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A young Black man with short hair, wearing a black long-sleeved button-down shirt with white geometric patterns on the cuffs, stands in profile looking towards the left. He is positioned in front of a large, modern building with a curved facade of dark grey panels and large glass windows. The building's windows reflect the sky and surrounding greenery. The scene is set outdoors with lush green trees and bushes in the foreground and background. The lighting is bright, suggesting a sunny day.

The **power** of internships

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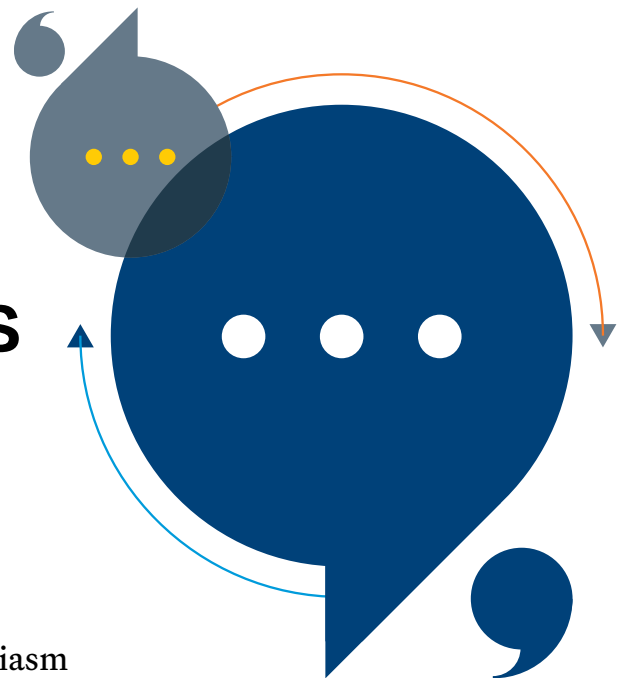
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The Alumni Bicentennial Celebration marked just one of many events planned during the celebration year, including a film series at Cinestudio, Bicentennial athletic contests and receptions, and symposia in November and February.

Please visit www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial for up-to-date information.

Trinity College's Alumni Bicentennial Celebration took place in concert with Reunion Weekend in June. For more photos from the festivities, please see pages 16-17 and 78-79 and visit trincollreporter.online/Celebration.

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Enock Niyonkuru '24 stands on the campus of The Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine in Farmington, Connecticut; see story on page 28.

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Connected community

Sponsoring successes, building friendships

More than 1,500 of our proud alumni and guests streamed into Hartford and guests streamed into Hartford to gather 'neath the elms for Trinity College's Alumni Bicentennial Celebration (ABC), held in June during the traditional Reunion Weekend. The ABC, which brought together multiple Trinity classes and generations, underscored our community's remarkably broad impact on the world as ordinary people who do extraordinary things. As leaders in all areas of expertise—including academia, arts and entertainment, business, health care, law, literature, politics, science, and sports—reunited for a historic weekend, I was reminded of how the Trinity community, for 200 years, has influenced almost every aspect of the human endeavor.

At the core of our collective accomplishments is a connected community committed to the future—and to one another. The Trinity community has withstood the test of time and continues to grow stronger. For generations, our alumni (now about 27,000 strong) have lived a creed of Bantams supporting Bantams and of paying forward our successes and lessons learned.

I believe that there is a difference between mentors and sponsors. Mentors give advice, while sponsors open their personal networks to encourage others. The Trinity community is chock-full of sponsors. These connections begin with our faculty, who are much more than educators, often becoming lifelong confidants and promoters for students who go on to live boldly. I imagine many of you still maintain close relationships with faculty members who left an indelible mark on your

life. Our alumni also sponsor Trinity students, helping them to navigate an increasingly complex work environment. Just as importantly, Trinity is the place where lifetime friendships and connections form.

As president, I have the privilege of seeing so many examples of sponsorship—and of the resulting successes—in our own community. Sam Kennedy '95, president and CEO of the Boston Red Sox, reminded us during the ABC that it was Thomas DiBenedetto '71, P'08, '12, '13, '15, '17 who introduced him to the Red Sox organization. Today, borne through like-minded sponsors, Trinity's power in the sports industry is felt globally. Frank Borges '74, H'20, who served as Connecticut's 79th treasurer, helped to pave the way for Shawn Wooden '91 to follow as Connecticut's 84th treasurer, underscoring our civic-mindedness. And I can never forget how Cornie Thornburgh '80, then chair of the Board of Trustees, ushered me into the Trinity community and laid the groundwork for my success as I learned the complexities of this incredible, tight-knit community.

Sponsorship truly permeates the Bantam flock. At the start of the pandemic, staff, faculty, families, and alumni came together to care for students who were unable to complete the spring 2020 semester in a traditional way. Faculty pivoted, staff supported, and alumni and families made donations to the Student Emergency and Equity Fund to ensure that all of our students had whatever they needed to complete their Trinity educational experience. And with the Class of 2020's final semester interrupted, members of the Class



JOANNE BERGER-SWEENEY

of 1980 sent the graduates notes of encouragement, reminding them of the closely connected alumni network they were about to join.

In our Bicentennial year, I look forward to seeing how we continue to grow and to sponsor one another's successes and to build upon our friendships. You may have heard about the College's recent alumni survey, completed in 2022. The depth and volume of responses were phenomenal, showing a profound level of care and pride for Trinity's mission and its future. Despite considerable external headwinds, our alumni were more satisfied, more engaged, and more hopeful about the College's future than they were in a survey done four years earlier. These results are a testament to our upward trajectory.

We don't arrive at these moments individually. We arrive as a connected community. As we enter our third century of excellence, I'd encourage you to think of a time when someone from Trinity helped to sponsor an accomplishment of yours—a person who did more than just provide advice. Then, I encourage you to pass that sponsorship along to someone else. This is how our community honors its past and remains committed to the future.

What will each of us do to inspire future Bantams in our third century?



Along the Walk



Commencement



For more on Commencement, including videos from the day, please visit trincollreporter.online/Commencement2023.

“Everything we do matters. Every smile, every act of kindness, every time you use your voice for change—these all have meaning and create action and ripple effects that you may not even realize. We were created to make a difference. You were created to make a difference.” These words were offered by Nicole Hockley ’92, co-founder and CEO of Sandy Hook Promise, to the Trinity College Class of 2023 during her Commencement address on Sunday, May 21. >>

PHOTOS: (LEFT) GINNY KEMP; (RIGHT) NICK CAITO

In all, 527 students received their degrees during the ceremony held on the Main Quad. Among the undergraduates, 325 received bachelor of arts degrees and 182 received bachelor of science degrees. Six of the undergraduate degree recipients were Individualized Degree Program (IDP) students. In addition, 20 graduate students received master's degrees.

Hockley received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree in recognition of her work at the helm of the national nonprofit organization that educates and empowers youth and adults to prevent violence in schools, homes, and communities.

When her son Dylan was killed in his first-grade classroom at Sandy Hook Elementary School in 2012 alongside 19 of his fellow students and six educators, said Hockley, “My life changed in ways I hope none of you ever experience. What happened—the murder of my youngest son—was not something I could control. . . . Instead of succumbing to my grief, I chose to channel my sadness, anger, and love into preventing others from sharing my experience. My life’s mission became about creating a safer, better future for young people.”

During the ceremony, Trinity also awarded an honorary doctor of divinity degree to Sidnie White Crawford '81 in recognition of her distinguished career in higher education and of devoting a lifetime of work to religious studies.

Student Government Association President Jason Farrell Jr. '23, selected as the student speaker, told his classmates, “We must appreciate all the moments that led up to



1. The Main Quad on Commencement Day

2. Nicole Hockley '92, co-founder and CEO of Sandy Hook Promise

3. Student Government Association President Jason Farrell Jr. '23

4. Salutatorian Jacob Samuel Wolf Borgida '23 and valedictorian Keelyn McNamara '23

5. The traditional celebratory cap toss



“My life’s mission became about creating a safer, better future for young people.”

NICOLE HOCKLEY '92



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this milestone. The times of laughter, enlightenment, joy, and even failure. . . . This is also a time to be excited for new beginnings.”

In her charge to the graduating class, President Joanne Berger-Sweeney said, “A Trinity education is about learning how to speak, how to be heard, and how to listen. It’s about acknowledging and valuing different perspectives. We have taught you how to analyze an issue, not what the conclusion should be.” She added, “During our Bicentennial year, we want you to know that you will always be connected to us here at Trinity and to others by shared memories of this magical place ‘neath the elms.”



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Keelyn McNamara, of New Hampshire, who earned a B.A., summa cum laude, with honors in interdisciplinary computing with studio arts and a minor in rhetoric, writing, and media studies, was named valedictorian; Jacob Samuel Wolf Borgida, of Minnesota, who earned a B.S., summa cum laude, with honors in biology, was named salutatorian.

Following the awarding of degrees, Trinity College Alumni Association President Jawanza J. Gross ’94, P’12 welcomed the graduates into the community of Trinity alumni. “We’re cheering for you and are excited for you as the next generation of Bantams,” Gross said. “You are joining a passionate and engaged alumni community that is eager and willing to help all of you.”



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ACCOLADES

Trustee Award for Faculty

Excellence: John R. Reitemeyer Professor of Political Science **Kevin J. McMahon**; Principal Lecturer in the Allan K. Smith Center for Writing and Rhetoric **Irene Papoulis**; **Staff Excellence:** Human Resources Operations Specialist **Patricia A. Dinkins**; Dean of Community Life and Standards and Interim Director of Campus Safety **Robert Lukaskiewicz**; **Student Excellence:** **Deion Kelly ’23, Zoë Camille Sylvester-Chin ’23**; **Lifetime Achievement:** Paul D. Assaiante Professor of Physical Education and Associate Director of Athletic Endowment **Paul D. Assaiante P’06**

The Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence:

Associate Professor of Language and Culture Studies **Kifah Hanna**; Associate Professor of English **Ethan Rutherford**

The Dean Arthur H. Hughes Award for Achievement in Teaching:

Assistant Professor of Engineering **Clayton Byers**; Assistant Professor of Chemistry **Lindsey Hanson**; Assistant Professor of Economics **Gerardo Ruiz Sánchez**

The Charles A. Dana Research Professorship Award:

Professor of Engineering **Joseph L. Palladino**

The Charles A. Dana Research Associate Professorship Award:

Associate Professor of Chemistry **Cheyenne S. Brindle**; Associate Professor of American Studies and English **Diana R. Paulin**

Fulbright Scholars

Two 2023 Trinity College graduates—Aiden Chisholm and Nic Zacharewski—have been awarded Fulbright Program grants to support teaching in Peru and research in Germany, respectively.

Chisholm, of Westfield, Massachusetts, received a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant (ETA) Program Grant to teach English at a postsecondary school in Peru starting in March 2024. After completing majors in political science, international studies, and language and culture studies: Hispanic studies and Arabic, he said, “I believe that going to Peru is the next step in bringing my cross-cultural communication to the level of my Spanish-language communication.”



A Grossman Global Studies Grant through Trinity’s Center for Urban and Global Studies (CUGS) in 2022 allowed Chisholm the opportunity to research Orientalism in tourist shops in Granada and Cordoba, Spain, following a semester studying abroad in Granada. A passion for languages, cultures, and travel led to a Fulbright application as the next logical step.

Chisholm said his goal, following the Fulbright ETA, is to get a master’s degree. “I might like to be a professor myself; it combines research and teaching, which are both things I enjoy,” he said. “I really want to do something international in scope, and I’d like to use my language skills every day in a work setting.”



Zacharewski, of Holt, Michigan, received a Fulbright Study/Research Grant to work at the German Cancer Research Center in Heidelberg starting in September 2023. He came to Trinity as a member of the Interdisciplinary Science Program (ISP), which gives first-year students an opportunity to conduct research. A neurology research position at Hartford Hospital confirmed his interest in majoring in neuroscience, but his path to a second major in German studies was not as straightforward.

After studying Latin in high school, Zacharewski took a Latin language proficiency exam during his first week at Trinity to forego a language course requirement and load his schedule with science courses. He didn’t pass it, but he remembered enjoying an introductory German class in middle school and decided to pick up that language again.

A summer research internship at the German Cancer Research Center in 2021 allowed Zacharewski to combine his majors in a unique way and inspired him to apply for the Fulbright, which will be carried out in the same lab.

Zacharewski’s plans for the summer include continuing his research at Hartford Hospital, studying for the MCAT, and working as an EMT. He said he’ll apply to medical schools during the grant period. “I’ve always been interested in medicine and the science behind it,” he said, adding, “I want to be a physician, but also someone who conducts research.”

SEVEN NEW TRUSTEES

President Joanne Berger-Sweeney announced the appointment of seven new trustees to the Trinity College Board of Trustees. They began their terms on July 1, 2023. They are:

Jennifer Blum '88, attorney and founder of Blum Higher Education Advising, a law and policy firm focused on higher education



Chris Delaney '83, president of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company’s Europe, Middle East, and Africa business



Elissa Raether Kovas '93, P'25, owner of Shellkare clothing company



Stephen D. Lari '94, principal of Claremont Group, a real estate development firm based in New York City



Paul H. Mounds Jr. '07, vice president of community and corporate alliances at Yale New Haven Health System



Jamie Tracey Szal '06, partner at the law firm of Brann & Isaacson



Consuelo M.A. Pedro '15, doctor of physical therapy who leads a private practice in Trinidad



For more on these individuals and bios of all Trinity trustees, please visit trincollreporter.online/Trustees.

Around Hartford

Connecticut Museum of Culture and History

ONE ELIZABETH STREET, HARTFORD, CT

The Connecticut Museum of Culture and History (CMCH), established in 1825, is the state's official historical society and among the oldest in the nation. Formerly known as the Connecticut Historical Society, CMCH is the go-to destination for those who want to gain a deeper understanding of Connecticut's past and how it informs the present. Visitors may learn more about the critical role Connecticut continues to play in American history and about the many cultures living in the state today. Through collaborative interactive exhibitions and programs rooted in world-class collections, guests may explore the resiliency of the state's diverse communities, the creativity of its cultures, and the impact of its innovations. CMCH also features on-site and outreach education programs for adults and for children, as well as guided tours and more.

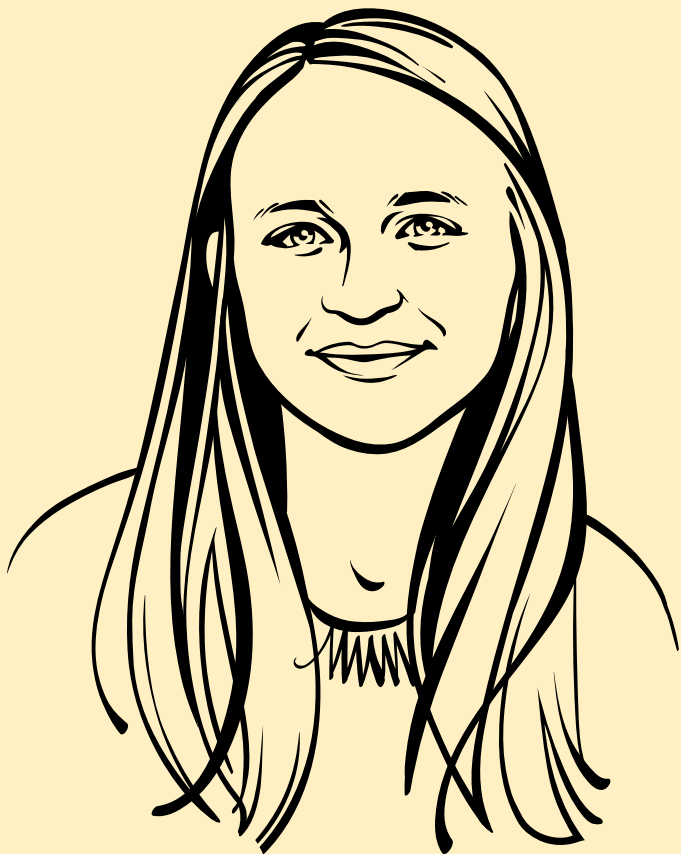


For more information about CMCH and its many offerings, please visit trincollreporter.online/CMCH.

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Volunteer Spotlight



Mary Kate Morr '12

MARY KATE MORR '12 credits her parents with instilling her sense of civic responsibility. "When I was pretty young, maybe 6 or 7, I can remember sitting in my neighbor's basement putting stamps on envelopes that were going to be sent out as political mailers," she says.

It wasn't uncommon for Morr to witness her parents attend community meetings, donate blood, write letters to editors, and call state representatives. "There were just everyday things like that," Morr says. "In and of themselves, they weren't a big deal, but they reinforced this idea that it's good to give back and to think about what ways you can contribute to your community."

Morr carried this ethos to Trinity College. She majored in public policy and law, seizing the unique opportunities the College's curriculum offered to merge theory with practice. As part of her community action minor, Morr worked with a number of Hartford-area nonprofits such as a youth development organization and a commission focused on influencing legislative policymaking.

"It really connected the dots between learning about concepts and policies at this very high level and then being out in the community and seeing what that looks like on the ground and how communities are actually impacted by decisions being made by lawmakers," Morr says.

After graduating as the class valedictorian, Morr earned an M.S.W. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison before returning to her home city of Denver. She currently is the director of community engagement and strategic partnerships at the Rocky Mountain MicroFinance Institute, an organization that supports low-income entrepreneurs as they start and grow their businesses. There Morr wears many hats, as is typical of life at a small non-profit. She leads marketing efforts, oversees the volunteer program, and spearheads community outreach initiatives.

Despite her demanding schedule, Morr has consistently donated her time to Trinity. She has served the College in a number of capacities, including as a class agent, class secretary, and admissions volunteer.

"We love Mary Kate," says Allison Grebe, senior associate director of annual giving. "If we could clone her a thousand times, we still might not have enough of her. She's simply so willing to raise her hand and do anything we ask her to do. We try not to ask for too much or too often because we know she'll say yes."

When the Advancement Office rolled out a new volunteer management system to improve peer-to-peer fundraising efforts, Morr was instrumental in helping the team maximize its effectiveness. "Mary Kate was one of the first to jump on the platform and figure out how to use it and suggest tweaks and additions that made the user's experience even better," says Grebe. "She really helped us hone some of the processes and procedures that we wanted to put into place."

Morr received a full scholarship to attend Trinity, which she cites as an important motivator to her fundraising work. "I feel very lucky that somebody out there donated some money that allowed Trinity to be a possibility for me," she says. "Knowing that I'm helping raise money that will make it possible for other students to have the experience of attending Trinity feels very important to me."

As a class agent, Morr contacts classmates in support of various fundraising initiatives. Her genuine passion and gratitude for Trinity imbue these interactions with sincerity. "Anytime she speaks of Trinity, she speaks well of it," Grebe says. "Her classmates get the best of her and they get to hear the best of Trinity because she can share her experiences with them. Her name is known in her class, so when alumni get emails from Mary Kate, they know her and they know she's worth her salt." —*Elliott Grover*

State's first M.A. in urban planning

Trinity College began offering Connecticut's first master of arts degree in urban planning this fall after identifying a need to better equip in-state candidates with the qualifications needed for high-level jobs in city planning offices.

"There isn't another program like this in the state of Connecticut," said Garth A. Myers, Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of Urban International Studies and director of Trinity's Center for Urban and Global Studies (CUGS).

"The state has 169 towns, and they all have planning offices. Our graduates will be competitive in that market," Myers said. "For people who want to become urban planners in Connecticut, Trinity is in the middle of the state and has talented faculty members with experience in the field."

The new program will provide students with professional training and expertise through a curriculum that meets the American Planning Association's Planning Accreditation Board (PAB) standard.

Myers said that graduate students in Trinity's newest program will help address issues that cities face now and in the future. "In the Greater Hartford area, we have transportation issues, housing issues, environmental issues—all of these are addressed in our courses," he said. "Also crucial is that we look at community development and inequality, giving people grounding in what creates those situations and giving them



useful tools in planning for the transportation future."

The course content will go well beyond Hartford. "We want to connect Trinity to Hartford and Hartford to the world," Myers said. "My course called 'Global Studio' includes a Hartford and Connecticut unit, a U.S. cities unit, and a global unit, examining what planning looks like around the world, what planners do, and how can we address different issues. It's not enough to address the problems of a specific neighborhood, so we look at the whole system across the country and globally. This takes advantage of Trinity's global strengths."

In addition to Myers, faculty members for the program include Assistant Professor of Urban Studies Laura Humm Delgado, who holds a Ph.D. in urban and regional planning, and professors of the practice who share insights from years of job experience. "I would like to add even more faculty focused in transportation, housing, and global

climate change and sustainability issues," Myers said. "CUGS and this program are linked with other Trinity departments; we depend on them and share resources with them. There is lots of collaborative energy on campus across departments and programs."

The M.A. in urban planning consists of 12 course credits. Students will take four core courses, four required courses, and three courses toward a concentration, in addition to completing a thesis or final project. Urban planning graduate students will have opportunities to pursue internships with city planning offices and projects focused on learning how to do research. Full-time students should expect to complete the degree requirements in two years, Myers said, after which they may take the certification exam from the American Institute of Certified Planners.



For more information, visit trincollreporter.online/UrbanPlanning.

Letters

Get in touch! *The Trinity Reporter* welcomes letters related to items published in recent issues. In addition, we'd like to showcase photos of you reading the magazine wherever your travels may take you. Please send remarks and/or high-resolution photos to the editor at sonya.adams@trincoll.edu or Sonya Storch Adams, Office of Communications and Marketing, Trinity College, 300 Summit Street, Hartford, CT 06106.

Bands on campus

Editor's note: My email conversation with Al Strickler '83 and James Dooley '83 about bands playing on campus sparked the following from James.

I can tell you exactly who played at our spring fling thing from 1980 to 1983.

- 1980: David Johansen (formerly of the New York Dolls and later toured as Buster Poindexter), Robin Lane and the Chartbusters (great first LP, faded away unfortunately)
- 1981: NRBQ—played indoors due to rain, worst show of the lot but still a good show
- 1982: Squeeze, Flock of Seagulls—Flock of Seagulls had just released their first LP and were fantastic, but Squeeze blew them out of the water (IMO, anyway!)
- 1983: U2—they had just released their third LP (*War*) in the spring of 1983, and most of the set was from that LP. Bono had just started his phase of waving a huge flag as he walked/strutted around the stage. Good show, but it was a short, one-hour-only set. I believe our budget for the show was \$10K, and they would only play for us for an hour at the rate.

All said, a pretty awesome lineup of bands for that era! 1982 show may have been the best one! I should add that the 1980 show was on the upper quad by Jarvis and Cook, etc. I dormed in Jarvis my first year and thought it was the greatest thing ever to have a show right outside my dorm (perhaps as a consequence, my freshman year grades were not the best). I think NRBQ played in Mather. The last two shows were on the playing fields below the upper quad and closer to the football stadium. At that time, they were used for soccer and lax.

James Dooley '83
New York, New York



Seen on social

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James Day, son of Gina (PolICASTRO) Day '09, enjoys the spring issue while snuggling with his grandmother.

TENURE, PROMOTIONS

The Trinity College Board of Trustees voted to award tenure and to promote to the rank of associate professor the following faculty members: David Sterling Brown '06, English; Jordan T. Camp, American studies; and Vincent E. Tomasso, classical studies. Three faculty members—Scott Gac, American studies and history; Laura Holt '00, psychology; and Mary Sandoval, mathematics—were promoted to full professor.

The trustees also granted emeritus status to 16 longtime faculty members for their lasting contributions to the College: Paul D. Assaiante, Paul D. Assaiante Professor of Physical Education and associate director of athletic endowment; Janet Bauer, professor of international studies; Kathleen Curran, professor of fine arts; Luis Figueroa, associate professor of history; Edward C. Fitzgerald, senior lecturer and laboratory coordinator in chemistry; Cheryl Greenberg, Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of History; Jean-Marc Kehrès, associate professor of language and culture studies; Randolph Lee '66, associate professor of psychology; Donna Marcano, associate professor of philosophy; Janet Morrison, principal lecturer in chemistry; Anne Parmenter, professor of physical education; Michael Preston, associate professor of theater and dance; Clare Rossini, artist-in-residence; Mark Silk, professor of religion in public life; Stephen Valocchi, professor of sociology; and Nancy Wyshinski, associate professor of mathematics.

The promotions and status changes went into effect on July 1.

For the common good

In recognition of its work engaging with the Hartford community, Trinity College has been awarded Campus Compact's Richard Guarasci Award for Institutional Transformation.

The award celebrates Trinity's work to enact institution-wide efforts by aligning teaching, research, practice, and values in service of the common good, according to Campus Compact, a national coalition of colleges and universities committed to the public purposes of higher education.

"Trinity is incredibly fortunate to be in the vibrant, diverse city of Hartford. Our students, staff, and faculty benefit from the rich possibilities for partnership in Hartford, and we hope to continue to reflect on and strengthen our connections," said Abigail Fisher Williamson, director of Trinity's Center for Hartford Engagement and Research (CHER) and associate professor of political science and public policy. For the full story, visit trincollreporter.online/CampusCompact.

Trinity Treasure



To listen to the book and to learn more about Trinity rowing, please visit trincollreporter.online/Rowing.

The Friends of Trinity Rowing Boathouse

Just a short drive away from campus, along the Connecticut River in East Hartford, lies the Friends of Trinity Rowing Boathouse. The facility houses 14 eights, 12 fours, and 20 smaller boats, as well as locker rooms; the Minot Training Area, with 48 ergometers among other equipment; the Ben Brewster Room team room for meetings, stretches, and video viewing; and the Captain's Room, which serves as an athletic lounge, rowing library, and study room.

Trinity's Head Men's Rowing Coach Kevin MacDermott, in his 15th year leading the team, notes that the boathouse is a far cry from the original facility, a tobacco shed on the Farmington River in Windsor. In the mid-'60s, the Bliss Boathouse was built on the current East Hartford site. In the 2000s, the Friends of Trinity Rowing Boathouse opened in two phases, with the boat bays completed in advance of the interior spaces upstairs. "The boathouse is such an incredible space for training," MacDermott says. "It is large, it is open, the air quality is wonderful," he says, adding, "The Captain's Room is really special. It was the gift of the Graves family—Harry '78, Lynne, Tom '05, Peter '07, and John '10.

Peter now coaches the women's team. That space is meant for the student-athletes; it's their special space, and they really respect it."

While the rowers also have a training facility in the Ferris Athletic Center that includes rowing tanks and more ergometers, the goal is to be on the river as much as possible. "If we can be on the water, we're on the water," MacDermott says. "Both men's and women's teams, that's our first priority. If we are unable to be on the water, we share the two facilities."

MacDermott also serves as narrator for *The Bantam Oar: The Story of Rowing at Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut* (1974).

The book, written by Trinity alumna, parent, and grandparent Barbara Connell "B.C." Mooney M'68, P'74, '75, GP'06, offers a glimpse of the rowing program through the years, from its founding in the mid-1800s through the addition of women's teams in the 1970s. With the book out of print for several decades, the audio format and attendant photo gallery on the Trinity website help to preserve Bantam rowing history.



Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame

Trinity College Director of Athletics Drew Galbraith announced the 2023 Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame class, listed below. The Hall of Fame was created to celebrate the rich history of athletic excellence, honoring the individuals who, through athletics participation, coaching, or service, distinguished themselves in the field of intercollegiate athletics, brought honor and acclaim to Trinity, and contributed to the success and advancement of intercollegiate athletics at the College. The group was set to be officially inducted into the Hall of Fame at an on-campus ceremony on September 30.

ELIZABETH BRUNO '12 (women's lacrosse) was a four-time All-American and the NESCAC, ECAC, and IWLCA National Midfielder of the Year in 2012, when she led the Bantams to the first NCAA Division III Championship title and the first women's NCAA crown in school history. Bruno is Trinity's all-time leader in ground balls and caused turnovers. She helped the Bantams play in three NCAA tournaments, and Trinity posted a 54-11 record in her four years.

BILL DECKER (head baseball coach, football coach) served as Trinity's head baseball coach for 22 seasons, football defensive coordinator for eight years, and football head coach in 1999. He is Trinity's winningest baseball coach, and under his lead, the Bantams made NESCAC tournament

appearances nine times, winning five, and claiming the DIII National Championship in 2008.

IRVING KNOTT BAXTER 1899 (track and field) was Trinity's first-ever Olympian. He competed in the 1900 Olympic Games in Paris, where he took home three silver and two gold medals, winning both the high-jump and pole-vault competitions. When he retired, he had never lost a high-jump contest.

LEANNE LEBRUN DINEEN '89 (women's basketball, softball) is the all-time leading scorer for Trinity women's basketball, with 1,258 points. In softball, she batted .366 with a 31-12 record, a 2.25 ERA, and 182 strikeouts in more than 295 innings pitched. LeBrun Dineen helped the Bantam softball squad to four postseasons and NIAC Championship titles in 1987 and 1989.

HOBIE PORTER '76 (men's soccer, men's squash, men's swimming and diving, men's tennis, men's track and field) was a member of the 1976 undefeated squash team. He was named the Brian Foley Captain winner and MVP of

the team multiple times. Porter competed for the Bantams in five sports and earned the Blanket Award for being a 10-time varsity letter winner, which in 1976, no other athlete in Trinity's history had received.

SUSAN PROCTOR '80 (women's rowing) captained Trinity women's rowing to an undefeated season and the Dad Vail Regatta title in 1980. She was a three-year oarswoman in Trinity's varsity eight, also helping the boat go undefeated in 1979 and finish second at the Dad Vail Regatta and first in the Dad Vail overall points trophy standings that year. Proctor competed for Team USA in the pairs event in 1981, 1982, and 1983.

TYLER RHOTEN '06 (men's basketball) scored more than 2,000 points during his time at Trinity. He was the all-time leading scorer by more than 300 points. Rhoten was awarded All-American three times, National All-Rookie in 2003, All-District/All-Region three times, and All-ECAC three times. He also was NESCAC Player of the Year in 2006.

KIM WEISS '11 (women's ice hockey), the NESCAC Women's Ice Hockey Player of the Year in 2011, is Trinity's all-time leading goal scorer for a single season and for a career. She is the only women's ice hockey player in program history to total more than 100 points in her career. Weiss earned All-NESCAC honors four times and led the Bantams to a 70-24-11 record and their first NCAA Division III Championship Tournament in 2010.

INDUCTED IN THE TEAM, GROUP, OR BOAT CATEGORY

DAVID BROWN '73 AND RIC RICCI '73 (men's rowing) won the pair-without-coxswain event at the Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) National Championship in 1972 and 1973. They were finalists in the event at the 1972 Olympic Trials and the Henley Royal Regatta in England. Brown, who passed away in 2006, served as president of Friends of Trinity Rowing and had a Trinity crew shell that bears his name christened in 2014. Ricci was a Trinity captain and has coached rowing at Connecticut College for nearly five decades.



Faculty member wins Peabody

The film *Missing in Brooks County*, co-directed and co-produced by Visiting Assistant Professor of Film Studies Jeff Bemiss, has won a 2022 Peabody Award in the documentary category. The Peabody Awards honor excellence in storytelling that reflects the social issues and emerging voices of the day.

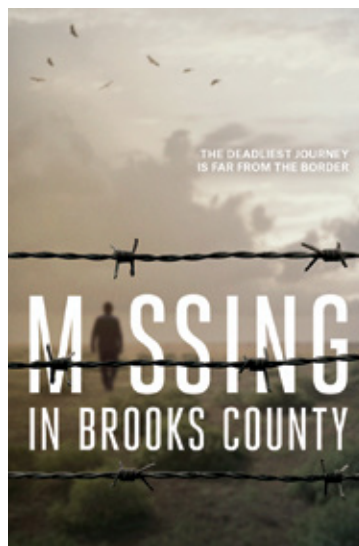
Missing in Brooks County, co-directed and co-produced by Lisa Molomot, shines a light on the missing-migrant crisis in South Texas. The film premiered on PBS's *Independent Lens* in 2022.

"We made *Missing in Brooks County* so people could meet the families of the missing and hear their stories," said Bemiss, an Oscar-shortlisted writer and director who has created short films, features, and documentaries. "It's our hope that the award brings more attention to the film and to the crisis of mass deaths in the American borderland.

"The Peabody jury has a reputation for recognizing 'excellence on its own terms,' which is an idea I love. Film is an expensive medium, so the chance to be evaluated apart from the marketplace is rare. In a way, it reminds me of how we approach introductory filmmaking at Trinity. Students are encouraged to explore the medium as an end in itself, and they're supported when they take creative risks."

As part of Trinity's Film Studies Program since 2013, Bemiss teaches an introduction to film production and courses on screenwriting, advanced filmmaking, and editing.

Bemiss graduated from the University of Southern California School of Cinematic Arts and the L.A. Sanford Meisner Center and is a Connecticut Artist Fellow and a Film Independent Fast Track Fellow. His film *The Book and the Rose* (2001) was a semifinalist for the Academy Award for Best Live Action Short Film.



For more on Bemiss and how he uses his filmmaking experiences to teach Trinity students, as well as a trailer to his award-winning documentary, please visit trincollreporter.online/Bemiss.



DEDICATED TO THEIR PARENTS

The newly dedicated Manuel and Maria Luisa Lopes Borges Admissions Center features portraits of the building's namesakes, the parents of Francisco L. "Frank" Borges '74, H'20, Peter L. Borges '80, Francesca Borges Gordon '82, Maria Borges Correia '85, and Joaquina Borges King. The siblings joined their extended family, as well as Trinity faculty, staff, and students and other alumni, on campus in April as the College celebrated the center's official dedication, which followed a \$10 million gift from the family to establish a financial aid endowment. The gift was inspired by the commitment of their parents, who traveled to the United States from the Cape Verdean Islands to provide better opportunities for their children and saw education as key to seizing those opportunities.



Top: Portraits of Maria Louisa Lopes Borges and Manuel Borges, created by artist Luis Levy Lima; bottom: The Borges siblings: Francisco L. "Frank" Borges '74, H'20, Joaquina Borges King, Maria Borges Correia '85, Francesca Borges Gordon '82, and Peter L. Borges '80

PHOTOS: (FAR RIGHT) NICK CAITO

'An oasis of natural beauty'

Trinity's campus named an urban arboretum

Nestled amid buildings and roadways in the city of Hartford, Trinity College is home to more than 1,500 trees representing dozens of species across 100 acres. In recognition of the College's treescape, in March 2023, the independent accrediting agency ArbNet designated the campus an arboretum. Trinity joins 10 other accredited arboreta in Connecticut.

"Establishing the Trinity College Arboretum is a significant milestone in our commitment to local ecology and the culmination of years of discussion and volunteer efforts," said Susan A. Masino, Vernon D. Roosa Professor of Applied Science. "On the eve of Trinity's Bicentennial, we wanted to officially formalize our dedication to conserving nature for the future. Our campus is an oasis of natural beauty, and it will serve as a model for future urban arboreta and their benefits to the health of the community and beyond."

Trinity's campus is among hundreds of sites across more than three dozen nations that have been accredited by ArbNet. The designation recognizes sites that have met a rigorous set of industry standards.

In pursuing the application, Trinity students, staff, and faculty identified and labeled 37 tree species on campus. The arboretum includes two Connecticut state champion trees—an English elm and a Temple's Upright sugar maple—that are the largest known trees of those species in the state. Elms have long been associated with Trinity and are referenced in its alma mater, "Neath the Elms."

Being recognized as an arboretum will help Trinity protect and enhance this plot of urban forest and celebrate

the region's natural history by encouraging people to learn about and interact with the local environment.

The formal designation by ArbNet also shines new light on the College's ongoing sustainability efforts. When recently developing a Sustainability Action Plan, Trinity cited stewardship of the campus as a critical part of its mission. Hayley Berliner, Trinity's sustainability coordinator, said, "The Trinity College Arboretum reflects our enduring commitment to supporting sustainability efforts and Trinity's strategic vision while simultaneously offering new opportunities for engagement, learning, financial support, and conservation."

The campus itself also serves as a living laboratory for teaching and research, as in the "Introduction to Environmental Science" course taught by Jonathan R. Gourley, principal lecturer and laboratory coordinator in the Environmental Science Program. One lab exercise involves tracking the growth of trees on the Alfred C. Jacobs Life Sciences Center Quad.

"I have students measure the girth—using a tape measure to get the diameter at breast height—and estimate the height of a tree by pacing away from the tree and employing a tool called a clinometer to measure an angle, then making calculations using basic trigonometry. Now we have 10 years' worth of student data," said Gourley. "By making graphs, we can see these trees are growing over time. This takes a page from forestry to understand how trees are measured rapidly to estimate their size, economic value, and age."



The hands-on experience leaves an impression on students. "Many people assume that environmental science is limited to places such as protected forests or national parks, but Professor Gourley taught us about how important environmental science is for cities," said Avery Sands '26, of Marshfield, Massachusetts. "Being able to investigate the trees helped me appreciate Trinity's role as an arboretum. For an environmental science major, it is great to see that Trinity is putting in effort to protect the biodiversity here on campus."

Sidra Hassan '25, a biology major from Houston, Texas, noted, "The class made me realize the importance of sustainability and recycling. . . . It is imperative that trees and the environment are preserved because they regulate the other factors that are necessary for all living species to survive."

PHOTO: HELDER MIRA



Avery Sands '26 jots down tree measurements.

BEINECKE SCHOLARSHIP



Alexandra Hevko '24, a double major in psychology and political science with a concentration in comparative politics, received a highly competitive Beinecke Scholarship in spring 2023, giving her \$35,000 toward graduate school. She is the fifth Trinity student to be named a Beinecke Scholar and the first since 2007.

The Beinecke Scholarship Program invites approximately 135 U.S. colleges and universities to nominate academically high-achieving juniors. Trinity nominated Hevko, of Vernon Hills, Illinois, based on her graduate plans to research authoritarianism through the lens of group psychology. Her research topic ties directly to her academic goals at Trinity. "I happened to be taking courses in social psychology and authoritarianism at the same time, which is probably one of the best decisions I've ever made," Hevko said. "Going from one class to the other, I could see social psychological phenomena being explored through a political lens within authoritarianism."

Hevko's family heritage also resonates with her intended research. "My family is from Ukraine," she noted, "and that's specifically why my study of authoritarianism centers on Eastern Europe."

During the spring, Hevko studied abroad at the University of St Andrews in Scotland. With the support of the scholarship, Hevko plans to continue her studies at Trinity in her senior year while exploring opportunities for her graduate education and her career.

"My ultimate goal," Hevko said, "would be a career in international relations or diplomatic engagement that will help me either consult policies or do more research on how we best foster democratic governments abroad."

—Kristen Cole and Andrew J. Concatelli



For a walking tour of the Trinity College Arboretum, please visit trincollreporter.online/Arboretum.



For more about the Beinecke Scholarship, please visit trincollreporter.online/Beinecke.

Gourley said that Trinity's arboretum designation is important for many reasons, including serving as a way to recognize and preserve the notable trees on campus. "Trees in urban environments are also critical for the habitats they provide urban critters, like raptors and squirrels, and for the oxygen they produce in the city through photosynthesis," said Gourley, who added that the College owns two parcels of land in the eastern Connecticut town of Ashford that are also used for research.

The striking visual appeal of the trees on campus is another benefit not to be overlooked, Gourley said. "The beauty of this campus is not just the buildings like the Long Walk; it's the shady trees to sit under during a warm day to read a book or the fall foliage that's spectacular when a tree is completely orange or red, on fire with fall colors," he said. "The walk across campus is more

pleasant when trees are capturing a fresh snowfall or flowering in spring."

Today, Trinity is caring for its existing trees while formalizing plans for new plantings on campus, Berliner said, adding that the College is committed to adding native species, including the dozen oak species native to New England. Tree additions and replacements will focus on supporting biodiversity and public health and on mitigating impacts of climate change. And as part of the Bicentennial celebration, Trinity has revived a ceremonial tradition of planting a new tree on campus every Charter Day, May 16, to mark the anniversary of the College's founding.

Reunion

More than 1,500 guests came to campus for the joint Reunion Weekend and Alumni Bicentennial Celebration held June 8–11, 2023. This combination weekend celebrated the classes ending in 3s and 8s while also welcoming alumni from every class year to mark Trinity’s Bicentennial.

Traditional Reunion events were observed and enjoyed, with Friday night class dinners in locations around the College bringing together classmates from the 5th through 65th Reunions. Each class also held an event designed to reunite friends and to provide an opportunity for catching up on life since the last Reunion. These class-specific events included lawn games and wine tastings, as well as an open invitation for all alumni to attend “50 Years Later: A Retrospective Roundtable with the Class of 1973.” This talk was especially significant as the Class of 1973 was the first fully coeducational class at Trinity.

The Alumni Bicentennial Celebration (ABC) held alongside Reunion Weekend created a once-in-a-lifetime moment on campus. Special programming commemorating the anniversary was centered around the Bicentennial theme of “Committed to the future since 1823,” demonstrating the College’s dedication to tomorrow while reflecting on its incredible history. Panels included “The Art and Business of Film and TV,” featuring Will McCormack ’96, Stephanie Ritz ’90, Stephen Gyllenhall ’72, and Billy Lazarus ’93, and “The Role of Sports in Modern Society,” featuring Billy Hogan ’96, CEO of



1. Audrey V. Zahor '08, Robert Taylor '08, Alyssa Camardella '08, Elijah Heckstall '08, and Gloribel Gonzalez '08

2. Members of the 5th Reunion class

3. President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, third from right, with Reunion participants

4. Carl Marshall '96, Mo Martin-Jackson '93, Yussuf Khan '93, Joe Gross '94, P'12, and Dawn Hall '93

5. David Sample '71, P'06, '09, '15, Coach Paul Assaiante P'06, and Coach Don Miller

6. Headliner Aloe Blacc



Congratulations to our 2023 Reunion award winners

THE EIGENBRODT CUP
Michael A. Battle '73

PAUL E. RAETHER '68
ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Bryant S. McBride '88, P'20

ALUMNI MEDAL FOR EXCELLENCE
Jeffrey M. Devanney '93, P'25, '26
Eve Marie Perugini '88
Daniel H. Freeland '73

THE GARY MCQUAID AWARD
Christopher L. Skelly '93

THE KATHLEEN O'CONNOR BOELHOWER '85 ALUMNI INITIATIVE AWARD
Kathy Maye-Maggio '78

SCHULENBERG FELLOWSHIP AWARD
Daniel L. Korengold '73, P'09, '12, '14, '18

OUTSTANDING CLASS SECRETARY AWARD
Diane Fierri Brown '73
Robert P. Haff '73

the Liverpool Football Club; Sam Kennedy '95, H'19, president and CEO of the Boston Red Sox; and Mimi MacKinnon '04, former director of the commissioner's office of the National Football League. A program with Pulitzer Prize-winner George F. Will '62, H'79 was a highlight of the weekend, as he shared his views on the future of baseball while in conversation with fellow Pulitzer Prize-winner Bill Marimow '69, H'16.

The weekend hit its high point with Saturday night's Bantam Birthday Bash. A dinner and dance party on the Main Quad—complete with cake and a samba rendition of "Happy Birthday"—officially marked Trinity's 200th birthday. The ABC concert headlined by Grammy Award-nominated singer Aloe Blacc had attendees on their feet, and the evening capped off with fireworks and a DJ set that stretched until midnight. Sunday morning saw a final breakfast and a fond farewell to all attendees.

The ABC marked just one of many events planned during the celebration year, including a film series at Cinestudio, Bicentennial athletic contests and receptions, and symposia in November and February. Please visit www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial for up-to-date information.

See more photos of Reunion and the ABC on pages 78–79.



For more on Reunion and the ABC, please visit trincollreporter.online/Celebration.





TRINITY

Ties

Four friend groups
across four
decades cherish
their relationships

BY MARY HOWARD

Keeping up with college friends can be difficult. Despite best intentions, life gets in the way. Careers and families take center stage, and friends are no longer down the hall but dispersed throughout the country or world.

In honor of the Bicentennial, the *Reporter* connected with four groups of Trinity College alumni who have kept their cherished friendships going, some for almost 60 years. While their stories are unique, they all share the bonding experience of four years 'neath the elms. As Ed Troiano '90 says, "Trinity is at the center of our lasting memories and bonds."





Main photo: Miles King '69, Peter Kaufman '68, Rob Boas '67, Len Goldstein '67, and Scott King '69 during spring break in Bermuda in the late '60s; inset, the friends—Boas, Goldstein, M. King, Kaufman, and S. King—in 2015

CLASSES OF 1967-69

“It can be difficult for guys to be vulnerable with each other,” says retired lawyer **Rob Boas** ’67. But he and his college friends—**Len Goldstein** ’67, **Peter Kaufman** ’68, **Miles King** ’69, and **Scott King** ’69—have been sharing their joys and sorrows for 58 years.

The group lived in a corner room in South Campus from 1965 to 1967. “We really got along,” says Boas. They studied, went to parties, and played cards together. But what made their friendship so special, says Boas, is how willing they were to share their feelings with each other. “There were no façades or masks. We completely let down our guards, and that closeness has kept us together.”

After graduation, there were marriages, children, careers, and disappointments, but they kept in touch, albeit mostly through holiday cards and at one another’s weddings. “Being from three different classes, we’re not all going to be seeing each other at [Trinity] Reunions,” says Boas.

In the early-1990s while visiting with Boas, Kaufman, a political theorist and professor, suggested they plan a group reunion. Though he shared his idea with the rest of the group through letters, “it didn’t go anywhere.”

However, in 1996, Goldstein rediscovered the letter from Kaufman and invited the men to his house on Cape Cod for a long weekend. They all made it, except for Kaufman, who was grounded in North Carolina by a hurricane.

The following year, they again gathered at Goldstein’s home—this time with all five in attendance. “The years just melted away,” says Boas. “It was like we had just seen each other a few weeks ago.” They reminisced about Trinity and discussed relationships, finances, children, and careers and left promising to keep their friendship going. “And damned if we didn’t,” says Boas.



Top: **Jane Terry Abraham** ’79 and **Nathalie Reverdin** ’79 during their Trinity days; bottom: 1979 classmates **Lynne Bachofner**, **Jane Terry Abraham**, **Lynne Bagdis Wilson**, **Deborah Cushman**, **Holly Singer**, and **Sarah Wright Neal** more recently

From 1996 to 2019, the group met every year. Though they took a few years off during the pandemic, they gathered again at Goldstein’s in summer 2023.

Over the years, they have toured the University of North Carolina campus (where Kaufman worked at the time), golfed in Georgia, and watched the Jay Leno show live in California. “But nothing beats sitting in Len’s backyard, all five of us, just talking for hours,” says Kaufman. “It’s our sacred time.”

Their recent conversations now include the topic of aging, but, as always, they are supporting one another, says Kaufman. “Age poses a variety of challenges, but we are facing them together.”

CLASS OF 1979

For almost 45 years, **Holly Singer** and several of her 1979 classmates—**Lynne Bagdis Wilson**, **Lynne Bachofner**, **Sarah Wright Neal**, **Jane Terry Abraham**, **Deborah Cushman**, and **Nathalie Reverdin**—have enjoyed a relationship that continues to nurture and sustain them.

Five of these seven women met the first week of their freshman year. “Trinity was our launch pad and has provided the framework to our long-lasting friendship,” says Singer, the class president.

After graduation, busy with careers and young families, the women would sometimes meet in smaller groups—six live in or near New England, one lives in Switzerland—or at their

Trinity Reunions. But their first significant gathering was in honor of their 40th birthdays, when they enjoyed a weekend at Wilson's lakeside home in Rhode Island. Since then, most have gathered together at least once a year, including during the pandemic, when they stayed in touch through Zoom and outdoor meetups.

They haven't missed an opportunity to celebrate other major birthdays. In honor of their 50th, the entire group vacationed together in Montréal. Their 60th featured a memorable glass-blowing experience in Rhode Island. Later that year, Singer, Abraham, Wilson, and Bachofner spent a week in the Azores, where they hiked, soaked in thermal baths, and enjoyed local cuisine. Last September, they celebrated turning 65 in New York's Hudson Valley "with perfect fall weather," says Singer.

Though they have taken different paths since college—from owning a marketing firm to working in education to writing about health care—they share a love of hiking and cooking and try to make time for both when they meet.

They particularly enjoy preparing meals together, says Cushman, a longtime vegetarian. She is grateful that her friends always include a dish for her and another plant-based eater. "It's only two of us, but the group makes accommodations." At their last gathering, the women raved about Neal's red lentil curry and a lemon-parmesan pasta made by Wilson and Bachofner.

The delicious food aside, what keeps the group together is a shared history, "a sense of something special, held for many years," says Cushman.

Looking toward a celebration of their 70th birthdays, Cushman sees an even greater need for one another in the future. "Who knows what will be happening or what challenges will be put on the group?" she says.

Singer notes, "Our long-lasting friendships transcend life's uncertainties, enabling us to

reconnect, share our updates, and enjoy reaching out to one another anytime."

CLASS OF 1990

It's apparent from their banter that **Ed Troiano '90** and **Neil Walsh '90** have known each other a long time. "He likes to talk over me," says Walsh of his friend.

"That's because you never have anything interesting to say," quips Troiano.

The two met within their first two days at Trinity, and along with 1990 classmates **Ray Hannan**, **Jeff Proulx**, **Paul Diaz**, and **Jim Murphy**, became the best of friends, though they all had different interests and backgrounds.

"Some of us were into music, others into sports. Jeff usually talked himself

into trouble, while the rest of us talked him out of it," says Walsh. "It was our shared experiences at college that really brought us together."

While the pals ate meals, went to parties, and roomed together, the anchor for their long friendship is their annual Super Bowl get-together. The tradition began in Troiano's room in Jackson Hall when they were freshmen. In addition to talking and texting regularly and to organizing other gatherings—including summer fishing outings in New England—they continue to find a way to meet to watch the Super Bowl on TV. Even during COVID-19, they pulled together a hybrid version, with some members meeting in Murphy's driveway and others attending via Zoom.



Top: 1990 classmates Ray Hannan, Jamie Murphy, Jeff Proulx, Paul Diaz, and Ed Troiano as Trinity students; bottom: Jeff Proulx, Ray Hannan, Ed Troiano, Paul Diaz, Neil Walsh, and Jamie Murphy more recently

“We just fell into this brilliant event. Everyone needs to find something like this. It’s too easy to get caught up in your own world after graduation,” says Walsh.

They plan a long weekend around it and, over the years, have gathered in 14 states. Once they rented a 65-foot houseboat on Lake Mead in Nevada. “We would beach it at night and explore during the day,” says Walsh.

Another time, they reserved a cabin in the White Mountains of New Hampshire and enjoyed snowmobiling and skiing in addition to the game. Troiano says, “That was my favorite. We had no external distractions and shared so many stories.”

In 35 years, not one of the members has missed a get-together. Their challenges included navigating the births of their collective 14 children. Troiano’s work commitments almost got in the way one year. “I had to be at work on Monday at 6:00 a.m. It took me three flights and seven hours, and I had to leave at halftime—but I made it.” The fact that he left before the game concluded earned him some serious ribbing from his friends, however.

“Who leaves a Super Bowl game at halftime?” asks Walsh.

Humor is an important part of this group. “We’ve had a lot of fun over the years,” says Troiano—like the time in 1996 when they rented a U-Haul to take their dates and wife (Diaz married Ana Carvajal ’90 in April 1994) barhopping in Washington, D.C.

“Cabs would have cost a fortune, but the U-Haul was \$30, and the look on peoples’ faces as we climbed out the back was priceless!” says Walsh.

They also take their friendship seriously. “This is the most loyal group I have. They’ve got my back,” says Walsh.

“And we’ll keep it going to the bitter end, God willing,” adds Troiano.

CLASS OF 1997

The chances of **Shaakirrah Sanders, Tanya Jones, Alice “Ali” McCartney Auth, and Ashley Hammarth**



Top: 1997 classmates Shaakirrah Sanders, Tanya Jones, and Alice “Ali” McCartney Auth as Trinity students; bottom: Ashley Hammarth, Alice “Ali” McCartney Auth, Tanya Jones, and Shaakirrah Sanders

meeting were slim. The women—all members of the Class of 1997—came from different cities, cultures, and backgrounds. But at Trinity, they found one another and created a sisterhood that has served as their safe space for almost 30 years.

Jones, Auth, and Hammarth met in their freshman seminar, “Music as Protest,” and Auth met Sanders when they took a class together during their sophomore year. It wasn’t long before all four women were hanging out,

going to campus parties and concerts together. “The small size of Trinity means you can find your people,” says Jones.

After graduation, Jones, Auth, and Hammarth headed to New York City, while Sanders attended law school in New Orleans. But the distance didn’t keep them apart. “We are all great communicators,” says Jones, who runs her own media company, Mama Bear Media Group. “We like to talk a lot.”

When Sanders was earning her J.D., Hammarth, Jones, and Auth visited and even sat in on her classes. When she was considering a position as an associate dean at an East Coast law school in 2023, McCartney and Hammarth went to check out the campus. “I wanted to know if they could see me there,” says Sanders, who accepted the position.

Though they have all pursued different careers—Auth is a licensed clinical social worker and Hammarth works in health care management—they share a passion for social equality, which began during their Trinity days. “We advocate for causes and people today like we did at Trinity, in the classroom and in [campus] clubs,” says Jones, who serves on the board of the Harlem Hebrew Language Academy Charter School. Sanders is on the Idaho and national boards for the American Civil Liberties Union.

“We lean on each other for support with parenting, career shifts, relationships, loss, but also personal growth,” says Jones, who is the mother of a son with learning challenges. She credits Auth with helping her learn to advocate for her son in the public-school system.

The women speak often on the phone and through text, and the three New Yorkers see one another regularly. When Sanders was a visiting professor at a local law school in 2022, the four friends gathered every few months. Even now, the group manages the occasional dinner or drinks when Sanders is traveling through New York. “We lift each other up,” says Jones.

They also return to campus for Reunion and Homecoming. “Not every college throws such amazing reunions. Every five years, we get to relive our college experience and stay in dorms again,” says Sanders.

“At the end of the day, we grew up together,” says Jones. “We continue to help each other evolve—to be fierce women and good friends to each other.”



Which group/activity made a difference in your life?

Brendan McGowan '06

I was a news writer at-large for *The Trinity Tripod*. It was such a phenomenal opportunity to experience and report on major events on campus, to hone my writing, and to collaborate with a team. It was immensely gratifying to pick up the paper and see two front-page stories I had penned the week before.

The experience reinforced to me the importance of absolute accountability and integrity. As a news writer, my stories were often prominently featured. I needed to report accurately, which means that I had to retain key details and facts—and be able to convey them in an objective and intriguing way. It was a hard-won skill, something that I continue to refine to this day.

The *Tripod* helped provide me with some of the journalistic chops that I later applied as a writer at *CIO Magazine*, a global information technology periodical. It started my interest in creating valuable content for widespread audiences, and I am grateful for the experience.

David Holroyd '63

My time at Trinity College was influenced by classmates, professors, time on the quad, the Chapel, and a very special fraternity by the name of Q.E.D.

I recently submitted a one-page summary for our 1963 [Reunion] Yearbook. I noted that my four years at Trinity were very formative but not perfect. My sophomore year was very challenging scholastically and personally. It was a struggle to retain my scholarship, and my father died unexpectedly in June 1961. I made Dean's List as a freshman, struggled as a sophomore, and did fine from then on with some very special classmates and friends, mostly from Q.E.D.

Q.E.D. was a perfect fit for my passion for social justice. It spoke directly against racism and anti-Semitism. Special names that come to mind are Rollie Johnson, Don Papa, Doug Spencer, Mike Pleva, Ed Trickett, Greg Cavanagh, and renowned columnist and author George Will. Rollie went on to become a Hall of Fame scout for the Cardinals and Mets. George was a Young Democrat, and I was a Young Republican; some things do change, but we both still care deeply about the USA!

Q.E.D. was also a wonderful outlet for intramural sports and choral opportunities (thanks to Ed Trickett). Most memorable football memories were a broken wrist and bloody nose against Sigma Nu! But Q.E.D. never relinquished its original passion for civil rights and social justice and has influenced my life to this very day.

It is safe to say that Trinity College has influenced my formation in ordained ministry for these past 55 years. Once a Bantam, always a Bantam!

Jason Jacobson '77

Student groups: Tempted to say our miniscule marching band (tough to make a “T” with 12 people on a football field!). But really it was probably the Trinity Folk Society, which let me play music with some great musicians and gave us all something enjoyable to do if we weren't into the frat scene.

Eileen Kern '81

I came to Trinity as a tennis player and went on to captain the team. But, I had never even heard of the sport of squash! I took a phys ed class in it and ended up playing varsity squash my junior and senior year. Learning a brand-new sport inspired me to take a sculling class at MIT when I was in my early 30s.

K. Sandy Leighton '04

Alpha Delta Phi and Trinity lacrosse

Read more personal reflections on the Bicentennial website at www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial/200-Stories.

Pestilli & Painter

As Trinity celebrates the Rome Campus at 50+ years, a pair's prominent roles in program's history are clear

Roughly 5,500 students hold fond memories of their time at the Trinity College Rome Campus, the College's oldest global study program. Whether they knew it at the time, their experiences were shaped by the significant contributions of two key figures in the program's history: Livio Pestilli, former director of the Rome Campus who led the program for nearly four decades, and Borden W. Painter Jr. '58, H'95, president and professor of history, emeritus, whose steadfast support for the program helped to establish it as a hallmark of the College.

Founded in 1970, the campus celebrated its 50th anniversary this year, three years late due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The March 2023 gathering in Rome included tours, receptions, and panel discussions, including a faculty forum that featured both Pestilli and Painter talking about their longtime involvement with the program.

When Stephen D. Marth began serving as the director of the Rome Campus and assistant professor of Italian studies in 2017, it was clear to him that the program, which welcomes students from Trinity and from other U.S. colleges, was thriving after being developed and shepherded by Pestilli and Painter. "It's just an inspiring place to come to. The Rome Campus has a very special feeling to it," Marth says. "You get a sense of that when you visit the Aventine Hill for the first time. There is a real family feel to the campus that makes it so when people make a connection with this place—either as professors or students—it remains forever as a very intimate and lasting connection."

Borden W. Painter Jr. '58, H'95, second from left, and Livio Pestilli, second from right, are flanked by Rome Campus professor Valentino Pace and Henry A. DePhillips Jr., Vernon K. Kriebel Professor of Chemistry, Emeritus.

'THE MAYOR OF ROME'

Born in Italy and raised in the United States, Pestilli was hired in 1978 by the late Michael R. Campo '48, H'96, John J. McCook Professor of Modern Languages, Emeritus, who founded the Rome Campus (see more on page 27). Pestilli first taught Italian language, then art history, and in 1979 became the program's on-site director—a position he would hold for 37 years until he stepped down in 2016. He remains on the Rome faculty today, teaching courses on Michelangelo and Bernini and sharing his love of travel and of Italy.

"Study-abroad programs widen our horizons," Pestilli says. "I tell the student it's the best decision they made. It's only by going abroad that you will better understand yourself and the world you live in. Going to study abroad is about appreciating how different people and societies approach issues or problems coming from a different angle.

"When studying abroad, many students feel an incredible epiphany," he continues. "It's an age of discovery. And add to that experience the beauty, the historical significance of a major western city, along with the art, the food, the weather, and the friends they meet here."

One such epiphany came to Quanti E. Davis '93, who was inspired in part by his time studying at the Rome Campus to start a travel management firm. Davis says, "My Rome experience unleashed in me a profound love for travel." Davis, who now works as a 911 dispatcher, remembers Pestilli's deep knowledge of all things Italian and his extensive connections in Rome. "It seemed that Livio knew everybody; we called him 'The Mayor of Rome.' He had been doing the program so well for so long, and his demeanor was always so calm in any situation," says Davis.

Pestilli says that he and his colleagues in Rome enjoy sharing their passions with students.





“It’s only by going abroad that you will better understand yourself and the world you live in.”

—LIVIO PESTILLI

“The excitement we transmit to the students in a classroom; on-site; in a church, a museum, or an archeological area strikes a chord with them,” Pestilli says. “I believe the humanities are an enrichment of the human soul. That, to me, is much more valuable, ultimately, for human beings than the more strictly practical experiences that may land more jobs and money.”

Pestilli cites hiring and leading a dedicated staff and faculty among his greatest achievements with the Rome Campus. Ever humble, Pestilli sees himself as something of a caretaker to the program, even after decades leading it. “Michael Campo brought it to life; I helped to nurse it along. Now it’s someone else’s turn,” Pestilli says. “It’s important to take the ego out of the job.”

Marth notes, “Livio was extremely welcoming and available to help me get settled into the new role. He talked to me a lot about the parts of the program that made him the happiest. Most of that was connected with sharing knowledge and passion about Italy, his research with students, and making those connections that have a real impact on people’s lives.”

‘A SPARK IN HIS EYES’

In addition to teaching courses in English and European history, Painter has served as Trinity’s dean of the faculty (1984–87), director of Italian

programs (1989–2004), acting president (1994–95), and president (2003–04).

Painter also served as chair of the Cesare Barbieri Endowment for Italian Culture for 15 years and is the author of *Mussolini’s Rome: Rebuilding the Eternal City*, which continues to be used in courses at the Rome Campus. Since he retired in 2004, he has published books, book reviews, and journal articles.

“I first taught in Rome in the summer of ’71, so I had an association with the program early on,” says Painter, who oversaw the Rome Campus as director of Italian programs. “Thanks to Michael Campo, Trinity gained a university-level reputation in Italian studies because of our program on campus and in Rome. It put us on the map.” Together with Campo, Painter instituted Trinity’s Elderhostel program (now called Road Scholar) in Italy in the early 1980s, providing educational travel programs for adults near or in retirement.

Painter advocated in the 1990s for Pestilli’s director role to expand to full time and to include the summer session. “Livio had the perfect temperament for his job,” Painter says. “He was essentially an American and also a Roman, so we had the best of both worlds.”

Working closely with the Rome program opened a new and unexpected chapter for Painter. “My wife and I got to know the city quite well. In some

ways Rome was our second home. When I started teaching at Trinity, I would have never predicted this for my future, so I consider myself very lucky to have been an integral part of this.”

Painter says it’s always gratifying to hear alumni say their time in Rome was life-changing. “Some of them got into art history as a result, some of them continued their study of Italian,” he says. “They remember this as a wonderful time and something they would never forget.”

Ashley Graves Turney ’93, for one, says studying in Rome directly influenced her life. “I fell in love with the city,” she says. “After I graduated, I worked in Italy as a group leader with Elderhostel programs. I got to know Borden and Dr. Campo and his wife. They took me under their wing and showed me around. I now have my own travel company—L’Esperta, meaning ‘The Expert’—that designs trips to Italy. Because of my experience in Rome, I have found a way to keep Italy in my life every day, and I thank Trinity College and the Rome Campus for giving that to me.”

Marth adds that he has learned a lot about the Rome Campus from both Painter and Henry A. DePhillips Jr., Vernon K. Kriebel Professor of Chemistry, Emeritus, who brought groups of chemistry students to Rome to learn about art conservation in Rome and has remained very close to the program over the years. “There’s a spark in his eyes when you talk to Borden about Rome,” Marth says. “Borden was and continues to be a huge supporter of the program and has made an enormous contribution toward its success over the years.”

‘NEW OPPORTUNITIES’

As Trinity’s Rome Campus is three years into its next 50, Pestilli and Painter reflect on the lasting impacts they made on the program and their hopes for its future.

“I tried to create an environment in which I would love to work,” Pestilli says. “What’s made the program so valuable for so many students is its size and intimacy—we average around 50 students per term—and the fact that we have a staff and faculty who love what they do.

“I hope we don’t forget the things that distinguish us, that the program continues to maintain its high standards, and that it continues to focus on taking advantage of being in Rome, at the sites of ancient civilizations with so much



history, literature, and art,” he says. “And as I told Stephen, ‘If you always think of the students first, you will run a good program.’”

Painter says he is proud of the work he did with the Rome program and of its ongoing success. “The fact that the program survived things like September 11 and COVID-19 speaks to its continuing strength. It’s not static; it’s adapting and expanding all the time under Stephen’s leadership. There’s a very active internship program now that we didn’t have originally. There are new opportunities for students to work in the city or to live with Italian students,” he says, adding, “The program is a feather in Trinity’s cap. It’s something we can be proud of, and it’s got a very bright future.” ●✕◆

Borden Painter, second from left, and Livio Pestilli, second from right, dine in September 1997 at Le Grotelle (“the little grottoes”) on the island of Capri with graduate fellow Mark Seymour and professor of Italian language and literature Ivana Rinaldi.

Remembering Michael R. Campo ’48, H’96

The Trinity College Rome Campus was the vision of Michael R. Campo ’48, H’96, John J. McCook Professor of Modern Languages, Emeritus. A Hartford Public High School graduate, Campo became a Dante scholar and translator of Italian poetry, a longtime Trinity faculty member and chair of the Modern Languages Department (now Language and Culture Studies), and founding director of the Trinity College Rome Campus. After Campo’s death in 2017 at age 93, Painter offered the following words at a memorial service:

“Mike was a visionary, an entrepreneur, and an improviser. In the late 1960s, he talked enthusiastically about starting a Trinity program in Rome. The College had not commissioned him to do so. It was his idea, his vision, and his love of Italian culture that drove him. Lo and behold, the first Rome program began in the summer of 1970. . . . Michael Campo became a Trinity man whose legacy has left a mark on his alma mater and changed, indeed transformed, the lives of so many of us and so many others. I know because he changed my life. I sat in on his intro course in Italian, began teaching modern Italian history, doing research in Italy as I worked in Elderhostel programs. . . . Thank you, Michael, for what you have done for your alma mater and for all of us whose lives were transformed because of you.”



The **power** of internships

**Students, alumni
reflect on
transformational
experiences**

BY KATHY ANDREWS

**Enock Niyonkuru '24 in
The Jackson Laboratory in
Farmington, Connecticut**

“A great internship is one where a student is trained really well and given the independence both to learn and to fail,” says Trinity College Career and Life Design Executive Director Joe Catrino. “And if they build their network, develop further skills, and understand the culture of an organization—when a student comes away with those things—that’s a *successful* internship.”

The *Reporter* checked in with students and alumni about internships that have proven to be a vital part of their time at Trinity and have helped to develop and prepare them for life after college.

PHOTO: JOANNA CHATTMAN





Above: Enock Niyonkuru '24; right: Annalise Welte '12

CLASS-TO-INDUSTRY CONNECTION

“There’s a big difference in me before internships and me after internships,” says **Enock Niyonkuru '24**, a Mastercard Foundation Scholar from Kigali, Rwanda.

A computer science major with minors in applied mathematics and formal organizations, Niyonkuru says applying what he learns at Trinity to the research setting of The Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine (JAX) in Farmington, Connecticut, has been transformative. After pitching himself by email to a JAX professor of computational biology, he landed an internship sophomore year. Ever since, he has interned there, contributing to projects involving bioinformatics and machine learning as part of a team developing algorithms and software for the analysis of exome and genome sequences.

Niyonkuru’s Trinity adviser, Assistant Professor of Computer Science Chandranil Chakrabortii, helps him connect his coursework to his work at JAX. Says Niyonkuru, “I can apply my experience in class to JAX and my experience at JAX to class—it’s the best way to understand the material.”

ENOCK NIYONKURU '24

“I was building software to be used to predict cancer, so I worked on that knowing I could help save people’s lives.”

His internship has brought fulfillment and a potential career path, too. “I was building software to be used to predict cancer, so I worked on that knowing I could help save people’s lives.” His latest JAX project, a database to help doctors diagnose rare diseases, will be his senior capstone project at Trinity. Best of all, says Niyonkuru, it will use artificial intelligence to advance health care, which he has been curious about ever since shadowing Rwandan hospital physicians during high school and seeing a need for more technology in that setting. “Now I’m looking into Ph.D. programs in bioinformatics and computational biology,” he says, adding, “I think this was a life-changing opportunity for me.”



INTERNATIONAL INSPIRATION

Returning last March to Trinity’s Rome Campus for the program’s 50+3 anniversary celebration was special for **Annalise Welte '12** in at least two ways: she traveled with her mother, Patricia Gallucci Welte '79, also a Trinity Rome program alumna, and she visited a former internship supervisor at Biblioteca Angelica.

As a Trinity junior—a classics major, minoring in Italian and philosophy—Welte was passionate about her studies but unsure of her career aspirations. In Rome, she spotted the opportunity to intern at

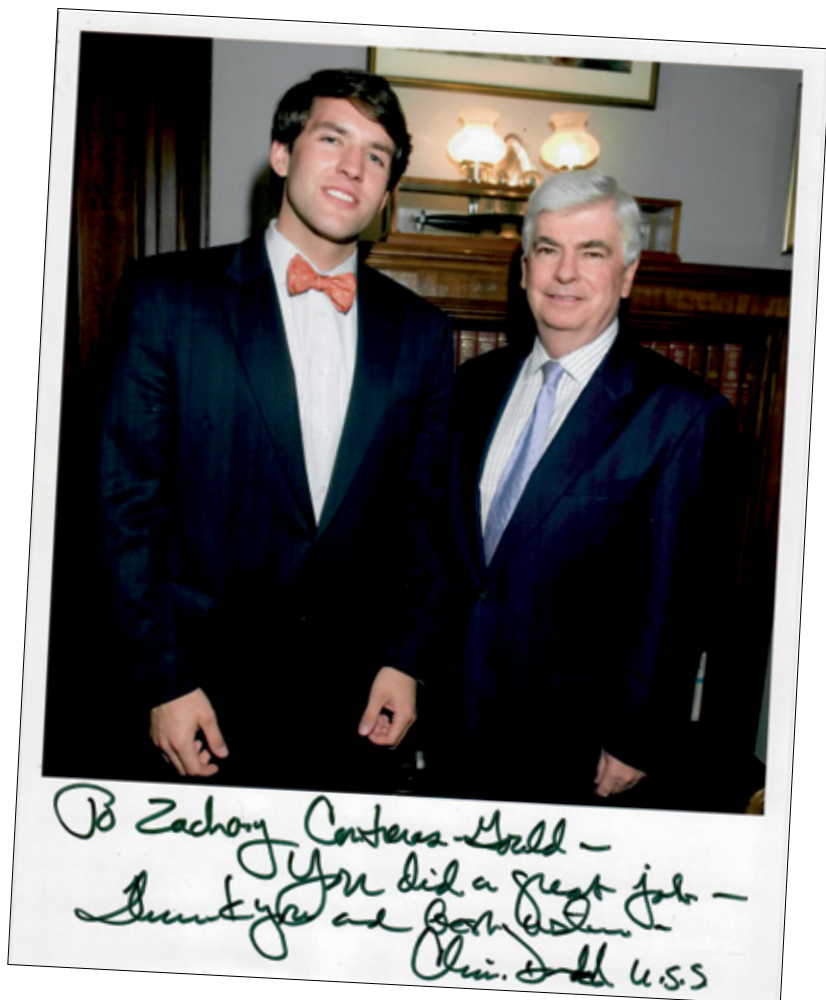
one of Europe's oldest libraries and was drawn to immerse herself in speaking Italian while surrounded by rare manuscripts and books. She anticipated running errands and picking up coffee, but instead, her supervisors asked what interested her in their collection and encouraged her to select items to focus on for a project.

The internship became a significant highlight of her global study experience, inspiring her to research library and museum jobs in the United States and to set her sights on this field professionally. Back on campus in Hartford, she took a "History of the Book" class with Jonathan Elukin, associate professor of history. "That cemented everything," says Welte, noting that the class brought her to Trinity's Watkinson Library, where she discovered its depth of rare book and special collections.

Now the recipient of two master's degrees, one in art history and one in library science, Welte is an art librarian and tenure-track faculty member at New York University's Institute of Fine Arts Library; previously, she held positions at the Thomas J. Watson Library at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and at the Getty Research Institute. "I'm so lucky to have had incredibly supportive supervisors during my internship experience," she says. "It completely inspired me, personally, academically, and professionally."

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ALUMNI SUPPORT

Zachary Logan Gould '07, assistant vice president and assistant general counsel at Symetra Financial Corporation's New York City-based benefits division, looks back fondly on two summers in Washington, D.C., when he was among the throngs of college interns.

After his sophomore year, Gould interned for New York Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy, who became a U.S. representative after her husband was killed and her son was injured in a shooting. Gould was proud to support her efforts toward stronger gun control. The next summer, he researched policy positions and helped draft legislation as an intern with Connecticut Senator Christopher J. Dodd. "It was the summer leading up to Dodd announcing his run for presidency, and it was exhilarating," says Gould. "For me, the ability to help shape public policy that impacted individuals living in more urban environments was especially important. It was critical to help

Zachary Logan Gould '07 in an autographed photo from his 2006 Washington D.C. internship with Connecticut Senator Christopher J. Dodd

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those who may not have access to the public infrastructure, programs, and support that allow Americans to be successful where they live and proud of what they’re doing.”

Combined with his public policy and law major and Afro-American studies minor [now African American studies], supportive faculty, and his campus service with the Student Government Association and the Honor Council, Gould’s internship experiences led him to law school.

Of his time on Capitol Hill, Gould also well remembers the honor of receiving a grant from the William R. Cotter ’49 Scholarship Fund, named for a Trinity alumnus and U.S. House of Representatives member from Connecticut. That support made Gould’s second summer internship a little easier, expense-wise. “I distinctly remember writing to Mr. Cotter’s family, thanking them for that support and being able to honor his legacy.”

Aarti Lamberg '24 (second from right) with Greater Hartford Legal Aid immigration team attorneys Lisa Herrera, Michael Ravelo (Lamberg's internship supervisor), Ryan Powell, and Enelsa Diaz



PRACTICAL CONNECTIONS

Aarti Lamberg '24, a Presidential Scholar from Amherst, Massachusetts, majoring in human rights with a community action minor focused on performance in the community, says, “I feel driven to take what I read and study at Trinity into the real world.”

Internships have been a big part of her college career, enabling her to explore topics about which she is passionate. With support from the Catalyst Summer Internship Fund, Lamberg—who is a dancer—completed an internship with the Justice Dance Performance Project (JDPP), a Hartford organization founded by Judy Dworin '70, professor of theater and dance, emerita, that examines social issues through dance-theater performance and engagement with the arts. “I think that Judy will be a lifelong mentor for me,” says Lamberg, who is excited to be on track to earn an experiential certificate in carceral systems and social change, with her JDPP internship counting toward that.

More recently, as a participant in the human rights/international studies global migration and refugee internship seminar, Lamberg interned with Greater Hartford Legal Aid (GHLA), where she worked with immigrants, sitting in with staff on client-intake meetings and helping clients edit paperwork associated with filing cases. Because immigration and refugee resettlement constitute another of her focus areas, interning at GHLA was ideal.

When Lamberg considers the skills she contributes as an intern, she says, “They include communicating efficiently and getting things done on time; asking questions when you need to; and especially writing, editing, and researching. I’m so grateful for Trinity and the people who’ve taught me these things.” She notes she is thankful, as well, for a summer job in Admissions, which included the benefit of campus housing, making it possible for her to complete one of her Hartford internships over the summer. “It really was all sides of Trinity helping me out.”

AARTI LAMBERG '24

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Adrian West '97, in circle, with his Trinity rowing team

OPPORTUNITIES CLOSE TO CAMPUS

Adrian West '97, managing director, investment banking, at NextGen Capital in California, says of internships, “You can put yourself on a path to something you want to do, or you can check a box about something you don’t want to do. Both are valuable, and in my case, I was fortunate to do both.”

With his first internship, at a stock brokerage firm in downtown Hartford, West learned that individual investment planning was not what he wanted to do. An economics major and formal organizations minor, he realized investment banking was where he saw his future. He says he feels certain that his second internship in Hartford—with Roosevelt & Cross, whose services include investment banking—was an important factor in helping him land his first job on Wall Street with Lehman Brothers.

“There were other components—I had a Trinity alumni connection, a decent story to tell about what I was studying, and with my participation on the rowing team, there was the work ethic, dedication, and teamwork involved in that—all the different things you weave into an interview. But being able to talk intelligibly about the field and use some of the experiences I’d had was absolutely critical,” says West. “I don’t think I would have stood out and gotten the job offer without it.”

West stays involved with Trinity by volunteering as an admissions interviewer

in Southern California. As he speaks with prospective students about what makes Trinity distinct among New England liberal arts colleges, he always emphasizes Hartford. “There’s so much opportunity to intern right there in the city. Whether it’s in law, politics, health care, finance, insurance—there’s just a lot of opportunity for Trinity students.” ● ✕ ◆

ADRIAN WEST '97

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For more information about internships, visit trincollreporter.online/Internships. Trinity alumni, family, and friends with information to share about available internship opportunities are encouraged to email Severn Sandt, senior assistant director of strategic partnerships and outreach in the Career and Life Design Center, at severn.sandt@trincoll.edu.

Editor's note:

Trinity Vice President for Advancement Michael Casey, the primary source for this story, unexpectedly passed away on August 22, just before this issue's deadline. The College deeply mourns his loss and will remember him fondly through his work and legacy; a full obituary will be included in the winter 2024 issue of the magazine.



BANTAMS SPEAK

TRINITY COLLEGE ALUMNI have been described as passionate and proud. Bantams speak energetically about classmates, the College, and their own personal beliefs. They are not shy about showing their enthusiasm at games or supporting undergraduates through internships or career advice. This reputation is once again supported by data.

The *Reporter* featured results of an earlier alumni survey in the fall 2018 issue. Now the results of the 2022 survey are in.

“It was important for us to assess how our alumni are feeling and the depth of their relationship with Trinity, using the 2018 data as benchmarks,” says Vice President for Advancement Michael Casey, who commissioned the survey that repeated questions from 2018 to measure growth in certain areas and added questions about preferences in communication and engagement to establish new metrics. In preparation for the Bicentennial celebration, the survey also included questions about preferences on ways to participate and celebrate the historic milestone. Here is what we learned.

Alumni survey results show confidence in relevance of Trinity's mission, overall enthusiasm

BY HELLEN HOM-DIAMOND

REMARKABLE RESPONSE >>

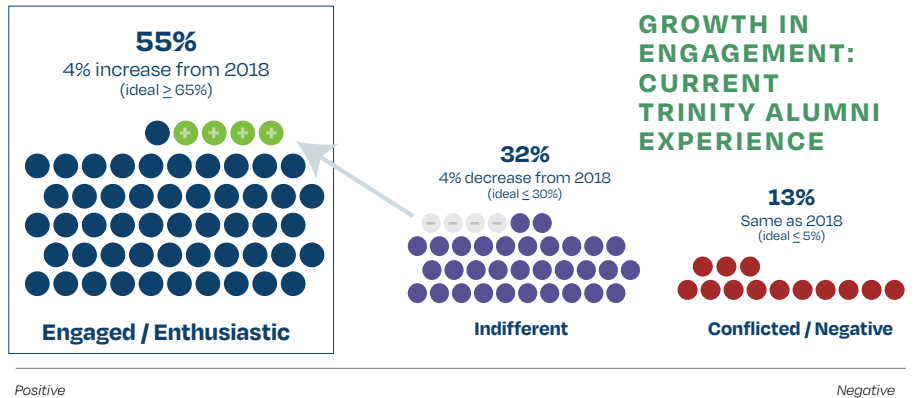
Resonance Insights—the firm that designed and delivered the 2018 survey results—returned in 2022 to measure the attitudes of alumni. As was the case in 2018, Resonance reported an exceptionally high response rate. Of the 15,500 surveys successfully delivered, 2,200 alumni responded, providing strong statistical significance. Although not as high as 2018's record-setting level (17 percent), 2022's response rate (14 percent) remained high.

Steve Gang, who led the Resonance team, says, “I have conducted many surveys across higher ed and in the corporate sector in more than 25 years in research. For a college like Trinity, a response rate of 6 percent is the average, and 10 percent would be great. Your alumni have once again broken records for your peer group. And it wasn't just the same folks from 2018—fewer than 25 percent of 2022 respondents had responded in 2018. That's a striking result that tells us that even more Trinity alumni want their voices to be heard.”

HOW ALUMNI ARE FEELING

The survey included 40 conventional questions about demographics, attitudes, and behaviors, plus several exercises to evoke more spontaneous sentiments and explanations. Alumni contributed more than 15,000 written comments that shed light on attitudes about the current and ideal alumni experience.

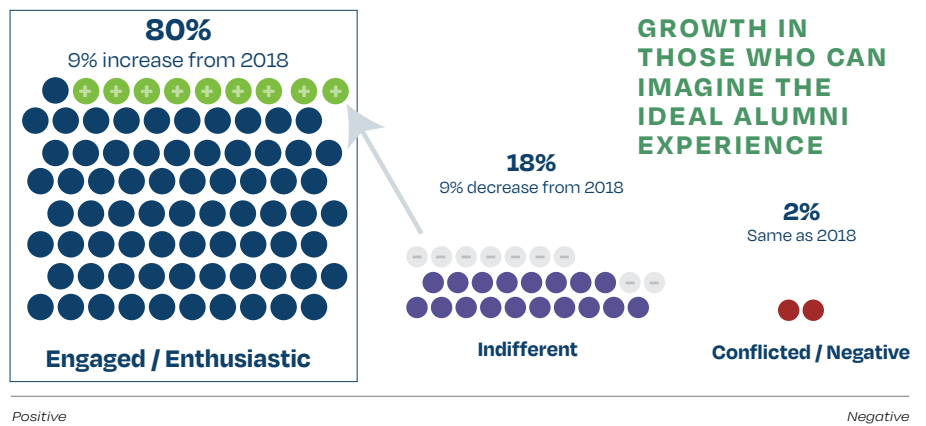
Gang says that perhaps the most telling change from 2018 to 2022 was the uptick in positive attitudes. This was most clearly signaled by the movement of 4 percent of alumni into the mindset characterized as “Engaged/Enthusiastic” from those previously characterized as “Indifferent.”



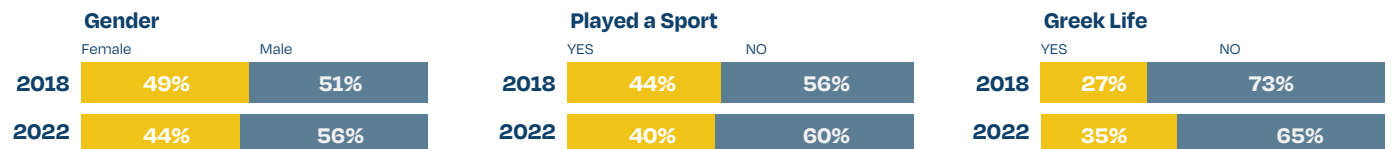
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IMAGINING THE IDEAL

Resonance reported another unexpected result: a significant improvement in the percentage of alumni able to imagine an engaging and motivating “ideal” alumni experience. This indicates even greater potential for satisfaction if future improvements are made to their alumni experiences.



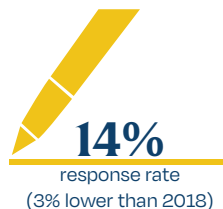
WHO TOOK THE SURVEY



happy to continue the conversation
(4% less than 2018)



alumni responded
(300 fewer than 2018)



response rate
(3% lower than 2018)



33
minutes
average survey
response duration
(2 minutes less
than 2018)



IN YOUR OWN WORDS

When asked how the Trinity experience changed their lives, 1,800 alumni provided written comments, often in lengthy paragraphs. Here are themes and quotes from alumni.

Memories

I was immersed with students from all over the country, from different backgrounds.

I was introduced to new environments, passionate instructors, and fresh ideas.

[I met so] many of my friends, and it inspired my sense of adventure.

I gained self-confidence to apply a variety of skills and . . . lifelong tools to lead a fulfilling professional and personal life.

Friendships

I met lifelong friends and business connections.

I've traveled the world thanks to Trinity, met some of my best friends.

I met my wife and formed lifelong friendships.

It allowed me to meet many students from many different cultural backgrounds.

Career

It prepared me for medical school.

Everything I do in my career and personal life can be traced back to Trinity.

I had no journalism experience before joining the *Tripod*. . . But I immediately fell in love with it.

My teachers brought out the best in me and taught me how to be an educator and curious learner.

It allowed me to obtain a master's degree in the field of my choice.

Professors opened my mind and supported me in getting a fellowship that changed my life.

Accomplishment

I deepened my faculties of critical thinking and analysis and logic.

I was challenged, rethought my values and beliefs, and became prepared.

It gave me a sense of accomplishment and a community.

It gave me opportunities through the students, faculty, and institution to realize my career.

HOW DID TRINITY CHANGE YOUR LIFE?

[ENORMOUS IMPACT]

Personal Growth

It honed my independent thinking. You don't realize how valuable the experience is until years later.

I was given the space to figure out who I was and what was important to me.

I went on a study-abroad program that exposed me to a career path I didn't know existed.

It inspired my intellectual curiosity.

Education

I would not have been able to afford to go to college otherwise.

Opportunity and true intellectual engagement.



1,800 alumni provided written comments

IN A WORD

When looking at words used to describe the current alumni experience, the most commonly selected were proud, grateful, happy, and nostalgic—consistent with 2018. Fewer negative words were selected.

In 2022, there were more positive sentiments than in 2018.

Consistent top four words

2022

**Proud
Grateful
Happy
Nostalgic**

2018

**Proud
Nostalgic
Grateful
Happy**

**Connected
Good**

Disappointed

Fortunate

Disconnected

Hopeful

Lucky

Satisfied

Friends

Great

Frustrated

Distant

Thankful

Fun

Embarrassed

Friendship

**Disconnected
Disappointed**

Friends

Connected

Fortunate

Lucky

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Concerned

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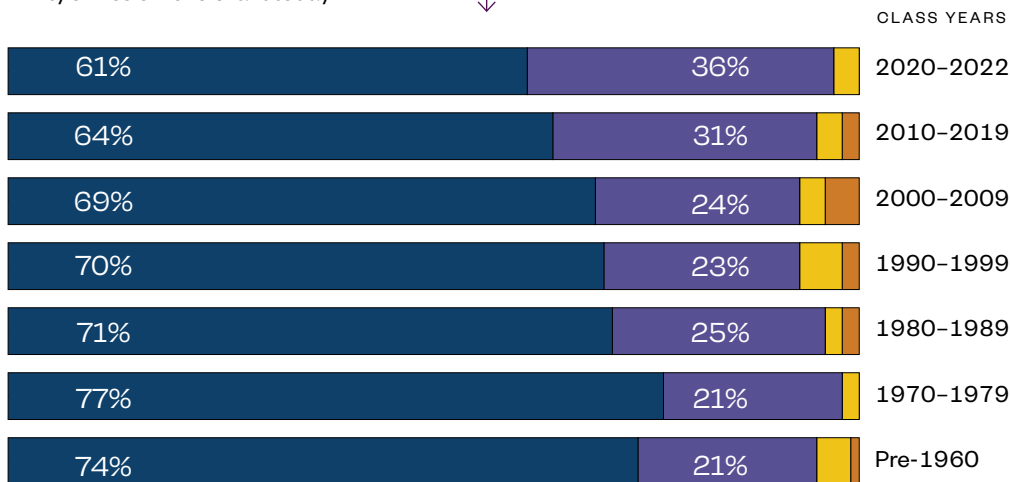
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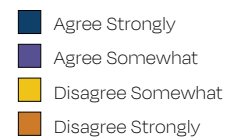
Thankful

RELEVANCE TODAY

When asked “How is Trinity relevant today?” alumni pointed to a variety of important roles, including Trinity’s liberal arts education, academic reputation, relationship with Hartford, career preparation, diversity, and graduates. Overall, 69 percent strongly agreed that “Trinity’s mission is relevant today.”



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BROADENING SUPPORT

Analyzing and categorizing more than 10,000 written comments and qualitative data revealed consistent themes with those from 2018—a consistent passion for and pride in their College, friendships, and education. The most prevalent category of these spontaneous comments is “Education” (how alumni feel about the quality), with overwhelmingly positive sentiments. The next largest categories are “Memories,” “People,” and “Connections,” which were more pronounced than in 2018. Alumni also spoke on “Leadership/Administration,” “Career,” “Community,” “Reputation,” and “Attending Trinity.”

Through the comments, there was a clear theme of nostalgia, the desire to reconnect in person, and a deep gratitude for the friendships and memories made on campus. This has affected planning for the yearlong Bicentennial celebration.

“We are grateful to alumni who took the time to answer questions about the Bicentennial,” says Vice President for Strategic Marketing and Communications Hellen Hom-Diamond, co-chair of the Bicentennial Core Planning Committee. “We want to engage as many alumni as we can. Survey data helped to confirm some of the thinking and to shape how we planned.”

With the Bicentennial year in full swing, the focus has been on instilling a community-wide sense of historic pride, such as the retelling of Trinity’s history on the Bicentennial website (www.trincoll.edu/Bicentennial), engaging in communal storytelling, and providing time for reconnection at events such as last summer’s Alumni Bicentennial Celebration. More programming is scheduled throughout the academic year to continue the momentum.

As Trinity approaches the start of the public phase of the All In capital campaign at

the end of November, Casey says a deepening sense of connection will lead to broadening support for the College to continue its mission for years to come.

“The campaign is not just about donors and dollar amounts,” says Casey. “It’s also about believing in our mission and supporting it as one community. Our hope is that philanthropy is not seen as the act of a few donors but rather a statement from the full alumni body that their time at Trinity matters, that the education matters as a beacon for possibilities to change lives. This is reflected in their willingness to contribute philanthropically, but it can also be seen in the tremendous growth in our alumni volunteer ranks, which have nearly quintupled since the last survey.”

Casey adds, “The data offer a valuable view into what we’re doing well and where we should focus more energy. We are an organization that learns from listening to what our alumni say and how they express what they are feeling.”

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MICHAEL CASEY, Vice President for Advancement

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For more information on the survey, go to trincollreporter.online/AlumniSurvey.



DE-EMPHASIZING COLLEGE RANKINGS

The percentage of alumni who felt that college rankings were “crucial” or “quite a bit important” dropped from 59 in 2018 to 50 percent in 2022. Conversely, the percentage who thought rankings “don’t matter” or only “matter a little” grew from 18 to 25 percent. “This comes at a time when colleges are removing themselves publicly from the ranking systems for reasons such as flawed methodologies. In general, there is a movement away from the significance of rankings as a singular measure of a college’s value,” notes Casey.



Belief of Impact

Trinity has the opportunity to show the world what the value of a true liberal arts education can be, but we have to focus on the educational and intellectual aspects and far less of the political noise.

Liberal Arts

An uncompromising defender of the liberal arts. An institution with the courage to stand for principle and oppose illiberalism. A place where the opening of minds to the world of ideas creates better citizens of their community, nation, and the world.

Intellectual Bravery

Medicine, clean water, understanding our fears and what motivates us. . . . The College must continue to open its doors to bright, inquisitive minds, encourage them to be intellectually unafraid, to keep asking questions and challenging assumptions.

Innovation

Trinity becoming more advanced and innovative. . . . For example, the Entrepreneurship Center has been a huge plus and something that I would have taken advantage of if I was still a student. I could see the College fostering more student-to-alumni connections, especially in person.

Significance

Trinity should continue to focus on promoting citizenship; students must realize during their time at the school that they have a commitment to the world around them and figure out how to contribute appropriately.

Alumni

The continued success of alumni in translating their phenomenal education and critical thinking skills to their work and personal lives exemplifies the success of Trinity.

HOW DO YOU SEE THE ROLE OF TRINITY IN THE WORLD OVER THE NEXT CENTURY?

[TRINITY OF TOMORROW]

Community

I see Trinity's most important role over the next century being the creation and export of community and values . . . rooted in things like kindness, problem solving, service to each other, respect and appreciation for differences, bravery, and strength.

Diverse Viewpoints

"I truly wish Trinity would be a pioneer and try to move in a new direction from the other small liberal arts colleges. . . . Encourage and reward debate, teach kids to think for and challenge themselves. Hire professors with a diversity of viewpoints. . . . This kind of work would change the world.

Accessibility

Higher ed, particularly in the liberal arts, appears to be in crisis and not accessible enough to enough potential students. . . . Trinity needs to prepare students with practical skills not typically associated with a liberal arts education.

Truth Seeking

Providing an open setting for free exchange of ideas, integrating the contribution of liberal arts and science, providing training to support intellectual rigor that strives to distinguish between fact and fiction and between propaganda and the exchange of fact-based ideas.

Leadership

I hope Trinity educates some fantastic students to tackle the problems in the world and build successful businesses. I also hope it does a better job of integrating with Hartford and revitalizing a city that is in much need of repair.

Connectedness

Pivotal. As a small, liberal arts college, Trinity needs to encourage an interdisciplinary approach and bring more balanced minds into the world. . . . Preserve the value of the liberal arts.



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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 Mehl dau, 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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David M. Taylor, Henry M. Zachs

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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1958 President: **Gary L. Bogli**
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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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1960 President: **George P. Kroh** • Vice President: **Murray H. Morse Jr.** • Secretary: **Edward M. Cimilluca, edward.cimilluca.1960@trincoll.edu** • Class Agent: **Charles J. Middleton**

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.”

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

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.

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

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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

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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 deedings 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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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**, **Amy 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 Nemever 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.

1995 President: **Lisa Koch Rao**
 • Vice President: **Rachel Schneider Mehta** • Secretary: **Susan Gates Massey, susan.massey.1995@trincoll.edu**
 • Class Agents: **Monica Iacono Boss, Amy Kerrigan Cole, Colleen Smith Hayes, Mary Beth Parker Jordan, Ashley Gilmor Myles, Benagh Richardson Newsome, Lisa Koch Rao, Peter Tighe** • [f/groups/trinityclassof95](#)
 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.

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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.

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

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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!"

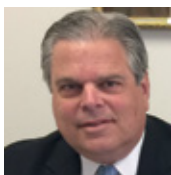
Ted Jastrzebski M'86 writes from West Hartford, where he has worked in administration at Holy Family Passionate Retreat Center for 10 years after retiring from corporate work. He recently started work on a master's degree at Yale Divinity School.

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

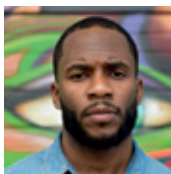
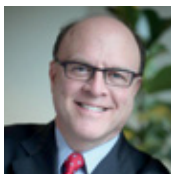
James Fleming M'02 writes from Simsbury, where he is retired after a career in state government and the private sector. He attended Trinity during the 1990s and 2000s while serving in the Connecticut legislature and the Governor's Cabinet. In 2020, he retired as head of an auto industry trade group. 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.



Top to bottom:
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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1947 David L. Schroeder, 97, of Winchester, Virginia, died on April 22, 2023.

Schroeder attended the V-12 Navy College Training Program at Trinity before serving in the Pacific Theater during World War II. He continued in the Naval Reserve and returned to the College to complete a B.S. Schroeder worked at his wife's family's welding supply business for many years before selling the firm, earning an M.B.A. from the University of Connecticut, and working as a small business consultant.

Schroeder is survived by his wife of 71 years, Mary Lou; daughters Martha Herold (Chuck), Nancy Hawkes, Diane Pavelis (George), and Pamela Snelgrove (Eli); nine grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law Catherine Nicholl. He was predeceased by brother Robert Schroeder, sister-in-law Jean Schroeder, and brother-in-law Grier Nicholl.

1948 Trevor Lewis-Jones, 96, of Maplewood, New Jersey, died on October 29, 2022.

Lewis-Jones attended Trinity through the V-12 Navy College Training Program and served during World War II. He returned to campus to earn a B.S. in engineering; he also was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. Lewis-Jones worked in New York City for four decades, with the last 25 years at Marine Engineering Log.

Lewis-Jones is survived by children Donna (Michael) and David (Gwen), three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of nearly 60 years, Clarinda.

1950 Sherwin Mellins, 93, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, died on February 13, 2023.

Mellins earned a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and took part in Hillel. He went on to earn an M.D. from New York University School of Medicine and an M.P.H. from Yale University School of Public Health. Mellins retired as medical director of what later became the Connecticut Department of Developmental Services. He also served in the Connecticut Air National Guard.

Mellins is survived by his wife of 43 years, Theresa, and daughters Sheryl Kenney (John), Susan Rivas (Huve), Sandra Mellins, and Cynthia Lutzen (Gary). He was predeceased by brother Donald.

1950 Seymour Page Jr., 96, of Madison, Connecticut, died on April 24, 2023.

After serving in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II, Page earned an B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and played football. He went on to a career in the insurance industry.

Page was predeceased by wife Linnea.

1951 Paul B. "Brownie" Dickey Jr., 94, of Palm Beach, Florida, died on March 18, 2023.

Dickey earned an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi. He went on to work for more than 40 years as a stockbroker. Dickey also served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War.

Dickey is survived by children Heather Schneeberger (John), Paul B. Dickey III, Laura Boutelle (James), and William Y.H. Dickey and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 59 years, Lucy.

1953 Eugene L. Binda, 92, of Middletown, New Jersey, died on February 11, 2023.

Binda earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and played football and baseball. He spent much of his career in the transportation industry.

Binda is survived by his wife of 72 years, Lois; children Mary Ellen, Jo Anne Moreno (Jaime), Deborah Dengrove (Robert), and Eugene Binda III (Bernadette); 12 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by son-in-law Robert and siblings Charles, Aldo, Louis, and Rose.

1953 James C. Coulter, 91, of Duxbury, Massachusetts, died on March 3, 2023.

Coulter earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu, the band, and the swimming team. He also participated in the band and ROTC. Coulter served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War before earning an M.B.A. from New York University. His career included time at Chemical Bank and IBM before joining his brother to manage newspaper publications.

Coulter is survived by his wife of 69 years, Patricia; children James (Lorinda), Douglas (Maryanne), Jennifer (John Carroll), and Robert (Erin); five grandchildren; and siblings Janet (Bradshaw Langmaid) and William. He was predeceased by sister-in-law Joyce.

1953 David J. Dean, 92, of Cromwell, Connecticut, died on April 2, 2023.

Dean earned a B.A. in educational studies from Trinity, where he was president of Delta Phi, a member of the Glee

Club, and manager of the track team. He went on to earn an M.Div. from Andover Newton Theological School. Dean spent more than 40 years in the ministry, including serving four churches in New England, working as a police chaplain, and leading church groups at the state and national level. The loyal Trinity alumnus also was a member of the Elms Society.

Dean is survived by children Mary Dean (Chris Palazzolo) and John Dean (Janice), four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and companion Esther Olson. He was predeceased by his wife of 58 years, Joan.

1954 Richard H. Smith, 89, of Jensen Beach, Florida, died on November 21, 2021.

Smith earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he served as vice president of Delta Kappa Epsilon and played football. He went on to a 22-year career as a U.S. Air Force officer and rescue helicopter pilot.

Smith is survived by children Cindy Smigay, Liz Dailey, Kathy Marino, Karen Bernhard, Kyle Sizemore, and Richard Jr.; 10 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and sister Janet Slimak. He was predeceased by wife Emmy.

1954 Arthur M. Wilson, 90, of Portland, Oregon, died on March 11, 2023.

Wilson earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho. He went on to earn a Ph.D. from Northwestern University. Wilson's career included time on the faculty of Wayne State University and Emory University and more than three decades working at Texas Instruments.

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1954 Blair J.V. Wormer, 89, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, died on December 10, 2022.

Wormer earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he served as manager for the football team and took part in ROTC. He served in the U.S. Air Force before taking a position with Connecticut General Life Insurance.

Wormer is survived by his wife of more than 40 years, Anne; children Sarah Wormer, Lucy (Hung Nguyen), and Andrew Wormer (Mary Jean); four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; stepchildren Aaron Stepler (Brooke) and Jennifer Cummings (Tully); and two step-grandchildren. He was predeceased by daughter Frances.

1955 Ronald M. Gagosz, 88, of Farmington, Connecticut, died on March 31, 2023.

Gagosz earned a B.S. in physics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club and ran varsity track. He went on to earn an M.S. in engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Gagosz worked as a research engineer for United Technologies Research Center for 35 years.

Gagosz is survived by wife Geraldine, daughters Kristen and Jennifer, and a granddaughter. He was predeceased by brother Richard "Dick" Gagosz.

1955 Jerome M. Scharr, 89, of Deep River, Connecticut, died on February 28, 2023.

Scharr attended Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club, before earning a degree in engineering from the University of Connecticut. He started multiple companies, including Scharr Industries and Techni-Met.

Scharr is survived by his wife of 65 years, Marlene; children Michael Scharr (Julie) and Elizabeth Scharr; three grandchildren; and siblings Merle "Terry" Kurtzman (Irv)

and Lynn Sharp (Dan). He was predeceased by daughter Janet Gochberg.

1955 Richard S. Zampello, 89, of Washington, Connecticut, died on November 1, 2022.

Zampello earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and worked on the staffs of *The Trinity Tripod* and WRTC. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Bridgeport. Zampello began his career at Westinghouse Electric and later moved into the scrap recycling industry, including time as president at Plume & Atwood Brass and at Upstate Metals.

Zampello is survived by his wife of 61 years, Helen; son Geoffrey Zampello '98 (Amanda Barnes); and three grandchildren.

1956 Alastair L. "At" Taylor, 88, of Gulf Breeze, Florida, died on January 31, 2023.

Taylor earned a B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi. After serving in the U.S. Army, he was as a computer programmer and then worked for Boeing and Lockheed on the U.S. space program. Taylor returned to academia and earned an M.S. in mathematics from the University of Alabama. He also worked in software development and as a college instructor.

Taylor is survived by sons Jeffrey and James (Wendy), grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by brothers David and Alexander "Sandy."

1956 William J. Zito, 88, of Cromwell, Connecticut, died on May 4, 2023.

Zito earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn a B.Div. and, years later, a D.Min. from Hartford Seminary. Zito served several churches in Connecticut, including the

First Congregational Church of Watertown, which he led for more than 33 years.

Zito is survived by his wife of more than 66 years, Jan; children Mark Zito (Gail Corrow) and Jennifer Zito (Michael Rosadino); four grandchildren; siblings Elizabeth DiMauro, Frances Bassford, and Edward Zito (Kathleen); and sister-in-law Martha Zito. He was predeceased by siblings Dominic Zito, Joseph Zito, Mary DiPrato, and Antionette "Antie" Brazukas.

1957 Thomas A. Barber, 86, of Pacific Grove, California, died on August 1, 2022.

Barber earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Trinity Pipes. He went on to earn an M.S. in electrical engineering from UCLA. Barber worked for 3½ decades at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, where his work included collaborating with car companies and Congress on catalytic converters and studying electric cars.

Barber is survived by wife Ida, first wife Edda, daughters Christine and Catherine, stepchildren Debra (Bill) and Steve (Andi), eight grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

1957 Samuel M. Stone II, 88, of Old Saybrook, Connecticut, died on April 20, 2023.

After starting his college career at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Stone earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and worked at WRTC. He went on to be an electrical engineer and security system designer who established Electro Marketing, a design and consulting firm. The dedicated alumnus served as a longtime class agent.

Stone is survived by his wife of 64 years, Mary Olive; children Lawre Stone (Dan Devine), Charles Stone (Tracey), Joseph Stone, and Thomas Stone (Alicia Henry); and five grandchildren.

He was predeceased by sister Elizabeth McCabe.

1958 Richard P. Farr, 86, of Manchester, Connecticut, died on February 12, 2023.

Farr earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. He went on to earn an M.Ed. from Central Connecticut State College. Farr taught fifth grade in South Windsor for 41 years and also worked at his brother's store, Farr's Sporting Goods, for 61 years.

Farr is survived by his daughters, Mary (George Elmore), Felicia, and Susan; four grandsons; and brother-in-law Stewart Crossen (Beth Angel). He was predeceased by his wife of 65 years, Susan; brother James Farr; sister-in-law Joyce Farr; and grandson Timothy Elmore.

1958, M.A. 1967 Joseph D. Lawrence Sr., 86, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, died on April 2, 2023.

Lawrence earned a B.A. and then an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity, where he was vice president of the Brownell Club and played basketball and baseball. He went on to earn a sixth-year certificate in education administration from the University of Hartford. Lawrence taught history and was an administrator in the Hartford Public Schools for 37 years. He later taught as an adjunct professor of history at St. Joseph College and Central Connecticut State University. Lawrence also served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Lawrence is survived by his wife of 57 years, Frances; children Joseph D. Lawrence Jr. and Mary Lawrence; brother David Lawrence (Gail); sister-in-law Carolyn Zinck (Gregory); and brother-in-law Thomas Sitaro (Mary).

1958 Clifford L. Terry Jr., 86, of Chicago, died on May 6, 2023.

After transferring from Carleton College, Terry graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.A. in English. The Illinois Scholar served as president of Delta Phi, as managing editor of *The Trinity Tripod*, and as a member of the Glee Club. Terry went on to a career in journalism, working for more than three decades for the *Chicago Tribune*. He also received a Nieman Fellowship.

Terry is survived by wife Pat, sons Chris and Scott, and a grandson.

1958 Johnstone D. Trott, 86, of Peabody, Massachusetts, died on March 8, 2023.

Trott earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was president of Alpha Chi Rho and worked at WRTC. He went on to a career in sales and marketing.

Trott is survived by his wife of 61 years, Nancy; children Amy Murphy (David), David Trott (Jill), and Alan Trott (Carolyn); three grandchildren; and siblings Lorita Aarons and Susan Trott. He was predeceased by brother Gordon Dewart.

1959 Edward F. Gibbons, 85, of Norwood, Massachusetts, died on February 5, 2023.

Gibbons earned a B.S. in physics and mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn an M.S. from the George Washington University. Gibbons worked for Ford Motor Company for 30 years, half of which were spent in England.

Gibbons is survived by daughters Leah and Erin Gibbons, son-in-law Tom Sanborn, and two grandchildren. He was predeceased by wife Linda.

1960 Jere L. Bacharach, 84, of Seattle, died on April 9, 2023.

Bacharach earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he served as publicity director for the Atheneum Debating Society and manager of the

track team and took part in Hillel. Bacharach went on to earn an M.A. in Middle East studies from Harvard University and a Ph.D. in Middle Eastern history from the University of Michigan. He was a member of the faculty of the University of Washington, serving as chair of the Departments of History, of Near Eastern Languages and Civilization, and of Jewish Studies, as well as director of the Jackson School of International Studies.

Bacharach is survived by wife Barbara Fudge and her daughter, Megan Victoria (Paul Fickett); daughters Deborah Bacharach (John Palmieri) and Julia Bacharach (Dan Cory); and four grandchildren.

1960 Charles S. Burger, 84, of Eagle, Idaho, died on February 3, 2023.

Burger earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the swimming team, served as chair of Campus Chest, worked at WRTC, and took part in ROTC. After serving in the Hawaii National Guard, he earned an M.Div. from the Episcopal Church Divinity School of the Pacific and went on to serve as rector of churches in Hawaii, Nevada, and Idaho.

Burger is survived by his wife of 39 years, Diane; children Robert Burger, Christopher Burger, Michael Burger, Matthew Burger, Amanda Burger, and Kim Dias; stepchildren James Lowson and Anne Queirolo; 10 grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and siblings Dorothy Lesniak, Marjory Burger, Lynn Lone, Robert Burger, and John Burger. He was predeceased by brother Joseph Burger and son Andrew Burger.

1960 Christopher W. Davenport, 84, of Louisville, Kentucky, died on May 5, 2023.

Davenport earned a B.A. in English before earning an M.A.T.

from Yale University. He spent his career teaching and coaching at independent day schools. The dedicated alumnus volunteered his time conducting admissions interviews for Trinity; he also was a member of the Elms Society.

Davenport is survived by siblings John (Baty Miller) and Juliet.

1960 John W. Wilcox, 84, of Dummerston, Vermont, died on January 1, 2023.

Wilcox earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and the Glee Club, served as managing editor of the *Ivy*, and worked as public relations director of WRTC. He went on to earn a J.D. from Duke University School of Law. Wilcox worked as an estate settlement officer for banks and co-owned a flower shop before serving as an advocate for the elderly in public housing and founding and directing the AIDS Project of Greater New Britain.

Wilcox is survived by his wife of 61 years, Cynthia; children Elizabeth Stevenson '87 (Malcolm), Stephen Wilcox (Janis), and Andrew Wilcox (Jennifer); five grandchildren; and brother-in-law Roger Martin. He was predeceased by sisters Ann Borthwick (David), Mary Frisbie (Edward), and Judith Martin.

1961 Edward S. Harrison, 83, of Monson, Massachusetts, died on February 12, 2023.

Harrison earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. Following service in the U.S. Army as a Green Beret, he started his career with Mass Mutual Life Insurance, retiring in 1996 as a senior systems analyst.

Harrison is survived by daughters Cheryl, Heather, Holly, Melissa, Rebecca, and Alice; sons-in-law Bill, Jon, Rob, and Alan; former wife Peg; 12 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and sisters Susan and June.

1961 Gordon P. Ramsey, 84, of Chattahoochee Hills, Georgia, died on April 21, 2023.

Ramsey earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he served as president of Delta Kappa Epsilon and played football and basketball. He went on to earn a J.D. from Boston University School of Law. Ramsey, who specialized in labor relations, practiced at several firms before founding his own firm, which became Ramsey & Murray.

Ramsey is survived by his wife of 40 years, Linda; children Laura Ramsey '84 (Edmund Bathelt), Thomas Ramsey (Rowena Saura), John Ramsey II '91 (Sue), F. Parker Ramsey (Faithe), Gardner Powell, Jennifer Powell, Susanna Powell, and John David Powell; 14 grandchildren; and brothers Philip Ramsey and Bruce Ramsey. He was predeceased by brothers James Ramsey and Richard Ramsey.

1967 Frederic G. "Rick" Ludwig Jr., 78, of San Diego, California, died on April 16, 2023.

Ludwig earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the swimming team. He went on to a 28-year career as an officer in the U.S. Navy, which included flying combat missions during the Vietnam War and commanding a fighter squadron and the Navy Fighter Weapons School, widely known as Top Gun. Following his service, he worked for Northrop Grumman.

Ludwig is survived by his brother, Bill Ludwig; his former wife and best friend, Nancee; their son, Eric Ludwig (Janine); and three granddaughters.

1969 Brian D. Winter, 75, of Lenexa, Kansas, died on April 5, 2023.

Winter earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was vice president of Pi Kappa Alpha and played baseball. He served in

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the U.S. Army in Vietnam and continued his military career as a reservist and in the Army National Guard. The highly decorated Winter was promoted to brigadier general.

Winter is survived by children Paul Winter (Lindsay) and Shelly Winter; six grandchildren; three great-granddaughters; and siblings Lynne Bissett (John), Jon Winter (Marianne), Gary Winter (Marion), Jay Winter, and James Winter (Barbara). He was predeceased by daughter Julie Brown.

1969 Roy C. Zartarian, 76, of Newington, Connecticut, died on April 17, 2023.

Zartarian earned a B.A. in classics. He worked as information systems director for the Town of Newington until his retirement in 2011. Zartarian also served as the town's mayor from 2015 to 2019.

Zartarian is survived by partner Kathleen-Marie Clark and sisters Anne Zartarian and Charlene Zartarian.

1972 Thomas F. Birmingham, 73, of Boston, died on January 20, 2023.

Birmingham attended Trinity, where he was a member of the Glee Club and the Senate, before continuing his studies at Harvard University, where he earned an undergraduate degree in social studies. He also won a Rhodes Scholarship and studied English literature at Exeter College at Oxford University. Birmingham went on to earn a law degree from Harvard Law School. He worked as a union labor lawyer and then as a Massachusetts state senator and senate president.

Birmingham is survived by wife Selma Botman, daughters Erica and Megan Wolf (Stewart), two grandchildren, sister Nancy Birmingham, and sister-in-law Jennifer. He was predeceased by brother Jim.

1972 Hugh E. Mohr, 73, of Rockport, Massachusetts, died

on May 5, 2023.

Mohr earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, ran cross country, and worked on the staffs of WRTC and the *Izzy*. His work life included time on Wall Street.

Mohr is survived by wife Carolyn and siblings Dana Boyce and Brent Mohr.

1975 Richard B. Woodward, 70, of Southampton, New York, died on April 29, 2023.

Woodward earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he worked on the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. He went on to a career as a journalist and critic.

Woodward is survived by his wife of 26 years, Susan Stevenson; stepchildren Josephine Kalisman, M.L. Stevenson, Gordon Stevenson, and Scott Stevenson; five grandchildren; and sisters Amy and Brenda.

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1990 Jayne E. McLaughlin, 76, of Farmington, Connecticut, died on March 9, 2023.

McLaughlin earned a B.A. in political science before embarking on a 20-year career with the State of Connecticut, serving as chief of staff for the Senate Republican Caucus and insurance program manager for the Connecticut Insurance Department.

McLaughlin is survived by her husband of 55 years, Michael; children Nancy Rothenberg (Robert) and Paul McLaughlin (Jillian); and 14 grandchildren. She was predeceased by brothers Matthew and Sean Morrissey and twin sister Jeanne Griffin.

MASTER'S

1955 John F. Kerr, 89, of Danvers, Massachusetts, died on April 20, 2023.

Kerr earned a B.S. from the University of Detroit and an M.A. from the University of Notre Dame in addition to an M.A. from Trinity. Through the Xaverian

Brothers, he worked as a secondary school teacher and then principal and later held administrative positions within the order and on the staff of the St. Stephen Priory Spiritual Life Center.

Kerr is survived by siblings Mary Hanlon and Philip Kerr. He was predeceased by sister Katherine.

1964 Elizabeth Stanton Colleran, 93, of North Branford, Connecticut, died on November 26, 2021.

Colleran earned a B.A. from the College of New Rochelle and a master's degree and sixth-year certificate from Southern Connecticut State University. She went on to teach English at Amity Regional Junior High School for three decades and to earn an M.A. in English from Trinity.

Colleran is survived by sisters-in-law Catherine, Margaret, and Winifred and brother-in-law John Colleran. She was predeceased by her husband, Patrick, and her brother, Paul Stanton.

1972 John T. "Jay" Brown, 82, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on February 28, 2023.

Brown earned a B.A. and a B.Ed. from Acadia University before earning an M.A. in English from Trinity. He went on to teach English and public speaking and served as an adjunct instructor at Central Connecticut State University and several community colleges.

Brown is survived by his wife of 60 years, Sandee, and children Ian and Wendilea. He was predeceased by siblings Jennie MacPhail (Stan) and Ronald Gates.

1972 Charles J. Simones, 91, of New London, Connecticut, died on April 11, 2023.

Simones earned a B.A. from Hellenic College Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology and later earned an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity. He served a parish

in Canada before launching a 45-year tenure with St. Sophia Hellenic Orthodox Church in New London.

Simones is survived by his wife of 64 years, Joan; sons Gregory Simones and Thomas Simones (Genesis); two grandsons; and former daughter-in-law Katina Simones. He was predeceased by a grandson.

1973 Roger W. Smith, 95, of Northampton, Massachusetts, died on March 13, 2023.

Smith graduated from the University of Michigan and the Episcopal Theological School and studied history at Oxford University before earning an M.A. in history from Trinity. He had a 70-year career as an Episcopal priest serving congregations in the U.S. Virgin Islands, Connecticut, Michigan, Massachusetts, and South Carolina.

Smith is survived by wife Headley; children Roger "Whit" Smith (Terry), Cary Smith (Nina), Connie Gemmer (Fred), and Joanna Smith (Jill); 11 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

1976 John W. McAuliffe, 95, of White Plains, New York, died on February 28, 2023.

After serving in the U.S. Navy, McAuliffe earned a B.A. from Boston College and then an M.A. in Latin from Trinity. He went on to a career teaching Latin at independent schools, including Hackley School, where he led the Classics Department for 38 years.

McAuliffe is survived by many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by brothers Robert, Eugene, and Francis "Gerry."

1976 Loretta W. Trumbull, 75, of New Hartford, Connecticut, died on February 7, 2023.

Trumbull graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Denison University and earned an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity and another master's from Wesleyan

University. She went on to teach for more than 30 years at Avon High School.

Trumbull is survived by her husband of more than 25 years, John; children Ben Swope, Timothy Swope (Emily), Jonathan Trumbull (Allison), Timothy Trumbull (Virginie), and Betsy Trumbull (John Newberg); one granddaughter; and siblings Kate Wilson, Ruth White, Barbara Cenich, and Frank Whitney. She was predeceased by her first husband, George Swope.

1991 Andrew G. Lowe, 66, of Suffield, Connecticut, died on April 25, 2023.

Lowe earned a B.A. in history from Stanford University, where he was a member of the swimming and squash teams. During his 44-year career as a teacher and coach at Suffield Academy, he earned an M.A. in history from Trinity.

Lowe is survived by wife Andrea; children Graham (Paige), Geoff, and Emily; siblings Derick Lowe (Barbara) and Ginny Connors (Marty); sister-in-law Beth Rondinone (Joe); and brother-in-law Jeffrey Scanlon (Victoria).

HONORARY DOCTORATES

1982 John W. Chandler, 98, of Williamstown, Massachusetts, died on August 5, 2022.

Chandler graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Wake Forest College and then earned an M.Div. and Ph.D. from Duke University. He began his career in academia teaching at Wake Forest and then at Williams College, where he also served as an acting provost and dean of the faculty. After serving as president of Hamilton College, he returned to Williams in the same role. During Chandler's 12 years at the helm, from 1973 to 1985, Williams became coeducational, phased out its fraternity system, completed a \$50 million campaign, and completed construction of several buildings.

Trinity awarded him an honorary doctor of humane letters degree. He went on to serve as president of the Association of American Colleges and Universities.

Chandler is survived by wife Joyce Lazarus; children Alison Chandler, John Chandler Jr., Patricia Finn, and Jennifer Chandler; five grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and brother E. Ted Chandler. He was predeceased by his first wife, Florence, to whom he was married for 60 years, and brothers Baxter and Calvin.

FORMER STAFF

John Patrick Campbell, former associate chaplain for Roman Catholic life, 63, of Madison, Connecticut, died on May 19, 2023.

Campbell completed undergraduate work at the University of Connecticut and at Central Connecticut State University and earned a master's degree from Sacred Heart University. His work life included time with the Diocese of Bridgeport and as the Catholic chaplain at CCSU and at Trinity, where he served through a partnership with the Archdiocese of Hartford from 2007 until 2021. It was said that he considered youth ministry to be his calling.

Campbell is survived by wife Heidi; daughters Kallian Socci (Adam) and Marley Kelly (John V); a grandson; and siblings Tom and Lynn Campbell, Carol and Jim Daly, and Joe Campbell.

To read tributes to Campbell from several alumni, please visit trincollreporter.online/Campbell.

DEATH NOTICES

1957 Norman P. Macfarlane
1957 William F. Mann Jr.
1963 Robert Zimmerman Jr.
1964 Richard A. DeMone
1964 Sanford A. Fidell
1969 Andrew E. Friedman
1973 Andrew N. Squire
1996 Elinor Finlay Averyt
2014 James Hogg
IDP 1977 Virginia Bartot
M.A. 1983 Karen A. Kelleher



REMEMBRANCE

RONALD R. THOMAS H'02 FORMER ACTING PRESIDENT, FACULTY MEMBER

Ronald R. Thomas, 74, of Vashon Island, Washington, died on April 17, 2023.

Thomas graduated magna cum laude with a B.A. in English literature from Wheaton College (Illinois) in 1971. He went on to Brandeis University, where he earned an M.A. and a Ph.D. in English and American literature, in 1978 and 1983, respectively. In 1990, after serving as an assistant professor at the University of Chicago, Thomas came to Trinity as associate professor of English. During the 1991–92 academic year, he was the Andrew W. Mellon Faculty Fellow in the Humanities at Harvard University. Back at Trinity, in 1997, he was promoted to full professor. Thomas, an expert in Victorian literature and culture, also served as department chair for five years. He authored *Dreams of Authority: Freud and the Fictions of the Unconscious* (1990) and *Detective Fiction and the Rise of Forensic Science* (1999), as well as numerous essays, op-eds, and book chapters.

In 1998, Thomas moved into Trinity's administration, where he served as vice president and chief of staff to then-President Evan Dobbelle. In this role, he oversaw the implementation of the campus master plan and was deeply involved in construction of the nearby Learning Corridor complex. The College was a family affair, with his wife, Mary Thomas, serving as dean of students and lecturer in classics at Trinity. Upon Dobbelle's departure for the University of Hawaii, Thomas became acting president for the 2001–02 academic year; Trinity awarded him an honorary doctor of humane letters degree in 2002 for his contributions to academia. The following year, he left Trinity to become the 13th president of the University of Puget Sound, a position he held until 2016.

Thomas is survived by his wife, Mary.

Alumni Events



Reunion and the Alumni Bicentennial Celebration—held during one festive weekend in June—were so big that we’ve dedicated more pages to the events. Please see pages 16–17 and trincollreporter.online/ABC for more!

1. Will McCormack '96 and Stephanie Ritz '90 (in person) and Stephen Gyllenhaal '72 and Billy Lazarus '93 (via Zoom) take part in “Committing to the Future: The Art and Business of Film and TV.”

2. Robin Sheppard M'76, Billy Hogan '96, Mimi MacKinnon '04, and Sam Kennedy '95, H'19 participate in “Committing to the Future: The Role of Sports in Modern Society.”

3. President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, center, joins participants in “Committing to the Future: Women in Law”: Claudia Baio '86, LaTanya Langley '97, H'17, Lisa Banks '90, and Associate Professor of Legal and Policy Studies Renny Fulco.

4. Bill Marimow '69, H'16 and George Will '62, H'79 take part in “Baseball: Going Back to the Future.”

5. Board of Trustees Chair Lisa Bisaccia '78, second from right, joins “An Afternoon with Alumni Authors” participants Associate Professor of English Ethan Rutherford, Charity Elder '00, and Joanna Scott '82, H'09.

6. Matt Smith '82, P'19 and Ellin Carpenter Smith '82, P'19 take part in the vow renewal in the Chapel.

7. Marissa Ocasio '83, Francesca Borges Gordon '82, Maria Borges Correia '85, and Susan Granger Tyler '85 take a fun selfie.

8. David Chalfant '90, Katryna Nields Chalfant '91, and David Hower '89 perform during “Trinity Live! Featuring The Nields.”

9. Alumni hit the dance floor during the Bantam Birthday Bash.



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Voices of the Trinity College community in the media



To be given this honor at this time means more than I could probably put into words. It is going to be my sincere promise to do the best I can in this role.

JOANNE EPPS '73, on being named acting president of Temple University; NBC10 Philadelphia, April 11, 2023



To see the full stories, please visit trincollreporter.online/LastWordsFall2023.

Our Bicentennial theme, 'Committed to the future since 1823,' is a reminder that today, we must both honor our past but also pledge to continue working for a better future.

TRINITY PRESIDENT JOANNE BERGER-SWEENEY, speaking on Charter Day, the day of the College's founding; WTNH News 8, May 16, 2023

If people can work nearby and live nearby, you're going to find more amenities than you can shake a stick at.

SEAN FITZPATRICK, professor of the practice in public policy and urban studies and director of Public Policy Graduate Studies, on livability in Connecticut's 25 largest cities and towns; CT Insider, July 3, 2023

The concept of book banning in and of itself is an exclusionary practice that restricts cross-cultural learning and prevents younger generations from learning about the world outside of their known culture.

GRACE SANKO '23, who majored in English, on book bans; CT Mirror, May 21, 2023

We still treat drug-users and drug offenders like criminals rather than people with a substance use disorder.

DILLON MCDERMOTT '24, public policy and law major, on the need for a state-legislated overdose prevention plan; CT Mirror, May 8, 2023

The legislation that implements this reform should be enacted and paid for by the state, lest this becomes just another unfunded mandate passed along to the 169 cities and towns.

DIANA EVANS, professor political science, emerita, on state funding for early voting in Connecticut; CT Mirror, May 2, 2023

I thought why not go back and take this idea of creating a catalog of public art, works of art that anybody can see for free, and turn it into a website, and make it immediately available virtually anywhere.

ALDEN GORDON '69, Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of Fine Arts and curator of PublicArtCT.org, on an interactive website that offers information about public art in Greater Hartford; Connecticut Public Radio, May 18, 2023



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Row, row, row . . .

Bantam crew coach Art Gilcreast, right foreground, leads the men's team out of Bliss Boathouse during the mid-'60s. Are you also in this photo, or do you recognize anyone? Do you have some great Trinity crew memories to share? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please email sonya.adams@trincoll.edu.

For more about the waterside home of Bantam rowing—the Friends of Trinity Rowing Boathouse—please see page 11.