Kelly Freeman Runowicz, Liz Getzoff Malarney, Joe Malarney '10, and Moriah Sweeney. Causey is a senior OB-GYN resident at Danbury Hospital in Connecticut.

2015 President: John A. Kandarian • Vice President: Aysen S. Muderrisoglu • Secretary: Shaina N. Lo, shaina.lo.2015@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Stephan "Mac" Morse, Peter J. Ragosta Jr., Stephen Sample, Marie Christner Stansfield, Sarah Wolcott, Robert Zindman
From the Alumni Office: Mike Cyr writes that he recently reconnected with Consuelo Pedro. "We were dormmates as freshmen and majored in neuroscience together. In the last year, we have reconnected over our now-shared profession of physical therapy and an interest in global health. I practice in Maine, and she is practicing in her home country of Trinidad, but we were recently able to organize and lead a small medical mission together there." Mike adds that they were joined by Consuelo's sister Anneliese Pedro '20, also a neuroscience major.

2016 President: Joshua J. Frank • Secretary: Ashira E. Anderson, ashira.anderson.2016@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Ethan Cantor, Whitney Gulden, David Linden, Kathryn Orticerio, Ian Robinson • [f/groups/Trinity2016](#)
Bridget Reilly earned a Ph.D. in English language and literature at the University of Virginia, where she will be staying on as a postdoctoral research associate and lecturer in the College of Arts and Sciences.

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

2018 President: Justin Fortier • Vice President: Jack Stallman • 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 2018s, it was so nice to see some of you at our 5th Reunion—hydrate for our next one!

This spring, several Bantams achieved fantastic things. **Nia Vogel** received a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School, **Mary Ruth Nagel** received a D.D.S. from New York University College of Dentistry, and **Sam French** received an M.B.A. from Columbia Business School. Also, **Taylor Galland** and **Lauren Ollerhead Fries** ran the 127th Boston Marathon. Keep it up, all!

2019 Secretary: William J. Duggan III, william.duggan.2019@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Rachel Brigham, Sam Buck, Emma Godi, Sophia Gourley, Debbie Herrera, Ethan Hunter, Alex Kaplan, Talia La Schiazza, Brooke LePage, Molly McGonigle, Emily McLeod, Kristina Miele, Erik Mohl, Simran Sheth, Chandler Solimine, Amber Stevenson, Stephanie Velarde, Michael Zarra Congratulations to **Nicole Towner** on graduating this past spring from Colorado State University as a doctor of veterinary medicine. She has been working diligently since her time at Trinity to gain the expert knowledge and critical skills to become a veterinarian. We also would like to congratulate **Diana Smith** on her promotion to creative manager at Goodwill Central Texas (GCT). Since graduating from Trinity, Diana has moved to Austin, where she found a position with GCT as graphic designer. In January 2023, she was internally promoted to creative manager and oversees the senior graphic designer and brand management of GCT. Outside of work, Diana has continued her singing with Chorus Austin, a citywide choir that has brought singers together for nearly 60 years. Her first season with the choir finished at

the beginning of June, and she will continue singing again in the fall.

From the Alumni Office: **Latanya Coke** and **Josh Corbo** were awarded National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowships. According to the NSF website, the program recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students in NSF-supported science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines who are pursuing research-based master's and doctoral degrees at accredited U.S. institutions. Latanya is a third-year Ph.D. student in the Development and Stem Cell Biology Program at Duke University School of Medicine, and Josh is studying in the Molecules, Cells, and Organisms Ph.D. program at Harvard University.

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

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

Friends, my gratitude to those of you who responded and provided meaningful updates on the course of your life and your careers for the *Reporter*. The Alumni Bicentennial Celebration in June was a wonderful success and saw a great number of alums come together to celebrate all that Trinity's history has to offer. It was wonderful to see several of you present and to see so many of you revel in all the joy that 200 years of Trinity has brought to us as alums. Keep your eyes out for additional opportunities to celebrate the College's history in the weeks and months to come.

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. The class has been quiet for this issue, so I hope to hear from you at the time of the next *Reporter* issue. Do not hesitate to drop me a line via email (brendanwclark@outlook.com) or telephone (610-781-8446). Please continue to follow our class Instagram page for updates and developments on future class events: @trincoll21.

As usual, I share my own developments: **Brendan W. Clark**, your class secretary, is in his final year at William & Mary Law

School (I know a number of my fellow 2021 Bantams are also graduating in the coming spring from law schools). Brendan had the pleasure to work this past summer as a summer associate with Richards, Layton & Finger, a corporate litigation firm, and plans to return to work full time with the firm in Wilmington, Delaware, after graduation. Still active in law school, Brendan is working this semester with William & Mary's Appellate and Supreme Court Clinic and will have the opportunity to brief cases before the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond. As usual, Brendan remains engaged with Trinity, returning to his old haunts as editor-in-chief of the *Tripod* to help support work among several alums to produce a Bicentennial special edition of the *Tripod*.

From the Alumni Office: **Anika Harkins** was awarded a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (NSF-GRF). According to the NSF website, the program recognizes and supports outstanding graduate students in NSF-supported science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines who are pursuing research-based master's and doctoral degrees at accredited U.S. institutions. Anika is enrolled in a Ph.D. program in chemistry at UC Berkeley.

2022 Co-President: Nayantara Ghosh • Co-President: Shawn Olstein • Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Ishaan Madhok, Matthew Solomon, Alexander Sowinski

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2023 Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Peter Doyle, Zoë Sylvester-Chin

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Master's

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Crisanne Colgan M'74 shared how fortunate she was to witness the historic May 16 Charter Day events and to see Trinity's Bicentennial flag flying at the State Capitol before it was moved to campus. She also enjoyed attending the Alumni Bicentennial Celebration festivities. Highlights of the weekend celebration were the superb performance by Grammy-nominated Aloe Blacc and the spectacular fireworks display to mark Trinity's 200th birthday. "It was wonderful to catch up with old friends and to make new ones. The excitement and high energy level on campus were palpable! An incredible feeling to be part of this historical time. Kudos to all who were responsible for designing and bringing to fruition this extraordinary weekend. I look forward to meeting more of you at upcoming activities as we celebrate and cheer on our beloved Trinity for another 200 years!"

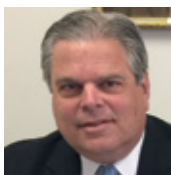
Ted Jastrzebski M'86 writes from West Hartford, where he has worked in administration at Holy Family Passionate Retreat Center for 10 years after retiring from corporate work. He recently started work on a master's degree at Yale Divinity School.

Chris LaRoche M'93 recently retired after 22 years of teaching at Northeastern University in Boston, completing his 100th course as a professor.

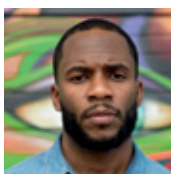
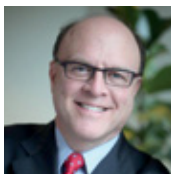
James Fleming M'02 writes from Simsbury, where he is retired after a career in state government and the private sector. He attended Trinity during the 1990s and 2000s while serving in the Connecticut legislature and the Governor's Cabinet. In 2020, he retired as head of an auto industry trade group. James recently audited Jason Doerre's course on the Weimar Republic and recommends the Trinity class audit program to all alumni.

NEW TCAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

George Malhame '78, P'18 lives in Port Washington, New York, and shares a Trinity legacy with his brother, Robert '80, and son, Charlie '18. He has been involved with athletics and fraternity life over the years and brings that knowledge and experience to the Executive Committee. A lacrosse player at Trinity, Malhame also was a Psi Upsilon brother and now serves on the Colt Trust, the Alumni Advisory Board of Psi Upsilon. Malhame and his brother are the co-founders of Trinity Alliance Partners, a sustainable energy and affordable housing firm that collaborates with faith-based nonprofit organizations throughout the United States. He has a well-earned reputation in the Trinity alumni community as a bridge builder and is looking forward to helping further the mission of the College.



Scott Lessne '80, an attorney at Crowell & Moring LLP in Washington, D.C., has been actively involved in alumni life at Trinity almost continuously since graduating. Whether as a class agent or a Reunion Committee member, he has worked to keep alumni connected and engaged for four decades. A self-proclaimed "process guy," Lessne values collaboration and believes a liberal arts education is an invaluable resource for students. He met his wife, Deborah, while giving carillon lessons in the Chapel bell tower and still enjoys regular Zoom calls with his freshman-year Jackson friends. Lessne brings significant experience to the Executive Committee, including serving on his law school's Dean's Advisory Board, as past president and board member of the Hartford Conservatory, as past president and board member of the Association of Commercial Finance Attorneys, as an Advisory Board member for a major financial institution, and on the Editorial Board of *The Business Lawyer* journal.



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George Malhame '78, P'18; Scott Lessne '80; Rick Ewing '89; Allen Katz '93; and Marvin Pierre '06

as board secretary and Executive Committee member for the Nashville Opera, as a member of the Vanderbilt University Owen Graduate School of Management Alumni Board and the University of Nashville Alumni Board, and as a member of the boards of Nashville State Community College Foundation, Goodwill Industries of Middle Tennessee, and FiftyForward. He also is active in Leadership Nashville and recently participated in the Young American Leaders Program at Harvard Business School. Ewing transferred to Trinity from Yale University and met his wife in Concert Choir on his second day at the College. Ewing is an executive with Oracle and lives in the Nashville area. Fun fact: he helped shift the *Tripod* to desktop publishing while a student and ended up as managing editor.

Allen Katz '93 is one of the nation's leading experts on distilled spirits and cocktails and is director of spirits education and mixology for Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits of New York. With his business partners, he runs the renowned New York Distilling Company in Brooklyn. Katz believes that the purpose of college is to help students become more developed and inspired thinkers and that his time at Trinity was a prime example of that. He was an interdisciplinary major in theater and dance and music and was involved in Greek life as a member of Delta Psi.

After an exceptionally active and engaged time at Trinity—working with many groups, alliances, and clubs, often in leadership roles—**Marvin Pierre '06** moved first to Wall Street (working for Goldman Sachs) before heading to Texas to found Eight Million Stories, a nonprofit providing coaching and support to teens after incarceration. He has been an invaluable mentor to students since graduating and remains actively engaged with the Men of Color Alliance (MOCA). Originally from New York City, Pierre somehow found time at Trinity to play football and to serve as an RA.

Rick Ewing '89 brings a wealth of nonprofit board expertise to the Executive Committee, having served

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