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“Trinity has offered me an environment defined by involvement and connection, one that has pushed me to elevate my academic discipline through curiosity and rigor.”

OWEN PETROPULOS '28, page 32

Three 1990 classmates—Sara Moorin Lang, Cindy Woosnam Ketchum, and Liz Silva Roberts—get together at their 35th Reunion in June. For more on Reunion, please see pages 14 and 78.

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Dan Lugo, Trinity College's 23rd president

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What makes Trinity special

As I begin my tenure as Trinity's 23rd president, I am filled with excitement and hope for our shared future. These first days in Hartford have left me awestruck by our community and the genuine sense of history, energy, and possibility that radiates from Trinity's campus. From the Long Walk to the Raether Library and Information Technology Center to the new Scully Center, there is a palpable sense that something unique and transformative happens here.

That feeling of awe has been surpassed only by the warmth of the welcome I have received. In conversations with alumni, I am inspired by your deep passion for and pride in Trinity, as well as your thoughtful ideas for building on our strengths. You give testimony to Trinity's enduring value—how it taught you to think critically, to question assumptions, and to engage with the world as informed citizens. The many stories I've heard of friendships, mentorship, and professors reshaping life trajectories are powerful reminders of the profound impact we have.

Our faculty are equally inspiring. They produce world-class scholarship and share bold ideas for interdisciplinary collaboration and innovative teaching—honoring our liberal arts tradition while preparing students for an evolving world. From our staff, I hear a commitment to excellence that extends beyond job descriptions—a genuine care for student success and our mission that shines through in countless daily acts of service.

And our students? They are asking big questions, challenging us to think more boldly and demonstrating the kind

of intellectual courage that makes me deeply optimistic about the future.

From what I have heard about our community and know about higher education, I believe Trinity stands at the threshold of an extraordinary chapter. Navigating it successfully will require the full engagement of alumni, faculty, staff, students, parents, and friends. While change is inevitable—especially in this time of unrelenting and unpredictable challenges for higher education—I believe the opportunities ahead for Trinity are numerous and significant.

I look forward to hearing your voices and drawing on your wisdom as we shape our vision for Trinity's future. Your engagement matters. I often return to two guiding questions: How is the world a better place because of our commitment to liberal arts education? And what makes Trinity's approach to education and student development truly distinctive among our peers?

I believe that at Trinity, we cultivate skills of discernment, ethical reasoning, and intellectual curiosity in ways that even the most powerful technology and AI cannot replicate. We foster the nuanced understanding that comes from wrestling with complex ideas alongside brilliant peers and dedicated faculty mentors. We develop not only skilled graduates but also thoughtful human beings prepared to contribute meaningfully to society.

The liberal arts tradition that has served us for centuries must be nurtured and protected. In an age of information overload, our graduates emerge with invaluable strengths: mental dexterity, effective communication,



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adaptability, and sophisticated information literacy—the ability to cut through the noise to identify what is accurate and important. These capabilities—rooted in rigorous academic inquiry, enhanced by immersive learning beyond the classroom, and strengthened through close human relationships—represent the irreplaceable value of what we do.

It is a deep honor to serve as Trinity's president. I look forward to creating more opportunities for our community to come together, to reflect on our shared values, and to recommit to the mission that unites us across generations.

Let us optimistically and bravely seek possibility—together as a united community. On behalf of my family, thank you for your warm welcome and support.

With gratitude and excitement,
DAN LUGO
President



Along the Walk



Commencement



For more on Commencement, including videos from the day, please visit trincollreporter.online/Commencement2025.

“Great change is also a time of great opportunity,” Connecticut Governor Ned Lamont told members of the Trinity College Class of 2025. “Every generation has its challenges. I want you to take on those challenges with optimism, because optimism is an energizer, and not fear, because fear is a tranquilizer.”

Lamont addressed those assembled for Trinity’s 199th Commencement on Sunday, May 18, on the Main Quad, where 511 students were honored. Among the undergraduates, 281 received a B.A. and 215 received a B.S. Five of the undergraduate degree recipients were Individualized Degree Program (IDP) students. Fifteen graduate students received an M.A. >>

Trinity bestowed an honorary doctor of laws degree on Lamont in recognition of his lifelong dedication to public service, an unfaltering commitment to education, and his leadership of the State of Connecticut. The College awarded two additional honorary degrees: a doctor of humane letters degree to Shabana Basij-Rasikh, in recognition of her work as co-founder and president of the School of Leadership Afghanistan, the world's first and only Afghan-led boarding school for Afghan girls, and an honorary doctor of science degree to Joseph M. Connors '69, in recognition of his dedication to healing and his groundbreaking research efforts in understanding and treating lymphoid cancers.

As this Commencement marked President Joanne Berger-Sweeney's last at Trinity after leading the College for 11 years before retiring on June 30, she looked back on the time she spent 'neath the elms, referencing a song for each year—"the soundtrack of my presidency." Berger-Sweeney named-checked Pharrell Williams, Adele, Rihanna, Ed Sheeran, Billie Eilish, The Weeknd, Bad Bunny, Harry Styles, Beyoncé, and Michael Jackson before concluding with "For Good," from the musical *Wicked*.

"And you'll be with me," my final class of Trinity graduates, "like a handprint on my heart," she said. "I do believe I have been changed for the better." For good, we have grown together and created a community that will continue to flourish well beyond our time here—we are the handprints on Trinity's and one another's hearts."

Student speaker Theodora Tatsi '25 noted that a Trinity education isn't just a personal achievement but also a responsibility. "Our degrees hold power. Our education holds power. Our whole Trinity experience holds power. And the world needs us to use that power in a meaningful way," Tatsi said. "If all we do is use this privilege to succeed on our own, then we've missed the point. Let's use it to build, open doors, and create



1. The traditional cap toss
2. Connecticut Governor Ned Lamont, Commencement speaker
3. Outgoing President Joanne Berger-Sweeney
4. Josselyn A. Zaldívar Morel '20, M'25
5. Salutatorian Jacob Loor '25 and valedictorian Jacob Kaplan '25
6. Maggie Farrell '25 and Sophie Flinn '25
7. Ben DuPerre '25
8. Student speaker Theodora Tatsi '25



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THEODORA TATSI '25



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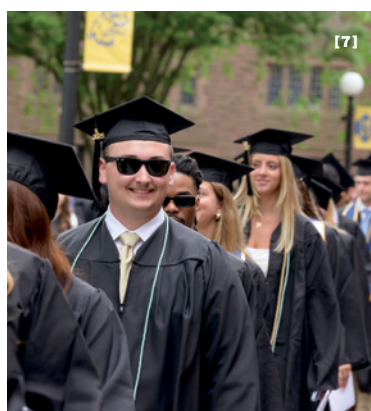
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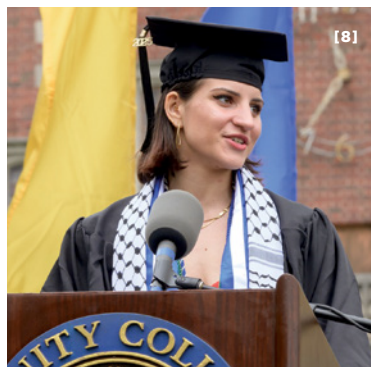
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space for those who come after us and, most importantly, for those who were never given a seat at this table.”

Jacob Kaplan, of Connecticut, who earned a B.S., summa cum laude, in neuroscience, was named valedictorian, and Jacob Loor, of Texas, who earned a B.A., summa cum laude, with honors in political science, was named salutatorian.

As the ceremony came to an end, Trinity College Alumni Association President Amy McGill Dilatush '94 welcomed the Class of 2025 into the company of Trinity's 30,000 alumni.

ACCOLADES

Trustee Award for Faculty

Excellence: Professor of History **Jennifer Regan-Lefebvre**; **Staff Excellence:** Director of Admissions **Anthony T. Berry**; **Student Excellence:** **Ava C. Caudle '25**, **Venghour Than '25**

The Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence: Principal Lecturer in the Allan K. Smith Center for Writing and Rhetoric **Irene Papoulis**

The Dean Arthur H. Hughes Award for Achievement in Teaching: Assistant Professor of Environmental Science and Chemistry **Arianne A. Bazilio**; Assistant Professor of Economics **Brianna Halladay**

The Charles A. Dana Research Professorship Award: Professor of History and International Studies **Zayde G. Antrim**

The Charles A. Dana Research Associate Professorship Award: Associate Professor of Language and Culture Studies **Rosario Hubert**, Associate Professor of Computer Science **Ewa Syta**

LETTERS

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HEARKENING BACK TO DREW HYLAND

Editor's note: The following letters came in response to the spring 2025 back-cover photo and caption about Drew Hyland, Charles A. Dana Professor of Philosophy, Emeritus.

Professor Hyland was very unique on campus in the early '80s. At a time when scholar-athletes were not as supported or appreciated as they are today, Professor Hyland was a true mentor and friend to athletes. At the time, I don't think we completely understood how much he meant to us and what a breath of fresh air he was. He understood the challenges, the balancing act, the passion and commitment. He willingly and sincerely gave us his time and his humor.

I did not know enough at the time to comprehend how important he was and certainly never said "thank you" when I was 22 years old. Professor Hyland . . . Drew . . . THANK YOU so very much.

Jim Bates '84

Southbury, Connecticut

I took an intro to philosophy class (heavy on Greeks) with Professor Hyland as part of the guided studies minor from 1990–92. His intellect and athleticism inspired me to stretch mentally and try harder physically. After hearing of his "skiing and being" series from a video call, I wish I had the chance to take that, too. Be well.

John Prendergast '94

Camden, Maine

Seeing the photo on the back of the spring 2025 issue of *The Trinity*



Reporter, I recall taking the "Hellenistic Philosophy" class with Professor Hyland. This was in the mid-1970s. Until that point, I was totally enthralled by the Asian philosophies as taught by Professor Bill Puka. Dr. Hyland showed me the many similarities but also stark contrasts between the two approaches. This certainly broadened my understanding of the differences between eastern and western cultures, an interest which still resonates with me today.

Dennis Weise '78

Palm Beach, Florida

Drew Hyland [was a volunteer assistant coach for] our women's basketball team, the very first, at Trinity. He had played guard at Princeton as you well know, and his coaching was fabulous. He instilled in us a delight in the game. We—as a team—took a weekend trip to his Vermont house, ate an amazing bouillabaisse, and discussed *The Philosophy of Sport* well into the night. Great times!

Cilla Williams Bercovici '77

Westerly, Rhode Island

GRAD IDENTIFIED!

I was reading through the spring issue of *The Trinity Reporter* and saw the editor's note about the back-cover photo of the 1984 grads. I am the unidentified graduate on the right! When my good friend Ami Clymer Maron '83 got the fall issue of the *Reporter*, she called me before I even saw it! I am still happily married to Dave Berey '83 and stay in touch with my good friend Maria DiBella Kiley '84. Trinity not only gave me a great education but also my husband and two best friends!

Cathy Villano Berey '84

South Glastonbury, Connecticut

New trustees

Three new charter trustees, all alumni, were named to the Trinity College Board of Trustees. They officially began their terms on July 1, 2025. The new charter trustees are:

Claire Capeci '85, president, consumer creative agency *Arnold*

Jorge Rodriguez '91, managing director and head of debt capital markets, *Marathon Capital*

Edward T. "Teddy" Schiff, partner, *Northwood Ventures*

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

NEW TENURE-TRACK FACULTY

Diego Baena

Assistant Professor of Language and Culture Studies; Ph.D. in Spanish, Princeton University

Benjamin B. Bruce

Assistant Professor of Mathematics; Ph.D. in Mathematics, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Anand Butler

Assistant Professor of Economics; Ph.D. in Economics, University of Colorado Boulder

Samuel P. Catlin

Assistant Professor of Religious Studies; Ph.D. in Comparative Literature and Religion (dual degree), University of Chicago

Dominick Cooper

Assistant Professor of Philosophy; Ph.D. in Philosophy, Georgetown University

Ruoxing Gao

Assistant Professor of Engineering; Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering, the University of Michigan

Philipp M. Gemmel

Assistant Professor of Chemistry; Ph.D. in Chemistry, University of Chicago

Shoshana Goldstein

Assistant Professor of Urban Studies; Ph.D. in City and Regional Planning, Cornell University

Valeria Jiménez

Assistant Professor of Economics; Ph.D. in Economics, Université Sorbonne Paris Nord

Rachel M. Keffe

Assistant Professor of Biology; Ph.D. in Zoology, University of Florida

Michael Thompson-Brusstar

Assistant Professor of Political Science; Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Michigan

All began their appointments on July 1, 2025.

For more on the new faculty members, please visit trincollreporter.online/NewFaculty2025.

Around Hartford

Hartford Stage

50 CHURCH STREET, HARTFORD, CT

Hartford Stage, led by Artistic Director Melia Bensussen and Managing Director Cynthia Rider, continues to focus on its stated mission to “enlighten, entertain, and educate by creating theatrical programming of the highest caliber that has a transformative impact on audiences, the community, and its field.” The theater, founded in 1963, is off and running with its 2025–26 season, including the dark comedy *Rope*; *A Christmas Carol: A Ghost Story of Christmas*, which returns for a run through the holidays; the classic drama *Death of a Salesman*; and the musical thriller *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*, the latter part of a historic partnership with TheaterWorks Hartford. Two comedies—*The Cottage*, which had a recent Broadway run, and *Native Gardens*—round out the season. In addition to its main productions, Hartford Stage offers numerous educational programs, including classes for adults and youth, professional development workshops, collaborations with schools, and student matinee performances. For more information about Hartford Stage, including details on the full 2025–26 season, ticket purchasing, and educational opportunities, please visit trincollreporter.online/HartfordStage or hartfordstage.org.

Nayib Felix and Sarah Chalfie star in Hartford Stage's 2024 production of *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*.

Volunteer Spotlight



Giovanna Miller P'25

When Giovanna Miller P'25 stepped down as board chair of the American Red Cross Metro New York North chapter, she thought her days of nonprofit leadership were behind her. But that changed during her son's first year at Trinity, when a Homecoming tailgate hosted by the Parents Leadership Council (PLC) sparked a desire to get involved.

"It wasn't just about writing a check and attending a meeting," she says. "It was taking a deep dive into the College."

By January 2022, Miller was asked to chair the PLC. Before saying yes, she checked in with her son, Michael Miller '25.

"Are you okay if you see me on campus a bit more than other parents?" she asked.

"Mom," he replied, "that's right up your alley."

Miller led the PLC until May 2025, stepping down after her son's graduation. With her philanthropic background and natural ability to connect, she quickly became a cornerstone of parent engagement. She ran biannual meetings, hosted off-campus receptions, and played a key role in fundraising.

"As chair, you try to interact as much as possible with parents," she says. "It's a little different dealing with

parent-to-parent as opposed to parent-to-staff. They ask me questions they wouldn't normally ask someone in Advancement. That's why I think it's important for parents to get involved at a leadership level."

She also valued the insight the role gave her. "Being part of the PLC gave me a great opportunity to listen to faculty and staff and learn about all the programs available to students," she says.

One of those programs was the Career and Life Design Center, which helped Michael prepare for a career in finance through résumé support and mock interviews. But it wasn't just Trinity's career prep that impressed Miller—it was the breadth of her son's personal and academic growth.

During a semester in Rome, Michael became fascinated by art and architecture. When she went to visit him, Miller couldn't believe her ears when he said he was taking art history courses and planned to double major in Italian along with economics.

"I know Trinity is a liberal arts school, but I never thought of him as a liberal arts person," she says. "But he actually is. Trinity expanded his horizons tremendously, and I really appreciate that."

The Millers have been all in on Trinity since Michael's first year, when he walked onto the squash team. When the opportunity arose to support the athletics program by donating a new squash court, the family didn't hesitate.

"Giovanna has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to Trinity, our students, and to the parent community through her thoughtful leadership and exceptional philanthropy," says Kerry Smith, executive director of alumni, family, and Reunion giving.

As PLC chair, Miller always aimed to lead by example. She gave early and often to Trinity's fundraising efforts and encouraged other families to take the long view.

"Tuition doesn't cover all the costs for a student," she explains. "There's always a gap. Plus, you want the future of the College to keep up with the times. And you want to leave a legacy for your student as well."

That legacy is already in place—not only in bricks and mortar but also in their family's lasting connection with Trinity. Even after Michael's graduation, Miller says, her bond with the College will endure.

"I've put a lot of blood, sweat, and tears into the last four years watching my kid flourish," she says. "Watching him have that pep in his step from the time he was a [first-year] to developing into this fine young man has been such a joy. I will always stay connected to the school. I can't imagine life without some kind of Trinity influence."

—Elliott Grover

SCULLY CENTER

NEW SPOT FOR FITNESS

Trinity's Scully Center—the College's new state-of-the-art Wellness and Recreation Center—stands ready for visitors after the space's official opening on June 30. The center, an addition to the George M. Ferris Athletic Center, is named in honor of Marlynn GP'28, '29 and Bill Scully '61, H'18, GP'28, '29, lead donors to the project and lifelong supporters of the College.

For more on the Scully Center, please visit trincollreporter.online/ScullyCenter.

Goldwater Scholar

Alenka Doyle '26, a double major in neuroscience and English, has received a Barry Goldwater Scholarship, one of the most prestigious awards for students interested in pursuing careers in the natural sciences, mathematics, and engineering.

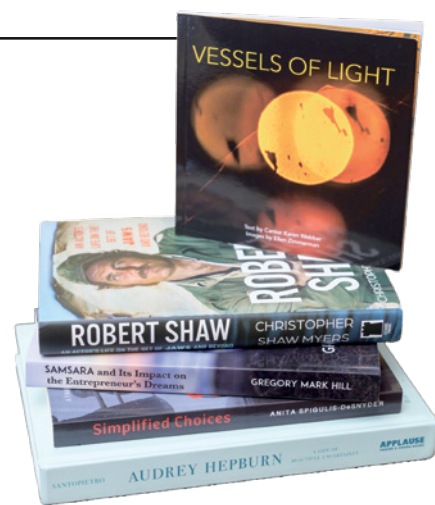
Doyle also is a coxswain for the Trinity men's varsity rowing team, and she said that research, like athletics, requires discipline. "Practice is not always going to be fun. You have to be committed to continuing the work and focusing more on why you're doing it rather than what you're doing in the moment," she said. "Research may seem boring or tedious at times, and you don't always feel like you're contributing to a project as much as you want to be, but you need the discipline to keep going."

This is one of the lessons Doyle, of Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, has learned through her work in the lab of Associate Professor of Psychology Michael A. Grubb, where she studies visual attention. She said that she never considered studying neuroscience before coming to Trinity. As an avid writer since she was a child, she already knew she would pursue a creative writing concentration through her English major. Doyle also had an interest in biochemistry and was invited to join Trinity's Interdisciplinary Science Program (ISP), a Gateway Program for first-year students.

"As I learned more about neuroscience, I realized that I find people really interesting, more so than I find cells interesting," Doyle said. It was through ISP that she was matched with Grubb during her first year at Trinity. "I thought his research was compatible with my interests and sounded like something I'd be happy to do as a day-to-day job," Doyle said. "Professor Grubb really allows students to contribute a lot, take the lead on projects, and do work independently. I really appreciate that because I'm someone who wants to learn things hands-on."

In addition to her lab work and her rowing, for which she recently was named an Empacher-Intercollegiate Rowing Coaches Association First Team All-American—the first Bantam coxswain to earn this honor, Doyle also is on the executive boards of Trinity's Neuroscience Club and English Honors Society. Last year, she received a Beckman Scholars Award, which supports undergraduate student research.

"I'm really hoping to go to graduate school to do more research in the neuroscience or cognitive science fields," Doyle said. "I've worked in Professor Grubb's lab for the past two summers, and I found that to be a fun process. It felt like something I can see myself doing every day and enjoying, so that committed me to this career path."



Recent publications

Audrey Hepburn:

A Life of Beautiful Uncertainty

TOM SANTOPIETRO '76

Applause Theatre & Cinema Books, 2025; 435 pages

Robert Shaw: An Actor's Life on the Set of Jaws and Beyond

CHRISTOPHER SHAW MYERS '79

Citadel Press, 2025; 310 pages

Simplified Choices: A Family Memoir of Latvia, World War II and Identity

ANITA SPIRGULIS-DESNYDER '80

The Paper House, 2024; 278 pages

Vessels of Light

KAREN WEBBER '84

and Ellen Zimmerman

Solara Publishing, 2025; 42 pages

Samsara and Its Impact on the Entrepreneur's Dreams

GREGORY MARK HILL '87

BookBaby, 2025; 327 pages

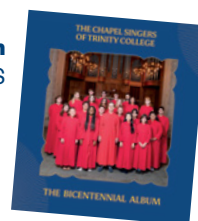
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HOULIHAN '09,

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FACULTY FOCUS

Jennifer Regan-Lefebvre

Professor of History

Since joining the faculty in 2013, Professor of History Jennifer Regan-Lefebvre has earned a reputation as a prolific scholar and beloved teacher: At Trinity's 199th Commencement in May, she received the Trustee Award for Faculty Excellence, and her "History of Wine" course is a perennial favorite.

"Teaching something like wine is a really great way to pique students' curiosity and open their eyes to a way in which history is culture, it's economics, it's politics, it's social change," she says.

She knows the subject well. Regan-Lefebvre holds a WSET (Wine & Spirit Education Trust) Level 3 wine certification, earned during the pandemic after 100 hours of study. Her 2022

book, *Imperial Wine: How the British Empire Made Wine's New World*, received the prestigious André Simon Award and was the product of a decade of research.

Ask her to name a favorite wine, and she'll scoff. "That's like asking if I have a favorite book or a favorite child. What I love about wine is that there's always more to learn. But," she concedes, "I never refuse champagne."

Her love of history took root in Hingham, Massachusetts, where she was drawn to her hometown's colonial past. When she was 10, her family moved to London after her father was tapped by the National Football League to help launch its European league. What was supposed to be a short stay turned into nearly a decade.

Regan-Lefebvre graduated from the American School in London, where the city itself became a classroom. She often rode the bus to the National Gallery and marveled at the layered architecture on the way. "One of the beauties of London is you can go down a street and see three or four centuries represented architecturally," she says.

As an Irish-American in London during The Troubles, she felt a strong pull toward Irish nationalism. "I find it kind of ironic," she says of her decision to study British imperialism. "But I've definitely made peace with my Britishness."

At Georgetown University, she majored in international history and got her first taste of teaching while tutoring for Capital Educators, a company co-founded by Debbie Pine '92. "That's where I cut my teeth as an educator," Regan-Lefebvre says. The experience of preparing lessons and managing a classroom proved formative.

By graduation, she suspected academia might be her path—even as she mulled a career in diplomacy. She enrolled in a master's program at Queen's University Belfast and ultimately earned a Ph.D. "I just loved research," she says. "I love learning, and I didn't want to stop."

At Trinity, Regan-Lefebvre shares this love of learning with her students. In one course on parliamentary debate, students reenact historical debates using only contemporary information. The exercise sharpens their ability to analyze evidence, to structure arguments, and to speak with confidence. "I stand by that as a really good, if wacky, way to teach writing and argumentation," she says.

She also shares her own writing with students. "That sounds self-serving," she laughs, "but it's very useful. I want to be vulnerable with them about the challenges for writers. If you're having a tough time with writing, that doesn't mean you're bad at it. It means that you're doing it."

Regan-Lefebvre's impact extends well beyond the classroom. "From my first semester at Trinity College through today, [she] has been a thoughtful and generous mentor in my life," says Haley Dougherty '18, who recently graduated from Harvard Law School. "Professor Regan-Lefebvre instilled in me a sense of confidence and academic curiosity." Dougherty credits her



National rowing title

The top-ranked Trinity College men's rowing team's 1V8 crew won the 2025 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Division III Varsity 8+ National Championship at the IRA Championships in May. As a team, the Bantams finished second overall for the points trophy with 48 points.

The Bantams' 1V8 secured the program's first national title with a time of 5:40.360, besting team champions Tufts University by nearly two seconds (5:42.030). Bates College finished third (5:45.520), followed by Williams College (5:47.440), Wesleyan College (5:50.870), and Colby College (6:09.100).



For more about the championship and men's rowing, please visit trincollreporter.online/RowingTitle.

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Schwarzman Scholar

Boran Cui '22 grew up in Beijing and has dreamed of attending Tsinghua University, China's top-ranked university, since high school. That dream is coming true for Cui, who is attending Tsinghua University this year as a Schwarzman Scholar. Cui is the second Trinity alum to be a Schwarzman Scholar, following in the footsteps of previous winner Albert Ananyan '24.

Schwarzman Scholars spend one year earning a fully funded master's degree in global affairs. The incoming class of 2025-26 consists of 150 scholars from 38 countries. Schwarzman received the highest number of applications ever this year, with the final class chosen from a pool of more than 5,000 candidates.

Since graduating with majors in studio arts and engineering, Cui's been using his skill set in various ways. He works full time in health care consulting and health care investment in Beijing while also helping friends with entrepreneurial ventures in artificial intelligence and UI/UX design. He still finds time for art, working on photography projects in his free time.



Cui said he found similarities in the process of learning in the disparate fields of studio arts and engineering. "Both studio arts and engineering require you have a clear definition of something. You then try to figure out the best solution for the circumstances. Engineering is solving the problem that the teacher gives you, whereas in art, you're solving the problem you bring up," he said.

Cui was motivated to apply to Schwarzman Scholars after working for a few years because he noticed himself feeling less connected to the world internationally. "I feel like I'm losing the international part of myself," said Cui, "And Schwarzman is gathering global young leaders together in Beijing, so that's pretty attractive to me." Cui says the emphasis on travel around China also is an appealing aspect of the program, as is the chance to introduce new friends from around the world to his home city of Beijing.

former professor with encouraging a transformative study-abroad experience and providing a rare opportunity to work as an undergraduate research assistant, including presenting at a conference together in Australia.

In addition to teaching, raising three children, and chairing Trinity's History Department, Regan-Lefebvre is co-editing a six-volume series on the cultural history of wine. She's also writing a short book on how history is used to market and sell wine.

How does she find the time? "I don't," she quips. "Sometimes you just have to admit defeat! I'm always tired, but I'm an extrovert and I thrive on this. I love being around people, I have a very supportive spouse, and I'm always trying to impose order on the chaos."

—Elliott Grover

"From my first semester at Trinity College through today, [she] has been a thoughtful and generous mentor in my life. Professor Regan-Lefebvre instilled in me a sense of confidence and academic curiosity."

HALEY DOUGHERTY '18

FACULTY TENURE, PROMOTIONS

The Trinity College Board of Trustees voted to award tenure, promotions, and emeriti status to several faculty members. The promotions and status changes went into effect on July 1, 2025, unless otherwise noted.

Those promoted to full professor were Ciaran M. Berry, English; Isaac A. Kamola, political science; and Per Sebastian Skardal, mathematics. Those awarded tenure and promoted to associate professor were Clark L. Alejandrino, history; Catina Bacote, English; Arianne A. Bazilio, environmental science and chemistry; Clayton P. Byers, engineering; Belén Fernández Milmanda, political science and international studies; Adam D. Hill '08, chemistry (effective January 1, 2025); Gabriel F. Hornung '07, religious studies; Lina Ma, mathematics; Juliet Nebolon, American studies; Ibrahim Shikaki, economics; and Shunyuan Zhang, international studies and women, gender, and sexuality.

Faculty members awarded emeritus/a status were Carol J. Any, professor of language and culture studies; Jean Cadogan, professor of fine arts (effective January 1, 2025); Alden R. Gordon '69, Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of Fine Arts (effective January 1, 2025); Samuel D. Kassow '66, Charles H. Northam Professor of History; David Mauro, professor of mathematics; Irene Papoulis, principal lecturer in the Allan K. Smith Center for Writing and Rhetoric; and Diane C. Zannoni, G. Fox and Company Professor of Economics.

Fulbrights for two

Aili Ramsden '25 and Sophia Jones '24 recently were awarded Fulbrights.

As the recipient of a Fulbright/Maastricht University Award, Ramsden began a one-year master's program in developmental psychology at Maastricht University in the Netherlands this fall.

While at Trinity, Ramsden was a co-founder and co-president of the Disability Cultural Club, among other activities. "I became disabled in high school," said Ramsden, who earned a B.S. in neuroscience and minored in cognitive science. "Right before I graduated, I lost most function in my dominant arm due to a surgery. Lots of challenges came with that at college: learning how to function in a new place with a new body, with new friends and new professors. I wanted to help other people going through similar situations get the resources I wished I had early on."

Ramsden conducted research focusing on neuroendocrinology and addiction in the laboratory of Luis A. Martinez, associate professor of neuroscience, who also was her adviser. "He was the first professor who made me realize that research was an option for me," Ramsden said. "I had little functioning in my arm when I started college, so we worked together to adapt different protocols, and I realized this is the field I really want to go into."

As she completes her master's degree at Maastricht, Ramsden, of Lakeville, Massachusetts, also will have a volunteer internship at a local daycare center as part of the Fulbright's host country engagement requirement. Following her year in the Netherlands, she said, she plans to pursue a Ph.D. in neuroimmunology and ultimately wants to be a professor who teaches and conducts research. "I have loved getting to know my professors at Trinity and getting to work with them so closely," she said. "I'd love to be able to do that with my own students one day."

Jones, who majored in educational studies and minored in Hispanic studies, received a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant (ETA) Program Grant that will take her to Argentina next year.

Jones came to Trinity from San Anselmo, California, initially interested in studying history. "On a whim, I took the educational studies introductory course, 'Analyzing Schools,' and fell in love with the content," she said. "I was fascinated by how layered and complex the U.S. school system is and

how intertwined school systems are with history. I ended up finding that policy is what ties schools with history, which is why I concentrated in educational policy."

The grant period is March through November 2026, following the Argentine school calendar. "I'll be teaching in a postsecondary school, and I hope to be working in a classroom where individuals are in training to be EFL [English as a foreign language] teachers themselves," Jones said. "This will let me interact with learners one-on-one, so that when I do get to work in policy, I'll have teaching experience to bring an informed perspective to benefit students."

In her role as a cultural ambassador through the Fulbright Program, Jones, now working for an educational technology start-up, plans to host a family games club and to create a running group.

"I'm hoping the Fulbright experience will inspire me about where to go next," Jones said. "I'm also open to pursuing a master's degree—maybe in linguistics, educational policy, or TESOL [teaching English to speakers of other languages]. . . . I'm excited to see how my perspective about these possibilities expands by living and teaching in Argentina."



Ramsden



Jones



For more on Ramsden and Jones, please visit trincollreporter.online/FulbrightFall2025.



Associate Professor of Psychology Michael Grubb, Alenka Doyle '26, Kamilla Volkova '26, and Nicholas Crotty '24, M'25 in Trinity's Attention, Perception, Decision Laboratory in 2023

Published work

Associate Professor of Psychology Michael A. Grubb and some of his students recently published a paper about spatial attention; the piece appeared in the journal *Scientific Reports*, published by Nature Portfolio.

Their research focuses on an automatic form of spatial attention. "If your phone is sitting on the desk and the screen lights up, you'll automatically notice it," Grubb said.

The paper, "A preliminary investigation of the interaction between expectation and the reflexive allocation of covert spatial attention," was co-authored by Grubb, Nicholas Crotty '24, M'25, Nicole Massa '23, Dagoberto Tellez '25, and Alex L. White, a professor at Barnard College.

As the introduction to the paper explains, "Imagine reading an intriguing scientific paper, a fresh cup of coffee percolating on the desk, when suddenly, a text notification appears in the upper-right-hand side of your computer screen. Despite a deep interest in the paper, your attention is automatically pulled towards the alert without your eyes leaving the middle of the screen. In everyday life, the visual system is bombarded by stimuli that induce such reflexive, spatially specific shifts of attention without accompanying eye movements—a phenomenon dubbed covert exogenous spatial attention."

Crotty, who completed the five-year bachelor's/master's neuroscience program at Trinity, said, "What we put our attention on determines what we learn, and then what we learn kind of affects how we direct our attention. In this case, we're looking at the interaction between attention and learning with this specific form of attention."

Grubb added, "What we found is that when information flashes when it's unlikely—no expectation of something happening in the periphery—the allocation of attention is stronger than when you're in an environment when something is expected to happen." Trinity students explore phenomena like this in Grubb's courses, which focus on perception and the psychology of attention.

A grant to Grubb from the National Science Foundation has supported this project. "Part of what the NSF cares about is training opportunities and working with students to bring them into the scientific communities, and giving them the skills to have successful careers," Grubb said. "For me, it's nice to see the students building a competitive CV."

NEW ADMINISTRATORS

Three new Executive Leadership Team members began their work on campus this summer: Ben Anderson as vice president for advancement, Scott Jordan as vice president and chief financial officer, and Gavin Viano as director of athletics.

Anderson comes to Trinity from Boston College, where he worked in advancement for 13 years. Starting in 2022, he served as associate vice president (AVP) for principal giving and campaign director of "Soaring Higher: The Campaign for Boston College," an initiative with goals of raising \$3 billion and 60 percent alumni participation. In the decade prior to that position, Anderson was promoted to several roles at BC, including AVP for major gifts and director of parent development. He previously worked in development at Habitat for Humanity International and at Skidmore College.

Anderson earned an undergraduate degree in economics with a concentration in Spanish from Bates College, where he served as captain of the lacrosse team.

Jordan joins Trinity from Harvard's Faculty of Arts and Sciences (FAS), the largest faculty of Harvard University and the academic administration for undergraduate and graduate education. Beginning in 2021, he served as dean of finance and administration, leading operations with a focus on long-term financial sustainability, managing the return to in-person work following the pandemic, and recruitment and retention of staff. Previously, Jordan served as executive vice president for administration and chief financial officer for the University of Connecticut. Prior to entering higher education, he spent two decades in public finance leadership roles for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, including as undersecretary of the Massachusetts Executive Office for Administration and Finance.

Jordan earned an undergraduate degree in economics, cum laude, from the University of Massachusetts Amherst and a master's in public administration from Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Viano most recently worked at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, where in 2020, he was named director of athletics and recreation. In early 2022, he was promoted to associate vice president of strategic programs and assumed additional responsibilities on top of his director of athletics and recreation role. Viano oversaw Wheaton's Division III athletics and recreation program and contributed to the achievement of several institutional goals, including those centered on enrollment, student wellness, fundraising, and developing nontraditional revenue streams for the institution. Prior to Wheaton, Viano worked as associate athletic director for development at Davidson College and as senior managing director of athletics fundraising at Dartmouth College.

Viano earned an undergraduate degree in history from Clark University, where he served as captain of the men's swimming and diving team. He also earned a master's in sports management from Drexel University.



Reunion

Trinity College alumni from around the world returned to campus June 5–8 for Reunion Weekend 2025. Bantams from class years ending in 5 and 0 reconnected with friends, reminisced, and made new memories.

An open house welcomed alumni to tour the new athletics facilities at the Scully Center. Ideas Fest 2025, a new program this year, offered discussions on concepts and trends that are driving change and progress. The event also featured a conversation with Dan Lugo, Trinity's 23rd president.



1. Members of the 50th Reunion class walk in their parade.
2. Betsy Kellogg Hamilton '75, P'03, '06, '09, Wendy Wheeler '75, Robin Bodell '75, Carey Moler Karlan '75, and Lea Ingersoll Sylvestro '75 get together.
- * 3. Dan Good '95, Derek Falvey '05, and Sam Kennedy '95, H'19 take part in *Beyond the Diamond: The Sport and Business of Baseball*.
4. Members of the Class of 1960 celebrate their 65th Reunion with record-breaking attendance.
- * 5. Claire Capeci '85 and Trinity's then-president-elect take part in *A Conversation with Dan Lugo*, Trinity's 23rd President.
- * 6. Danny Meyer '80, H'24, P'20, Abigail Cook Stone '10, Liz Elting '87, and Lou Shipley '85 participate in *Innovation in Entrepreneurship: Threads Driving the Future*.
7. Alumni enjoy a late-night snack on the Main Quad.
- * 8. Jim Cuminale '75, P'09 accepts The Eigenbrodt Cup during the Community Lunch and Celebration of Alumni Award Recipients.
- * 9. The audience participates in a Q&A at Ideas Fest 2025.
10. Members of the Class of 2005, including Beth Heaney and Lin Leong, greet one another.



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**Congratulations
to the 2025 Reunion
award winners!**

THE EIGENBRODT CUP
James W. Cuminale '75,
P'09

PAUL E. RAETHER '68
ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT
AWARD
N. Louis Shipley '85

THE GARY MCQUAID
AWARD
Elizabeth Silva Roberts '90

THE KATHLEEN
O'CONNOR
BOELHOUWER '85
ALUMNI INITIATIVE
AWARD
Suzanne R. Dyer '85

ALUMNI MEDAL
FOR EXCELLENCE
John L. Bonee III '70
Thomas D. Casey '80
Joshua P. Newsome '95,
P'22
Elizabeth A. Patterson '05
William R. Peelle Jr. '70,
M'85

THE MICHAEL A.
SCHULENBERG '63
ALUMNI FELLOWSHIP
AWARD
Henry E. Bruce Jr. '75, P'06

OUTSTANDING
CLASS SECRETARY
Steven E. Hirsch '75
Christopher G. Mooney '75,
P'06





DAN LUGO

Getting acquainted with Trinity's 23rd president

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an Lugo, Trinity College's 23rd president, sees a clear difference between Trinity and other liberal arts colleges.

"There's how *they* do the liberal arts, and then there's how *Trinity* does the liberal arts," he says. "Our curriculum takes ownership of not just what happens on

campus in our classrooms but also what you apply it to in the real world. I think our alumni network and our connections to industry, nonprofit, and civic leadership are exceptional. And I can't talk about the distinctiveness of Trinity without noting the strength of our faculty. It's hard to find another institution that has a faculty as productive in scholarship and knowledge creation as what we have here."

Trinity's unparalleled liberal arts education was just one of many topics that Lugo, who officially started at the College on July 1, 2025, discussed during an interview that took place just days after he assumed his new role. Read on for more.

Why Trinity? So much excites me about Trinity and has for a long time. It starts with our academic excellence, which most recently was refreshed by the Trinity Plus curriculum, our hands-on approach to the liberal arts. I also was drawn to the vast number of successful alumni in an array of fields. I've already learned how passionate they are about Trinity and connecting our students and graduates to opportunities. The more I learned about our faculty, the more impressed I became. Our faculty are remarkable in their disciplines, and they are exceptional at bringing our students into that experience. Then we have our location. With the importance of connecting what students learn in the classroom to the real world, our place in Hartford—a vibrant civic, business, and cultural center—

is a huge advantage. Our proximity to New York and Boston and the transportation advantages we have with Amtrak and the airport in our backyard provide even more advantages. And our campus is inspiring—the historical nature and the grandeur of it.

What do you consider your highest priorities as you embark on your presidency?

I am accelerating my learning about Trinity, its culture, its operations, its curriculum, and its place in American and global higher education and doing that at a pace that is thorough and that gets me to the point where I can make thoughtful suggestions about future priorities and potential areas for new investment. This will require quite a bit of strategic listening and invitations to our faculty,

staff, alumni, and students for them to share insights about what makes this place distinctive and what they think are the ripest opportunities for us to strengthen our community. I want to gain a better understanding of our enrollment and financial models, a place where I believe I can add immediate value. And we are building a new leadership team. We have wonderful folks carrying over from the previous administration, and I'm excited to have that continuity, but as of July 1, we became a new team with a few new folks. I hope to create a culture of true shared ownership of this important college.

What do you see as the value of a liberal arts education? People sometimes think of the liberal arts as isolated disciplines. They might ask, "What can you do with an English major?" Well, an English major can do amazing things, and especially an English major from Trinity, because through the liberal arts—the way we do it at Trinity—students are exposed to so many different disciplines as they specialize in English. I think time will demonstrate that graduates of institutions like Trinity will have the best chance of adapting to a future highly impacted by AI, robotics, and computation theory. Our graduates will find agile ways to stay relevant.

What challenges do you see for Trinity? I don't see Trinity as having challenges that are different from those of

other higher ed institutions. These include a changing and diminishing supply of high school students and an increasingly competitive landscape for those students. There are economic challenges; we don't have tremendous income growth nationally, yet we have escalating costs that largely center on the way we provide a competitive and immersive education. Those cost structures don't slow down—the costs of human capital, insurance, the provision of room and board. They all escalate. How do we manage these in the most efficient and thoughtful ways that still allow us to deliver a first-class academic and student life experience? In addition, we are several years into a trend that I would call concerning. These newer challenges are on the political and public opinion front, where the media and many members of our government have been antagonistic to American higher ed. This exacerbates our challenges, and I think this is a moment of reckoning where we must pay more attention to demonstrating not only the quality of what we do but also the public good that we do. American higher education needs to band together to counter those narratives.

What are the most important ways alumni can help Trinity?

What comes to mind first is engagement with the College. We are thankful for the alumni who have stepped up in service through representative boards—such as the Board

of Trustees and the Board of Fellows—and a wide range of areas. We need to create even more meaningful engagement opportunities for our alumni—to keep them informed about the College, to help them discover how their involvement can enrich their own lives, and,

in turn, bring value to the lives of our faculty and students. We need our alumni now more than ever to be strong ambassadors for Trinity. We need to demonstrate to the world that Trinity is a leading institution, and alumni can be better ambassadors for



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Day one for the new president: Above, Lugo meets with members of his Executive Leadership Team; right, Lugo chats with staff members during one of several gatherings across campus.

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Trinity than Trinity itself. Everyone knows that it's in the interest of the faculty and staff to tout the College; it's different when you hear from alumni who are passionate about their alma mater. Alumni also can plug our community into leads on internships and full-time employment. And, of course, there's the always critically important method for our alumni to make an impact through their philanthropic

investment in us—Trinity does so much to change and improve the world.

What do you see as Trinity's role in Hartford, and vice versa? I think Trinity's role in Hartford is to be a partner with a capital P. We are an important contributor to the city's economic development and cultural vitality. This is a partnership that's entering its third century. In those 200-

plus years, there's likely been an ebb and flow, where Hartford was helpful to Trinity and Trinity was helpful to Hartford. That balance and back and forth is something that I look forward to continuing.

Who have been the most impactful mentors in your professional life? I go back to my first role in higher education at Carleton College. Paul Thiboutot was the dean of admissions, and his mentorship allowed me to envision a transition out of a law career, to understand how I could positively impact an institution that I loved, and to learn about a new industry that I didn't know a lot about other than having been the by-product of its experience. I also think of Dan Porterfield, who was my boss and the president of Franklin & Marshall College and is now CEO of the Aspen Institute. It was under his mentorship where I first started thinking about the possibility of being a college president. That wasn't a childhood goal; it wasn't even my goal when I got into higher ed 21 years ago. I had powerful opportunities to shadow a great leader and saw the way he talked the talk and walked the walk—the importance of understanding the student experience, finding ways to invest in that experience, how that paid dividends to the college. That was instrumental in how I think about my role as a college president. Finally, and most recently, David Greene, the president of Colby



To read more about Lugo and for a Q&A about his own college days, please visit trincollreporter.online/DanLugo.

College, allowed me to have a front-row seat and to be an active partner in developing a strategic plan and creating an aspirational and exciting vision for a college.

Who have been the most impactful mentors in your personal life? My parents—the original mentors—taught me the value and importance of hard work, humility, caring about people and society, giving back, not taking things for granted, and understanding one’s privilege even if you’re from modest backgrounds.

What’s the best advice anyone has ever given you? I got this from David Greene early on. He encouraged me “to show my work process more often and invite people into my work.” I grew up as a very self-contained worker. I would bring in great results, but they kind of just hatched. That extended to my early work life as well. I had this not-always-helpful sense of making things look a little bit easier than they were. I didn’t show the sweat; I just got things done. It was transformative for me to think about allowing folks to see into my process, to take more ownership of things that we do collaboratively, and to not make things look so easy. This advice has made me a more inclusive leader.

What do you like to do when you’re not working? I like to spend time with family; we’re tight-knit. That can be anything from sitting around catching up on movies to having conversations. I love to travel and look forward to representing the College and being a good ambassador for Trinity. I love to read; that’s an important part of me staying abreast of world developments and staying sane. It’s a part of my mindfulness. I think wellness is important, so my wife and I are thoughtful around what we do for our physical care by walking and working out. And I like having good friends. We’ve lived all over the country, so we have a friend group that includes folks from New York, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Maine, and North Carolina.

You mentioned travel. What are some of your favorite destinations? We love traveling to Japan. The immersive nature of the culture, the depth of the history, and the vibrancy of the major cities of Tokyo and Kyoto, as well as the public works (I am fascinated by the bullet train system). I’m a big fan of Asia; we love Singapore and Thailand, for distinct reasons. And we love Latin America and Mexico and, finally, any place that has a beach! I’m looking forward to getting to Italy and understanding Trinity’s presence in Rome.

What’s one tidbit about you that might surprise others? I have a strong background in music. Growing up, I was a pretty serious string bass player. I also have a pretty passionate affinity for classical music. And I really love the performing arts. ●✕◆



A bit of background

DANIEL G. LUGO

Education:

B.A. in political science, Carleton College

J.D., University of Minnesota Law School

Key previous positions:

President, Queens University of Charlotte, 2019–25

Vice President of College Advancement, Colby College, 2015–19

Vice President and Dean of Admissions, Franklin & Marshall College, 2011–15

Associate Dean, Admissions Office; Development Officer, College Advancement, Carleton College, 2004–11

Intellectual Property and Entertainment Attorney, 1995–2004

Personal:

Wife, TinaMarie

Two adult children, Michael and Amanda



‘What difference can I make?’

These
Bantams—
and many
others—
show their
dedication
to Hartford

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More than 1,200 Trinity students participated in academic or co-curricular engagement in the city of Hartford in the past academic year, according to the College’s Center for Hartford Engagement and Research (CHER).

“Community engagement is essential to strengthening the bonds between Hartford’s diverse communities and Trinity College,” says Liliana Polley, IDP’21, M’23, executive director of CHER. “Our students are at the heart of this effort, facilitating a meaningful exchange of knowledge and resources that creates lasting benefits for both the community and the College. Through this engagement, we aim to enhance research, respond to community priorities, enrich teaching and learning experiences, and tackle the pressing issues our society faces together.”

Students are involved in each of the core programs coordinated by CHER: Community Learning; Community Service and Civic Engagement; the Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy (HMTCA) Partnership; the Liberal Arts Action Lab; and Trinfo, a neighborhood gathering space, computer lab, and community garden.

Breanna Pitta ’27 notes the benefit that Trinity students gain from living in an urban area. “Hartford is truly our home; we’re here for four years,” Pitta says. “I think it’s a huge disservice to oneself and one’s education to not go out and explore it. I think Trinity and its students have a responsibility to give back to the community that homes us. Serving the community has been a huge part of my time here. The way I look at it is, What difference can I make?”

Pitta is one of three students the *Reporter* contacted to gain insight into those dedicated to community service in Hartford.

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After learning about the impact of community service from her family in Philadelphia, Haile was president of her high school's Service League Organization and nurtured a passion for bringing people together in support of important causes.

"Social justice and advocacy work are my motivations for what I'm studying and how I am on a daily basis," says Haile, a double major in public policy and law and human rights studies who is connected to Hartford through several Trinity programs. "Being active in Hartford is what you make it," she says. "There are abundant opportunities, organizations, communities, and individuals in Hartford who are passionate about the place they're in."

Through the Community Action Gateway, Haile engaged with the city through community-based research and social change projects in her first year at the College. Her research on Hartford Changemakers in partnership with Hartford Public Library and other archival resources included interviews with family members of local historical figures. "It was a great way to expose myself to the community as someone new to Hartford," she says.

Haile joined Trinity's Community Care Project as its food recovery co-chair in spring 2025. The student-led group brings food from Mather Dining Hall to the ImmaCare shelter each Friday. "It's one of the most meaningful interactions I have every week," Haile says. Her work with the Garden Groupies club this year involved spring cleanups across Hartford, including at the Trinfo community garden adjacent to campus.

As part of her work with the Public Humanities Collaborative in summer 2024, Haile worked with Assistant Professor of Political Science Dang Do on an open resource book to teach residents about state politics and the legislative process. She also participated in last year's "voter captain" campaign led by Do and Associate Professor of Political Science and Public Policy and Law Abigail Fisher Williamson. "The aim was to have each 'captain' we trained get 20 members of their family or communities to vote, causing a chain reaction," Haile says. "It was a perfect combination of my interests in political advocacy and working in the community."

Haile also supports high school students as a tutor and mentor at HMTCA. "The students are genuinely the highlights of my day. It's rewarding

to see the students' academic and personal growth throughout the school year," she says.

"The work is never really done," she adds. "If we want Trinity to be open for everyone, you have to be intentional with the work you're doing and the impact you want to leave. In my next two years at Trinity, I aim to be intentional and grateful to a community and city that exposed me to amazing opportunities."

Left: Aida Haile '27 outside the Park Street Library @ The Lyric, where she volunteered in an endeavor to increase voting; right: Thaddeus Hempel '27 at the Legislative Office Building, where he participated in efforts supporting the child tax credit



AT A GLANCE

CHER involvement
for AY 2024–25

763

Students
participated in
119 community
service events

559

Students were
enrolled in
51 community
learning courses

1,214

Students
participated in
CHER programs

660

Tax returns were
filed for low-
income residents
by students at the
VITA tax clinic

29

Students on
5 Liberal Arts
Action Lab
teams conducted
research on
questions posed by
Hartford partners

361

Trays of food
recovered from
Trinity's dining hall
were delivered to
local shelters

65

HMTCA students
met twice weekly
with **26** Trinity
student mentors

Thaddeus Hempel '27

Hempel grew up engaging in community service projects; his dedication to supporting the public good led him to become an Eagle Scout.

"If you can spend two hours playing a video game or going out and helping someone, it always feels better to help," says Hempel, a mathematics major and philosophy minor from Storrs, Connecticut. "Community service is humbling, and it's an easy way to connect and make a difference, person by person. I've had the opportunity to really make a change. It's one of the things I'm the proudest of in my life."

In his first year at Trinity, Hempel joined the Liberal Arts Action Lab, which pairs Hartford community partners with student and faculty teams from Trinity and Capital Community College on semester-long research projects. "I found a place where I could be myself and be involved," he says of the Action Lab. "I was part of the Family Finance Project. We did research and connected with people about a potential Connecticut child tax credit."

The work included interviewing Hartford residents about their financial situations. "One interviewee, Maria, had us to her house for dinner with her and her son. We had a nice chat, like we were part of her family," Hempel says. The team brought what they learned to state legislators and spoke at a press conference about the tax credit. "I felt empowered, and I

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THADDEUS HEMPEL '27

had the chance to use that empowerment to empower others as well," says Hempel, whose work on the tax credit continued with the United Way.

Like Haile, Hempel also tutors students at HMTCA. "I've really enjoyed engaging with the youth. It feels very productive and helpful," he says. "It's a different kind of community service. Instead of larger communities, you're making a personal difference in someone's life; it's one of the most special things you can do."

When Hempel declared a major in math, he thought he might become a consultant or a banker, but, he says, "I'm about as far from that as I could be now. I'm interested in working with people—either one-on-one like at HMTCA or broad lobbying work like I've done with the Action Lab."

Hempel says that going on runs through the city gives him new perspectives as he talks with Hartford residents along the way. "We can feel so separate, but we're really so close together," he says. "Trinity is located in the middle of a lively community with a lot going on. Whether it's through Cinestudio or programs involving people off campus, I feel like it's very easy for Trinity students to engage with the Hartford community."

Breanna Pitta '27

Volunteering has been part of Pitta's life since she was young, she says. She has helped to organize a benefit soccer tournament for a coach diagnosed with brain cancer, tutored children in immigrant families, and went on a service trip to Rwanda, where she volunteered at a school for orphaned and vulnerable children. "Volunteering," Pitta says, "is something that's always been important to me, and it's how I choose to spend my time."

Coming to Trinity as a Presidential Scholar, Pitta also was interested in opportunities outside of the classroom. Being part of the Community Action Gateway in her first year at Trinity gave her an immediate connection to Hartford, where she is involved in many groups and activities.

Pitta is pursuing majors in environmental science and public policy and law, in addition to a minor in community action. "My brain is pretty science focused, but I want to do something more community facing with my life," she says.

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To that end, Pitta is a tutor for high school students at HMTCA and is president of Trinity's student community service club, JELLO. “We help out at the Wadsworth Atheneum's ‘Second Saturday’ family events, volunteer at Place of Grace Food Pantry twice a week, and have our ‘Week of Service’ in January, when we work with organizations in the Hartford community,” she says.

Pitta's favorite part of the past year, she notes, was serving as a head coach for HMTCA's middle school soccer team. While she captains Trinity's women's club soccer team, she missed coaching younger players, as she did for years in her hometown of Bridgewater, Massachusetts. “It's fun to make someone love soccer as much as you love soccer,” she says.

Alongside Eulalia Esquenet '27, Pitta guided 20 sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-graders—some of whom did not know how to kick a ball at first—all the way to the league championship game. “It was amazing; I was so proud of them,” she says. “Once they understood that I cared about them a lot, they cared about the team a lot, and I think that's what led to our success.”

While Pitta's academic work has led to research opportunities in all three of her fields of study, her career aspirations are in environmental justice or policy, which combine several of her interests. “I have opportunities to share my scientific findings with the community and have them actually mean something,” she says.

Pitta says her time at Trinity has helped her understand how deeply intertwined environmental issues and social issues are and adds, “It's shown me the importance of community.” ●✕◆



Breanna Pitta '27, donning her lucky game-day T-shirt, on the fields of Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy



Robin Sheppard M'76,
professor of physical
education, emerita, and
former associate director
of athletics, guiding
student-athletes during a
women's basketball game



BEYOND WINNING & LOSING

Coaches play key mentoring role

BY KATHY ANDREWS

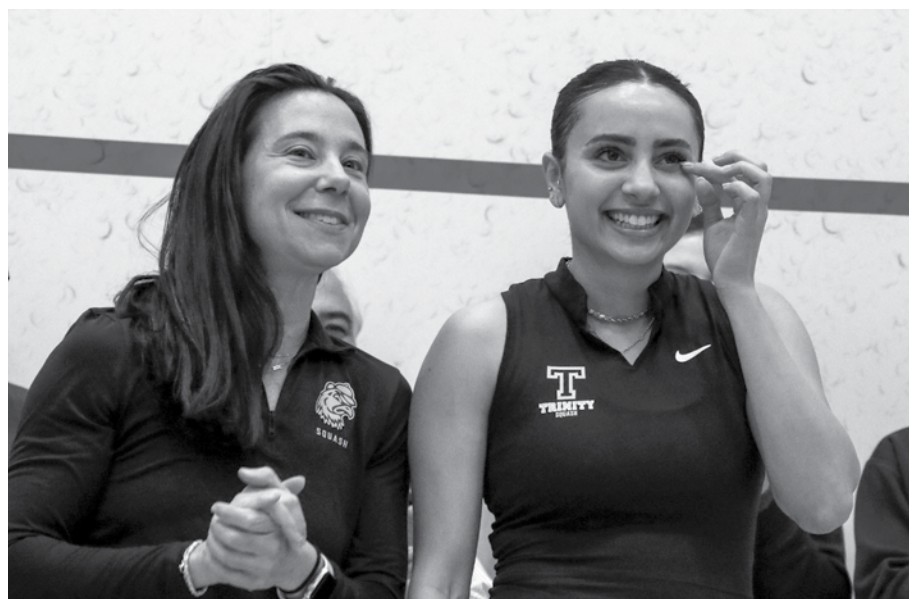
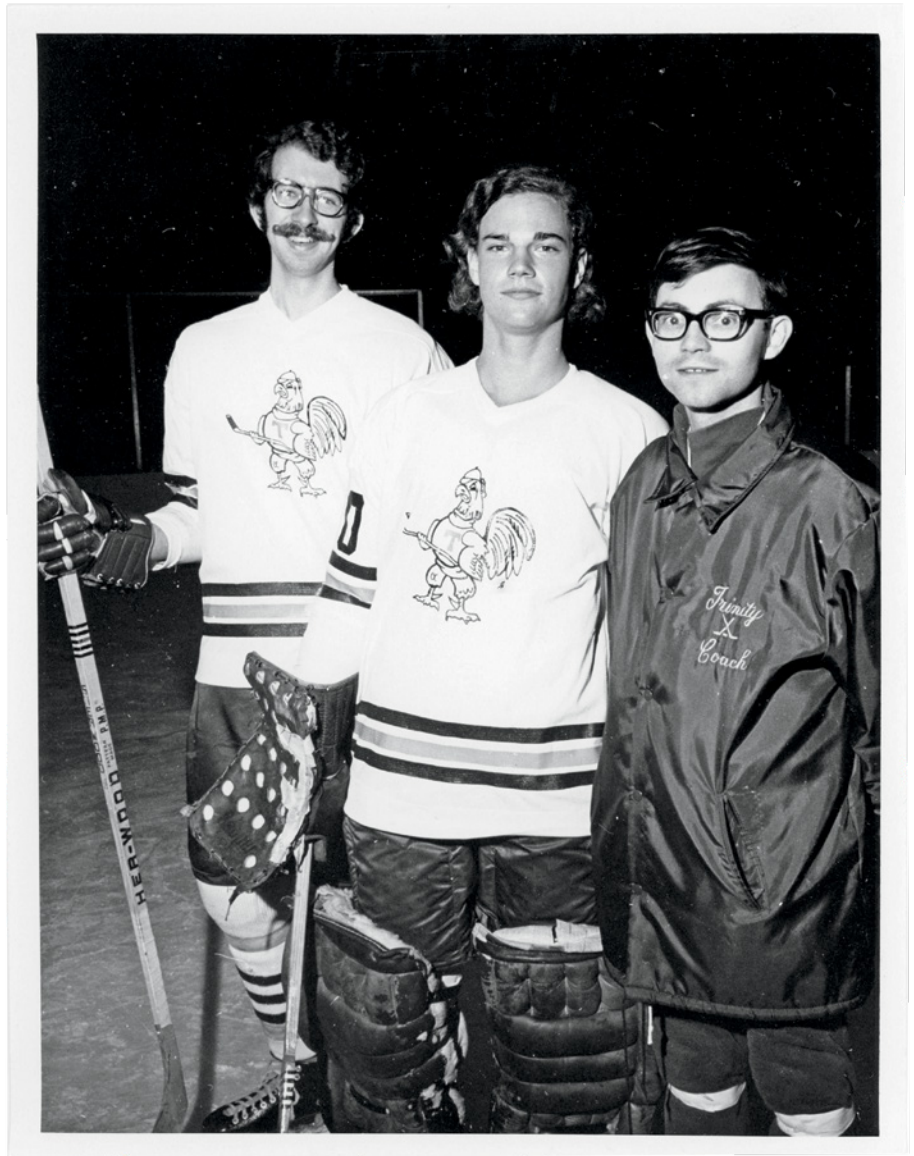
Involvement in intercollegiate athletics is a significant part of the student experience for many at Trinity College, with more than 700 student-athletes participating on 30 varsity teams, supported by 70 coaches and staff. Bantam squads have reached the highest levels of athletic competition, with generations of student-athletes experiencing the thrill of vying for a national title.



In March 2025, two Trinity teams were victorious in achieving such championships: women's squash captured the College Squash Association's (CSA) Women's Team National Championship, the Howe Cup, for a second consecutive year, while men's basketball won its first-ever National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III National Championship. These titles sparked the idea to contemplate the impact of Trinity coaches, who spend long hours guiding student-athletes, including in ways that extend beyond practices and competitions, offering life lessons that transcend athletics. We asked current student-athletes and alumni about the influence of their coaches and also checked in with the latest championship-winning teams' head coaches.

TRUST, RESPECT, AND MORE

Instructor in Physical Education and Head Women's Squash Coach Lauren Patrizio began her first Trinity season in summer 2024. Six months later, she and her team headed to the nationals in Philadelphia—a “full-circle moment” for Patrizio as she returned to her alma mater's campus where she clinched a national championship 25 years ago as captain of the University of Pennsylvania squash team. On the trip down with Trinity's team, Patrizio



PHOTOS (TOP LEFT) COURTESY OF THE TRINITY COLLEGE ARCHIVES; (BOTTOM LEFT, RIGHT) COURTESY OF BANTAM SPORTS

Top left: William Streit Cunningham '77, Franklin "Ted" Judson '77, and former Head Men's Ice Hockey Coach John Dunham; bottom left: Head Women's Squash Coach Lauren Patrizio and Malak Moustafa '25 at the team's Senior Day Ceremony; right, inset: Associate Professor of Physical Education and Marlynn V. and William P. Scully Head Men's Basketball Coach James Cosgrove

made a call to seek words of wisdom from her former UPenn coach, who told her, essentially, "You've got this." Says Patrizio, "I feel lucky to have a mentor like her to support me and continue being a voice in my life."

When it comes to principal themes Patrizio focuses on with her squash players, "Trust, respect, commitment, and communication are all critical," she says. "We also talk a lot about being prepared with the right equipment, making sure you can control what you can control. We regularly do a check-in, asking, 'What's your thermometer, from zero to 100?'" Patrizio notes. "A player might say they're not 100 percent but then surprise themselves with a great practice. It's important to check in with themselves and listen to their bodies."

Women's squash team member Kara Lincou '26 says, "Coach Lauren did an incredible job keeping us calm and focused during the national championship, but what truly stood out was the compassion and trust she showed all season. She consistently supported us—whether we were dealing with injuries, mental health challenges, or nerves before a big match—always with empathy and generosity."

Lincou, a psychology major from Réunion Island, a territory of France located in the Indian Ocean, adds, "Our team is made up almost entirely of international players, which means our coaches do far more than coach. They are our guides—our support system when urgent matters arise, when we're worried about academics or even broader political contexts. In many ways, they've become our family away from home, and I believe that's our greatest strength as a team."

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE

Entering his 16th Trinity season, James Cosgrove, associate professor of physical education and Marlynn V. and William P. Scully Head Men's Basketball Coach, says that when recruiting players, he first looks for attitude, work ethic, and mental toughness. "Finally, we look for talent—it's fourth on the list," says Cosgrove. "I'd much rather have a team of guys with a great attitude and work ethic, who are mentally strong, even if they don't have the most talent, as opposed to guys with a bad attitude, bad work ethic, who aren't mentally strong and have all the talent in the world. I'd rather have that first team any day because they'll beat the crud out of that second team nine times out of 10."

Men's basketball team member Alex Douglas '25 says he learned from Cosgrove that "how you do anything is how you do everything. Having a standard of excellence, almost a perfectionist attitude—that's Coach Cos's expectation," says Douglas. "He wants us to strive for perfection in every aspect of how we contribute to the community, whether in the classroom, on the court, in everything we do."

Douglas, who graduated in May with a B.S. in psychology, appreciates what he calls Cosgrove's never-say-

no attitude. "I think we could play an NBA team and he'd actually go into it trying to win the game. No matter the situation, no matter how much you're down, having someone who's an authority figure who believes in you and believes you're going to win is very important."

Reflecting on his team's first NCAA Division III National Championship, Cosgrove is quick to credit former Trinity Head Coach Stan Ogrodnik, describing him as the "architect" of the men's basketball program. "Stan was one of the reasons I came to Trinity, and he has remained a mentor to me."

This championship is all of ours—former players, coaches, everybody who helped build this tradition," says Cosgrove. "Student-athletes came here because of the strong reputation of Trinity basketball and Trinity academics. Without previous players and coaches, we don't win this."

LIFE LESSONS

Alumni who were inspired by Bantam coaches and now find themselves in the same profession include Renee Olsen Dowd '15, head women's lacrosse coach at Franklin & Marshall College. Dowd says she aims to share with her athletes what she learned from her lacrosse coaches at Trinity, Katy Dissinger Szymanski M'13, associate professor of physical education and head women's



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ALEX DOUGLAS '25 on Associate Professor of Physical Education and Marlynn V. and William P. Scully Head Men's Basketball Coach James Cosgrove



Associate Professor of Physical Education and Head Women's Lacrosse Coach Katy Szymanski M'13 on the sidelines during a game

lacrosse coach, and Kate Livesay M'07, now head women's lacrosse coach at Middlebury College.

"They knew pushing through the hard moments made us better," says Dowd, who majored in economics at Trinity. "That's how I learned the value of hard work, perseverance, and teamwork. With some of the toughest workouts, my teammates and I would push each other, cheer for each other, and pick each other up when we needed it most. That stemmed from our coaches and the culture they were building."

Dowd says Szymanski and Livesay made the team feel like a family. "It's what made practice and bus

rides and games so much fun. We had dinner at our coaches' homes, and that connection is important on the field," says Dowd. "When you're battling for a ground ball in practice against your best friend, you know that competition is for the betterment of the team. When your coach is pushing you to run faster, holding you accountable, you know it's because they see that potential in you. When you have that trust, that's when teams succeed."

Jeff Devanney '93, professor of physical education and head football coach, points to lessons he learned as a Trinity athlete that he and his staff work on with players today,

skills he sees Trinity football alumni exemplify in their postgraduation careers, too.

"I recently spoke to the Trinity Club of Hartford about sustaining success and how doing so as a college athlete correlates to success in business," says Devanney. "First, you learn time-management skills. Juggling the demands of playing football at this level with the challenges of being successful in the classroom teaches you to become a good time manager."

"Second, you develop a strong work ethic. I learned more about working hard by playing sports in college than anything else I had done to that point. Finding a work ethic is paramount to succeeding here and beyond."

"And a third example is grit," says Devanney, who majored in history. "The real world after college is full of adversity. Those who can handle the adversity are those who have grit. Anyone who makes it through four years of college-level football must have grit."

Matt Greason '03, M'10, associate professor of physical education and head men's ice hockey coach, also cites lasting takeaways from his time as a Bantam student-athlete. "I was

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RENEE OLSEN DOWD '15

Professor of Physical Education and Head Football Coach Jeff Devanney '03, right, with Kiel McGee '25 on the way out to Jesse/Miller Field at Tansill Muldoon Stadium for a fall 2024 matchup against Colby College

fortunate enough to have two great coaches here, John Dunham for hockey and Bill Detrick for golf,” says Greason, a Trinity history major who earned an M.A. in American studies.

“From Coach Dunham, I learned the value of not letting your emotions dictate decisions or letting them overwhelm the situation. He was always very level-headed and deliberate; he saw the big picture through what is generally a very emotional game,” says Greason.

“Coach Detrick showed me the importance of passion in everything you do. I can still hear him saying, ‘You gotta have fire in your belly’ when we were getting ready to play golf,” says Greason. “I am lucky I found Trinity and that my coaching mentors shared lessons valuable in life, not just in coaching. I’m also fortunate I can take the passion I discovered as a student-athlete and pass it on to my Trinity hockey players.”

LASTING CONNECTION

“Being a student-athlete was one of the best parts of my experience at Trinity,” says Michael Lenihan '07, who majored in public policy and law and was on the men’s swimming team. Lenihan, founder and CEO of the community engagement nonprofit Public Sentiment, says, “The refrain, ‘If you’re not early, you’re late,’ is one I admit I heard more often than I should have—always cutting it too close to team meetings—but it sank in. I’m never late to work meetings!

“Coach Kristen Noone was both a coach and mentor in and out of the water,” recalls Lenihan. “During summer breaks, she encouraged us to volunteer in an open-water fundraiser for cancer research, Swim Across America, keeping our team spirit



alive and building meaningful and collaborative connections with our NESCAC competitors. The tight-knit friends I made on the swim team, the mental toughness built up through countless laps swum, and the sense of contributing to something bigger than myself are all things I carry proudly with me today.”

Likewise, Betsy Jones '87, executive vice president at EBSCO Clinical Decisions, considers her time on the field hockey and lacrosse teams under Coach Robin Sheppard M'76, professor of physical education, emerita, and former associate director of athletics, still impactful.

“Being a student-athlete demands a high level of commitment—balancing academic responsibilities with athletic excellence,” says Jones, who majored in history at Trinity. “Coach Sheppard consistently fostered dependability, a deep team-first mentality, and a strong understanding of each player’s

strengths and roles. Our shared commitment acted as an unspoken agreement, and our focus on both winning and learning from losses made us better,” says Jones.

“I believe I’ve been successful in business by carrying these same principles forward—leading and participating in teams built on trust, shared purpose, and accountability,” adds Jones. “In both sports and business, the foundation of great teams is the same: commitment, clarity, connection, and a relentless focus on outcomes. My experience at Trinity continues to shape how I lead and collaborate today.” ♦ ♦ ♦

Do you have a story to share about your favorite Bantam coach? Please email your recollections to sonya.adams@trincoll.edu.

The impact of ALL IN

**Historic campaign sets stage
for success of future generations**



↑ N. Louis Shipley '85, Kathryn Tyree '86, Shay Ajayi '16, and John Howard '74 serve as judges for January 2024's Summit Innovation Challenge, an annual *Shark Tank*-style competition led by Trinity's Entrepreneurship Center, with Tyree Fellows pitching their inventions.

→ Joanne Berger-Sweeney, Peter Duncan '81, P'13, '14, Elissa Raether Kovas '93, P'25, and Bill Scully '61, H'18, GP'28, '29 commemorate the opening of the new Wellness and Recreation Center—now named the Scully Center—with a ribbon cutting in April 2025.

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TRINITY COLLEGE'S All In campaign, which came to a close on June 30, 2025, was a transformative effort that raised \$438,995,922 in support of the College's most critical priorities. This achievement was driven by people and designed for people—reflecting the unwavering commitment of alumni, families, and friends who believe in the power of a Trinity education. Their generosity has strengthened the institution at a pivotal moment, ensuring that as Trinity enters its third century, it does so with renewed purpose, enduring stability, and a bold vision for the future.

Former President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, whose 11-year tenure also ended on that same date in June, says she considers All In to be more than a campaign. "It was a collective act of belief in Trinity's future," she says. "It would not have been possible without the tens of thousands of alumni, parents, students, faculty, staff, and friends who gave generously and wholeheartedly. On behalf of Trinity College, we extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who went all in for this extraordinary effort."



The opportunity of a Trinity education

The All In campaign has made remarkable progress in laying the foundation for Trinity's future—through strengthened financial aid endowments and robust support for the Trinity College Fund. This foundation is essential; without it, nothing else is possible. With an expanding endowment restricted to financial aid and an unrestricted fund that continues to grow year after year, the path ahead is full of promise.



↑ Campus community members prepare for a hands-on garden cleanup during Orientation 2024, part of the “Sustainable Trinity, Sustainable Hartford” program.



↑ Students take part in the immersive and intensive Tuck Business Bridge program—run in partnership with the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College and made possible by the Raether Family Charitable Trust—during J-Term 2025. Participant Emma Baskin '27 says she considers her involvement to be “an incredibly exciting and defining moment in my Trinity experience.” The film studies and public policy and law major says, “I’ve often found myself navigating between creative storytelling and critical thinking, and Bridge gave me the tools to bring those two worlds together in a whole new way. I found it very empowering to dive into finance, economics, marketing, and strategy in such a fast-paced environment, especially coming from a non-business background.”



➤ “The opportunity to attend Trinity was made possible by the generosity of those who came before me—supporters of the Trinity Fund and financial aid. Their investment changed my life. My leadership in this campaign is a way to honor that legacy and help pave the way for future generations.” Trustee Henry Mallari-D'Auria '83, All In Co-Chair

“Trinity has offered me an environment defined by involvement and connection, one that has pushed me to elevate my academic discipline through curiosity and rigor. Trinity's liberal arts framework gave me the freedom to pursue ideas beyond my comfort zone, prompting unexpected academic interests that have since become central to my studies. Every alum I've spoken with has been thoughtful and sincerely engaged in learning about my experience. Through those conversations and daily life on campus, I've built relationships that continue to shape my growth and perspective at Trinity.”

OWEN PETROPULOS '28

“As a first-generation college student, navigating college hasn't always been easy, but Trinity has truly transformed me. Thanks to the support of the Bancroft Family Scholarship and the Henry Mallari D'Auria '83 Scholarship, I've been able to fully dedicate myself to academic and personal growth. Majoring in political science, I've developed a deep interest in corporate law and cybersecurity, and Trinity has given me the tools and confidence to turn that vision into a career.”

ABDOUL DIALLO '26

Living and learning at Trinity

Today's students are eager for immersive experiences that not only prepare them for a dynamic and evolving workforce but also shape their personal growth and perspective. Experiential learning—whether through research, internships, or global study—strengthens critical and independent thinking, enriches classroom education, and opens doors to new possibilities. Through this campaign, Trinity has significantly expanded both the scope and accessibility of these transformational opportunities through the Trinity Plus curriculum. From summer research projects and competitive internships to study-away programs across the globe, our students are exploring the world and their place in it. These experiences are redefining what it means to live and learn at Trinity, and they will leave a lasting impact on generations to come.

“The All In campaign is a testament to the power of a Trinity liberal arts education. Thanks to the generosity of alumni and families, the campaign will enhance academic excellence and Trinity's national reputation. From investing in the Trinity Plus curriculum, including internships, research experiences, global engagement seminars, student-facing leadership, new entrepreneurship offerings, and innovative J-Term opportunities, to advancing faculty development, the campaign will impact the core of our students' academic experiences and Trinity's capacity to recruit and support exceptional faculty for generations.”

SONIA CARDENAS, DEAN OF THE FACULTY AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

OTHER TRINITY PLUS OPPORTUNITIES

THE KAUFF JACOBSON AND SCHNADIG FELLOWS PROGRAMS and the **CATALYST SUMMER INTERNSHIP FUND** provide internship opportunities to students, allowing them to develop industry-related skills and invaluable professional and nonprofit experience.

THE DANNY MEYER GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT ENDOWMENT offers students access to global engagement seminars on Trinity's Rome Campus, giving every student the opportunity to have the transformative experience of studying abroad.

THE JOANNE BERGER-SWEENEY SUMMER RESEARCH FUND IN THE SCIENCES gives students the chance to collaborate with faculty members on research projects during the summer. Through the Summer Research Program, students receive a stipend and on-campus housing.



↑ A first-year student takes part in Orientation 2024's Invention, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship program, part of a suite of entrepreneurship opportunities at Trinity. The Tyree Innovation Fellowship (TIF) program aims to equip first- and second-year students with the fundamental skills to cultivate entrepreneurial and innovative mindsets that are essential to grow and succeed in their postcollege career. Ralston Raphael '27, a second-year Tyree Fellow who won the Tyree Innovation Fellowship Award at Honors Day 2025, said that the two-year program had a “tremendous impact” on him. “My passion for entrepreneurship is fueled by a love of solving hard problems, building businesses, and exploring the venture capital space,” Raphael says. “TIF has helped me take meaningful steps toward those goals.”



↑ “Today's Trinity students have educational opportunities that distinctively combine exposure to outstanding faculty with various real-world, for-credit experiences. Thanks to the success of this campaign, our students now have the resources they need to access customized internship and entrepreneurship/innovation experiences beyond the classroom—preparing them for life after Trinity, both academically and professionally.” Trustee Dave Schnadig '86, All In Co-Chair

Leadership and innovation

From faculty to coaches to staff, every member of our community leaves a profound and lasting impact on our students. Thanks to this campaign, that tradition will endure for generations to come. Investing in people is essential to the success of any liberal arts institution. Our faculty, staff, and leaders are not just representatives of our mission—they are our mission. They are our greatest differentiator and the heart of our community. Through this campaign, we have secured critical resources to recruit and retain top talent and to ensure that our human enterprise continues to thrive. Our people make this place so extraordinary—and they will continue to distinguish us in an ever-changing world.

→ Associate Professor of Mathematics Kirsti Kuenzel works with a student in an abstract algebra class in fall 2024. The All In campaign raised critical funds to support faculty development.



↑ Ruane Family Executive Director of Innovation and Entrepreneurship Danny Briere, standing, whose position was endowed by the Ruane family during the campaign, collaborates with students in fall 2022.



↑ “Through the All In campaign, we have made tremendous strides in supporting Trinity’s greatest asset—our people. Trinity stands apart for attracting top talent across disciplines, and our students benefit for a lifetime. We are deeply grateful to all who have invested in their continued success.” Former Board of Trustees Chair Cornie P. Thornburgh ’80, H’22, All In Co-Chair

➤ Marlynn V. and William P. Scully Head Men’s Basketball Coach James Cosgrove speaks with players during the 2024 season. In 2025, the team won its first-ever NCAA Division III National Championship. Cosgrove, who was selected as the 2025 National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Division III Coach of the Year, led the Bantams to a 30–3 record and their second straight New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) Championship.



→ Ben Carbonetti, director of the Human Rights Studies Program and senior lecturer in human rights studies, teaches a class in spring 2025. Support from Everett Elting Jr. ’58, P’85, ’87 and wife Joanne P’85, ’87 allowed the hiring of the program’s first endowed faculty member, Christina Heatherton, associate professor of American studies and Everett and Joanne Elting Associate Professor for Human Rights and Global Citizenship.



ALL IN moments



↑ Trustee Emeritus Douglas T. Tansill '61, P'91, '96 and former board chairs Cornie P. Thornburgh '80, H'20 and Paul E. Raether '68, H'14, P'93, '96, '00, GP'25 attend the launch of the campaign in November 2023 at Gotham Hall in New York City.



↑ Liz Elting '87 attends her book-signing party—and celebrates the 10th anniversary of the Elizabeth Elting Foundation Venture Conference—in April 2024.



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↑ Former Board of Trustees Chair Tom Johnson '62, H'05, P'97, right, and wife Ann Johnson P'97 celebrate 50 years of Trinity's Rome Campus in March 2023.



↑ Siblings Peter L. Borges '80, Joaquina Borges King, Francesca Borges Gordon '82, Maria Borges Correia '85, and Francisco L. "Frank" Borges '74 attend the April 2023 dedication ceremony of The Manuel and Maria Luisa Lopes Borges Admissions Center—also known as The Borges Admissions Center—named in honor of their parents.

Heartfelt thanks

“As this extraordinary campaign comes to a close, I am filled with immense gratitude—particularly for the unwavering dedication of our Campaign Executive Committee. Your generous commitment of both time and treasure has been instrumental in bringing this bold vision to life. Because of your leadership, countless Bantams—today and for generations to come—will benefit from the opportunities made possible through this campaign.

“On behalf of former President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, our Board of Trustees, and the Executive Committee, I also want to celebrate the remarkable work of Trinity’s Advancement team. Their energy, skill, and determination carried us forward every step of the way. They inspired us, rallied us, and reminded us what’s possible when we’re all in.

“From the bottom of my heart, thank you.”

LISA BISACCIA '78, CHAIR OF TRINITY’S BOARD OF TRUSTEES



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↑ As donors gather on April 28, 2025, at Jazz at Lincoln Center to celebrate the campaign's accomplishments, chart-topping singer-songwriter Rachel Platten '03 joins The Chapel Singers, led by Christopher Houlihan '09, and the Trinitones in concert to thank the parents, alumni, and friends in attendance for their generosity.

By the numbers

Total contributions:

\$438,995,922

Number of donors:

26,857

Gifts through the Trinity College Fund:

\$74,712,786

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\$109,434,121

New bequest intentions:

\$96,638,737



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Join the Elms Society, a community of visionaries who have made a commitment to the future. The Elms Society recognizes alumni, parents, and friends who have notified Trinity of their estate plans or made a gift through a planned gift vehicle. Named for one of our campus treasures, the Elms Society recognizes the importance of giving in Trinity's history and future vitality.

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To learn more about planned giving options and how you can become a member of the Elms Society, contact Megan Baumgartner at megan.baumgartner@trincoll.edu or 860-297-2006.

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Class Notes

1945 **Dick Levitt** celebrated his 80th Trinity College Reunion with a party at the Zachs Hillel House. A great time was had by all.

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1952 **Vice President: John E. Taylor • Secretary: Finley Schaef, finley.schaef.1952@trincoll.edu**

1953 **President: John A. North Jr. • Secretary: Vacant**
Philip Joseph Mallon died peacefully in Boynton Beach, Florida, on October 17, 2024. His children and grandchildren were by his side sharing love, comfort, and fond memories. He had a remarkable gift for making every day count in his 92 years. Philip's daughter, Linda Mallon '77, shared this news with Trinity.

1954 **President: Albert L. Smith Jr. • Vice President: Alexander J. "Sandy" Campbell • Secretary: Robert A. Wolff, robert.wolff.1954@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Alexander J. "Sandy" Campbell II**

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

When **Lou Magelaner** and I got together on the phone this past April, I sincerely thought the Class of 1955 was going to be different. Lou and I, along with **Craig Mehldau**, **Greg Petrakis**, and **Ed Yeomans**, were going to be the nucleus for making the Class of '55 unique by organizing a Trinity 70th Reunion celebration. But this group of elderly gents just couldn't pull it off. By June 2025, each of us had health or physical challenges that made that dream not to be. Also, I had been on the phone with **Bill Gardiner**, **Bob Welsh**, **Dick Ferraro**, and **Irwin Meiselman**, who by their proximity to Hartford, might be able to join us. But again, the challenges of the 90s prevented their participation. Almost all, including your secretary, have had recent changes in their mobility for themselves or their spouses. Those who continually still appear to be in unusually good fitness for

our age are **Tom Bolger**, **Dave Dimling**, **Warren Gelman**, **Charlie Eberle**, and **Charlie Gardner**, all who reside some distance from Trinity. To those I have not included in this report, I would enjoy hearing from each one of you. Please contact me via my new email address ewadeclose@gmail.com. Blessings.

1956 **President: Henry Zachs • Vice President: David Taylor • Secretary: Bruce N. Macdonald, bruce.macdonald.1956@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Dick Abbott, Ned Montgomery, Phillip Stiles, David Taylor, Henry Zachs**

Phil Stiles wrote an interesting and newsy email about his life in Cary, North Carolina. He and wife Elise are active in their community. They host a large family gathering every two years, and this year it will be in nearby Hendersonville. Phil is very involved with music and leads performances of a recorder group, even teaching half the musicians in the group. His career postgraduation was an academic one. He acquired a Ph.D. in physics at Penn State, taught research and administration at Brown University for 23 years, and then taught at North Carolina State for eight years. Phil has also won some significant awards, including The Wetherill Medal from the Franklin Institute and the Buckley Prize, all it seems, in the field of physics. Yet perhaps the most significant, he and Elise have raised six children. Not easy. Bravo.

Charlie Stehle called to give me an update of his recovery from a nasty fall last year at his home outside Philadelphia. He uses a walker, maybe now just a cane, and says he is getting back his strength. His son, Causten '88, visited earlier this year to help his dad.

David Taylor talked with **David Hoare** on his birthday (last May). They live in Camillus, New York, and he and wife Sharon are busy and happy. He said that he looks forward to an annual family reunion next October at Ocean City, New Jersey. He told David that he also uses a cane for walking. I (**Bruce Macdonald**) also know the experience. I fell in January during an ice storm in Virginia and broke my hip. I use a cane and am mending, but it has slowed me down considerably. David also checked in with **Rodney Smith** in March. Rodney communicated that

all was well and that he continues to love life in Palm Desert, California (near Palm Springs). Understandable, Rodney. It's a beautiful area.

Phil Kotch wrote me in March to bring me up-to-date on his life. He has been a lifelong skier but recently gave it up—too much effort getting into his ski clothes, boots, etc. He did ski up until age 85, which is impressive. I know the feeling; I did the same. Phil lives in Newtown, Connecticut, and had a distinguished career in medicine: a graduate of the Tufts School of Medicine, then a practicing surgeon in Danbury, Connecticut.

Kenny Weisburger sent another collection of gags. One of the best was: "On a positive note, you are now too old to have a midlife crisis."

Henry Zachs was the keynote speaker last March at Hartford's historic Wadsworth Atheneum; 450 people attended the event. Henry was honored for his philanthropic work in the Hartford area. Well deserved, and we congratulate you, Henry.

Finally, sad news. **Roger Martin's** son Brad writes that his dad passed away in June. Roger had a distinguished career as an academic. He earned a Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University and achieved success in a number of endeavors: first with General Electric, then with Aetna, and finally teaching at Keene State University (as well as several other schools). I found this comment in our alumni notes from back in 2006. He said, "Be busy, but take time to appreciate beauty." Amen.

1957 **President: Ward S. Curran • Vice President: Donald B. Stokes • Secretary: James G. Kenefick Jr., james.kenefick.1957@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Ward S. Curran, Neil Day, Donald B. Stokes, Melvin Tews, Frederick M. Tobin**

Fred Tobin has resigned as our class secretary after keeping us informed about one another. He has done this with distinction and good humor for 68 years. Thank you, Fred, for a job well done. We will miss your comments about each one of us. Fred asked me to take over for him. I have agreed and hope I can come close to the good quality of reporting we have received from Fred over the years. Rest assured, if you write to me, I will include your news (unless you ask me not to).

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Fred reports that he and Carol still split their time between Sarasota, Florida, and Bromley Mountain in Peru, Vermont. They recently had lunch with **Vinny Bruno** and his wife in Florida, although they are in Vermont for the summer.

Fred also reports that **Russell W. Partridge** passed away peacefully on June 24, 2024. An obituary appeared in the winter 2025 *Trinity Reporter*, and there is a nice obituary in *The Hartford Courant*. Russ was married to Martha Ray “Marty” Angrave of Waterbury. They raised three children in Wethersfield, Connecticut, and were blessed with six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter, with another on the way. May he rest in peace.

Jerry Channell reports that not much has changed with him. Wants to keep hearing about the rest of us. Enjoys reading it.

Laird Mortimer says that he “was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II during his 10-year term as the American Hospitaler to the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.” He recruited several American ophthalmologists and millions of dollars of medicine and supplies for the dozen Palestinian eye hospitals in the West Bank. He made many trips to the Holy Land during this decade. His wife, Ann, was a tremendous assistant.

I received a nice note from **Bob Couch**. He writes, “I was at Trinity for only a couple years and didn’t get to know that many people except for the guys who lived in Psi U. Right after my graduation from Trinity, I joined the faculty at Williston Academy, which later merged with Northampton School for Girls, and taught there until I retired in ’97. My wife and I have lived in Easthampton since then and, with Williston nearby, continued to be involved with the school, recording varsity team pictures that are displayed on a wall in the gym. Williston, like Trinity, has a reunion every year that, unfortunately, has always coincided with Trinity’s, which made it difficult for me to get back there, too. Although I attended Trinity

for a short time, I wish it was a four-year experience. I loved it. Two of my daughters went there and did well in academics and athletics, and my wife and I got to go to many of their games. As the coinciding reunions approach in less than two weeks, I’ll be celebrating my 75th Williston reunion and will be involved with a couple of events, one of which is being inducted into the Williston Hall of Fame for my role in maintaining the team picture display for a few years.” Congratulations, Bob. Hope you can make it to our 70th Reunion in June 2027.

I have been in touch with **Mel** and **Norene Tews** in Sun City, Florida. They are well and have survived the storms in Florida without suffering any damage.

Ward Curran reports that he and wife Kathy are in an assisted living facility in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. He is working on a novel about a boy and his grandfather, which is largely autobiographical. He hopes to finish it by the end of the year. I’m asking Ward to let us know how we can get a copy when it’s finished. Looking forward to reading it.

Your newly appointed class secretary is still banging the gavel (as Fred would put it) in court three days a week. Hope to hear from everyone with news that is fit to print.

1958 Vice President: Mike Zoob • Secretary: John L. Thompson, john.thompson.1958@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Joseph J. Repole Jr.

Despite climate change, high tariffs, accumulating birthdays in the high 80s, and losing to Wesleyan, some ’58s prevail and have written.

Time marches on for **Bordie Painter**. At Reunions, he spent time as an honored guest of the Class of 1985 and, similarly, with 1975 at their 50th.

For some of us, even at our fruitful age, some things are eternal. For **Joe Repole**, 100 miles is still routine. Last year he peddled 4,828 miles! All that is impressive, but more so, Joe still holds season tickets for the Red Sox and met Carleton Fisk and appeared on the big screen. He has not yet been asked to be the designated hitter—not yet!

As you know from past reports, no one travels like **Pete Smith**. Took his seventh Viking trip from Barcelona to Bergen, Norway. Spent summertime reopening the cottage in Salisbury/Twin Lakes. Says he planted 25 pieces just before Erik ’86 and Annika ’88 visited with grandchildren. Not as much tennis as he wished due to rain.

Tom Barrett writes that he is alive and well for an 89-year-old. As an “old foggy” he has problems, but they are manageable. Since the loss of wife, Andy, he involves and relies often on his five children, all in their 60s, six grandchildren, all in their 30s, and two great-grandkids. From his point of view, they carry on the circle of life as they deal with the messed-up world we live in. He says he keeps busy “writing the last chapter of his book of life.”

I am increasingly engaged supporting the Palm Beach Dramaworks regional theater. My New York actor son John ’81 performs here annually, most recently portraying Henry Ford in *Camping with Henry and Tom*.

1959 President: Robert D. Coykendall • Vice President: William R. Abeles Sr. • Secretary: Robert L. Harnish, robert.harnish.1959@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Robert D. Coykendall

Charlie Nichols is waiting for good weather to enjoy “cars and coffee” on Saturdays with his antique cars.

Charlie Beristain still does 50–60-mile loops around Central Connecticut on his bicycle but has stopped the technical mountain biking. A grandson graduated from Syracuse University with a master’s degree in aeronautical engineering but no jobs because of funding cuts, so he is staying to get his doctorate.

We hear that **Herb Moorin** continues to work on his memoirs, although he is no longer inclined to spend 12 hours at a time on it.

From the East Coast of Florida, **Ken Lessall** says he enjoys summer with fewer snowbirds despite the threat of hurricanes. Otherwise, he is trying to stay safe and fit.

Paul Kardon and Shep enjoyed a visit in Naples from **Ken Lessall**, who drove across Florida for a Trinity Club of Southwest Florida meeting.

Shep Scheinberg tells me he is writing songs as a hobby and then uses AI in the form of an app named Suno that allows him to insert his lyrics. The app creates the music and vocals. He instructs the app as to style, say, Spanish ballad and male vocal.

Bill Abeles writes that he enjoyed the 65th Reunion in 2024 and two Trinity baseball games this spring (nice wins against Tufts). Some at the 65th might have seen the life-size photo of our class soccer star, **Jon Widing**, adorning the walkway to the field house addition, which has been named for

Bill Scully '61. Scully was made an honorary member of our class after he honored Brigadier General **Jon Reynolds**. Many of you may remember that Jon was a POW for seven years in North Vietnam and later served as a military attaché to China.

As for me, **Bob Harnish**, I'm still aging in place, though Nancy and I recently made the decision to put our names on the waiting list of a senior community next to Middlebury College here in Middlebury, Vermont. Eastview at Middlebury is located on the edge of the campus and is easy walking distance to the town. Waiting time is typically two to three years, and you can stay on the waiting list if not ready to make the change. Otherwise, I stay busy maintaining my property of house, barn with apartment, and 17 acres . . . mowing, bush-hogging, and turning dead trees into split logs for fireplace and wood stove. I have read many good books lately, but I especially enjoyed *The Wide Wide Sea* by Hampton Sides on the final voyage of Captain James Cook.

1960 President: George P. Kroh

• Vice President: Murray H.

Morse Jr. • Secretary: **Edward M. Cimilluca**, edward.cimilluca.1960@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Edward M. Cimilluca**, **George P. Kroh**, **Charles J. Middleton**, **Murray H. Morse Jr.** The highlight of this past spring undoubtedly was our 65th Reunion in early June. By all accounts, everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. Among the highlights was a wonderful memorial service held in the Chapel and put together by **Skip Morse**, who put in yeoman's work. We honored the 115 classmates who have passed away with a series of heartfelt remembrances that were very moving.

We had a record turnout of classmates eclipsing any past 65th Reunion. The Reunion Committee initially budgeted a turnout of 10–12 classmates and instead ended up with 20: **Tim Baum**, **Throop Bergh**, **Charley Bergmann**, **Carrington Clark**, **Jim Gavin**, **Croft Jennings**, **Bob Johnson**, **George Kroh**, **Jack LaMothe**, **Matt Levine**, **Ken Lyons**, **Charley Middleton**, **Skip Morse**, **Bob Pedemonti**, **George Raynor**, **Bruce Rockwell**, **Barry Royden**, **Curt Scribner**, **Pete Thomas**, and yours truly. Amazing.

The class also set new records for unrestricted fundraising in the current year for any 65th Reunion class, reaching almost \$100,000. We also set a new comprehensive class gift record—counting all gifts since our last Reunion—approaching \$5 million.

Other highlights were a wonderful class dinner headlined by men's basketball coach **Jim Cosgrove**, whose team won the Division III national championship. **Matt Levine** is to be commended for getting many of us to wear a jersey celebrating the team's victory. In addition, we had a wonderful tour of the spectacular new wellness center. All in all, even though it was raining, I think it's fair to say a good time was had by all, and the memory will certainly linger.

In other news, we came across an interesting article in *The New York Times* about classmate **Malcolm Barlow**, the co-owner of a historic farm in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. The farm is 250 years old, and Mal has been involved with it since he was a young child coming over from England to escape the war in Europe.

Ernie Haddad was unable to make the Reunion for the very understandable reason he was in Japan at the graduation of his granddaughter, **Chloe**. **Chloe** is the daughter of **Ernie's** son **Scott '90**, who graduated with my daughter, **Courtney**.

John Flynn dropped us a note detailing an incredible number of trips on his bucket list, including California, Alaska, Montana, Boston, and Martha's Vineyard. Nice going, **John**.

Lastly, on a sad note, we learned of the passing of **Sarah Peterson**, **Marv's** wonderful wife of 64 years. Our condolences go out to **Marv** and his family.

John LaMothe reports: "June has been a month of fun and joy. A record number of our class returned to the 65th Reunion. Thanks to **Ed Cimilluca** for shepherding our group. Bunked with the 1960 basketball team, **Charles Bergman**, **James Gavin**, **Barry Roydan**, and **Kenny Lyons**, and missed **Marv Peterson**. Also, the graduation of **Taylor Ladd**, son of **Barrett LaMothe Ladd '91**, who will be going to **Fairfield University**."

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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**

Peter Kilborn has joined the ranks of great-grandparents, with **Scarlet** being born last April.

As this issue details, Trinity's state-of-the-art wellness and recreation center named the **Scully Center** was dedicated in April, with **Doug Tansill** in attendance. **Marlynn GP'28**,

'29 and **Bill Scully**, **H'18**, **GP'28**, **'29** are lead donors to the project and lifelong supporters of the College.

Our class president. Mountain biking pioneer. Adventure writer/photographer. Mayor. Jazz maven. Renaissance man. **Bob Woodward** passed away peacefully in hospice care on March 7 at age 85 after a long struggle with Parkinson's. He leaves his wife and companion of 52 years, **Eileen**, two sons, two stepchildren, four grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter. The California native and Fountain Valley (CO) School graduate's many Trinity activities included St. Anthony Hall, varsity track, the Sophomore Dining Club, and the Crucifers. After graduation, **Bob** worked as a laborer during the fall grape crush in the Napa Valley before becoming a securities trader and transitioning to computer hardware sales. He dropped out of corporate America and became a part-time chef and an apartment building manager in Berkeley. An avid backpacker, **Bob** joined **Sierra Designs** as a retail clerk in 1970 and took over the company's retail operations a year later. He was urged to write his Norwegian ski experiences for a new magazine, *Nordic World*, and his transition from retailer to freelance writer and photographer began. He covered Nordic skiing events at five Olympic Games and propelled the sport of mountain biking with rider profiles and acclaimed guidebooks, all while winning medals at the Mountain Bike World Championships in California.

His wide range of outdoor activities included whitewater paddling, climbing, and Nordic skiing. In the late 1970s, he was among the first paddlers to kayak a non-stop run of the Deschutes River Trail from Riverhouse to Tumalo State Park and was in the first wave of professional rafting guides working on the Big Eddy stretch of the river in the early 1980s. **Bob** helped establish **Bend, Oregon**, as a mecca of outdoor pursuits, and his nonconformist campaign to regulate the city's growth landed him in the mayor's office in the 1990s. Along the way, he acted in community theater, co-founded a sketch comedy group, and hosted a jazz radio program.

Bob was a frequent and colorful Reunion presence; **Peter Kilborn**, who wrote about him for *The New York Times* when **Bob** was mayor of **Bend**, remembers his showing up for our 25th Reunion with a proper blazer and pajama bottoms. **Peter** recalls, "A few years ago, he showed me around as **Bend** began luring rich settlers from

California; he bristled as developers and their allies swarmed. For a city election, he and three like-minded men formed a slate to displace them. They called themselves Guys without Ties."

At our 50th, he was the roving photographer, snapping and sending great pictures of all and sundry '61ers. We kept in touch with jazz tracks; naturally, he seems to have seen and heard all the greats. His last offering arrived a few days before he died: pianist Monty Alexander's "Think Twice."

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
Classmates! Fred Pryor and John Densem here, hoping that you have had a good 2025 so far.

Contributions to this column were fairly thin, but here's what came in.

Peter Bundy continues to publish op-ed pieces under the moniker of *The Hermit Herald*. They aren't available on a website, but you can be added to his email distribution list by request to Peter at bundytf@aol.com. His early writings are published in two paperbacks available on Amazon. Thought-provoking stuff! Thank you, Peter!

Good news on the medical front! **David Arp** writes from Plano, Texas, that he has gone through a successful heart-related procedure called TAVR (transcatheter aortic valve replacement), which took just an hour. He notes that he was discharged the next day, with only the need to wear a heart monitor for a month. Great result, David!

Don Pine says he still enjoys exercise classes, table tennis, and good conversations in his retirement community. He adds that he's extending his medical involvement by working on "narrative essays about medical practice and advocating for single payer." He and wife Sharon no longer drive, but they enjoy using their local ride services.

Bill Polk writes that he and wife LuAnn are very happy in their retirement community, enjoying socializing, concerts, speakers, and good medical care but "no cooking." He notes that their families are grateful they moved into a retirement community when they did.

Don Woodruff writes that he has completed his 59th year of "laboring in education." Having lost his wife, Mary, two years ago, he notes that there's not much to each of his

days except "hack(ing) a golf game now and then and (being a) ref (for) a middle school game" plus time with his families and "a good book or two."

Lou Renza sends a heartfelt comment: "I don't know, but at our age, I sometimes find it necessary to shut out the (to me) frightening political noise and just reflect, say, with a poetic meditation." Helpful advice!

Finally, from your co-secretary, **John Densem**, a world traveler: "I retraced my steps from California to Perth, Australia, this past March, to again attempt taking a tourist train eastbound across Australia. This year, the train (34 railway cars long, at 75 feet per car; you do the math) did leave the station! In March 2024, I was on board, and it didn't leave the station. My international travels will be curtailed until border crossings are again not of concern, except it appears that crossing the Canadian border is still safe for those carrying a U.S. passport. Only time will tell." Please feed the '62 Bantam!

1963 **President:** Timothy F. Lenicheck • **Vice President:** Mike Schulenberg • **Secretary:** Thomas E. Calabrese, thomas.calabrese.1963@trincoll.edu • **Class Agent:** Scott Reynolds
Dear fellow Trinity alums, here are a few news items from the Class of 1963:

From **Pete Sherin**: "My partner is Joyce Gell, whom I met aboard a ship going to Italy in 1962 and then hadn't seen again until 2021. We were two political junkies, both widowed and possessing a passion for urban life, who serendipitously crossed paths again after a barrage of political tweets! We got together in Providence and have been together since. Needing a change from the national overdosing of CNN, MSNBC, and Fox, we started to plan a trip for a couple weeks out of the country. With so many unwanted 'what ifs' just about everywhere considered (the list seems to expand with age!), we had an out-of-the-box idea. What if we spent the money planned to fly out of the country for two weeks and instead drove to New York City and indulged ourselves with a very comfortable hotel, ate at the best restaurants, and bought great seats for the two hottest plays on Broadway for a long weekend? And that's exactly what we did and came home glowing from the Big Apple binge and no jet lag!"

From **Charlie McGill**: "Reporting that our eldest grandchild just graduated from Vanderbilt University and starts in investment banking at JPMorgan Chase

in June. His brother just graduated from Lawrenceville Academy and will attend Boston College. Their mother, Amy McGill Dilatush '94, welcomed the Trinity Class of 2025 at graduation as the newest members of the Trinity College Alumni Association, which she heads as its president."

From **Eli Karson**: "Picking up where I left off: In February, my visit with Lisa and **Rich Wheelock** on Hawaii was once again a delight. I am making this an annual event! In March, thanks to a cancellation, Dan Strammello '64 invited me to join him on a four-day trip to Guadalajara with his new associate, Abigail, who hails from nearby Ajijic on Lake Chapala. I flew from Phoenix, while Dan and Abigail came from Denver. We met at the airport, where a car was waiting. She made spectacular arrangements for the old guys, a 27-story luxury high-rise with amazing views. The area was very much like Buckhead, the uptown district of Atlanta, a total surprise. Two days in this impressive city included a tour and a performance at the philharmonic and then on to meet her family in Ajijic, a delightful little town with a large ex-pat community. Now I am about to leave for Greece with a two-day layover in Somerville, Massachusetts, where I will visit with Emese and **Tim Lenicheck**, just in time to inspect progress on their very major renovation."

1964 **Secretary:** Robert A. Spencer, robert.spencer.1964@trincoll.edu • **Class Agent:** Robert Spencer

1965 **President:** David O. Williams • **Vice President:** Jon D. Simonian • **Secretary:** Robert D. DePietro Jr., robert.depietro.1965@trincoll.edu • **Class Agent:** Robert H. Mason

Unfortunately, I missed the College's Reunion due to being ill. But thanks to my former roommate and the class vice president, **Jon Simonian**, we have the benefit of his notes, and I am including them here. Please share any questions or comments as well as anything else of possible interest.

Jon reports, "In the spring of 1961, about 300–325 acceptance letters went out to applicants, offering them admission to Trinity College starting in September 1961; 272 accepted and matriculated as the Class of 1965, and 245 graduated as the Class of 1965. Since then, the College has maintained contact with 192 members of the class and has been notified of the passing of 80 class members.

"On June 5–8, 18 members of the Class of 1965 gathered for our 60th Reunion. It was a wonderful experience. The 18 members were: **Ed Gamson, Dick Gann, Joe Goldberg, Phil Hopke, Dave Hornfischer, Lou Huskins, Jerry Liebowitz, Eric Lodge, John Losse, Bob Mason, Dick Meck, Sebby Mozzicato, Brewster Perkins, Fred Prillaman, Jon Simonian, Tom Snedeker, Dave Williams, and Merrill Yavinsky.**

"We all got together for a class reception, a memorial service, a class dinner, and a class photograph. We sang "Neath the Elms," said a prayer together, and everybody told stories about professors, classmates, and experiences from Trinity. Hornfischer wore his freshman beanie. Mozzicato told a funny joke. It was all a very happy occasion. Sorry that you and other classmates missed this wonderful gathering, but let's stay in touch, and let's all look forward to the next Reunion—in 2030—yikes!"

I thank Jon for sharing this information with us, and I hope to hear from more of you in the coming months.

From the Alumni Office: **Jonathan L. Stolz, M.D.**, writes: "Last year, following the continued publication of my presidential history column in *The Virginia Gazette* here in Williamsburg, I was invited to write for the *White House History Quarterly*, the journal of the White House Historical Association. My first article appeared in the magazine's 'Inaugural Traditions' issue. Titled 'The Evolution of the When and Where of Presidential Inaugurations,' the piece explores how the time and location of inaugural ceremonies have changed over the years. In conjunction with its publication, I was interviewed by the editor of the *Quarterly* in a webinar produced by the association during the week leading up to the inauguration. It has been an honor to be published in the *Quarterly* and to be associated with the White House Historical Association. Two more articles of mine are scheduled to appear in 2026."

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1967

President: **Charles Kurz II**

• Vice President: **Alan S.**

Weinstein • Secretary: James L. O'Connor, james.oconnor.1967@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Alex Levi, Jim Oliver • [f/groups/trinman1967](#)

Once again thanks to everyone who checked in. I'll start with some good news. A few months ago, I had a note from **Bob Brickley**. He was trying to get in touch with **Culley Carson**. Bob had been diagnosed with stage four kidney cancer and wisely wanted to discuss options. The best solution was a kidney transplant. Matching the patient with a donor was essential. I did not hear anything for some time, but in early June, **Jeff Fox** wrote to tell me that Bob had received a perfect match from a living donor. At last report, Bob is thriving.

Gil Campbell let me know that his triplet grandsons finished their high school careers in spectacular fashion. One was valedictorian and a second was salutatorian. And they are getting full rides at the University of Chicago and MIT. Congratulations.

John Loeb has had a challenging year: skin cancer on his face and a prostate issue that required surgery. I spoke with John recently, and he told me that he and wife Anna Belle were still able to visit Amsterdam and The Hague for serious art viewing. And they went to Greece as well.

1968

President: **Paul H. Jones**

• Vice President: **Michael**

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Barry Bedrick • Class Ambassadors: Emil

Angelica, George Barrows, Ken Button,

Daniel L. Goldberg, Malcolm L. Hayward,

Bennett Jaffee, Paul H. Jones, Michael Lestz,

Christopher McCrudden, Joseph McKeigue,

Douglas Morrill, Stephen Peters, Richard

Pullman, Lawrence Roberts, Geoffrey

Steinemann, Richard Weingarten

In April, more than two dozen classmates participated in a 90-minute Zoom billed as just hanging out. It was great fun to see so many of our classmates and to get brief updates from them. I cannot do justice to all the input, but I will summarize the updates briefly, including several new—or about to be new—grandfathers joining the ranks of so many of our classmates. The new grandfathers: **Mike Lestz, Parker Prout, and Bennett Greenspon**. Bennett reports that he is into classical music and jazz in the Boston area and swims a mile daily in the summer. Parker is a pastor in the United Methodist Church and lives in Litchfield, Connecticut.

Many of our classmates have relocated. **Ray Madorin** retired nine years ago and moved from Farmington, Connecticut, to Southern California, where he enjoys sailing. **Steve Peters** sold his home in Lenox,

Massachusetts, and lives in Tallahassee, Florida, where he swims three or four times a week. **Doug Morrill** moved to Southport, North Carolina, in 2016 and has four kids, each in a different time zone.

Among my favorite updates was from **Joe Perta**, who recounted how, when asked at a party by a "brassy" young lady to tell her about himself, summarized things succinctly: "I've had a wife and been divorced, had a husband and been widowed, and have children and grandchildren." Joe's comments induced a listener to exclaim: "I want to be you!" Joe has places in D.C. and in Virginia horse country and rides his bike 100 miles or more a week.

Dave Lauretti, retired for 15 years, lives in Bloomfield, Connecticut, and has a farm with horses. His hobbies include golf and shooting at the Hartford Gun Club.

Phil Pennington, also retired for 15 years, had a career in hospital administration and contracting for a Blue Cross entity. He lives in a retirement community outside Philly and has taken up the harmonica as his retirement avocation. (An idea for our 60th Reunion: concert by all of our classmates who have taken up instruments!)

After a career in international economics and serving as an expert witness in that field, **Ken Button** lives in the D.C. area, works with several nonprofits, and runs a blog on freedom of religion. His music tastes are what would now be considered the traditional: ZZ Top and AC/DC.

It appears that many have taken up or have continued swimming as a form of exercise in our later years. Some say it is the best (and least destructive) way to stay in shape. Four of us on the Zoom were on the Trinity freshman swim team: Your secretary, **Daniel Goldberg**, who still swims two or three times a week; **Lew Gorman**, who has moved to a retirement community in Lancaster, Pennsylvania; **Barry Bedrick**, retired from his various roles in education, including as headmaster; and **Chris McCrudden**, who recounted a swim meet against the Yale freshmen where Olympian Don Schollander (he of five gold and one silver medal at the '64 and '68 Olympics) breezed past Chris when they raced against each other. Barry told a wonderful story of how **Ray Madorin** saved him from a pledging fiasco by picking him up in some godforsaken place. Barry also showed off the freshman-year beanie he still has and told of how he avoided being harassed by older students by feigning his "supervision"

of fellow classmates who were wearing the beanie.

Ed George still practices law and lives in the Boston area. **Stu Edelman** lives in Wayland, Massachusetts, and still practices psychiatry. **John Vail** is in Franconia, New Hampshire, and **Kim Miles** retired to his family homestead in Onancock, Virginia. **Rod Cook**, still actively painting, lives in Baltimore and Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, spends the winter in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, and puts on his one-man art show annually in Rehoboth. **Emil Angelica**, in Minneapolis, works with a dozen nonprofits (limiting his time commitment to three hours a day!) and puts together oral histories of important and timely undertakings (like being a health care worker amid the COVID pandemic). **Jon Nareff** is happily retired in Maine, and **Joe McKeigue**, having sold his winter digs in Florida, lives in Jamaica Plain, part of Boston. **Paul Jones**, who was the masterful emcee of the Zoom, is retired after 40 years in education and still plays his guitar (when not volunteering as an escort for patients going to their medical appointments).

The class Zoom was such a success that I am sure we will plan another before our next Reunion.

And finally, it is with great sadness that I note the passing of **Larry Roberts**, our alumni class president (and president emeritus) for life. Larry helped bond our class with his humor, the ever-present twinkle in his eye, and his pervasive joie de vivre. He passed on Easter Monday, and his good friend **Barry Bedrick** reports that Larry spent his final days surrounded by family, swapping stories, sharing memories, and laughing—a blessed end for someone we were blessed to have as our classmate. He will be missed. A series of events to honor his life and memory is scheduled for October 4 in connection with the home football game against Tufts, a fitting send-off to our friend and classmate.

1969 President: Theodore F. Cook Jr. • Vice President: Nathaniel S. Prentice • Secretary: Alden R. Gordon, alden.gordon@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Nathaniel S. Prentice • [i/groups/trinity1969](https://www.instagram.com/groups/trinity1969)

Members of our class are demonstrating that retirement provides all kinds of new rewards and opportunities.

Joe Connors returned to campus for Commencement 2025, where his distinguished career as a clinical scientist and oncologist at the University of British

Columbia was recognized by our alma mater with an honorary degree. **Jim Robertson** was in attendance and reported that Joe had previously been awarded the Order of Canada by the Canadian government. Joe shares his own observations on the day: “Almost exactly 60 years after I first walked onto the Trinity campus to begin my freshman year with the Class of ’69, I had the special privilege of returning to Trinity to receive an honorary doctor of science degree. It was a wonderful experience, walking down the Long Walk once again; meeting President Berger-Sweeney at her 11th and last Trinity Commencement; sharing smiles, happiness, and enthusiasm with the graduating Class of 2025; and being joined by my lifelong friend and classmate, **Jim Robertson**. Looking back from the vantage point of these 60 years made me realize how well Trinity prepared me for my career as father, teacher, researcher, and doctor and how grateful we all should be for that preparation.”

Steven Chawkins and **Bill Elliot** were classmates and fellow members of Deke at Trinity. They got together in early June in California, and each, independently, sent in reports on their mini reunion.

Bill Elliot writes: “(My wife) Diane and I were in Santa Barbara in early June, visiting our daughter’s family—or rather, the grandchildren, a.k.a. the hostages—a strong inducement to make the West Coast trip from Virginia a couple times a year. We usually check in with my classmate and fellow Deke **Steve Chawkins** and his wife, Jane Hulse, now retired journalists, most recently with the *Los Angeles Times*. Steve had an interesting gig polishing celebrity obituaries in early retirement. Now he’s joined an improv group, the Bunkeristas, and trying his hand and sense of humor at stand-up. We were privileged to see the Bunkeristas perform onstage in the bunker-like bowels of a large multipurpose building in Ventura. Steve’s got the gift. By the way, Jane has become a YA novelist in retirement, with two historical novels to her credit: *Prisoner of Wallabout Bay* (2023) and a prequel, *Outcasts of Essex* (2025). They are set in New Hampshire during the American Revolution. I enjoyed both and gave copies to the hostages.”

Here is Steve’s account of the Bunkeristas: “My wife, Jane, and I live in lovely Ventura, California, our home for 38 years. After a long, lingering career as a journalist, I’ve taken a position with an improvisational comedy troupe. In addition, my first public

stand-up performance is coming up shortly. None of this has the gravitas of the *Los Angeles Times*, but it’s intense and at least as much fun. Hope all my classmates and the gang from the old Deke house are doing well, even amid the slings and arrows of septuagenarianism and outrageous fortune!”

Class President **Ted Cook** “took two trips this spring. One was to Japan for *hanami*, viewing the cherry blossoms, from Tokyo to Nagasaki. Got a glorious exposure, with a brief jump over to South Korea at the time of the ROK president’s impeachment.” Ted also made his first-ever trip to Greece after decades teaching about it in required Western civ classes. Athens evoked many memories of Professor Eugene Davis! Ted is working to complete *Sacred War: Inside the Japanese Experience, 1937–1945* for spring 2026 publication with The New Press.”

Henry Barkhausen sent a photo of a Trinity reunion on Monhegan Island that brought him together with Tom Chappell ’66 and Doug Boynton ’70. In the photo, Boynton is holding an envelope from the Trinity Advancement Office, which managed to find him even on the remote island.

Stephen Horenstein is preparing a world tour of his composition “Quick Shift Messenger.” He composed this work for his trio, which as he describes as “three sounding like 10.” He is working on his archives and memoirs (1970–present) to be curated at the National Library of Israel. Trinity College experiences also will be included in the archive, especially Horenstein’s work with W.S. Merwin, Lawrence Ferlinghetti, and other influential Trinity guest lecturers (as described in Stephen’s extensive diaries). In addition, he has released a vinyl edition of his orchestra piece “Sounds of Siday: Side A and B.” Horenstein writes poetry and fantasizes traveling the world to find the best places for snorkeling. As he says, “Fish are sometimes nicer than humans.”

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Our 55th-plus Reunion June 5–8 was a spectacular success. With ’71 and ’72, we had a creative mix to produce unique and memorable happenings. Programming Committee members **Dan Reilert**, **John Bonee**, Margot Clement Clark ’71, Debbie Endersby Gwazda ’71, **Ernie Mattei**, David Sample ’71, Charlie Tuttle ’71, Tom Weiner ’71, and Peter Blum

'72 were assisted by volunteers from the three classes on a per-program basis, with huge appreciation.

Our initial gathering occurred on Thursday evening for dinner at Max Downtown. Ernie did a fabulous job, as always, to arrive at the best choice. He consulted **Billy Peelle** and me regarding the menu, which received rave reviews from everyone.

Friday morning, we were enthralled by a tour of the campus conducted by Alden Gordon '69, who left his academic projects in France to return to his alma mater to lend his knowledge of art history and Trinity's culture. His anecdotes and insight were invaluable.

After lunch, we attended the memorial service for our beloved psychology professor and director of campus guidance for 40 years, George Higgins, at the College library. Organized by Tom Weiner '71 and recently retired psychology professor Randolph Lee '66 and successor director of the Counseling and Wellness Center. Randy journeyed from California. Tom and Randy took months in preparation, and it showed when they both spoke so eloquently. Emeriti professors Richard Lee and Drew Hyland, philosophy both, and Karl Haberlandt, psychology, also spoke, and fortunately **Steve Bauer** heeded my entreaties to lend his literary skills to a memory piece that was read by Tom, bringing us back to the times in which we struggled in the late '60s. Amanda Higgins, George's daughter, reminisced beautifully and thanked all who shared touching, sweet stories about her beloved dad. We survived so much better because of our encounters with, and guidance from, George and then Randy, both of whom we shall never forget.

Friday evening, we created our own mini Reunion entertainment, the first-ever Reunion Café at the Cornelia Center stage. Our medley of alumni talent included **Peter Orgain** (three humorous poems), **Andy Shaw** (dry comedy commentary), **Richard Turk** (mix of Beatles-tune memories/piano), **Peter Brinckerhoff** (creative love poems), and original songs individually composed by **DJ Reilert**, Compton Maddux '72, John Moses '72, and Gene Stamell '72. It was a smash with rave reviews from all.

On Saturday, Trinity presented an all-College Reunion extravaganza in the Oosting Gym. **Billy Peelle** and I were awarded the Alumni Medal for Excellence by President Joanne Berger-Sweeney after being ushered arm in arm by a most enthusiastic Theresa

Kidd of the Advancement Office to the stage. It was a most significant honor after more than 50 years of volunteer work for the College and our respective community that I overwhelmingly appreciated, and I'm sure Billy did as well.

Later that afternoon, we convened our joint class memorial service in a classroom at Seabury because the Chapel was booked. The three class presidents solemnly read the names of their respective passed classmates (as of May 30, 2025), and reflection and prayer contributions were given by Howard Weinberg '71, the Rev. Cliff Cutler '71, and the Rev. **Richard Wyland**.

At our three-class dinner on Saturday evening, I could not help remembering Hilton's *Lost Horizon*, wherein the priests and monks in Shangri-La achieved the wisdom and time to truly enjoy their days of peace and happiness. We were together once again at the Cornelia Center, reserved for our special encounter. The cuisine met all of our requests for entrées without being assaulted by smoke and barbecue. A delightful repast. Then came the best of all—our own band, Outerspace, playing the tunes that we had come to know and love at just the right volume and pitch. It was amazing how the band came together under the organizational leadership of Maestro Reilert, who had arranged the acoustic backup. Class presidents Sample, Blum, and I took turns as emcees, giving credits widely. **Peter Brinckerhoff** received the award for traveling the farthest from Southern California, and he regaled us with stories of our two fathers who were Trinity roommates "back in the day." A whimsical evening of song, conversation, and dance. When the bar ran out of wine, we self-appointed emissaries to run back to the main bar on the quad to convey libations to keep us going long into the evening. Outerspace, formed in the fall of '68 by members of the incoming Class of '72 and who first played blues and then current progressive rock, remained together at various times until this moment, with John Moses '72, John Koehler '72, Dave Robinson '72, Compton Maddux '72, **Aram Tellalian**, Andy Mitchell '72, Kirk Kubicek '72, and Andy Van Alford '69, and frequently recruited **Dan Reilert** to quarterback their renditions.

Paul Herron has written an unforgettable 61-page novella titled *Musical Moment in Time: The 'Top 1,000' and Bottle Night at Trinity College*. A great documentary including the loyal crew at WRTC-FM who were part of the happening on Monday,

May 19, 1969: **Paul Herron**; **Davey Gilbert**; Peter Moore '71; Don Rehse '69; Leon Blais '71; John Matulis '72; Kevin Hails '72; Louis Slocum '71; Harry Staples, director of Saga Foods; and many more. You must get it to see more who are mentioned. Plus, we presented to College Archivist Eric Stoykovich the original three-day broadcast from May 1969, digitalized into 42 CDs and eternalized by the donation by David Casey '71 to the Watkinson Library.

Just for us at Reunion, with much appreciation from us all, **Peter Brinckerhoff**, **Charley Taylor**, **Dan Reilert**, and **Paul Herron** created a CD, *Those Were the Days*, with many of our favorite old songs.

I wish I could go on forever. Call classmates and reminisce with them when you can. It is profoundly emotionally rewarding. And don't forget **Paul Maryeski** at Crab Island in Destin in the Florida Panhandle and **Bevo Biven** in Honolulu who beckon us from afar to breathe the salt air in paradise!

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Ben Taber writes: "Hi, folks! Having spent the late '60s at Trinity with a draft lottery number of 3 (of 365) and having not quite enough credits to graduate after four years, I received my draft notice just after I joined the Coast Guard. In addition to becoming a construction project manager in the Public Works Division at the Academy in New London, I had the great good fortune to be assigned to a billet aboard the Coast Guard's tall ship, the cutter *Eagle*. After being mustered out, I worked in professional theater for 10 years, then flew professionally for another 36 years. Following that career, life came full circle, as I now serve as an engineer and STEM instructor aboard the World War II aircraft carrier/museum ship *USS Hornet*, berthed in Alameda, California. Any and all who would like a personal tour are welcome to contact me at bennett.e.taber@gmail.com."

Bill Rosser writes, "Hello. While I have recently retired from the commercial aquatic industry, I still pursue my photographic interests. No longer do I photograph underclass students and seniors, no more weddings. My concentration is on invisible light photography (infrared). My very old film

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cameras are still in use even as the weight of these things seems to have increased. Or is it my strength has decreased? In early May 2025, my brother-in-law (John Moses '72) and our wives, sisters Meredith and Betsy, toured Ireland. Our trip was highlighted with absolutely beautiful weather, good music, and a heck of a lot of castles. John was able to sit in on mandolin at a pub in Kinsale. I was able to expose a couple rolls of infrared, as yet undeveloped, in addition to hundreds of digital color images. Life is enjoyed in our Connecticut shoreline home with winters in Venice, Florida. Our children have blessed us with six grandchildren. Life is busy."

David S. Casey Jr. writes, "I was able to retrieve the top 1,000 hits by WRTC and have donated it to the school. I hope it brings back wonderful memories for those who were there. Please note that **Peter Moore** helped get this done as I had the top 1,000 on reel-to-reel tapes, and Peter found a vendor to put it on modern technology. Fortunately, the recordings, after 54 years of storage, were in good shape!"

Tom Sasali writes, "I don't recall when I last submitted anything, so I will try to capsule the last three or so years for you. In 2019, while I was living in San Diego, I had occasion to reconnect with **Lou Slocum** and **Peter Moore**, fellow San Diegans, as well as **Bill Reynolds**. Bill and **Ed Karam** flew out so we could all attend a play Lou was appearing in at a small local theater (he was the main character!). This led to us staying in touch throughout the early, difficult COVID years.

"After 44 years out West, I decided to move back home to Connecticut in 2022. I persuaded Lou to make the cross-country

drive with me, and it was a great experience. We were able to reminisce about old times and met some interesting locals in the various states. Since I have returned here, I have attended several Trinity basketball games with my old teammates **Howie Greenblatt**, **Ron Cretaro**, **Jim** (and **Jocelyn**) **Wolcott**, and **John** (and **Brooke**) **Durland**. This past March, everyone came to watch Trinity play a home tournament game on the road to the NCAA championship. This was preceded by an early dinner at First and Last Tavern. It was great to catch up and see that everyone is doing so well (and Trinity, of course, won!).

"In 2019, John and Brooke invited us to their home in Rochester, in part to celebrate the 50th anniversary of our freshman basketball victory over Yale (John made the winning basket). Jim could not attend, but Howie, Ron, **Ed Karam**, and I had a wonderful time. Howie and I made the long drive from Hartford together and shared many tall tales. Highlights of the weekend included a shootaround in John's driveway, where Howie showed why he was a Hall of Fame player. This plus the fine food and drink provided by the hosts made it a memorable weekend. Speaking of **Ed Karam**, we have had several phone conversations in recent years. He attends Broadway shows and always gives me a critique of the plays and the actors. In return, I share my opinions of all the classic movies I have seen, many of which he is associated with through his work with The Criterion Collection.

"I also attended the football game where the former football players honored Don Miller on his 90th birthday (I think I have that right?). This was a mini reunion for me with my junior-year roommates **Cliff Cutler** and **Tom DiBenedetto**. After the game, we adjourned to Max Downtown for dinner with **Phil Khoury**. I immensely enjoyed being able to spend this time with classmates I had not seen for decades. Cliff told me that **Dave Sample** has asked him to lead a prayer at one of this June's Reunion gatherings, and I hope to attend this. The past year has allowed me to become closer friends with **Bill Reynolds**. We have shared many great stories over beer and dinner. Finally, I was able to reconnect by phone with our Sigma Nu brother **Ralph Morini**, who lives in Virginia and says he is doing well and enjoying his life there."

From the Alumni Office: **Philip S. Khoury**, a former Trinity trustee and 2021 honorary degree recipient, writes, "On May 30, I received an honorary degree from the American University of Beirut at its

commencement ceremony. After I was hooded and gave some remarks, the prime minister of Lebanon popped up on to the stage and read a citation from the president of the Republic of Lebanon awarding me the Lebanese Order of Merit and then pinned the medal to my commencement gown. Truth be known, the prime minister is a dear friend from our days at Harvard in the 1970s, so it was very special for a friend to do the honors. This honor meant a great deal to me for one reason: My mother was awarded the Order of Merit in 1959 and my grandfather in 1949. It is the highest honorary decoration in Lebanon. All I could do is think of them."

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Our tri-class Reunion was a terrific time, highlighted by two musical events powered by our class. On Friday night, a coffeehouse/talent show included the musical musings of **John Moses**, original songs written over the decades from **Gene Stamell**, and a "curfew breaking" set from **Compton Maddux** and **Danny Reilert** '70. Saturday night featured a concert by Outerspace, sponsored by individual members of the Class of '72, including the Northam Fine Arts Society (bringing back memories of festivities and frolics from the fall of '71). Next Reunion: June 2027—save the date.

John Heppe writes, "I'm living on St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands. Have not met another Trin grad here. Island life agrees with me (you don't get tired of drinking rum). The lifestyle is fairly healthy and definitely less hectic. Still playing golf and have replaced squash with the infamous pickleball. Horrors! I won the West Indies first flight croquet tournament (doubles) this past winter. Recently became a grandfather to a happy and healthy little boy. I make it back to the U.S. once a year (Maine) to hopefully miss the hurricane season, most recently this past July. **Harvey [Zendt]** visited here a few years ago, and we got together and had a nice time."

Rick Corton writes from another snow-is-rare locale. "I have lived in Arizona for 51 years—the first 44 with my late wife, Faith Sussman, in Cave Creek and the last seven in Phoenix. I am still a landlord in the thriving real estate market of Greater Phoenix. Faith and I were docents at the Phoenix

Art Museum, taught adults at Literacy Volunteers of Maricopa County, and helped found an arts group in Cave Creek, the Sonoran Arts League. Widowed life is a big change after 46 years of happiness together but keeping active hiking/walking, seeing friends and family, and traveling helps. For the past several years, I have been spending time in New York City to enjoy all the culture available there. During my recent February visit to N.Y.C., I met a woman, Candida Harper, who is very like-minded. We enjoyed the summer at her home in East Marion on the North Fork. Now in the 'last quarter' of life, I look forward to more of everything. I would love to hear from anyone from Trinity who cares to get in touch."

Kirk "Chief" Kubicek writes, "In October 2024, Mallory '74 and I visited our son Kirk Jr. and his wife, Jamie, in Nederland, Colorado. We visited the three mountain schools where he teaches music, took several serious mountain hikes, and enjoyed the view from their deck. A drummer like his old dad, he teaches private lessons at home and online and plays in several bands, including The North Country back here on the East Coast. Back home, I am still priest in charge at Christ Church Rock Spring Parish in Forest Hill, Maryland. I'm still playing drums in a Grateful Dead tribute band, On The Bus, and several other regional bands with wonderful younger musicians with whom I can still keep up. We enjoyed the entire family here for Christmas, a time dominated by the presence and antics of our three grandchildren, Mo, Miles, and Lennon Opal. A highlight of the past two years has been reconnecting with my RA from freshman year, Bill Searle '70, who was a true mentor and friend my first two years on campus. By urging me to take some education courses and get involved in political action in Hartford, Bill contributed much to my formation as a teacher and priest. More recently, we headed up to Hartford for the batched Reunion for the Classes of '70, '71, and '72. Thanks to help from **Jim Gamerman** and the hard work of **John Moses**, most of Outerspace made an appearance. Moses, **John Koehler**, **David Robinson**, and **Compton Maddux** were joined by Danny Reilert '70 to play some familiar tunes of our college years and Outerspace originals. Later we welcomed special guest Mark Campbell of Jack Mack and the Heart Attack to sing some tunes, as he was there with wife Kathy Falk Campbell '75, a wedding I was privileged to officiate along the California coast. A good time was had by

all, and I'm very grateful for all those who made the effort to be at Trinity and made the Reunion memorable."

Greg Sammons shares, "The biggest transition of my life occurred just after the June 2022 Reunion. My wife of 45 years, Margaret (Wellesley '71) died at our Lake Michigan cottage in early August. I have found much consolation in my family, friends, and my several church communities. Amid the grief, my unexpected 'singleness' opened me to many adventures, including a pilgrimage walk from Lucca to Rome (315 miles) in June 2023 and September 2024. I am active in my local barbershop chorus and have been especially gratified by being in a quartet called Generation Gap, the oldest of whom is me at 75 and the youngest a high school student. In July, I traveled to England with my daughter's church choir, which was in residence at Salisbury Cathedral. In February 2026, I plan to visit friends in New Zealand and Australia with whom I walked the Italian pilgrimage trail. I am still an active (yet retired) Episcopal priest and fill in often at parishes in the Dayton area. I was overjoyed to connect with Cliff Cutler '71 and his wife, Amy, at a May conference for chaplains to retired clergy in D.C. I remain grateful for my years at Trinity College and the gift of life each day."

Jay Goodwin writes, "OK, in case anyone wants to know what this cranky old man is up to: Recently returned from Switzerland, where we attended our youngest daughter's wedding. What a lovely country and culture. Being in the construction business, I was absolutely impressed with the Swiss system of bridges, tunnels, roads, gondolas, and trams. And, of course, the cheese and chocolate. I still work as a construction consultant and teach skiing December to April. Lots of fishing and hiking. Best wishes to all."

Ralph Dickman writes, "My wife of 41 years, Patty, and I moved to Sacramento three years ago to be close to our daughter and her husband. We were rewarded with the birth of our grandson last year and spend much of our time caring for him. We are constantly reminded of how much energy is required for childcare and how much less we have at our age. It is a joy, however, to see how rapidly he is progressing and exploring."

Last item: The spring issue had an incorrect email address for **Bob "Red" Ellis**. It's robertj423@hotmail.com.

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Per **Danny Korengold**: "My daughter Greer '18 got married to Steve Armanetti '18 this past May at The Greenbrier hotel in West Virginia. That makes four Trinity children and four more Trinity spouses."

Martha Wettemann writes, "On May 24, 2025, Jim Powers and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in North Branford, Connecticut, at the Rose Vineyards, hosted by my son Alan Powers and his wife, Caitlin Koch Powers. Also present were **Karen** and **Len Kupferberg** and about 50 friends and relatives. After Trinity, Karen and I both attended The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, Karen graduating with an M.B.A. and I with an M.P.A. Being musical families with two professional singers present (check out Caitlin Koch on YouTube), we ended the party by performing many rousing Motown and other tunes from the '60s through the '80s. Other 50th events happening recently were my Wharton 50th reunion (did not have a chance to go) and our Tennessee State Employees Association 50th anniversary celebration. 1975 was quite a year! Despite all the 50s, Jim and I are still both working and not sure when we will fit in with retirement."

Per **Stan Twardy**: "I just concluded a big case and am looking forward to easing into retirement."

Karen Kahn shares, "In 2000, I moved back home to Westport, Connecticut, and changed my psychology practice to a strategic coaching practice focused on the largest law firms in the U.S.—I work in all areas, including business development, career advancement, and DEI—it has been a wonderful career that began at Trinity; I am so grateful for the foundation that I received. I have crossed paths with **Stan Twardy** and **Mike Sooley** during my work and some fun time as well and my special friend Maud Purcell '72 (also a therapist!). I can't imagine retiring as I love what I do. By the time this is published, I will have two grandsons—one 2 and one just born. Happily, my kids live in Connecticut—one just moved to West Hartford, and the other is here in Westport. Life is good. I wish the same to all."

Burt Cohen writes, "I just reached my five-year anniversary working full time as a staff attorney in the State of Connecticut's Office of Consumer Counsel. My position involves representing consumer interests in the macro sense in regulatory proceedings at the FCC and Connecticut's Public

Alyssa Purbeck Greer '89

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M.S. and Ph.D. in clinical
psychology with a
neuropsychology track,
Rosalind Franklin
University of Medicine
and Science**

JOB TITLE:

Psychologist

FAVORITE

TRINITY MEMORY:

**It's hard to pick
one memory; it was
such a great college
experience overall. My
first Spring Weekend,
it was perfect weather,
and the main band
was great, but I can't
remember who it was at
the moment. There are
certainly many other
memories that shall not
be print worthy.**

What was your path to your current position?

I wasn't sure if I wanted to pursue medicine (neurology, psychiatry, etc.) or psychology/neuropsychology, so for four years after graduation, I worked for the Connecticut Psychological Association, where I had administrative and legislative responsibilities. I learned a lot about the practice of psychology, cementing my interest and decision to pursue a graduate degree. Randy Lee encouraged a Ph.D. in clinical psychology as it would provide the broadest career opportunities. I pursued a neuropsychology specialty, including research. The biological aspects of psychology and the brain were of significant interest to me. I then did a clinical practicum at the Psychology Clinic at Chicago Medical School with Dr. John Calamari, specializing in cognitive behavioral treatment of OCD (obsessive compulsive disorder) and loved it. Before I got my Ph.D., I worked at Rogers Memorial Hospital with Dr. Brad Riemann, an expert in OCD, in a partial hospitalization program—a day program—specializing in the intensive treatment of OCD.

What do you do in your role? Outpatient individual psychotherapy. Cognitive behavioral therapy, specifically exposure and response prevention (ERP), for OCD and other anxiety and related disorders (social anxiety, panic disorder, hair-pulling disorder, etc.).

People often throw around the term OCD when actually describing a personality trait. What is OCD? OCD is classified under anxiety disorders in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. There's definitely neurochemistry involved, the dysregulation of serotonin. It's a pretty common disorder. We all have obsessions, intrusive thoughts or imagery in our heads. But the difference between people with and without OCD has to do with what they do with those obsessions. And what they do with those obsessions is a compulsion. It causes anxiety, and they need to do something because they think that thought is important. When they do a compulsion, they feed the anxiety cycle. The more they continue doing the compulsions, the more they'll have those thoughts. It tends to get worse over time without treatment. It's a vicious cycle. The treatment is basically teaching the brain that anxiety will go away without doing the compulsion. It's ERP, purposely and gradually exposing the person to the things that make them anxious while



having them refrain from doing the compulsions. When you do that, the level of anxiety will go down over time.

When should a person get treatment? Whenever they're happy less than 99 percent of the time. People often come to me when it's affecting their marriage or school or they can't do things. The good news is it doesn't matter how far along it is; it's highly treatable.

What do you enjoy most about your work? The personal interactions and therapeutic relationships paired with the highly effective treatment modality in which my patients get better and reclaim their lives on a regular basis. It's very rewarding.

How did your time at Trinity prepare you for what you do now? Trinity gave me an all-around good liberal arts education, plus courses, professors, and opportunities to hone my interest. I did a summer psychobiology research internship with Priscilla Kehoe after my junior year, and I also did an undergraduate internship on the inpatient psychiatric unit at Hartford Hospital for a semester that showed me that I did enjoy and excel at therapeutic patient interactions.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? It's hard to pick one, so I'm picking two: I took "Psychopathology" with George Higgins, and it was fascinating and entertaining, and I got asked to TA for the class the next semester. "Psychobiology" with Priscilla Kehoe was such a good mix of my two favorite subjects and what first led me to my possible future interests in neuropsychology and medicine.

Did you have a professor who was particularly influential? Randy Lee was my adviser, mentor, and friend and helped guide my decision to pursue my Ph.D.

Utilities Regulatory Authority on issues with communications services providers (telecommunications, broadband, cable/video). It's essentially the same work that I did for 35 years in private practice, but instead working for the best outcomes for consumers. As my colleagues in state service put it, I've 'switched sides.' Sorry I missed the 50th Reunion, but I'm looking forward to the 55th. Wishing all the best to the Class of 1973."

Ric Ricci shares, "Finished college coaching in June 2023. Still enjoying coaching at the Craftsbury Outdoor Center in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont."

Greetings from **JoAnne Williams**

Coutrakon on the "Left Coast. Peter and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary on May 10, 2025. I met Peter while on the 12-College Exchange at Dartmouth in 1972-73. We have three adult children and three grandchildren, all on the West Coast. I came out in 2003 for a promotion with Parker Hannifin to western regional manager after starting as an applications engineer in 1996. My family all ended up out here after college, and we are spread out from Washington state to Los Angeles. We settled in the middle in the West Dublin hills outside San Francisco. California has been very good for us and our growing family. Peter followed me out and got a great job with Bank of America running its homebuilders commercial loan business covering NorCal and Vegas. I loved my job with Parker Hannifin as it took me all over the West Coast to meet distributors and large customers in the biotech, high-tech, aviation, and general manufacturing industries. We love the weather and have made lots of friends here. We play golf frequently when not on road trips to visit children. We bought up real estate during the downturn after the recession and own three properties, including our primary, in the area. We are both retired now and love our lives here. Regards, Joe Willy."

I am sad to report that our classmate **Victor Thomas Cardello** died on April 15 in San Diego after an eight-month struggle with brain cancer. (Per Alumni Relations, Vic also used the alias Cardell.) His husband, Rob Melton, advised that Vic loved Trinity very much and had a very memorable experience at our 50th Reunion in June 2023.

"It could probably be shown by facts and figures that there is no distinctly native criminal class except Congress."—Mark Twain

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From **Cathy Harris Shraga**: "I have gone through lots of personal reinventions from newspaper reporter to editor; to magazine writer and editor covering investments and later information technology at *BusinessWeek*; to editorial director for equity research on Wall Street to product developer in global research at Morgan Stanley in London. After I 'retired,' I taught financial analysts how to write better and joined the Board of Trustees at The Madeira School, my high school alma mater, for 10 years, becoming the head of it from 2015 to 2019. My latest reinvention is more domestic, caring for my husband, whose health has been flagging. Mike and I got married in 1993 when I was 41 and three years later moved to London for 12 years, living in Kensington and buying a sweet 1600s cottage for weekends in the Miss Marple-like village of Brill in Buckinghamshire. Now we live on New York's Upper East Side and have a house in East Hampton. I am personally very concerned that our country is in for a very rough ride as I write this in March 2025. I have signed up for a senior living place on the banks of the Hudson in N.Y.C. to be able to take advantage of cultural offerings. That should be ready in 2028."

Bill Barney writes: "Only for you, Ted, would I write about my mundane life of the past 51 years. You put up with the booming base of my two-foot-tall speakers every night for two years. I owe you. By the way, my hearing is now terrible. After Trinity, I headed off to Ohio, where I spent the next 45 years as a lawyer. I loved the people and the state. I married Ruth Mitchell from Holyoke in 1975, and we have two wonderful kids and five grandchildren. We will celebrate our 50th anniversary next month. She is a very patient woman. All of us are now on the East Coast. Ruth and I retired in 2019 and moved to New Hampshire. We ski, hike, fish, hunt, and generally love the outdoors. Once again, the state and the people are wonderful. Live free or die. I am a 12th generation Nantucketer, and I am blessed to have a 1,000-square-foot cottage on the island where we spend five months of the year. If **Joan Seelye** is out there somewhere, get in touch with me. I would love to catch up. Billbarney508@gmail.com."

From **Lloyd Wolf** (www.lloydwolf.com): "I will have a new book coming out this

summer, *A Joyful Noise: Klezmer in Motion*, published by the Klezmer Institute. It's my seventh book, over three decades in the making. I still work for a range of clients, mostly in the human services, affordable housing, education, refugee resettlement, labor, and public policy fields. My partner, Ruth, and I visited the Netherlands and Belgium last summer, and we look forward to more travel and family time after her retirement from government service. I still lead the Columbia Pike Documentary Project, heading a team of photographers and writers chronicling the lives and changes of one of the most ethnically diverse communities in the nation."

From **Byron "Sandy" Grant**: "Cynthia and I retired several years ago and travel quite a bit. Just back from the jungles of Peru. Have Tasmania in our sights for the fall. We're in the process of moving off our farm outside of Portland, Oregon. It's going to take a year to sort things out but have a house closer to town with less chores and one-story living. Going through the throwing out process. Difficult, especially photos. Have had the pleasure in the last few months of seeing classmates. Visited **Ted Stehle** in Steamboat for some skiing in March. Great host, fun reminiscences, but also adult conversations on joint replacements, etc. Then in May, **Aimee Brown** and **Connie Hart Walkingshaw** visited us in Ojai, California, for a few days of hiking and trading book and show recommendations."

From **David Taylor**: "After the wonderful Trinity years, I studied at Yale Divinity School and served the United Church of Christ (UCC) for 43 years in a variety of capacities. The UCC is a historically justice-minded, open, and inclusive denomination. I retired in 2022 after serving for 20 years at the First Church of Christ, Glastonbury, Connecticut. Jane Hawken, also an ordained UCC clergy, and I have two wonderful daughters, Emily and Meg, sons-in-law Mike and Phil, and two grandchildren, Alice and Chase. Both families live within two miles of our home in Glastonbury. My younger daughter, Meg, is the executive director of Capitol Squash, a youth development program housed at Trinity. During my ministry, I served on the Board of Directors of Back Bay Mission in Biloxi, Mississippi, helping that social service agency rebuild after Katrina. I serve on the Board of Trustees of Franklinton Center at Bricks in Whitakers, North Carolina. The site of a former plantation, Franklinton Center is a historic conference center where justice

organizing work has been done for over 150 years. I give thanks for the way in which Trinity prepared me for this journey!”

From **Allan Stark**: “This past spring, during the basketball team’s 30–3 remarkable run to the Division III national championship, four of us—**Ted Stehle, Ron Waters, Bill Fenkel**, and I—texted and emailed each other during the NESCAC and NCAA tournaments. Since Ron and Bill were varsity starters for Coach Robie Shults, they were the ones who provided the expert analysis. Ted and I provided the color commentary from a fan’s perspective. After each NESCAC and NCAA tournament game, one of us would send Coach Cosgrove a congratulatory email.” Allan adds that after Trinity defeated NYU 64–60 in the championship game, Bill sent the coach an email that read: “Coach, the accolades are going to fly in from all directions, and they are all well-deserved! Your squad and coaching staff have brought so much respect and pride to our alma mater and to the future students who matriculate! Your team over the last two years won more games than we did during our three years total. Please let your players know that we are so proud of them and they proved that the really ‘small’ school can beat the really ‘big’ school like NYU through hard work, dedication, and teamwork! Sincerely, Bill”

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Our 50th Reunion came to a smashing conclusion on Saturday night, June 7, with our largest Reunion turnout ever and a record number of attendees—105! To say we broke some records for a 50th Reunion would be an understatement. We blew away the previous attendance record, and the Reunion Yearbook saw the greatest number of profile submissions with 157. And finally, on the last day of the fiscal year, June 30, we broke the class gift participation record with 67 percent, both a Class of 1975 and a 50th Reunion record.

Three noteworthy alumni awards were presented to classmates by President Joanne Berger-Sweeney. **Jim Cuminale** won the prestigious Eigenbrodt Cup, one

of the oldest and greatest honors that can be bestowed on a Trinity alum. This award celebrates Jim’s national and international prominence and his significant service to the College. **Steve Hirsch** and **Chris Mooney** were awarded Outstanding Class Secretary, recognized for their dedicated commitment and spirit over 25 years of service following the activities and events of our class. And Reunion Chair **Henry Bruce** received the distinguished Michael A. Schulenberg ’63 Alumni Fellowship Award, honoring a Trinity graduate, celebrating their 50th Reunion, who has demonstrated the qualities of fellowship, loyalty, and community-building during their time at Trinity and since our 1975 graduation.

Breaking 50th Reunion records continued with the largest Thursday night Welcome Dinner with 63 classmates at The Mark Twain House. This kick-off event was a sight to behold as we all reconnected, in many cases for the first time since graduation.

It was like old times being together on the Main Quad and the Long Walk. Friday kicked off with a wonderful class breakfast in Hamlin Hall, followed by an emotional and heartwarming memorial service in the Chapel for our deceased classmates. Many thanks to our own Rev. **Pamela Bloom**, who expertly crafted and curated the memorial service that featured very moving and emotional interfaith readings and the extraordinary musical talents of **Paul Loether** (guitar and vocals), **Suzanne Gates** (piano), **Martin Dodd** (vocals), and **Kip Imlay** (bagpipes).

Our Programming Committee, led by **Bill Curren**, came up with some very creative and innovative special events that we all were able to enjoy, starting with the writer’s panel on Friday afternoon. **Gary Morgans** moderated the panel featuring three of our class book authors, **Consie Prout Berghausen, Rick Tucci**, and **Kate Woodworth**. Their varied and fascinating books can be purchased through the Trinity College Bookstore. Friday ended with the All-Reunion Kick-Off Dinner on the Main Quad underneath the tents, followed by our surprise mystery movie in Cinestudio of the best picture in 1974–75, *The Sting*, crowdsourced from the entire class.

Saturday started with another class-only breakfast followed by the Class of ’75 parade around campus, led by piper **Bill Curren**, complete with kazoos and Trinity swag that helped ward off the raindrops. Next was a private viewing of a recently discovered game movie from October 1971 of the undefeated frosh football team vs. Coast Guard.

We ended the weekend with our traditional celebration dinner with Robin’s infamous awards and recognitions and Henry’s legendary and emotional **Dave Levin** photo montage.

Among Robin’s awards and recognitions: Longest Married Couple: **Penny Haug Winter** and **Eric Winter** ’73 (married January 4, 1975; Oldest Child: **Stephanie Brewster Higgins** (50); Most Grandkids: **Carey Moler Kaplan** (11); Traveled the Farthest: **Gail Mardfin, Bob Sears, Susanne Tilney, Bob Toomey**; Longest Lasting Friend Circle: **Jim Gomes, Jeff Keller, Chris Lane, Tony Piccirillo**; Longest Trinity Couples: **Fran Congdon Taussig** and **Peter Taussig**; **Jim Gomes** and **Rose Udics**.

From **Henry Bruce**, our 50th Reunion chair: “Our 50th was a record-breaking and rousing success due to the unwavering commitment of our talented committee members. It started with the awesome yearbook that became the foundation to create so much enthusiasm and excitement. The record 157 profile submissions, plus the 105 attending classmates, would never have happened without the tireless efforts of Reunion Co-Chair **Robin Bodell, Philippe de Laperouse, Sarah Greve Frank, Steve Hirsch, Gary Morgans, Lea Ingersoll Sylvestro**, and photo librarian **Dave Levin**.

“Thank you to the Reunion Gift Committee, led by **Betsy Kellogg Hamilton** and assisted by **Jim Cuminale, Rich Huoppi, Bill Levy, John Lynham**, and **Susanne Tilney**. Their efforts drove 169 separate class gifts and a new 50th Reunion participation record of 67 percent.

“Special thanks to Programming Committee Chair **Bill Curren, Robin Bodell**, and their dedicated teams. The frosh football game: **Rick Tucci, Bill Levy**, and **Dave Kuncio**. Cinestudio film: **Rick Tucci, Bob Yusem**, and **Dave Levin**. Writer’s panel: **Gary Morgans, Consie Prout Berghausen, Rick Tucci**, and **Kate Woodworth**. Memorial service: **Pamela Bloom, Robin Bodell, Consie Prout Berghausen, Ted Berghausen, Lyman Delano, Martin Dodd, Sarah Greve Frank, Suzanne Gates, Howard Goldstein, Kip Imlay, Joan Kaufman, Paul Loether, John Lynham**, and **Susanne Tilney**.

“Many of our classmates were hands-on in so many ways to make this a very special and record-breaking 50th Reunion. A few, though, went above and beyond: our GSD Team (Get Stuff Done) of **Robin Bodell, Bill Curren, Steve Hirsch, Dave Levin, Gary Morgans**, and **Lea Ingersoll Sylvestro**. I will

miss our never-ending emails, texts, and Zoom meetings.”

From **Robin Bodell**, 50th Reunion co-chair: “Our 50th Reunion Committee will especially miss Henry’s frequent exhortations to achieve the next ‘BHAG.’ We quickly learned that this meant Big Hair A__ Goals. Well, it worked. We broke all those records, and we had fun doing it!” Many thanks to our fearless leader, Henry! It was a spectacular Reunion because we are a spectacular class!”

From the Alumni Office: Fordham Preparatory School has named the late **Patrick J. O’Connell**, a 1971 graduate of “the Prep,” as one of its 2025 Hall of Honor honorees. The Prep’s website describes Patrick as “artist, advocate, activist.” His description reads, “Patrick . . . was the founding director of Visual AIDS, developing campaigns such as ‘Day Without Art’ (1989) and ‘Night Without Light’ (1990). In 1991, Visual AIDS launched the Ribbon Project, which created the inverted V-shaped red ribbon that became an international symbol of AIDS advocacy. Patrick spoke at the Prep’s first AIDS vigil in 1996.” Patrick received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree from Trinity in 1999.

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If you would like to be part of the 50th Reunion Planning Committee or to serve on a subcommittee, please let us know. Our Reunion is less than eight months away by the time you read this!

Andy Bassford reports that he has “just released a collaborative album with Soulshot and the great blues guitarist Duke Robillard, *Two Guitars—One Sound*, available on all streaming platforms and as physical media at www.soulshot.net/shop. I’m very busy playing around the NY/NJ/CT area with Derrick Barnett and the Statement Band, Soulshot, and several other groups. I’m also teaching guitar online and at the Mind-Builders Creative Arts Center in the Bronx, where I live. I’ve been hanging out quite a bit with **Bill Flowerree** and **Alan Golanski** whenever

Bill visits from Nashville. For the latest news on my doings, visit www.andybassford.com. Hope to see some of you at a show soon!”

Jonathan Gomberg is enjoying his retirement from 36-plus years as a cardiologist, the last 18 at the University of Pennsylvania.

Class Vice President **Chip Goode** writes, “Greetings to everyone and looking forward to our epic Reunion June 4–7, 2026. Can’t wait! We all have to make every effort to be there to celebrate! We all have so many special friends and memories! We had a very fun get-together at our home in Jupiter, Florida, this March with **Dave Rountree** and his wife, Carter (I introduced them back in the day!), **Tommy Korengold**, **Jimmy Solomon**, **Rick** and **Laurie Schweikert**, and **Eads** and **Polly Johnson** . . . lots and lots of laughs about the old days! And anticipated excitement for our 50th!”

Arlene Kanter is retired from the Syracuse University College of Law and “living full time on Cape Cod, with periodic visits to our kids in California. Are there other Trinity alums Class of ’76 on the Cape or Islands? If so, let me know.”

Gerry LaPlante reports, “Nancy and I recently attended a performance of *Dear Evan Hansen* at the beautifully restored Palace Theater in Waterbury, Connecticut. While there, I thought of the last time I was in that old building (pre-restoration); it was 50 years ago in 1975 when **Alan Hergert** and I attended Bob Dylan’s *Rolling Thunder Revue*. While waiting for the show to begin, I contacted Alan, and we reminisced about that concert we enjoyed together. We agreed to see each other at our 50th Reunion!”

Greg Potter reports that on October 4 of 2024, as the sun rose behind the Eiffel Tower, he married Susan Rizzo Vincent of Charlestown, Rhode Island, in a ceremony on the banks of the Seine in Paris. The trip also included a Viking River cruise and biking in the town of Blois along the Loire River. They live in Rhode Island, where they enjoy sailing, beaching, and dancing.

From **Steve Salky**: “After retiring in 2019 from the full-time practice of law, I practice part time at my oldest daughter’s (I have four lovely daughters) law firm and volunteer as a certified nurse assistant/phlebotomist part time at a federally qualified medical clinic in Washington, D.C. (I attended nursing school as a 65-year-old for several years without becoming an RN). These activities, along with being the grandfather of five, learning to play the fiddle, and trying to cause ‘good trouble’ by speaking out in the face of forces



Greg Potter ’76, right, and Susan Rizzo Vincent were married on October 4, 2024, in Paris.

that threaten our democracy and the rule of law, keep me well occupied.”

Class Co-Secretary **Hal Smullen** writes, “I recently had lunch with **Steve Thoren** and **Ron Preis** between their travels. Hoping to grab a round of golf with them soon. Planning on another good boating season once the rainy weekends end (15 in a row!) with trips to Montauk, Block Island, Newport, and Martha’s Vineyard. Hope to see many of our classmates at Reunion, and don’t be surprised if many of you hear from me between now and then!”

1977

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For starters: “Well, Mary, this is **Don “Grabo” Grabowski**. My wife and I have been following the World Rugby Cup in France. While we were there, we met with friends in Germany for a pleasant visit. On D-Day, we visited Normandy beaches and the National Cemetery. It was very inspiring. I look forward to our 50th Reunion coming up.”

The very busy **Moose Stroud** writes, “Morris ‘Moose’ Stroud here. My wife, Boo (Donna Clarke ’78), and I had a fabulous time biking in Croatia with Briton ’79 and Laurie Perry Jones ’78 and Ty Tregellas ’78 last year.

It seems as if everyone is biking in Croatia these days. Boo and I see **Tim Ghriskey** every summer for a few weeks on the coast of Maine and make a point of toasting to the memory of our dear friend and fellow hockey player **Ted Judson**. Speaking of hockey, after over 50 years of hearing neither hide nor hair of him, I met up for a round of golf with our freshman hockey captain, Jono Frank '74. He and wife Sarah '74 were visiting our mutual friends, Ed '74 and Patty Webster '73. Last but not least, I stay in close contact with my cousin Peter Milliken ('78, if he had hung in there), who has become a pure Downeast Mainer who loves—in no particular order—sailing, folk music, community building, and gardening.”

And from **Margo Halle**: “No news to report; I try to stay in touch with a few Trin friends and still trying to keep sane during these turbulent times. Hope all is well with you and yours!”

Brian Donnell writes, “I am doing well and still enjoying practicing law in the Northeast and East Coast with trials and contract matters involving construction and business law. The ‘boys’ are all grown and on their own, so I am spending more time with my wife, Huiping, and traveling when we can. Hope you and everyone else in the Class of ’77 are active, happy, and in good health.”

And from faraway **Mark Henrickson** we hear, “I have formally retired from academic life to be vicar of a small rural parish in Northland, Aotearoa (New Zealand). However, I am still very active in the social work research and publication world. I have edited two books on international social work coming out in July and two book chapters and a few journal papers due out by the end of the year. I wonder what real retirement will look like?” Congratulations on all, Mark!


Good news about ice cream from fellow Bostonian **David Wolf**: “I retired from full-time teaching five years ago and keep busy tutoring, reading, streaming shows, and traveling. We also have six young grandchildren who live locally in the Greater Boston area, so we’re always on call to help out. Last summer marked the end of my 40-year tenure as an assistant director at a very large day camp, and I am looking forward to a stress-free, ice cream-filled summer. I hope you are well. If I remember correctly, you were originally from Newton. I grew up in Brookline, but we’ve lived in Needham for the past 20 years. Always a Boston boy!” And I’m always a Boston girl, David, even though I

live in the N.Y.C. area and unless the Red Sox make me mad.

Rick Dubiel writes, too: “My wife and I are expecting our fourth grandchild in late June—perhaps a third-generation Trinity student! I have been co-president of the Avon Land Trust for several years and have been putting my English major to good use writing mostly successful grant applications. Also, starting up a nature center/museum in a circa 1820 barn the land trust inherited, plus maintaining trails, juggling various scout projects, organizing volunteer events, etc. We are traveling back to Poland in a few months.” Safe travels, Rick!

As for me, I still work as a medical editor at MedPage Today, a division of Everyday Health and Ziff Davis. We all still work from home, and I do wish I went to the office more often. But the money and time I save by not commuting is astonishing. My husband, Peter, and I are blessed with a beautiful granddaughter, Peggy, who is certainly the funniest 2½-year-old I’ve ever met! We lost my mom in early March, which was tough. She was 95 and led a good life—still playing bridge very, very well—until the end. Lucky us.

Stay well everyone, and take good care!

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Steve Berkowitz starts us off with these musings: “First there was the war in Ukraine, then there was the 7th of October, then major changes in U.S. government policies, now a much larger war between Israel and Iran with the U.S. participating. What will our future in Europe be like? I try not to worry too much and have decided that in order to maintain one’s calm and sanity, it would be a good idea to commune with nature. This August, my wife and I will drive from our home in the Drôme region of France to the famous natural site of Sils Maria in Switzerland where Nietzsche wrote that it is ‘the loveliest corner of the earth: I have never been in more peaceful surroundings.’ Sils Maria is located at the border between Tyrol and Italy, at the end of the Engadin valley.”

Lois Geist shares, “I have never responded before—never felt there was much to report! But I am about to make a big transition, where I will be retiring from the University

of Iowa in August 2025. I have been here for 38 years, so it is both time and a little bittersweet. Not sure what the next steps are—more time with grandkids, bike riding, rowing, and whatever else catches my fancy. Looking forward to celebrating our 50th Reunion in a few years. How did it go by so fast?”

Harry Hammond Graves shares, “Just drove New York to L.A. on a wedding march for son Thomas Hoffstot Graves ’05 in Newport Beach on June 20. Festivities include a wedding row with six from Trinity and two from Cal Berkeley. All best wishes!”

Beth Levine writes, “**Cindy Bero, Annemarie Giangarra Mercurio, Nancy McDermott, Roberta Oliverio Plotyia,** and I got together at Foxwoods Casino for some laughs with comedian Jim Gaffigan (highly recommend). I am pleased to report all of us have great hair, no one needs a CPAP yet, and some of us could maybe even still fit in our old Hukapoo shirts if we had to. We immediately fell into old patterns: Cindy organized everything, Roberta brought enough food to sit out an apocalypse, Nancy figured out the bill, Annemarie brought the good stories, and I wandered around lost and daydreaming (left to my own devices, I would still be roaming the casino, looking for the bleeping car). Several of us are losing our hearing, but it made the conversation that much more interesting: Me: ‘Wait, Julia Louis-Dreyfus wasn’t in *Beef*!’ Nancy: ‘*Veep*, Beth, *Veep*!’ Me: ‘Oh.’ Nancy: . . . We managed to stay up past 11:00 without any kvetching. (OK, one of us may have thought about kvetching, but she emphatically did not.) Also, it was a truth universally acknowledged that all of our children/grandchildren are gifted and exceptionally good looking. Missed you, **Betsy Rice Kast!**”

And as for me, **Jory Lockwood**, I am doing much of what I always do—hiking when I can with my dog and my best friend. I like cool days or even cold days over the warm ones. I am teaching in all sorts of iterations—dogs, people who own dogs, third- and fourth-graders (they are so childlike, as well they should be), high school students (my people!), and even a few adults. I’m making lists and executing them, marching (or standing to be counted) a bit when the occasion arises. Always reading a lot. Seeing Trinity friends or friends from my grammar school or from my hometowns (Greenwich and Stamford because both have served in that capacity). Dropped a lot of money lately on Broadway shows—some were out

of this world, and some were arfers. Had some conversations with Professor Riggio. Apparently have also lost my ability to work with pronouns at the beginning of sentences. Wishing that each member of the Class of 1978 finds that something delightful crosses his or her path today.

Louis Meyers tells us, "I live in Shelburne, Vermont. Still working as a hospital physician. Volunteering as assistant wrestling coach at the local high school. Host of a monthly television program called *Meet the Author*; it can be viewed on YouTube."

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This edition of our Class of 1979 Class Notes arrives during the 50th anniversary of our first fall semester at Trinity. We were coming off the summer blockbuster hit *Jaws* mentioning Trinity during the opening scenes of the movie's first shark attack and still getting to know one another.

Chris Mosca remembers the beginning: "My fondest memory arriving on campus in August '75 was perfecting my pinball skills on the infamous Captain Card game in the basement of Mather Hall. Recently I visited the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland and headed straight toward the Grateful Dead table. Glad to report I can still play a mean pinball!" And cite lyrics from the rock opera *Tommy*. Chris also made it to his 50th high school reunion at Buckingham Browne and Nichols School in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on June 6. As Chris sadly noted, "Unfortunately, the only Bantam in the group." Chris gave best wishes to all '75ers and '79ers.

If you wanted to see more than one 1979 Bantam at a high school reunion, you just had to go to the other end of Massachusetts to visit Berkshire School that weekend. **Barlow Peelle** and **Jim Cropsey** met up at their 50th reunion. Barlow, who serves as one of our class agents with **Susan Tananbaum**, also fulfills the same role for Berkshire. That caught Jim by surprise, but it definitely shows where Barlow's skills are put to work for his two alma maters.

Back in Boston, **Brian Lee** reports that he, **Lisa Gillette**, and Matt Bernstein '80 had a "mini-reunion moment." As Brian noted, "We don't have a regular schedule, but we have found some time over the years, always thanks and due to Lisa, one of '79's most outstanding graduates (and people!). Best to all of '79." Lisa has a knack for doing that.

Robert Hurlock reaches out from South Florida: "In mid-July, I will be back in Connecticut to attend my 50th high school reunion in Farmington. I attended my 10th through 30th and then stopped attending. However, I figure I really should attend my 50th; it is quite a milestone! After a long career in hospital administration, I retired in May 2020. My retirement was short-lived as we were in the midst of the COVID pandemic. With my ability to travel greatly diminished, I got very restless very quickly sitting at home. So, I wandered over to the local hospital near my home and applied for a part-time position. Since August 2020, I have been working three days weekly in the ER. My friends continue to ask me when I will retire once and for all. My current target is when I hit 70, I will re-evaluate as to whether I want to continue working part time.

"Over the past five years, I have had some wonderful travels, including Cape Town, South Africa; a three-week tour of Vietnam; a Scandinavian adventure of three weeks; some time in Spain and Italy; and visits to Colombia, Peru, Brazil, and Argentina. In August, I will return to Italy, Greece, and Turkey for another visit. Next year, I hope to explore Australia and New Zealand. Have also managed to visit my birth country of Germany; having a wonderful visit in Berlin!

"I try to keep in touch with the latest happenings at dear old Trinity primarily through social media. And every time I am traveling through Hartford, the sight of the Trinity Chapel sitting high upon the city brings back a flood of wonderful college memories! My best to you and all my other Trinity alumni classmates!"

Turning to social media, we learn that **Louise Dewar** is involved in a new venture after her career as dean of academics and acting head of school at The American Boychoir School. She writes on her LinkedIn profile: "My postretirement 'job' employs my skills as a researcher. Having pursued genealogy as a hobby for over 40 years, I have, in the last year, become involved in the field of investigative genetic genealogy. Working through and with the Ramapo Investigative Genetic

Genealogy Center, I have completed one college-level course in the subject and will be a member of the 2025 'boot camp' in June. In addition, during coursework and as a volunteer after, I have worked with small groups of similarly skilled researchers to return a name to three sets of previously unknown human remains. It is a thoroughly rewarding activity and one that uses my research skills to the max."

Phyllis St. George, founder of Writers Spring Forth in Springfield, Massachusetts, has a new book of poetry coming out soon. Presale dates are October 6 to December 12, and the release date is February 6, 2026. We don't have a title yet, but Phyllis has shared one of her poems, "Aging Female Poet Attends Writing Retreat: After Margaret Atwood's Aging Female Poet Sits on the Balcony." The late autumn trees lose their last leaves fast / to the strong gusts of wind this first writing day. / They fly like little yellow birds from the branches / off the mountain to another land for forgotten things. / The aging female poet gazes out the window at the / landscape and writes her last poems, perhaps, as / light blue hills hold the distance down, and the sun sets. / While her blood flows quick she will sing of / trees and birds, and as she ages what will she dream of? / When her sight fades with the afternoon light / will she write from memory or fear? / Crisp apples will trigger her best poems, / and she will hear what she can / of the gales and the spirits of the night. / Her childhood haunts will flicker past, and the deep / scent of pine trees will linger.

1980

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What a great turnout for our 45th Bantam Reunion. Trinity staff were terrific. Thank you to our Reunion Planning Committee: **Patrice Ball-Reed, Cynthia Ballantyne, William Bullard, Nina Diefenbach, Lanier Drew, Leslie Finch, Trish Klestadt, Mark Leavitt, Scott Lessne, Jeff Long, Rob Malhame, Danny Meyer, Lisa Parker, Kate Stauss, Cornie Thornburgh, Chuck Tiernan, and Linda Wells**. We broke a record for 45th Reunion attendance. However, the Class of 1975 had an even larger record-breaking turnout, so we need a lot more participation in 2030! Friday, several of our classmates attended

a private tour of the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art. Later we had a kick-off reception for 1980 on Vernon Street. It was fun to see faces from years past. There was a big turnout of the AD brothers, who then headed out to dinner in Farmington. The rest of us headed for the quad. Music and dinner were interrupted by threats of thunder and lightning. We moved to shelter twice during the evening. Have you ever had a cocktail or dinner in the Chapel? It was the first time for many of us, and you had to feel a bit uncomfortable doing it. Afterward, the storms subsided, and we reconvened for a nightcap. I had the good fortune of staying on campus in the Crescent Street Townhouses with **Cynthia Ballantyne, Suzanne Blancaflor, Anne Briglia, Leslie Finch, Carol Goldberg, Jean Murphy, and Lee Clayton Roper.** **Connor Seabrook** and **Brock Veidenheimer** stayed next door, along with several other classmates, including **Nancy Ceccone, Bob Flaherty, and Rick Nahill.** We had a late-night party in the dorm and told old back-in-the-day stories. Remember when you thought everyone knew? Apparently, we found a few who did not. I am not naming any names. Saturday morning, I attended the Women's Leadership Council (WLC) Brunch. WLC was founded in 2010 by alumnae Trustees **Nina McNeely Diefenbach, Patricia Mairs Klestadt, Cornelia Parsons Thornburgh,** and Emily Latour Bogle '79. If you are unfamiliar, please check out the WLC website. WLC leadership recognized the contributions of outgoing President Joanne Berger-Sweeney. (President Lugo has big shoes to fill.) Later in the day, Cynthia, Lee, Carol, and I went back to the Chapel for the reading of classmates we have lost. Unfortunately, it was a long list. We said a few prayers and headed off for the luncheon at the Ferris Athletic Center. **Danny Meyer** participated in a panel, Innovation in Entrepreneurship: Threads Driving the Future, with Lou Shipley '85, Abigail Cook Stone '10, and Liz Elting '87. It was well attended, and the 1980 crew cheered loudly for our classmate who gave us a nice shout-out. You may have heard that Danny also gave Trinity's 198th Commencement speech for the Class of 2024. He said it was a great honor, and he was very nervous going in. He shared that his remarks took 30 rewrites, and he did not use ChatGPT. Also during the luncheon, many alumni were recognized for their support of the College, and we met incoming President Lugo, who comes to us from Queens University of Charlotte. Class

President **Tom Casey** was recognized for 40 years of representing the Class of 1980. What an amazing milestone! Thank you, Tom, for all you have done for our class and for Trinity College. Afterward, there was a tour of the new athletic center. **Tom Melly** donated to the fund and has a squash court—Melly Court—named in his and his family's honor. Thanks to everyone who supported this amazing facility. Saturday night was our class dinner in the library. It doesn't quite look like the fishbowl we frequented, but memories came flooding back. **Rob Malhame** and **Nina Diefenbach** spoke at the dinner and thanked our class for the enormous support of annual giving and encouraged us to continue our support. I took some great pictures of the evening, so if interested, please email me and include your cell phone, and I'll send them to you. Afterward, we headed back to the quad for cocktails and dancing. It appears most of the people assembled on the dance floor were from our class. The evening was not free from controversy. **Chuck Tiernan** interceded with Campus Safety, but I will leave the story there until next we meet. Staying on campus was a highlight. One of the amazing things about our Reunions is I end up meeting people I never knew during our time there and get to know some very interesting people I may have known very casually. It was worth the effort. Sunday breakfast, we had a long table of classmates and said goodbyes and made commitments to stay in touch. I heard a lot of you saying you would keep me up-to-date on the things you are doing, so I will keep you to that. Thanks to everyone who contributed to a very successful 45th Reunion Weekend and more new memories to cherish. **Beth Davison Hyde**, class secretary

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Apologies to **Sarah Neilly**, who wrote in December! "I am entering my 40th year as a practicing physician. I work part time as an eICU physician covering four ICUs in our community on the Space Coast of Florida. I would like to find another position in medicine like teaching or something—not ready for full retirement! All three of my children are adults, one in grad school in psychology

in N.Y.C. and two who are working and considering next moves. I'm in Connecticut often caring for my folks. I miss those golden days at Trinity and wish all the best to our classmates!"

Robert Aiello writes, "I still practice law in New York City. I specialize in federal and state criminal defense work. I recently worked on the Andrew Cuomo mayoral campaign, which he unfortunately lost. I see **Faraj Saghri, Tom Roche, Antonio Docal, Peter Whalen, Ken Savino, and Seif Saghri** on a fairly regular basis in Connecticut and on Long Island. I am thankful to Trinity for the long-term friendships I have maintained with my college friends. I am also thankful to **Peter Whalen**, who invites a group of AD fraternity brothers to his ski home in Vermont at least once a year to catch up. I have seen **Roger Knight, Rich Kermond, Scott Growney, Peter Pfister**, and others at these events, including **Justin Maccarone**, who has hosted us on several occasions. I hope you and your family have a wonderful summer. Stay cool."

Dave Giblin shares, "my son Cooper and I have started a grass-fed cattle business in Maine. Check out the Giblin Cattle Co. of Maine. Cooper is the CEO and president, and I'm the treasurer and strategic business adviser. We are raising calves to survive other farmers and Barbados Blackbelly sheep. We've also begun the Pettengill Farm Project with the Freeport Historical Society to revitalize their farm through rotational grazing and pasture regeneration. Hope to have a positive impact on water retention, pollination, and game habitat. My wife and I recently visited the Azores."

Cynthia Blakely writes, "It was great to visit Bailey Johnston Farrin '82's book club over Zoom in May to discuss my recent memoir, *The Innermost House*. Such smart and insightful women. I hope to see Bailey again when I do a talk in Spartanburg, South Carolina, in October. I also traveled to UC Santa Barbara for an invited lecture, and my husband and I spent six days in N.Y.C. celebrating our daughter's Ph.D. graduation (art history) from Princeton. Hannah Rose has landed a full-time teaching job at Princeton for the fall, so she'll be staying in Manhattan for the foreseeable future. I'll be on the Cape doing some readings during the last week of July and in mid-September, and I'd love to see any Trinity folks who might be there at the same time. And please feel free to let me know if you're in a book club and would like to Zoom me in for a visit (my book has a lot to say about memory, forgetting, and

identity, as well as about growing up a local on the Cape)."

Jim Shapiro recently was sworn in as president of the 150-year-old Chicago Literary Club. He wished Hugh Ogden had been alive to see that!

Leigh Mountford works part time in private practice in the Boston area. She is enjoying the chance to travel more and see friends in semiretirement. Leigh and husband Peter visited **Garrett Keating** and his wife in Piedmont, California, and spent a fantastic couple days exploring the San Francisco area and e-biking in Monterey. Leigh and Peter visited **Anne Montgomery O'Connor** at her charming home near the bay in Eastham, Cape Cod. She enjoyed swimming in the bay with her old swim team buddy!

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A special thank-you to our class president, **Scott Cassie**, who stepped in when I was overwhelmed with design projects and board work and travel prep (more on that later). But Scott's engaging outreach prompted a number of you to share news of interesting comings and goings. So grateful to him and you all for checking in.

Jen Zaccara shares that she is closing out her last days as the head of Vermont Academy in Saxtons River, Vermont. "It has been a great eight years! The last diploma I will hand out is to my nephew, Dodge Zaccara, son of Glenn and Lindsay '93, who has been living with me for two years and attending Vermont Academy. This makes the departure all the more poignant. He has been like a third son." She is about to step into a new role as head of The Hewitt School, a spectacular girls' K-12 school in Manhattan. "I am honored to join a wonderful community with high academic standards and an innovative approach to preparing girls to lead in our new world landscape. I am ambitious for my school!" She hopes to connect with many Trinity grads in New York City and to be a more present supporter of our College.

Ward Classen checks in: "In a strange twist of fate, a recent reorganization at Honeywell (100,000-plus employees) brought **Chris Ladas** and me together in the same small group. It was great to see Chris after over 40

years. I also see **Scott Sullivan** and his wife, Hilary, quite a bit."

Carl Rapp splits his time between Boston and Philadelphia. No immediate retirement plans. He still enjoys the work and the structure it provides. "Watching others retire, you learn a few things: 1) Regarding when to retire, you will know when you know. Sure, we don't want to outlive our money, but you simply can't short-circuit the intuitive piece. 2) Have a routine in place before you leave work—exercise, other work, hobbies, volunteering. Whatever it is will help you transition. Without that, you may just need a two-week vacation, not retirement. 3) Grandkids change everything. They are at the center of life for the happiest retirees I know. If your kids like you and their family is geographically close by, you have hit the lottery. All the best to '82."

Rich Bernstein continues his private practice in hand and upper extremity surgery in the New Haven area and teaching at Yale and Quinnipiac medical schools. He has remained active in the American Society for Surgery of the Hand and serves on its council. His daughters attend his alma mater Hopkins School, and they are beginning the college search. This year he was asked to serve on the Committee of Trustees at Hopkins. His family loves to travel and recently have been to the Galapagos Islands, Machu Picchu, and Europe. He continues to practice and will contemplate retirement when his daughters are off to college.

Steve Elmendorf married Elio Artese on June 27 in New York City. No retirement on the horizon, but he plans to transition more to N.Y.C., where Elio lives.

Claudia Piper retired as of April and plans to split her time between Bonita Springs, Florida, and Beverly, Massachusetts. She cannot believe she is old enough to retire, but she plans to enjoy every moment. She has a lot to keep her active and does not think she will be bored at all. She will be celebrating retirement this summer with a number of her Trin friends and a trip to Greece, Croatia, and Italy.

On a recent visit, I noticed a book of short stories, *Excuse Me While I Disappear*, by our classmate **Joanna Scott**, featured in the bookstore. I had read a review of it in *The New York Times Book Review*. Nick Hornby noted, "Scott's ingenuity and command of her craft make you want to laugh with pleasure." Joanna is the author of 12 works of fiction, including *Arrogance*, a PEN/Faulkner finalist; *The Manikin*, a finalist

for the Pulitzer Prize; and *Follow Me*, a *New York Times* Notable Book. In addition to being an award-winning author, she is the Roswell Smith Borrows Professor of English at the University of Rochester.

Scott Cassie writes, "I am a year retired and have not looked back. As other classmates have said, your gut instincts will tell you when it's time. Luckily, I feel that I have retired to—not from—something. Family, friends, cycling, travel, and cooking are happily filling the void. Being fully in control of your own calendar is liberating. However, I oddly feel thrown off balance when asked, 'So what do you do all day?' Until now, explaining aspects of my job was the response, and I've had a paying job since age 13. My brain is constantly wrestling to reframe the best answer for this new and exciting chapter."

And then we, **Matt** and **Ellin Carpenter Smith**, chime in with a last-minute update. "Just returned from a fantastic trip to Austria with our daughter, Diana Rose Smith '19. We accompanied her choir, Chorus Austin, for an immersive Mozart experience, which included exhilarating performances of Mozart's Requiem and tours of all of his touchpoints. We took in all the exquisite sights in Vienna—from Belvedere Palace to Schmetterlinghaus (the Imperial Butterfly House) to the Sky Bar—and Salzburg—from the Fortress to *The Sound of Music's* Nonnberg Abbey and the new Rainbow Bubble installation. With Paris memories fresh in my mind, I found the architecture in Vienna even more exuberant and beautiful. But the best part was getting to see it all with our lovely daughter. As for what's next, we'll see. For now, Matt continues to teach and run a health and wellness products company. I enjoy my consulting projects in marketing and interior design. Wishing everyone the best as we all figure it out."

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Anne Collins started the summer in Cajun style by heading to Crawfish Fest in New Jersey in early June. She was flanked by close Trinity pals **Elaine Gamba Needham**, **Sandi Stott** '85, and assorted others. This continues a trend as earlier in the year Ann and friends went to the Cajun capital of New Orleans for Jazz Fest with **Sandi** and **Otie Brown Filkorn**.

Wendy Gorlin Tayer shares that she and **Wendy Farnham Schon**, **Tina Tricarichi**, and **Margot Blattmann** are heading to Ecuador this summer to experience the wonders of the Galapagos! By the time of this printing, they will have had a blast together discovering nature, Darwin's world, tortoises, and blue-footed boobies, to name a few. What could be more fun than traveling the world with your college girlfriends? Husbands were, of course, on board as well.

Al Strickler and wife Leslie met classmate **Peter O'Brien** and wife Donna in Healdsburg, California, to tour some vineyards and to explore the redwood forests. And, of course, to consume a little wine. The Stricklers also had dinner with **Doug Morse** and wife Claudia and **James Dooley** and wife Kristen Dickey in N.Y.C. Everyone is an empty nester except James and Kristen, who have a seventh-grader keeping them young. Can you say Class of 2034? Ouch!

Michael J. Isko and his wife are happily retired. Mike works during the winter as a ski instructor at Mount Southington and is storytelling on *The Moth Radio Hour* now and again. He is involved with the Fern Street Play Festival that will put out a production at the Universalist Church on Fern Street in West Hartford in September. Michael's oldest son is coming back from Arizona to have a New England fall wedding this year, while his daughter is finishing up a Ph.D. next May. Mike's father passed away recently, and good friends **Marissa Ocasio** and husband David Murray were at the funeral for comfort. Sorry for your loss.

Janet Huley became a grandmother in March to young Emma through daughter Laura and her husband, Koichiro. She and her husband visited the family with son Scott in Japan, where Laura has lived for the last 10 years. Janet says Japan was amazing, with great public transportation. They stayed for two weeks and saw DisneySea, a zoo, a park, and an aquarium.

Jean Walshe just celebrated 25 years at J.P. Morgan Asset Management, most recently as head of endowments, foundations, and health care client strategy. On personal front, Jean and partner Christer are building a house in the Swedish archipelago about 45 minutes south of Stockholm. She says it's been a very fun project that will take a couple of years to come together.

I received greetings from **Dan Shea**, **Mark Dibble**, and **Mark Bronsky**. **David Walker** writes that he, **Alex Banker**, **Charlie Ingersoll**, **Todd Lavieri**, **Joe Reineman**, **John Simons**,

and **Townsend Ziebold** '84 recently traveled to Scotland for a week of golf. He didn't say so, but I'm guessing there was some beer and Scotch consumed as well.

As for me, **Tom McKeown**, I have spent the last three months launching and promoting my first book, *This Is Panther Country*, recounting some of my high school experiences and watching our varsity basketball team compete for the first-ever Long Island Championship. Thanks to all of you who have bought, read, and reviewed the book. I, of course, can always use more. My family and I were headed out for an Asian cruise shortly after these notes were written. I'll have a full report in the next *Reporter*.

That's all from the Class of 1983. Go Bantams!

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Jack Gibbons writes, "Have lived in Westfield, New Jersey, since marrying Colleen Gorman 23 years ago. Two boys, both in college (Notre Dame and St. Lawrence). Recently started coaching high school tennis and have been taking college courses in things I missed at Trinity, such as religions of China and neuroscience. Funny how courses are much more interesting when not requirements. Have done the occasional Boston boat tour on *The Lonian* with captain **Tim Nash** and deckhands **Tom Hampton**, **Peter Marcello**, and **Ed McGehee**."

From **Deb Cronin**: "I just returned from two-week adventure in Australia to pick up my younger son from Sydney, where he was spending junior year abroad. He studies mechanical engineering at Vanderbilt University. My older son graduated from Trinity in 2024, where he majored in math and physics. He was also a distance runner and ran four years of cross country and indoor and outdoor track. He is doing research/electrical engineering at an MIT lab and plans to pursue a graduate degree in electrical engineering. We live in Newton, Massachusetts. My husband and I launched a brewery 10 years ago; we have won several international awards for our beer and recently started distributing it. If you are in the Medfield area, swing into 7th Wave Brewing! I keep active with tennis, playing in a competitive club league. We own a grist mill in Plymouth that grinds corn on 200-year-old millstones, water powered by the local brook. It is part of the growing movement

to localize grain production and rebuild regional grain economies. I went to campus for the 40th Reunion, and it was even more fun than expected! I had a terrific time reconnecting with old friends and connecting with classmates I didn't know back in the day. It's interesting how the line blurs—can't remember if we were friends back then but realize it doesn't matter. I would encourage everyone to attend the next Reunion; it's more fun than you think!"

From **Weezie Kerr Mackey**: "I am happy to report to you from my home office in Brunswick, Maine. Rob and I moved here permanently in June 2023. I worked my first transitional year remotely for the business school at Rice University (where I worked for 15 years in Houston), sold my co-working business in March 2024, and then started a marketing and communication job for Brunswick's Parks and Rec. After a year of that, I went out on my own and am doing marketing and communications work for the Town of Brunswick, Parks and Rec, and some Houston companies. It's amazing to have the freedom to garden, walk the dogs, hike, wear jeans every day, and still feel connected through work. I am so grateful for my Trinity gal pals, whom I see occasionally and have at the ready on a text thread: **Liz Lynch Valicenti**, **Annie Mathiasen Farquhar**, **Laney Lynch Makin**, **Sue Rice Fernald**, **Suzy Schwartz Symons**, and **Lisa Sperry Lynch**."

From **Lisa Marinello Jones**: "After 40 years in the asset management industry, CEO of Amundi US, and head of the Americas there, I 'retired' on April 1. I am an independent director of Clearwater Analytics and looking for an additional board opportunity. I have been married to Dan for 37 years! We live in Marblehead, Massachusetts. Our daughter Samantha '15 married Brendan Oliver '15, and they have the most adorable little girl (our first and only granddaughter), Emilia, born March 29, 2024. They live in Wenham with two labs. Our daughter Sydney went to SCAD, spent time in N.Y.C., and returned to Boston, working in social media marketing. She lives in the Seaport with her mini long-haired blond dachshund, Moose! She is dating a wonderful young man."

From **Anne Gurin Tall**: "Steve and I shut down our Row House studio and are tying up loose ends. Steve is consulting on a couple start-up projects, hoping one or more will turn into a steady paycheck. I split my time between playing tennis and working remotely for a local company that provides digital mailroom services. Steve and our

son, Chris, are on an exciting adventure, driving across Europe from London to Lviv, Ukraine, transporting vehicles sourced in the U.K. by the charity Car for Ukraine to be armored and repurposed for soldiers on the front lines. We have three grandchildren, two in Austin, Texas, and one in L.A., so we are always begging for pics and videos! We caught up with **Marc Ackerman** and **Caroline Barhydt Francis** at the celebration of life for **Peter Yearley**, who had recently retired and relocated his family to North Shore after 14 years in London when he was diagnosed with bone cancer. The day was very sad, but it was a truly lovely remembrance of a dear friend.”

From **Karen Webber**: “At Trinity, I majored in English and theater and dance. I loved blurring the boundaries between art forms (and still do). Published in March 2025, my first book, *Vessels of Light: Inspirations from a Spiritual Landscape* (Solara Publishing), brings hope and joy. A slim volume of my poems wedded to otherworldly photographs by Ellen Zimmerman, it probes the mystery of beauty and blessing. I was ordained as a cantor by the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in 1990 and work as a teaching/performing artist and peer support specialist. My poems and rituals appear in *Lilith Magazine*, *Poetica*, *The Torrid Literature Journal*, and *Prophetic Voices*, among others. I am a poet-in-residence at Teach the Shoah and was a Maryland regional judge for Poetry Out Loud in 2024. I have been awarded several grants from the Maryland State Arts Council. I have two special-needs adult children who live in Baltimore.”

From **Susan Lebow**: “I am a new grandmother as of November, and my kids are doing well—twin boys soon to turn 33, one a civil engineer in Houston and the other an attorney in New York, and a daughter age 29, senior analyst/writer/podcaster in the retail industry in New York. I still work, part time, as an actuary.”

Susan Thomas Schlett writes, “After 40-plus years of volunteering with the Society of Women Engineers (SWE), I was honored to be inducted as a fellow in SWE, an organization with more than 50,000 collegiate and professional members worldwide. I continue to be the SWE counselor for Trinity’s SWE section and was excited to see 10 of its members attend the local SWE conference in New Jersey this year. I look forward to attending our annual SWE conference in New Orleans in fall 2025 to celebrate the organization and its 75th anniversary.”

From **Robert Flynn**: “After a career in government and consulting, I’m in Ireland, where I’ve gone from Trinity College Hartford to Trinity College Dublin. I just completed a master’s program in international peace studies. Beyond the initial culture shock of studying again, it was an amazing experience. I had an ulterior motive as my son Bennett is studying at the University of Galway. I visited campus during a recent trip back to Hartford, and although much has changed, the special feel of the place remains the same.”

Dale Sindell writes, “I’ve been living a lucky double life between Madrid and Miami—basically making winter optional. My three kids are finally in the same city, which feels like a small miracle, so I’m hoping to spend more time in New York, too. On the work front, my Ph.D. research lets me blend two of my favorite things—food and museums. I just wrapped up fieldwork at a reconstructed Green Book hotel from the civil rights era, where I piloted a food program that mixed memory sharing and serious soul food feasting.”

From **Mary Kelly**: “Moved to Knoxville, Tennessee, area four years ago from Chicago. Still working in technology as SVP North America at a small software company after decades with the larger players, Oracle, SAP. Married 18 years. One daughter, 27, Cristina Ferrara, living in D.C. working for Deloitte; one grandson, 6½, in Wyoming with stepson, 33.”

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The band, Soul Amazing, was so amazing. They have a wide repertoire, but with the Class of ’85 front and center on the dance floor the whole evening, they served up what we wanted to groove to. Despite gray hair and creased faces, we danced like happy, carefree college kids. For a few days last June, that’s what it felt like. What a great 40th Reunion!

The staff at the College did a remarkable job tending to countless details and weather-related changes in plans. When thunderstorms neared the quad during the Friday evening bash, the Chapel was identified

as the best option for where to get the bar back in business—kind of! We traipsed around the northern edge of campus and briefly crashed another class’s gathering at the Cornelia Center, right next to AD. We ambled around Vernon Street looking for the party. Sound familiar?

We enjoyed our class reception and dinner in the very impressive Raether Library and Information Technology Center. **Mike Connolly**, **Steve Kish**, **Ted Cox**, and **Floyd Higgins** kicked things off by serenading us with “The Parting Glass,” which has been sung at the end of a gathering of friends for 400 years. Ted explained the version we were treated to was arranged by a member of his a cappella group, the Tonics. **Andrew Merrill**, who stopped aging in 1987, solemnly read the names of our 23 deceased classmates. Esteemed and impactful professors emeriti **Gerry Moshell**, **Eugene Leach**, and **Borden Painter ’58** attended as our guests.

Our class was well represented during Saturday’s program featuring alumni awards and panel discussions. **Claire Capeci**, president of the advertising agency Arnold NY and a new member of the Board of Trustees, moderated a discussion with **Dan Lugo** as he prepared to become Trinity’s new president. Entrepreneur extraordinaire and senior lecturer at Harvard Business School **Lou Shipley**, who has served the college so well as a trustee, participated in the panel discussion *Innovation in Entrepreneurship: Threads Driving the Future*, which was part of the Ideas Fest component of Reunion Weekend. Lou was honored with the **Paul E. Raether ’68 Alumni Achievement Award**. **Suzy Rittenberg Dyer**, executive director of Parker Family Health Center, a nonprofit organization that provides free health care to people who are unable to afford treatment, was honored with the **Kathleen O’Connor Boelhouwer ’85 Alumni Initiative Award**. Poignantly, our late classmate’s sister-in-law, **Nettie Boelhouwer**, presented the award, which also cited Suzy’s work at Planned Parenthood.

Among the 70-plus classmates in attendance were **Jeff Lang**, **Donna Gilbert**, and **Tim Raftis**, each of whom traveled a little more than 2,600 miles from California for Reunion. **Sonia Plumb** and I recalled the awkward “virtual cocktail party” during our COVID-cursed 35th. This was her first in-person Reunion, and she says, “It was fabulous to connect with people I hadn’t seen in years and meet people I had never crossed paths with.” She offered a grateful shout-out to Class President **Prudy Horne** for reaching

Christian Sidor '94

DEGREES:

B.S. in biology; M.S. and Ph.D. in organismal biology and anatomy, University of Chicago

JOB TITLE:

Professor of biology, University of Washington; curator of vertebrate paleontology and associate director of research and collections, UW Burke Museum

FAVORITE

TRINITY MEMORY:

While at Trinity, I played bass in a band—Red House—with some of my roommates. It was a great experience, and we've stayed in touch ever since, although I sold all of my music equipment long ago.

What was your path to your current position?

Right after grad school, I was a postdoctoral fellow at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History for about eight months but then left to start a professorship teaching medical school anatomy on Long Island, which I did for four years. I arrived at the University of Washington in Seattle in 2005—20 years ago, which is shocking to consider.

What do you do in your role? Most people don't realize this, but being a curator at a natural history museum is primarily a research position. I assist with exhibit development and other public programs when my expertise is needed, but most of my time is spent writing papers, applying for grants, and advising graduate students. In addition, in my role as a biology professor, I teach one undergraduate course a year (usually "Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy" or "Vertebrate Paleontology") and graduate seminars.

What do you enjoy most about your work? At the broadest scale, I like that my chosen discipline—vertebrate paleontology—is an academic pursuit that resonates with the general public. Whenever someone finds out that I work on fossils for a living, they always have a question or wonder what I thought of the latest story they saw online.

What is the primary focus of your research?

I study the fossils of the animals that lived on land during the Permian and Triassic periods, concentrating on those from about 260 to 220 million years ago. I'm interested in the geographic distribution of these animals before and after the end-Permian mass extinction, which was the single largest loss of life in earth history. In addition, I am particularly interested in the lineage that eventually gave rise to mammals, which diverged from the reptilian lineage about 320 million years ago. Most people don't know this, but the first mammals and the first dinosaurs appeared at about the same time during the Late Triassic.

What have been some of your favorite locations to do research? I've led fieldwork projects in lots of interesting places—Antarctica, Niger, Tanzania, and Zambia, among others. This is primarily because each of those host the appropriate types of rocks that preserve the fossils I'm interested in studying. In addition, many of these don't have the long history of fossil collecting like Montana or Wyoming, meaning that the chance of discovering something new is relatively good.



How did Trinity prepare you for your career? The single biggest thing that Trinity did was provide the opportunity to do research that led to a peer-reviewed publication while I was still an undergraduate. I don't think I would have ever gotten into grad school without that experience, which came from being able to work with a professor for nearly two years on a project (e.g., from collecting and analyzing the data to making figures and writing drafts of the manuscript).

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Dan Blackburn's "Vertebrate Zoology" was my favorite course, which is no surprise since I teach something similar today. Understanding how animals as different as sharks and cats share the same fundamental organization was something I first got to learn about and appreciate at Trinity, and I enjoy being able to pass that along to my students.

Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential? This is easy—Dan Blackburn. He was my adviser in the Biology Department, and I did research in his lab for two years. With Dan's help, I presented research at my first professional biology meeting. We eventually co-authored two papers on this project, and about 10 years ago, we reconnected and published another paper, this time tapping into my knowledge of the vertebrate fossil record. Dan's mentorship was critical for my decision to go to graduate school and to pursue an academic career.

What advice would you give to students who are interested in pursuing a career similar to yours? Getting into graduate school is increasingly competitive. To get a leg up, I strongly recommend doing research as an undergraduate and, ideally, publishing it in a peer-reviewed journal or presenting it at a conference.

out and encouraging her to go (I can attest to Prudy's unrelenting spirit). Sonia, who has had a lifelong passion for dance, is "working and creating" primarily in Vermont and encourages everyone to keep on the lookout for her newest work-in-progress—*Romancing the Stone/VT*—inspired by granite carvers past and present. The dance includes projections, text, visuals, and a little bit of romance as well. "Behind every rock is a great story," she added.

Martin Bihl and wife Cynthia Bryant '84 were not on hand, as they were still reeling from the May 16 tornado that tore the roof off of their 120-year-old house in the Central West End of St. Louis. With the second floor uninhabitable, they were looking at many months in an apartment. He stressed the update was not to invite pity but to praise the work of the Red Cross, World Central Kitchen, the United Way, and the St. Louis Foundation. "But, as Jim Miller and Dirk Kuyk told me on more than one occasion, life is madness," he writes.

Speaking for myself, it was therapeutic at times to laugh—or wince—at my 20-year-old self with **Alison Berlinger Holland**, **Miyuki Kaneko**, and **Shawn-Laree (Barker) O'Neil**, or to recall with **Joe Shield** the academic rigor and intellectual awaking we experienced as freshmen. It was just as rewarding to learn about the adventures and personal struggles of classmates I had not known well then or kept in close touch with over the years. I was among those who stayed in the beautiful Crescent Street Townhouses. I found myself in late-night bonding sessions with **Joe Lunghamer**, **Vin Melvin**, **John Bonelli**, **Andrew Emery**, **Marty Hancock**, and others, or working a 200-piece jigsaw puzzle of Northam Towers with **Steve Musicant**, **Dave Grybowski**, and his wife, Ruthie, and others, confirming that Reunions invite us to create new memories in addition to remembering old times.

I confess I headed into our 40th Reunion a little weary of banging the drum for Trinity after so many years. Wow! Was I genuinely moved by our classmates' expressions of affection and appreciation for my 25 years of service as class secretary! My friends, as long as we want to stick to together, I am happy to be the glue.

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Here's a nice update: "**David Hanak**, retired U.S. Air Force, hereby orders all graduates from the Class of '86 to attend our 40th Reunion. Just joking on the orders. I hope to see as many of you as possible. I can brief the attendees on some of what I did since we graduated. Some are emotional for me, including almost losing my life in the Middle East in 1998 and 2003. I live in Florida and hope to attend next year. Thanks." Thank you for your service, David!

Mary Zavista writes, "I still live in San Jose, California, after spending my working years in sales at Apple for 16 years and then Microsoft. I recently retired early to be able to travel to the East Coast to spend time with my mom, Patricia Herron Coffey. She first worked in the Admissions Office during the '60s while attending Central Connecticut College to be a teacher (Trinity was still all male). She left to get married, had three children, and returned to the area, and she got her job back, first in the Admissions Office, and then in the Life Sciences Department. I am so grateful for her years on staff that enabled me to attend. Sadly, for staff who may have known her, she passed on March 14. She loved her years on campus. I also just returned from two weeks in Italy, in part a pilgrimage to reminisce on the wonderful semester I spent with the Rome program, which was such an amazing experience as a student. Lastly, I have one daughter who is in her last year at Berkeley getting a degree in urban studies. My hope is that she can be a part of positive change in our community!"

Heather Moody Thomas passed along the following update, "After nearly 20 years in Nebraska, Will and I are starting a new chapter in Bozeman, Montana. Will is the dean of the College of Letters & Science at Montana State University and professor of history. I am the director of development for Eagle Mount Bozeman, a nonprofit serving people with disabilities of all ages with adaptive outdoor recreation. Our youngest, Janie, is an Eagle Mount participant. Sarah '20 is a lobbyist with the Vectre Corporation in Richmond, Virginia. Guy graduated in May from the Alexander Blewett III School of Law at the University of Montana and will be joining a Bozeman law firm in the fall. Will has enjoyed serving on the Trinity Board of Trustees with fellow 1986ers **Dave Schnadig** and **Michael Gary**, and we're grateful for the friendship and warm hospitality of **Margaret**

Figueroa Hern and **AJ Hern** when Will is in town. Come visit us in Bozeman!"

This past May, **Molly Schnorr-Dunne** attended the graduation of her daughter Dorothea Dunne '25 (congratulations, Dorothea!) and had the chance to catch up with **Mei-Wa Cheng** and **Claudia Baio**, who were also on campus.

As always, pass along any news you want to share.

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When the *Reporter* arrives in your mailbox, what section do you read first? Class Notes? In Memory? Or do you read it cover to cover, reading every article on every page? And now that the *Reporter* is available in digital format, perhaps you read that? If you were an especially eagle-eyed reader, you might have spotted a photograph of Ellie Harper '28, daughter of **Jamie Harper**, that graced the cover of the spring 2025 *Reporter*! (Note: She was not identified, so readers would have to be super eagle-eyed to recognize her.) Ellie was one of a number of students who were enrolled in an environmental science course that utilizes the Trinity College Field Station in Ashford, Connecticut. Read the cover story, "Fresh Air, Fresh Perspective," to learn more. **Susanne Hupfer** was another on-the-ball *Reporter* reader: Her letter to the editor in the spring 2024 *Reporter* corrected the descriptive text that accompanied the charts in "Bantams speak" (fall 2023 *Reporter*), an article about the alumni survey, and explained how the text should have been phrased. Susanne is a technology researcher, and her "job involves creating surveys, analyzing the data, and presenting the findings."

Now on to the news! This round starts out with happy news, professional and personal accomplishments, and an election victory!

Paul Morico and wife Rita are grandparents. Their daughter Rachel and her husband, Gray, are the proud parents of Henrik Paul Hanson, born in February 2025. Paul writes that he and his wife "are loving being first-time grandparents."

Ted Moise recently was named a fellow of the National Academy of Inventors (NAI), a "recognition which highlights [his] vital contributions to memory technology that revolutionized data storage efficiency, a

development he spearheaded during his tenure at Texas Instruments (TI). The implications of his groundbreaking work extend far beyond academic accolades; they speak to the heart of modern electronics and the future of semiconductor technology.” He is one of 170 distinguished inventors to be inducted into the 2024 Class of NAI Fellows. Ted, who earned a B.S. in physics and engineering from Trinity and a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Yale University, directs the North Texas Semiconductor Institute (NTxSI) at the University of Texas Dallas, where he also serves as a research professor of materials science and engineering in the Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science. He joined UT Dallas after retiring from Texas Instruments in 2021. He and wife Lisa ’86 live in Dallas and have two daughters, one in North Carolina and the other in California. Congratulations, Ted, on this impressive accomplishment!

Gregory Mark Hill’s book *Samsara and Its Impact on the Entrepreneur’s Dreams* was published in March and sold out in the first week of publication! Fifty copies were purchased by Trinity College’s Entrepreneurship Center. Greg spoke to entrepreneurship students in April.

Michele Amendola visited Alaska this summer and attained her goal of visiting every state in the United States, “only a decade off of my ‘50 by 50’ goal. (There are too many good places to see in the world that are outside the U.S. and caught my attention over the years.)”

Congratulations to **Bill Manger**, who was elected to a second term as mayor of Southampton, New York, on June 20, 2025. He was re-elected with 55 percent of the votes.

Claude Brouillard and Mei-wa Cheng ’86 have a family of fledged Bantams! Their daughter Claire graduated from Trinity this past May.

Jamie Harper writes that he and his wife “went high up into the Great Smoky Mountains to find classmate **Stuart Ferguson** in his hilltop lair in Highlands, North Carolina. Filled with books, taxidermy, and historical relics, the house is a perfect reflection of its resident. Over lunch at the Old Edwards Inn and a hike to ‘Dry Falls’ (so called because you can walk behind the waterfall without ever getting wet), these born storytellers jawed the afternoon away.”

Dan Sutton and **Jason Greller** shared remembrances of **Tom Ashley**, who passed away on January 21, 2025.

From Dan: “**Tom Ashley** was my good friend and co-conspirator. A man who loved mischief and kindness equally and reveled when he could combine the two. Tom was brilliant, funny, and always thoughtful. His mind was so hungry—always wishing to see more, to hear more, to learn. His inquisitiveness took him to Nepal and India, to all of Manhattan’s varied neighborhoods, and to Rio Rico, Arizona, where he found peace with his cat and the bandicoots in the Sonoran foothills. Tom could discuss African religions with real nuance—or why the Atlanta Falcons sucked. He was my best friend and a great friend: always there and still there in my memory every day, with a Nicholson quote or riposte of his own. Tom rejected conformity and expectation and had the scars and trophies to show for his radical chase of life’s joys. I’m sure glad I knew him well; I’m sad he’s gone.”

From Jason: “I had the profound privilege of sharing both my high school and college years with Tom. He was a man defined not just by strong opinions but by an insatiable curiosity that propelled him beyond mere assumption. Never content to simply accept what he believed or what he was told as truth, a genuine intellectual humility drove him to actively engage with those holding differing worldviews, always approaching their perspectives with deep respect. In his younger years, Tom was a remarkable athlete—strong, possessing incredible stamina, and a truly beautiful, elegant runner. This vibrant physical grace makes his courageous struggle with physical deterioration over the past several years all the more heart-wrenching to witness. Throughout his life, he possessed a rare sensitivity, quick to discern both humor and profound sadness in moments others might overlook. Above all, Tom was a man of unwavering decency and an unyieldingly loyal friend. He leaves an indelible mark on all who were fortunate enough to know him and will not be soon forgotten.”

I attended a memorial service in New York City on June 28 for Tom. Also in attendance were **Jamie Harper**, **Jason Greller**, **Bill Manger**, Rick Cleary ’85, Andrea Bici ’88, and Allyn Magrino ’89.

Keep the updates coming, and thank you very much to those of you who submitted news.

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Greetings! Hoping you are all well and you enjoyed some relaxing times over the summer. Must have been very relaxing or very busy because our chatty class was pretty quiet this time around. Two reliable contributors kindly submitted news to share.

Mark Galley has published a new book. “My new book, *How the Worst Was Won*, recently came out and earned an Amazon ‘#1 New Release’ with a five-star rating. It tells the impossible underdog story of how baseball’s greatest character—Casey Stengel—took the helm of history’s worst baseball team, the 1962 Mets, and resurrected millions of heartbroken fans to save New York City baseball forever. It’s actually the product of an 18-episode TV series I wrote, currently being shopped in Hollywood. Anyone interested in learning more about the book and TV series can visit my website, where they can also view the project’s treatment video and hear my interview on the *Lights, Camera, Author!* podcast, the number one book interview show on the web.” Congrats, Galley!

David Lloyd is pleased to report son David Jr. ’23 is “on his second start-up (RYT Bio), mining a library of billions of genomes with AI to find the best ones to digest microplastics, and loving Miami. He’s taken; sorry ladies.” Wishing all the best to young David.

A reminder to all that Fall Weekend is October 17–18. This weekend combines Homecoming and Family Weekend. Keep your eye out for updates on the schedule. Hoping to see many of you there!

What a few months it has been. As you know, President Joanne Berger-Sweeney retired after serving 11 years with us. On July 1, the College community welcomed our new president, Daniel G. Lugo. I know we’re all eager to see him succeed. Our class has always had a strong voice and presence, and I’m sure we will continue in the years ahead. Go Bants!

Until next time, be well and stay in touch.

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As anyone on the Class of 1989 mailing list knows, when I don’t hear from classmates in

time for Class Notes, I often threaten to fill the space with mundane updates from my own life. The good news: We did get some notes this round. The bad news: It was still a slow news cycle, so I'm kicking things off with a personal report.

After 28 years in Summit, New Jersey, (minus a five-year detour in London), my wife, Tina, and I (**Andrew Walker**) recently relocated to New London, Connecticut, marking my "day job retirement." New London is quite different from Summit, but I have deep roots in this region and know it well. Living on Long Island Sound year-round has its perks—we've already had more visitors in our first month than we had in recent years in New Jersey. We also see our Boston-based son more often, and our California-based daughter is suddenly interested in visiting *us* for a change.

Matt Maginniss and Chuck Bunnell: We need to establish a Trinity Club of Southeastern Connecticut.

Retirement has been great, though not exactly the "feet up" version I once imagined. As previously shared, I started Elevate+ five years ago as a side project and have been working on it full time since leaving EY. Elevate+ provides access to paid internships for students from underserved communities, transforming their career trajectories and their lives. I can go on at length about it—so reach out if you ever want a multi-hour conversation starter.

In April, I traveled into Manhattan to catch up with **Doug Macdonald**, who was visiting from Los Angeles for a Trinity alumni event at Jazz at Lincoln Center. It happened to be my last chance to see President Berger-Sweeney in action before her recent retirement. It feels like yesterday she addressed us at our 25th as the new president. The evening included a fantastic performance by Rachel Platten '03, who joined Trinity's Chapel Singers and the Trinitones on stage—an impressive blend of talent and nostalgia.

That same month, **Matt Ramsby**, Eric Newberg '88, Stephan Mason '88, and I visited **Josh Bewlay** at his home in Bermuda just before he and wife Nancy relocated to Paris. It was our first reunion in more than 20 years, and we picked up right where we left off.

I saw **Matt Ramsby** again in June when he and wife Ann visited New London. Having transitioned from teaching classics to college counseling at a high school in McLean, Virginia, Matt loves the new role. Their New

England road trip included a few intel-gathering college campus stops before heading to vacation in Camden, Maine.

After hearing about my move, **Sue Kinz Maggioni** reached out to say that nearby Harkness Memorial State Park is one of her favorite places in the world. Coincidentally, it's one of mine, too. We plan to meet there in the fall when her daughter represents Trinity at a cross-country meet.

Hillary Davidson had big family milestones this year: "I had not one but two graduations this year! My oldest graduated from college (Bucknell University, with a major in history and minors in political science and Russian), and my youngest graduated from high school (she's going to WashU in St. Louis next year). My husband, Jordan Goldstein, and I still live in Bethesda, Maryland. Our jobs keep us very busy, so it's not clear how different being empty nesters will be. If anyone is passing through the area, please give me a call!"

I had a lively call with **Jay Flemma** in June. Other life events have put a temporary damper on his famously active lifestyle, but he's thriving in Idaho. Jay speaks passionately about golf courses, Trinity's influence, and our classmates' successes—and can cite some wild stats about his new home state. Ever grateful and upbeat, Jay asked me to extend an open invitation to classmates (of any skill level) to join him for a round of golf.

Stephen Francis shares, "I still work doing Workday implementations in—of all industries—higher education. I am extremely jealous of all those around me who are retiring but fortunate to be able to hang out with a bunch of chill staff members at an array of higher ed institutions. **Elizabeth Rosano Francis** has been retired since 2003, leading the life of the queen that she is. We can't believe we have been married for 32 years, and like so many others in our class, are a happy couple who met at Trinity over an accounting textbook. Our kids are gone and starting to fly by themselves, so we are left with the dogs, who also enjoy a life of leisure as spoiled house pets."

Stephen also reflected on the recurring anonymous posts in the Class of 1989 Facebook group featuring the Reunion sign from years past. He had carefully preserved the sign until someone spirited it away at the end of our 35th. Thankfully, it's not lost—photos periodically appear on Facebook showing the sign enjoying pickleball, lakeside retreats, sailing, and even skiing in Copper Mountain, Colorado. It's become a class mascot. Though Stephen suspects the culprit,

the mystery prankster remains at large. The sign will surely have tales to tell at our 40th.

Speaking of which, a group chat launched after our 35th Reunion is still going strong. **Becky Holt, Kevin Scollan, Barbara Scudder Pritchard, Laura Thomas Standard**, and I continue to check in with one another and regularly share *New York Times* game scores when the results are either impressively good or hilariously off. "Did I fall asleep during this one?" was one reaction to a particularly sluggish mini-crossword time.

Matt Cost, Maine's other prolific author, has released yet another book. Watch out, Stephen King! By my count, *The Not So Merry Adventures of Max Creed* is his 17th. They are all fun reads, and I highly recommend his work.

More next time—but only if you send updates!

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A small but mighty flock of Bantams gathered on campus in June to celebrate our 35th Reunion. It was a great opportunity to catch up with old friends and to form new bonds with fellow classmates.

Mike Cavanaugh fearlessly led the Reunion Committee, along with **Sara Moorin Lang, Andrew Katz**, and **Jim Murphy**. Traveling from far and wide were **Gail Feinberg Brussel, Courtney Cimilluca Zanelli, Sue Davidson Talbot, Denise Chicoine Hoch, Brian Nusom, Ed Troiano, Kristen Cummings Palmer, Peter Denious, Virginia Gimbel McLucas, Ray Hannan, Sallie Judd Abelow, Jenny Rider, Katie Tozer, Dorian Shaw Forshner, Vicki Winter Dies**, and **Cyndi Woosnam Ketchum**.

Susan Clarke Chandrasekhar traveled the farthest to be there—more than 2,500 miles from Los Angeles!

Liz Silva was recognized by the Trinity College Alumni Association with the Gary McQuaid Award for the alumnus/a who has demonstrated leadership as an undergraduate and success in the business world.

Greg "Gretzky" Johnson won the unofficial award for being the most highly decorated member of our class, largely because people felt he deserved their ribbons, so they gave them to him.

The weekend was packed with interesting and fun activities, complete with late night at AD! There was even late, late night at the Crescent Street Townhouses, where many of

us stayed. As they did 35 years ago, Campus Pizza still delivers at 2:00 a.m.

Sue Davidson Talbot enjoyed catching up at Reunion, noting that the topic for everyone was retirement. She writes: "I have another six years of being a school psychologist before I can max out my teacher pension benefits, so the countdown has begun. My husband, Dave, will probably retire before me, and I have lots of plans for him! We are lucky to live in a town that's between our two daughters and get to see them frequently. I am also a new 'Grammy' to 4-month-old Carter Louise. Dave and I will continue our pursuit of traveling as much as possible; we are headed to Alaska this summer and Iceland next year."

Neil Walsh and wife Anne recently met **Paul Diaz** and **Ana Carvajal** for a Mother's Day brunch. They tried to connect with **Tim Boylan** but were foiled by Fenway traffic. Neil does management consulting and is a part-time lobsterman.

Dawn Browne McGreevey has settled in Denver after years in the humid South and loves it; sunshine and wide-open skies are good for the soul! She writes: "My daughter Emily graduated from the University of Utah and works in med-tech logistics here in town. After a lengthy career in corporate marketing, I've fully embraced my second act as an abstract artist here. My work is inspired by travel, nature, and the belief that art can transform a space—and state of mind. I help clients create sanctuaries with pieces that evoke emotion and meaning!"

Lisa Freeman Connor writes from Gig Harbor, Washington, a cute harbor town south of Seattle. "With views of Tahoma's snowcapped majesty (Mount Rainier) from our harbor and many recreational pursuits and wonderful friends in immediate proximity, we are enjoying our new chapter. Our son Holden just graduated from the Annie Wright Schools with honors/ his International Baccalaureate degree and is heading to Fairfield University's Dolan School of Business. For college, Holden will be in the same state in which I attended Trinity, so it's an interesting full circle for our son to return to our New England roots. I'm still running my design agency, Zeto Creative, and plan to retire in a few years! Our family ventured to Park City, Utah, to visit my beloved ex-roomie **Valerie Miller** in her new home and spent time skiing and socializing. While there, we bumped into **Liz Silva Roberts** in a boutique! She recognized my voice from behind a curtain

as I was chatting with Valerie, and a crazy impromptu reunion and hug fest ensued! To ice the Trinity-in-Utah cake, we spent time on the slopes skiing with **Katie Tozer** as well!"

Jen Schultz Gilbert recently transitioned her career from marketing director to marketing adjunct. She teaches marketing and advertising at SUNY Westchester Community College and is building an e-commerce marketing course that she will teach online for Charter Oak State College. She enjoys meeting **Gabin Rubin**, **Lisa Tomlinson**, and me from time to time in N.Y.C. She has not yet latched on to the pickleball craze; instead, she hones her golf skills at driving ranges that serve cocktails.

Alana Jeydel writes from Fresno, California, where she is a tenured professor of political science at Fresno City College. "**Russ Osterman** (who is in Sacramento) and I get together to see live music. My daughter will be a senior at Wellesley College next year. **Beth Lincoln Kelley** has been such huge help to her, and it also means I get to see Beth when I visit my daughter!"

Also in California is **Scott Gerien** in Napa, where he is a partner in his law firm representing alcohol beverage and hospitality companies as trademark counsel. "My eldest recently finished her first year at UC Berkeley, and my youngest is a high school senior, so my wife and I are close to being empty nesters. I recently had the opportunity to get together with **Ed Kupa**, **Karen Zeltzer**, and **Lisa Crounse** '91, who all live in the Bay Area, and see **Paige Baumann** when she visits family in the area. If anyone is ever in Napa Valley, drop me a line."

Steve Safran announces that his daughter **Sofia Safran** '18 and **Graham Turner** '18 were married on Memorial Day in Tewksbury, Massachusetts. There was a big Trin contingent spanning two generations of alumni, including **Jeanette "Beka" Farrar** and **Jason Farrar** and **Andy Snyder**. **Sofia** and **Graham** met while they were students and have been together ever since. We all wish them a happy life together.

On a personal note, I have been traveling to N.Y.C. to visit my Trinity pals as well as my daughter **Liv**, who transferred to Columbia as a sophomore. She is very lucky to have her Trinity aunties in the area, in particular **Gabin Rubin** and wife **Samantha**, who are a few blocks away and love to spoil her!

Thanks for the notes, friends. I love hearing from you!

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Greetings, Class of '94! Here are your updates.

Jay Sarzen writes, "My son Andrew began his college journey at Dickinson, but greener pastures called, and he has decided to transfer to Trinity as a member of the Class of '28.

He's beyond excited to become a Bantam!" congratulations to Andrew, and welcome to Trinity!

Graham Schelter and **Sanji Fernando** celebrated a significant milestone as Graham's daughter CeCe and Sanji's son Axel graduated from Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, Massachusetts. The two families shared a fun, seven-year journey with their children at Nobles. Following this joyous celebration, Graham and Julia, along with Sanji and Michelle, embrace their new chapter as empty nesters. Congratulations to CeCe and Axel!

Ashley Altschuler writes, "I continue to live and work in Wilmington, Delaware, and N.Y.C. and am the managing partner of McDermott's Delaware office, practicing corporate governance litigation. I often see **Steve Lari, Carter McNabb, Mike Robinson, Rob Weber, Keil Merrick, Dan Herbert, Sanji Fernando, Graham Schelter, Peter Lease, Chad Wollard, and Joe Stein**. We recently had a stellar reunion weekend in Vail, Colorado, hosted by **Chad Wollard** and **Dan Herbert**. I also often see **Braxton Jones, Bethany Patten, Carter Meyer, Kim Flaster, Amanda Pitman, Katie Peterson, and Betsy Grimstad** in Kentucky, Chattanooga, N.Y.C., L.A., and London, respectively. Everyone is doing well, and our '94 Bantam events and Reunions keep getting better every year!"

Amy Dilatush writes, "I will finish my term as TCAA president in June. It has been a great experience, and I've enjoyed being so connected to the College. A highlight was welcoming the Class of 2025 to the alumni association and encouraging them to throw their caps in the air at their graduation this May." Thank you, Amy, for your service to our alma mater!

Lastly, I am pleased to announce that I have successfully defended my doctoral dissertation on Collegiate Gothic architecture and received a Ph.D. in humanities from Salve Regina University in Newport, Rhode Island. I delivered a lecture on this topic on May 1 at the Yale Club of New York City.

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Hello, Class of 1996! I heard some incredible and hard-to-fathom news recently, which is that next year will be our 30th Reunion. Particularly hard to believe, considering I look exactly the same and I have all perfectly functioning and pain-free body parts. But seriously, the Reunion pictures from this spring looked amazing, and I hope everyone is starting to think ahead to spring 2026 for our turn on the quad.

Thanks to the select few who responded to my request for notes. **Gaia DiLoreto** is still based in Brooklyn, where she runs Brooklyn Made, a retail initiative of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce supporting local makers through two storefronts, e-commerce, and a busy calendar of pop-ups and partnerships. "We had a big summer season, including a retail tent at the Celebrate Brooklyn! concert series kicked off by Janelle Monae and Grace Jones. I'm excited about the upcoming holiday season as well as potential expansion of the concept to Korea and Japan."

Rob Toomey shares exciting news of his recent foray into publishing, with a new book written in a Dr. Seuss style but themed for adults. The book, *Nasalita Heynoux*, is available to read for free online at <https://nasalita.com> and is about overcoming difficult people in one's life.

Kelly Collis sends her greetings from sunny Florida: "After spending my entire professional life in Washington, D.C., I recently relocated to Naples with my husband and am working remotely and still doing what I love in the world of luxury hospitality marketing. For the past few years, I've been proud to work with Hilton's luxury portfolio, most recently leading marketing efforts for the Conrad brand in Washington, D.C. On the home front, life is just as full! My children are both thriving in college (daughter is a sophomore at the University of South Carolina, and son is a senior at the University of Wisconsin), and I'm also a proud stepmother to two wonderful daughters—one of whom

recently made me a grandmother. (Any other classmates become grandparents yet?) It's a new and joyful chapter for our family. I'd love to know if any fellow classmates are planning to attend our 30th Reunion next year or living in or traveling to Naples. Please reach out if you are!"

Finally, speaking of Reunion, it is my recollection that class officer positions are up for transition during Reunion Weekend. If someone out there has been harboring a desire to be class secretary, this will be your opportunity! It's a position full of awesome power, incredible rewards, and very minimal time commitment. Till then, keep sending me your updates!

1997 President: **Tanya Jones** • Vice President: **Courtney Zwirn** • Secretary: **Vacant** • Class Agents: **Cathy Sharick Clammer, Emily Dunlap, Jim Gilbert, Ronaldo Gonzalez, Ashley Hammarth, Melissa Prober, Ben Russo, Sue Church Zibell** • [i/groups/897545883615307](https://groups/897545883615307)

Hi, friends! Tanya here, jumping in one last time before a new class secretary takes over. I'm currently writing this on Amtrak, headed back to N.Y.C. after a gorgeous day in the Hudson Valley. If you haven't explored Hudson, New York, please do it. It's full of charm, great food, fun breweries, and antique shops.

No major life updates from me, but consider this my shameless plug (again): I produce a live storytelling experience in Harlem called "Can We Kick It?" and would love to see some Bantams in the audience or as storytellers. You get five to eight minutes to tell a true story—no notes, and you are prompted with a song title. If you're local or just passing through town, DM me or drop a line. As a member of the Trinity College Alumni Association Executive Committee, I spent this winter and spring interviewing candidates to join the board. I am so excited to share that **Sue Church Zibell**, my roommate for a semester at Trinity, was elected to the alumni board. Sue has already been killing it as the Trinity Club of Hartford president. I'm thrilled to have her with me in continued service to the College.

This past June, I enjoyed a fun mini reunion with **Kate McCabe O'Halloran, Lisa Schramm Buckley, Natasha Haidous O'Reilly, and Rachel Carr Devlin**. As their honorary fifth roommate for three years at Trinity, it felt like the good old days. Kate was the hostess with the mostest, and night one kicked off with dinner and a few rounds of Trinity

Hannah Wirfel Jones '07

DEGREES:

B.A. in art history

JOB TITLE:

Horsemanship Program director at New Canaan Mounted Troop

FAVORITE

TRINITY MEMORY:

I spent a summer at Trinity's Rome Campus. Living in Rome was incredible, but getting to celebrate Italy's World Cup soccer win was truly unforgettable. Huge projector screens were set up in the Circus Maximus, with the Palatine Hill as a backdrop. The Italian team's celebratory parade felt like a modern-day version of an ancient Roman triumphal procession!

What was your path to your current position?

I started horseback riding lessons when I was 7 years old and was always passionate about the sport. Inspired by accomplished riders at my barn, I set a goal to qualify for the National Horse Show and to ride in the Maclay Finals. After years of dedication, I proudly competed in the 2001 Maclay Finals—the last year it was held at Madison Square Garden. At the end of my junior riding career, I found myself wondering what was next. While I was grateful for the competitive experiences, I realized that horses were more than just competition for me—they were my grounding, my community, and my sense of belonging. That's why I joined the Trinity Equestrian Team to stay connected and to continue learning. After graduation, a fellow Trinity alum offered me a chance to teach riding at Farmington Polo Club. I even had the opportunity to coach the Trinity Equestrian Team for a couple of years! That experience helped me discover a passion for helping others grow as riders.

In August 2011, I was hired by New Canaan Mounted Troop (NCMT) to be their head riding instructor. NCMT, founded over 85 years ago, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit riding school that teaches leadership and horsemanship skills from the ground up. All the horses are donated to the program, and "Troopers" (kids aged 7–18) must help care for the horses to ride and be part of our Horsemanship Program. When NCMT launched its therapeutic riding program, I was part of the team that helped start the Super Troopers Program. In 2013, I became a PATH International certified therapeutic riding instructor, which allowed me to combine my love for horses with my commitment to community. I still teach in both our Horsemanship and Super Troopers Programs, but now I'm the Horsemanship Program director. My unique skill set—developed through PATH certification, years of instruction, and personal experiences—helps me identify how different riders process information and adapt my teaching to meet their needs. This role allows me to bring together my lifelong passion for horses, dedication to helping others, and commitment to creating inclusive spaces where every rider can thrive.

What do you do in your role? I teach, ride, and coach (we started our own interscholastic riding team several years ago!), and I create work schedules for both our human and equine staff. I also serve as the adult adviser to our high schoolers' Troop



Leadership Council and as an adviser to the board at NCMT.

What do you enjoy most about your work? I like knowing that I'm part of creating a safe space for so many kids. So much baggage can be left at the door—whether it's something going on at home, at school, or in the world—because no matter what, the horses still need to eat.

What are the biggest challenges you face?

Since we're a nonprofit, we don't have a huge budget. Also, there are only so many hours in the day to get everything done!

How did your time at Trinity help prepare you for your career? The liberal arts foundation gave me the flexibility to adapt, problem-solve, and continue learning, which has been invaluable in this role.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? It's hard to pick one: Erik Vogt's courses on existentialism and media philosophy and Kathleen Curran's courses on suburban sprawl and urban planning. They expanded my understanding of how people interact with the world around them—insights I now apply when working with my students.

Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential? Professor Vogt and Professor Curran. Their classes pushed me and gave me the confidence to think in new ways, and their guidance shaped my ability to approach challenges creatively and with insight into other people's perspectives.



For more on the NCMT, visit trincollreporter.online/Jones.

trivia, scripted by us. I highly recommend this for your next Trinity crew get-together.

As always, my Boston visits aren't complete without time with **Paul Lordan**. His family business, Steele Canvas, is going strong—still producing beautifully made-in-the-USA home goods. I'm always spotting their goods in cool stores like Marine Layer.

Kimberly Roberts is always in touch. Kim has been the general manager of Favorite Bay Lodge in Southeast Alaska for 21 years. Her son Cooper turns 6 in September. They live in Southern Oregon the rest of the year. The photos she shared of Coop are so adorable. I can't wait to meet him some day.

Lastly, a check-in from **Scott Andrews**, who's sending warm greetings (literally) from Panama. Scott runs Wao Venao, a stunning beach hotel offering five restaurants, two bars, and a surf school—all nestled in a tropical paradise. "The weather is warm year-round, with great uncrowded waves for experienced surfers and a surf school for beginners," he writes. If you visit, email scott@amfcap.com, and your first drink is on him. Thanks, Scott! We'll hold you to that!

More notes to come next time, hopefully written by you? Step up and step in as secretary, and keep the Class Notes flowing! Lots of love, everyone.

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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, Levi D. Litman, Jim Rodrigues, Jessica Lockhart Vincent, Geoffrey Zampiglio**

It's been a quiet few months for the Class of 1998, as I have not received any news to pass along. I have completed my fourth and final year on the Executive Board of the parents' association for my daughter's school, so next year I can enjoy her senior year in high school as a regular parent. I went back to Trinity for Reunion Weekend as my husband, Zander Vincent '00, was celebrating his 25th Reunion. I was amazed at how much has changed. I asked a current student if they still had ticket night, and she looked at me like I was crazy! I then explained that if she didn't know what I was talking about,

the answer is clearly no. I talked with a lot of alumni that weekend, and my main takeaway was that while most of us are beyond weddings and babies, people still want to know what their classmates are up to and how you are doing. Keep an eye on your inbox for future emails from me asking for news, and please consider sending an update. Take care!

1999 President: **William M. Mahoney** • Vice President: **Michael J. York** • Secretary: **Alyssa Daigle Schoenfeld**, alyssa.daigle.1999@trincoll.edu
• Class Agents: **Carolyn Stone Berndt, Allison Lanzetta, Amie Margolis Haddad, Ben Rohn** • [f/groups/TrinColl1999](https://www.facebook.com/groups/TrinColl1999)

From the Alumni Office: **Jocelyn Foye** received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree from Rhode Island College (RIC) at its 171st Commencement in May. According to RIC's website, Foye is "executive director and co-founder of The Womxn Project, a grassroots organization dedicated to advancing equity, bodily autonomy, and civic engagement through public education, advocacy, and community organizing using the unique tool of activism. Under Foye's leadership, The Womxn Project has become a visible and influential force in Rhode Island's political and social landscape. The organization is known for its creative public interventions, statewide campaigns, and community-led initiatives that address critical issues, such as reproductive freedom, health care access, LGBTQIA+ protections, and gender equity." Jocelyn earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity and an M.F.A. from California State University, Long Beach.

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, John Miecznikowski, Katie Watts Thomson, Johanna Tighe Traven, Katie Zito** • [f/Trinity-College-Class-of-2000-193274580990](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Trinity-College-Class-of-2000-193274580990)

From the Alumni Office: Fletcher Tilton PC, one of Central Massachusetts' oldest and most respected law firms, has announced that attorney **Todd E. Brodeur** has begun his term as president of the firm. Brodeur, a veteran transactional attorney with more than 20 years of experience, has been serving as a member of the Management Committee and now steps into the leadership role to guide the firm's strategic direction.

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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, Susanna Kise, Shannon McGill, Matthew Schiller** • [f/groups/TrinityCollegeClassof2001](https://www.facebook.com/groups/TrinityCollegeClassof2001)

Classmates, please pencil in our Reunion in spring 2026! There's going to be a contingent at Homecoming as well, so some fun opportunities to reconnect are coming up.

Your secretary (**Susanna Kise**) is sort of settled into life in Los Angeles and enjoys getting to see **Aroop Sanakkayala** now and then. Since her mother's death in January, she's spent a considerable amount of time in Philadelphia and Maine (especially the latter) and hopes to catch up with classmates there, too.

Shrim Bathey continues to call Oakland, California, home, where she enjoys life with her family. She recently launched Bathey Consulting Group, a firm dedicated to helping organizations and individuals streamline operations for greater efficiency and impact. Learn more about her work at the firm's website, or reach out to connect.

Zoe Kretschmar-Taylor writes, "James and I are still based in London and loving it (actually really pleased not to be in the U.S. at the moment!). Our son Fyfe just turned 10 and is starting the secondary school application process. We usually travel for extended periods to visit family in the U.S. and Australia, but this summer we'll just be helping him prep for his exams. But the biggest recent change has been to my work. I, along with two other fantastic female leaders, bought an established culture transformation consultancy, Kin&Co, in October of last year. We have spent the last eight months really making this business our own and developing a long-term strategy for the business. We are so excited to have the opportunity to help build the future of work with some of the biggest and most influential businesses, charities, and government organizations across Europe. We're also super proud to be a truly purpose-driven B-Corp. Finally, we always seem to have a steady flow of Trinity visitors here in London, which is lovely. Long may that continue! Most recently, George Hume '00 and his family came to visit in April, and **Anna (Bookwalter) Hildreth** and her family have plans to visit us next summer—we can't wait to see them!"

2002 President: Shayla L. Zarchin, ellen.zarchin.2002@trincoll.edu • Titley • Secretary: Ellen Zarchin, ellen.zarchin.2002@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Shakira Ramos Crespo, Dave Kayiatos, Nhung Lam, Ellen Zarchin

Hello! I hope this edition of *The Trinity Reporter* finds you all well. As I write this in late June, New York is amid a heat wave, and the Oklahoma City Thunder beat the Indiana Pacers last night. I'm pretty certain our 14-year-old son snuck back downstairs to watch the game after we all went upstairs. This explains why he was slow to get up this morning for the last week of school!

Speaking of beds and linens, **S. Brooks Huston** checks in from New York City to share he launched his own home goods business called Phlox Linens (www.phloxlinens.com). Phlox is a line of organic cotton bed linens made in Portugal, and the patterns are beautiful! Congratulations, Brooks!

Also checking in from New York City is **Josh LaPorte**. Josh completed his master's in library and information science at St. John's University and recently was named supervisory librarian at the United States Court of International Trade in New York. John moved to Queens in 2022 and loves it. Congratulations, Josh!

Patrick Roman and I have two of our three children graduating from schools this spring. Luke graduates from eighth grade and is headed to The Hotchkiss School in the fall, and Anna graduated from fifth grade last week with **Ana Holwell** and **Mark Tassie's** daughter Georgia. Our kids are growing up! And, yes, our 25th Reunion is about two years away.

Please continue to share your news with me (ellenzarchin@hotmail.com). Until next time...

2003 President: Trude Goodman Tiesi • Vice President: Kiran Melwani • Secretary: Joe Noonan, joseph.noonan.2003@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Brian Howard, Suzy Schwartz Pepper, Des Potier, Laura Rand • f/groups/trinitycollege2003

Greetings, classmates! Thank you for reinvigorating the 2003 updates. Please keep them coming.

I met up with **Gavin O'Reilly** and **Dave Rooney** in San Francisco in March. We caught some amazing March Madness basketball, enjoyed a gorgeous hike in Marin, and stayed up entirely too late. Great times all around.

Michael "Dave" Dick lives in Belmont, Massachusetts, with wife Elizabeth "Lizzie"

Millstein '04 and their two boys. Dave has opened his own concierge family medicine primary care medical practice in Wellesley and has had the opportunity to care for Trinity alum in the past and is open to seeing more alumni if folks are seeking primary care in the area. Lizzie is VP of sales at 1440 and recently came back from a work trip to Cannes, France, which was a lot of work but also tons of fun. When not shuttling the boys to camps and sports, Lizzie and Dave like to see his family in California or hang out with old Sigma Nu buddies or friends and family in the Boston area.

From the Alumni Office: **Anne Dijamco McGinty** shares, "My podcast *How I Built My Small Business* won a Communicator Award of Excellence as an educational series (alongside names like Apple News, Netflix, National Geographic, and The Getty). The podcast features story-driven conversations with entrepreneurs across industries. As the host and producer, I see this recognition as a meaningful validation. Trinity alumni guests include **Brian Dutt**, **Rachel Platten**, Melissa Martinelli '04, and Lauren Cantner Vermette '00 (episode not yet released)."

2004 President: Matthew W. Glasz • Vice President: Meredith A. MacKinnon • Secretary: Jake Schneider, jacob.schneider.2004@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Lori Evans Alderin, Bret Boudreaux, Matt Glasz, Mimi MacKinnon, Jake Schneider • f/groups/485669531523501

2005 President: Erin E. Kinney • Vice President: Rebecca M. Bell • Secretary: Amy Laurenza, amy.laurenza.2005@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Eileen Flynn, John Halas, Andrea Leverant Minor, Liz Hanusovsky Patterson • f/groups/trinitycollegeclassof2005

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2006 President: Tory Hamilton McCarthy • Vice President: Kyle Cox • Secretary: Timothy Y. Fox, timothy.fox.2006@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Nicole Tsesselis Cea, Kyle Cox, Jim McCarthy, Tory Hamilton McCarthy, Virginia Adair McCarthy, Kim Galloway McHale, Gabriel L.P. Rotman

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2007 Secretary: Brendan J. Keefe, brendan.keefe.2007@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Joey Butler, Jenny Carson, Devon Lawrence, Jed Rednor • f/groups/TrinityClassof2007
Hello! It looks like it has been a very successful 2025 for the Class of 2007 so far!

Marisa Dolan Paraschak tells us that she survived breast cancer in her late 20s, which led to her founding a nonprofit called the New England Breast Cancer Alliance. The nonprofit just had its third annual "Runway for Hope" in Portland, Maine. Runway for Hope features breast cancer survivors as models wearing costumes designed by artists and others in the community. This year, the event raised more than \$100,000 for breast cancer research and to support local breast cancer survivors. Marisa also was chosen as one of 26 of the 2025 Myra Kraft Community MVP awards, with a \$10,000 award for the New England Breast Cancer Alliance, and as one of the "20 Outstanding Women in Maine," sponsored by Hannaford Supermarkets, Maine Community Bank, and Coast 93.1 to identify and celebrate women in Maine who go above and beyond to make their communities a better place to live.

Libby Eberhardt and **Tony Massimiano** relocated from Boston to Williamstown, Massachusetts, in 2022 and enjoy life in the country with son Arlo, 6, and daughter Nora, 3.

Tyler Simmons started a job as VP of partnerships and revenue at Flashfood in April. Flashfood is a marketplace that helps feed families and reduce food waste. "We connect grocers and consumers to sell near-expiration food at a discount, giving people access to healthy food at a time when food prices are a major focus for all families," he says.

Kat West started a new job as director of environmental programs for a Fortune 10 company. "So basically, Green Campus for corporations. It all started at Trinity," she says.

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy summer and fall! If you have a new email address, please share it with me (brendan-johnkeefe@gmail.com) or the Alumni Office (alumni-office@trincoll.edu). We'd love to make sure you receive our emails!

2008 President: Cory Edmonds • Vice President: Alex Goldberg • Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Nadia Zahran Anderson, Sasha Kravetz
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2009 President: Danae Goldberg McKenzie • Secretary: Caitlin M. Brisson, caitlin.brisson.2009@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Piper Klemm, Danae Goldberg McKenzie, Kumud Nepal, Alex Klestadt Patack, Alex Purdie Wueger

2010 President: Jordyn Sims Pierce • Vice President: Stephanie E. Apstein • Secretary: Rebecca M. Herrigel, rebecca.herrigel.2010@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Vinit Agrawal, Emilia Gagnon Lamb, Mike Pierce • [f/groups/777318939001542](https://groups/777318939001542)

Hi, Class of 2010, it was great to see some of you at Reunion last June. Campus looks a lot different from when we were there, and it was fun to stay in the (new to me) Crescent Street Townhouses, right next to friends and fellow classmates! Despite the rain on Saturday (which has been a whole thing in New England this year), we still enjoyed dinner out on the quad, under the big tent, and watched as alumni danced the night away. One of the best parts of the weekend was catching up with friends.

Below are some updates from our classmates.

Isis M. Irizarry Negrón started working for the Lehigh County District Attorney's Office in Pennsylvania as an assistant district attorney in May.

Ali Schwartz Balbes recently moved back to Fairfield County, Connecticut.

Hal Ebbott writes, "I'm excited to say that in June, my novel, *Among Friends*, will be published in the U.S., the U.K., and in translation across a number of other territories. To express how lucky I feel would take a long time. I owe much to many people. The book concerns two families who've been close for 30 years and follows the aftermath of a violent betrayal that occurs at the country home where they've gathered to celebrate a birthday. I'm enormously grateful to have received early praise from writers whose work means a tremendous amount to me, including Booker and Pulitzer Prize winners. This is all, quite literally, more than I ever dreamt."

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2011 President: Catherine E. Marinello • Secretary: Remi Evans Dolan, remi.evans.2011@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Michael Magdelinskis-Vazquez, Rachel Meddar, Abbie Smitka

Hi, Class of 2011. I have two great updates to share from the past few months.

After 12 years in New York, Seth Hull and his wife recently moved to Connecticut to be closer to family. Seth recently completed his 12th year as an English teacher and instructional leader in public and public charter schools in the South Bronx and is a candidate for an Ed.D. in instructional leadership at Hunter College. His research uses a youth participatory action research (YPAR) approach to explore how middle school advisories can be more responsive to traditionally marginalized groups, and Seth is hoping the student co-researchers he worked with during the study will have the opportunity to present their findings at the American Educational Research Association before he defends next spring. Seth is forever grateful for the confidence and sense of purpose he gained from the late, great Professor Chatfield and for the lifelong friendships he formed through Pike and Quest. (Shout-out, too, to the Pipes!) So great to see all of these communities still going strong. Wishing you good luck, Seth!

Also, Payden (Sra) Hubbert and husband Jon excitedly welcomed daughter Asha this past July! Plus, after a long hiatus from the Midwest, they moved back home to Chicago. Congrats, Payden!

Keep your updates and stories coming!

From the Alumni Office: Richard Lynn (litigation, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, office) and Glenna Grinnell Adeleye (real estate, New York office) have been named partner and counsel, respectively, at Fox Rothschild.

2012 President: John Michael Mason • 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 • [f/groups/trincoll2012](https://groups/trincoll2012)

On April 4, 2025, Michelle Deluse married Zack Feldman in Simsbury, Connecticut. Bantam alumni and colleagues were well represented at the celebration, even though they forgot to gather for a picture with the banner!

Lizey Korengold Bernstorf and husband Stephan Bernstorf '10 welcomed their third child, Hannah Elizabeth Bernstorf, on May 10, 2025.

Meredith Veach and husband Jacob Mainzer '13 also have a new addition to the family—a baby girl named Ava who was born in early February.



Michelle Deluse '12, M'16 and husband Zack Feldman celebrate their wedding on April 4, 2025, with many Bantams. Back row: Tom Regan '87, Melissa Bronzino Regan '87, Michelle Deluse '12, M'16, Zack Feldman, Julie Cloutier (staff), Allison Grebe (staff), Dave Patterson '05, Liz Hanusovsky Patterson '05 (staff); front row, second from left: Steve Donovan (former staff); not pictured: Alex Deluse '15, maid of honor

2013 Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Dani Isaman Burgess, Ryan Burgess, Emily Howe Gianis

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2014 President: Mark Yanagisawa • Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Carl Barreto, Fiona Brennan, Will Gray, Moustafa Hamada, Ben Plumer, Victoria Trentacost

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.

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 Ragosta, Sarah Wolcott, Robert Zindman

Alix de Gramont and husband Matt Inman welcomed baby Lucas in December 2024. Lucas is doing great, making lots of friends at daycare, and trying to make friends with his fur brother, Andy. Alix, Matt, and Lucas (and Andy) live in Brooklyn, New York.

From Dayana Aleksandrova: "After graduation and traveling the world doing odd jobs for a little while, I ended up working in crypto. Entering the space as a newbie in 2023, I quickly climbed the ranks and worked

Mike Cyr '15

DEGREES:

B.S. in neuroscience; D.P.T. (doctor of physical therapy), University of New England; American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (ABPTS) board-certified neurologic clinical specialist

JOB TITLE:

Staff physical therapist and site lead of clinical excellence, as well as director of clinical education, Maine Strong Balance Centers; adjunct assistant professor, University of New England; registered Maine whitewater guide

FAVORITE

TRINITY MEMORY:

Many that come to mind: days on the Appalachian Trail with Quest, my summer abroad in Barcelona, every Spring Weekend, and the Halloween snowstorm of 2011. This constitutes many memories, but I will say just getting a box of jojos from Sam's after a night at The Tap and eating them with my roommates on Crescent Street while we played Super Smash Bros. on Nintendo 64.

What do you do in your work? In my primary role as a physical therapist, I treat patients with neurologic conditions, including brain injury, stroke, Parkinson's, multiple sclerosis, vestibular disorders, balance impairments, and other neurodegenerative diseases. I try to establish a collegial relationship with my patients and help them reach their functional goals through a variety of exercise-based treatment modalities. I also serve as director of clinical education for my clinic and adjunct assistant professor at the University of New England, where I work with physical therapy students. I teach "Gross Anatomy" and "Disorders of the Neuromuscular System" and am involved with the placement and education of students on their clinical rotations.

What inspired you to become a physical therapist?

I had the mixed fortune of suffering a string of sports-related concussions at the same time I was doing my neuroscience coursework at Trinity. Personal experience and academic interest impelled me to learn more about neurorehabilitation as a field. I learned that physical therapists get more face time with their patients than almost any other health provider. With more time to ask questions, educate, and allay fears, you can build long-term relationships where it's possible to promote a sense of agency in health and in life. It felt like the right way to do health care.

What do you enjoy most about your work? Every day is different and presents endless challenges and endless learning opportunities. Many of my patients are facing existential injuries or diseases and are fearful of what the rest of their lives hold for them. Helping them to reengage with what gives them meaning in their lives is one of my greatest joys and privileges. It's also incredibly rewarding to see the development of my students as they work to become competent and caring physical therapists. I love the layered nature of my work and the ways I am able to combine my different roles. Outside of the clinic, I've had opportunities to do health promotion work internationally with fellow PT and Trinity classmate Consuelo Pedro and to guide several adaptive whitewater rafting trips in Maine with former patients.

What challenges do you face? My professional challenges typify some of the biggest challenges facing education and health care in the United States today. The rising cost of education is disincentivizing



students from seeking careers in health care, and the rising cost of living is making it more difficult for students to complete their training. Additionally, the country's population is living longer, and the need for providers who are skilled in addressing chronic and age-related illnesses is ever growing. Patients are struggling to find and afford the individualized care that they need.

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

I was encouraged to participate in social clubs, athletics, academic organizations, outdoors trips, and community service events. I found these different experiences complemented and informed one another in surprising ways. I still try to make useful connections in seemingly disparate areas of my life. Martin Nweeia '77, a dentist and marine biologist, said it best. "In the world of science, the real insight, the real progress, the findings of significance are going to be found by integrative thinkers who wander freely between the perimeters of myriad disciplines."

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? "Minds and Brains" with Dan Lloyd. I had never had to think in the way I was called on to think in this course. Our writing exercises on phenomenology opened new perspectives and created a novel basis for learning for me.

Did you have a professor who was particularly influential? I had many professors whose influence I feel in my work to this day (Sarah Raskin, Molly Helt, Philip Brunquell). The common thread was that they all were content experts who also cared deeply about the learning experiences of their students. They also were heavily involved in the communities where they lived and worked. I try to use their example when I am teaching, treating patients, or working on initiatives to address community-level health issues.



Allen George '15 and Lili Turner '15 were married on December 14, 2024, at Larz Anderson House in Washington, D.C. Trinity alumni joining the couple included Whitney George '15, Brooks George '13, John Meuchner '16, Nathalie Carmel '15, Piece Classen '15, Max Herman '19, Connor Ewald '15, Kristan Bertschmann Ewald '15, Natalie De Dalmas '15, Charlie Finnegan '15, Whitney Hartmeyer Finnegan '15, Brooke Moore '15, Katherine Rorer '15, Joe Duarte '15, Wilson Laprade '15, Madeline Perez '15, Meredith Briggs '15, Stuart MacKenzie '15, Matt Metalios '13, Schuyler Giordano '15, Will Rosen '15, Sophie Doering Lynch '15, Robert Hamblett '15, Mary Pomeroy Hamblett '14, Will O'Hearn '15, Matt Hauck '15, Elliot Stephenson '13, George Wheatley '15, Robert Stiefler '15, Graham Bradley '15, Jeff Kimm '15, and William Gorman '15. Bantams in attendance but not pictured were Chris Kenny '14, Caroline Picerne Kenny '16, Michelle Long Kratky '15, Liam Langaas '16, Kelly Brady Langaas '16, Edward Wagner '15, and Carolyn Zimmer Wagner '15.



Shannon Burke '16 and Lars Skattum '16 celebrate at their Newport, Rhode Island, wedding in July 2024.



Dan Pidgeon '16 and Olivia Reny '16 are joined by Bantam friends at their Pittston, Maine, wedding in October 2024.

at one of the biggest crypto media companies called Cointelegraph, followed by a role at WalletConnect. I've also been fortunate to work with Aave and to establish a decentralized social media and X brand. Some of the most fun experiences have been speaking on stage at 13 conferences last year, working side by side with Stani Kulechov (Aave) and Pedro Gomes (WalletConnect), and watching Formula 1 from a super yacht in Abu Dhabi on an assignment with OKX. Next, I'm going on an Asia tour with WalletConnect and Pedro Gomes plus team where we'll visit Bali, Japan, Korea, and Thailand. I'll be supporting Pedro in my role as a community lead. While I always regretted not studying econ at Trinity, I feel like getting involved in decentralized finance has given me what I wanted and needed."

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Shannon Burke and Lars Skattum had a beautiful wedding on July 6, 2024, in Newport, Rhode Island, surrounded by family and friends. They met at Trinity during their first year and began dating senior year. Many Trinity friends joined the happy couple and danced the night away.

Alex Manwaring and wife Brittany are thrilled to announce the birth of Maverick James Manwaring last March!

Dan Pidgeon and Olivia Reny were married on October 5, 2024, at Beech Hill Barn in Pittston, Maine. Bantams celebrating with the bride and groom included Madelaine Feakins, Rae Hickox, Jamie Ballan, Elizabeth Jurcik, Tara Kantor, Ellen Gustavson, Emy Farrow-German, Angela Pitsoulakis, Annie Upton Henry '15, Thuy Anh Nguyen '16, Nick DiBenedetto '17, Jake Bennett '17, Luke

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Eight years after meeting in Hansen Hall, Nathan Shapiro and Nadine Taghian '17 were married on September 13, 2024, in Newport, Rhode Island. They celebrated with friends



Nadine Taghian '17 and Nathan Shapiro '18 were married in Newport, Rhode Island, on September 13, 2024.

and family, including fellow Bantams from the Classes of 2015–20.

Dana Martin and **Mike Messina** were married on December 14, 2024, at the Fairmont Copley Plaza in Boston.

Mary Ruth Nagel and Joseph Parsons were married on April 12, 2025.

Looking ahead, **Grace O'Donnell** and **Woody Hamilton** are planning an August 2, 2025, wedding in Boothbay Harbor, Maine.

Anna Gailloud graduated from the University of Maryland Frances King Carey School of Law in May 2024 and is clerking at the Baltimore County Circuit Court.

Michael Fries earned an M.B.A. from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth in spring 2025 and joined Harris Williams in Boston.

Katie Haghdan also completed an M.B.A. in spring 2025, graduating from Boston University's Questrom School of Business with a concentration in health sector management.

And some sweet family news: **Ryan** and **Melissa Maffeo Vultaggio** are expecting their third baby—and first girl!—at the end of July. Congratulations to the growing crew!

From the Alumni Office: Goodell DeVries is pleased to announce that **Eleanor A.**



Dana Martin '18 and Mike Messina '18 were married at the Fairmont Copley Plaza in Boston on December 14, 2024, surrounded by a lively crowd of Bantams.

Clerc has joined the firm as an associate in the Medical Malpractice Practice Group. Eleanor represents health care providers and health care institutions in all phases of medical malpractice litigation. Prior to joining Goodell DeVries, she was an associate at a regional law firm, where she worked on a variety of claims including insurance defense, medical malpractice, and products liability. Eleanor previously served as a judicial intern to the Honorable Douglas Nazarian of the Maryland Court of Special Appeals. She majored in biology at Trinity and earned a J.D. from the University of Baltimore School of Law.

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The class secretary position for the Class of 2019 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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Friends—as hard as it is to imagine, as I write to you in the fall edition of the *Reporter*, we are less than a year away from our first Reunion. In June, five years shall have passed since we were students. How time flies and how life changes substantially. I trust that so many of you will have much to report and to catch up on as we all gather 'neath the elms next June. I hope that many of you will put your talents to work with our Reunion Committee.

The class was silent during this most recent call for *Reporter* updates. As always, I ask that you share your experiences, updates, and milestones with me. Do not hesitate to drop me a line via email (brendanwclark@outlook.com) or telephone (610-781-8446).

From your secretary: **Brendan W. Clark** has continued his passion for collecting

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antiques and the decorative arts, continuing to hunt for the rare and unusual. In major life decisions, he also recently acquired a dog—a diminutive long-haired doxen puppy named Sophie who is about 7 months old as of the time of this issue's publication.

2022 Co-President: **Nayantara Ghosh** • Co-President: **Shawn Olstein** • Co-Secretary: **Alexandra C. Chambers**, alexandra.chambers.2022@trincoll.edu; Co-Secretary: **Hannah M. Lynch**, hannah.lynch.2022@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Mia Conte**, **Ishaan Madhok**, **Matthew Solomon**, **Alex Sowinski**

Hey, Bants! Fall is here, which means it's officially time to wonder if you're too old to go apple picking and whether your Halloween candy will actually last until trick-or-treaters show up. It also means it's Class Notes season, so here's a quick check-in from the Class of '22, where the leaves are changing and so are the LinkedIn headlines.

This summer, classmates were up to all kinds of things: switching industries, launching brands, traveling, or just trying to keep houseplants alive (OK, that last one's me).

Coleman McJessey is heading to Stanford Law this fall.

Shayne Rice recently was promoted to the Portfolio Management Team at HIMCO.

LiliAnna Khosrowshahi launched Lilihammer, a women's golf and racket-wear brand, on May 1, 2025. A lifelong athlete, LiliAnna started playing golf in a corporate setting after graduation and quickly noticed the lack of apparel that made women feel confident and capable on the course. After seeing how much opportunity golf creates—both professionally and socially—she was inspired to build a brand that gives women equal access and a stronger sense of belonging. With modern designs and performance-driven fits, Lilihammer is about more than what you wear—it's about making golf feel inclusive, empowering, and fun for the next generation. Explore more at lilihammer.com and [@lilihammersport](https://www.instagram.com/lilihammersport) on Instagram and TikTok.

If you haven't shared an update lately, I'd love to hear from you—whether you made a big leap, hit a weird professional plot twist, or just want to brag about finally replacing your college furniture (in which case, you're already ahead of me).

Until next time, keep doing your thing. And remember, impostor syndrome usually means you're doing something ambitious, so keep at it. Cheers, **Alex Chambers**

From the Alumni Office: **Mia Conte** writes, "This past May, I was honored to be featured in the Boston Celtics Local Artist Series. My photography journey began as a student at Trinity and has continued to evolve. As part of this opportunity, I photographed Game 1 of the playoffs, capturing the electric energy of both the fans and players. It was an incredible experience to meet the Celtics' media and digital teams while shooting for the organization. My film photos were featured on the Celtics' Instagram, and my bio was shared on X. I'm truly grateful for this opportunity."

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

From the Alumni Office: **Joshua Jacoves** serves as program director at The Naloxone Project in Denver. The project, according to its website, aims to combat "the stigma behind the opioid epidemic" by "creating an equitable and sustainable medical system that provides Naloxone and saves lives." Recently the program was highlighted in the media for installing vending machines with Naloxone kits. Joshua was quoted as saying, "What's really important about these machines is that they're low-barrier, and they're going in places where they're easily accessible. These are lifesaving tools in the right place at the right time."

The class secretary position for the Class of 2023 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.

2024 Secretary: **Hannah R. Young**, hannah.young.2024@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **CC Bennett**, **Christian Brune**, **Alden Glovsky**, **Matt Pecora**, **Chloe Slater**, **Chassidy Titley**, **Gabe Zeccolella**

From **Josh Orujev**: "Over the past few months, I got my master of public affairs degree from UMass Amherst, moved to Boston, and accepted an executive assistant and international client services coordinator position in the city."

From **Caroline Frederick**: "I accepted a job with Houston Ballet to be the institutional giving coordinator. I'm excited to start this next chapter of my life!"

From **Matthew James Pecora**: "I will be running the 2025 TCS New York City Marathon and fundraising for the Alzheimer's Association and the late Luther

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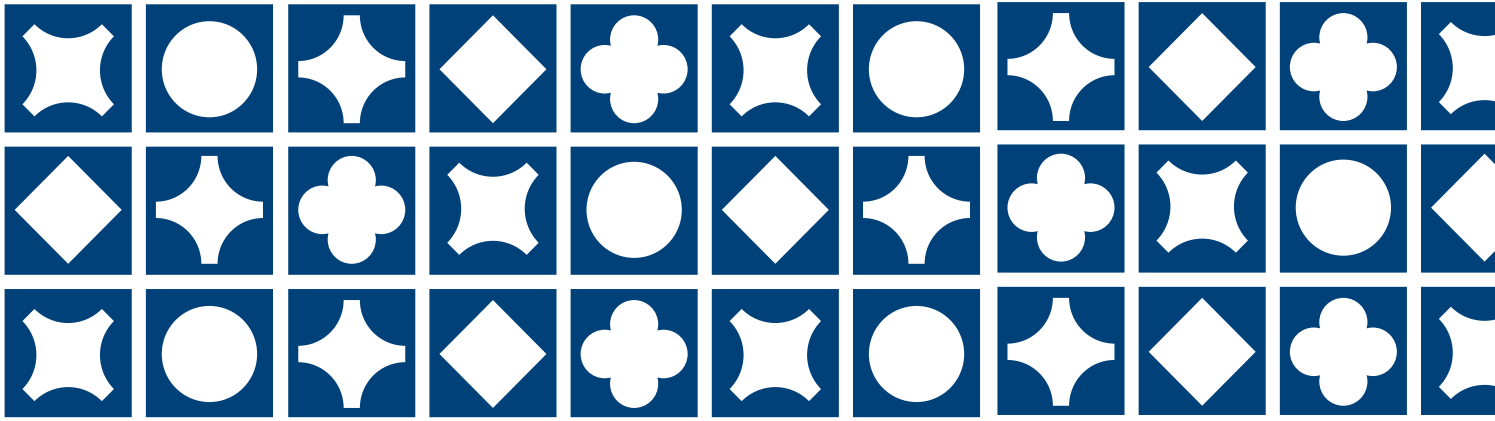


Leonidas Terry Jr. (Trinity College '67). Please see my LinkedIn page for the link to donate."

2025 Secretary: **Vacant** The class secretary position for the Class of 2025 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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Master's Co-Secretary: **Crisanne Colgan M'74**, crisanne.colgan.1974@trincoll.edu • Co-Secretary: **Christopher McBride M'93**, christopher.mcbride.1993@trincoll.edu From **Crisanne Colgan**: "I was honored to attend the CT Forum program 'An Evening with José Andrés,' sponsored by Trinity and The Bushnell. Andrés is a chef, restaurateur, and humanitarian. In 2010, he formed World Central Kitchen, a nonprofit that specializes in delivering food relief in the wake of natural and humanitarian disasters around the world. Moderator Danny Meyer '80 (former Trinity trustee), also a restaurateur and humanitarian, is founder of Shake Shack and Union Square Hospitality Group. The dialogue was inspiring, energizing, and full of compassion. Both Andrés and Meyer are recipients of numerous accolades, including being named to *Time* magazine's "100 Most Influential People."



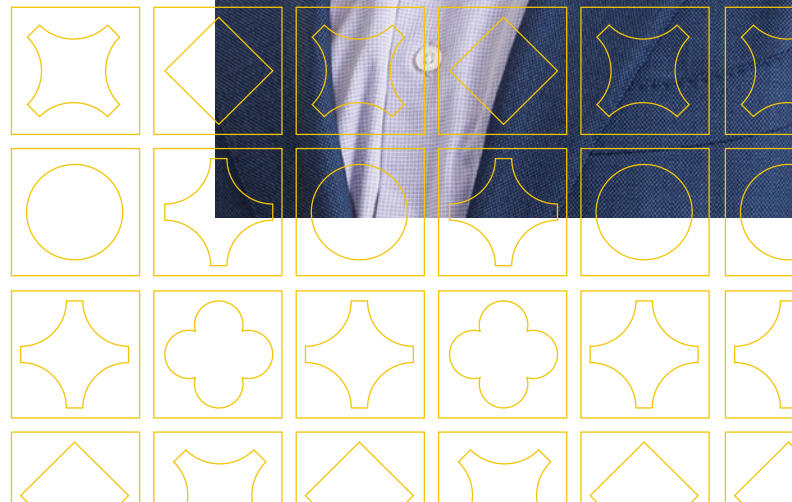
"Trinity was, and still is, home," says Winston Brewer '18. Though he's moved away from Hartford, Trinity continues to play a meaningful role in his life. "It's more than just a place—it's a feeling. Being part of the broader Trinity community is incredibly rewarding, and giving back allows me to stay connected to the place that helped shape who I am."

Winston sees his giving as both personal and practical. "As a student, I helped manage the student body budget and sat on the College's budget committee. I saw firsthand how vital alumni support is—not just to keep the lights on but to help new ideas take root." Now, with professional experience in municipal finance and working with endowment investment teams, Winston has a deeper appreciation for the long-term impact of consistent giving. That's why he joined Nest Builders, Trinity's new recurring giving program for young alumni. "It made supporting Trinity at the Long Walk level easy and meaningful," he says.

"A stronger Trinity benefits us all," Winston adds. "And every act of giving helps lift the entire Bantam community." Winston hopes fellow alumni will join him in supporting what makes Trinity special, nurturing its unique strengths, and investing in its future.



To join the Long Walk Societies or to learn more, visit www.trincoll.link/LongWalkSocieties.





In Memory

1951 Raymond G. Hampson Jr., 95, of Horseheads, New York, died on February 14, 2025.

Hampson earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and the Engineering Club. He went on to work for more than 35 years at Westinghouse/Phillips Lighting, retiring in 1988 as senior manufacturing engineer.

Hampson is survived by sons Brian (Sue Ellen), Jeffrey (Karen), and Robert Hampson; five grandchildren; and sister Barbara Ivey. He was predeceased by first wife Nancy Litchfield and second wife Barbara Lyke.

1951 Lawrence S. Smith, 97, of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, died on May 4, 2025.

Smith earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn a B.M.E. and an M.M.E. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Smith had a 33-year career at Hamilton Standard.

Smith is survived by his wife of 72 years, Ellen; children Susan (Rob Rorke) and Peter (Emily Adams); four grandchildren; two great-grandsons; and sister Meryon.

1953, M.A. 1962 Philip J. Mallon, 92, of Boynton Beach, Florida, died on October 17, 2024.

Mallon earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and captain of the tennis team. He also participated in ROTC and later served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. After working in business for several years, Mallon earned an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity and embarked on a 33-year teaching career.

Mallon is survived by children Linda Mallon '77, Laurie Nebel, and John Mallon (Kris); six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and sister Elinor Macdonald. He was predeceased by his wife of 66 years, Eileen, and a granddaughter.

1953 John A. "Jack" North Jr., 93, of Brattleboro, Vermont, died on February 9, 2025.

North earned an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the golf team. After serving in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War, he began a career in advertising, including three decades as president of Baker & North Advertising Agency. The dedicated alumnus was a member of Trinity's Elms Society.

North is survived by children John "Jay" North III and Susan Flynn (Shane), daughter-in-law Regina North, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by first wife Jean, to whom he was married for 47 years; his partner of 17 years, Ruth White; and son Sterling North.

1954 Wilbur Jones, 91, of New Rochelle, New York, died on February 2, 2024.

Jones earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Jesters. He also earned an M.A. and an M.A.L.D. from Tufts University's Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. Jones went on to serve in the U.S. Army and to a career that included time in administration at the African-American Institute in New York City.

Jones is survived by wife Grace and son Jason.

1954 Kenneth W. Stuer Jr., 92, of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, died on April 26, 2025.

Stuer earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi. After serving in the U.S. Army, he worked for Aetna Fire Insurance for 26 years before joining EBI, from which he retired as vice president.

Stuer is survived by children Robin Vandegrift (Paul), Kim Stuer, and Mike Stuer. He was predeceased by wife Joan, sister Charlotte (Greg), and brothers-in-law Edward and Robert. His father, Kenneth W. Stuer, graduated from Trinity in 1926.

1955 William V.B. Nixon Jr., 91, of Scarborough, Maine, died on December 31, 2024.

Nixon earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi. After serving in the U.S. Army, he worked as a food broker, for Proctor and Gamble, and in advertising. Nixon then turned to sheep farming.

Nixon is survived by wife Suzan; children Atheline Wagner, Andrea Roche, and Billy Nixon; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and stepchildren Jennifer McCabe and John Custer and their children.

1955 Philip D. Truitt, 91, of Fort Washington, Pennsylvania, died on March 24, 2025.

Truitt earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and served as sports editor of *The Trinity Tripod*. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force and then to a 35-year career in the magazine and book club publishing and direct marketing industries.

Truitt is survived by ex-wife Susannah, three daughters, five grandchildren, and a sister.

1956 Robert H. Alexander, 89, of formerly of Rockford, Michigan, died on March 28, 2024.

Alexander earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he played football, basketball, and baseball. His work life included time in management of manufacturing, sales, installation, and service at Westinghouse Elevator and Schindler Elevator.

Alexander is survived by his wife of 66 years, Nancy; children Scott Alexander (Linda) and Karen Alexander; two grandchildren; and brothers Bruce and Albert Alexander.

1956 William A. "Wally" Loeb, 90, of Philadelphia, died on January 10, 2025.

Loeb earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he took part in Hillel and worked on the staff of the *Ivy*. After he served in the U.S. Navy, his career included time as owner and manager of Flory's Cottages & Camping.

Loeb is survived by brother George (Caroline Everett). He was predeceased by brother Arthur (Laura Rieger).

1956 Donald J. McAllister, 90, of Bristol, Connecticut, died on May 19, 2025.

McAllister earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was treasurer of Phi Kappa Psi, secretary of the Glee Club, and a member of the Chapel Choir and the squash and tennis teams. He went on to earn a D.D.S. from Fairleigh Dickinson University and to practice as a dentist. McAllister also served in the U.S. Public Health Service.

McAllister is survived by children David McAllister, Andrew

McAllister (Karol), and Kate McAllister and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by wife Mary.

1957 Bryan H. Bunch, 88, of Pleasant Valley, New York, died on March 11, 2025.

Bunch earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, took part in the band and the Jesters, worked at WRTC, and served as editor of the *Trinity Review*. The Illinois Scholar went on to a career in textbook publishing, including serving as editor-in-chief of American Book Company.

Bunch is survived by his wife of nearly 67 years, Mary; children Will, Sally, and Jim Bunch; six grandchildren; and brother Dale Bunch. He was predeceased by sister Barbara Fields.

1958 George A. Bogert Jr., 88, of Apple Valley, California, died on October 22, 2024.

Bogert earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he served as president of Theta Xi, editor of the *Izzy*, and a commander in Air Force ROTC and played soccer and basketball. He went on to a 28-year career in the U.S. Air Force as a pilot and instructor, earning several medals. After retiring from the military, he worked for McDonnell Douglas Training Systems.

Bogert is survived by his wife of 40 years, W. Lee; children Jeffrey Bogert (Tamara), Cynthia Osborn (Todd), and Steven Bogert (Tracey); four grandchildren; and sister Carolyn Coomber (Dave).

1959 Arthur T. Judge Jr., 87, of Newton, Massachusetts, died on April 14, 2025.

Judge earned a B.S. in biology and history from Trinity, where he was a member of the Newman Club and the soccer team and served as manager of the basketball team. He went

on to earn an M.D. from Tufts University School of Medicine and to a career as a pathologist, including serving as a physician in the U.S. Air Force. After retiring, he earned an M.Div. and served as a hospital chaplain.

Judge is survived by wife Susan; children Ingrid Whitaker (Ethan), Geoffrey '87 (Cheryl Engler), and John (Julie Reich); stepdaughter Sam; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by former wife Janet and sister Jean.

1960 William P. Hunter, 85, of Virginia Beach, Virginia, died on March 2, 2025.

Hunter earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, the Glee Club, and the Chapel Choir. He went on to earn an M.S. in physical oceanography from the Naval Postgraduate School and to serve as an officer in the U.S. Navy. Hunter retired as a lieutenant commander after two decades of service. He then worked for QED Systems/Metro Machine.

Hunter is survived by his wife of 60 years, Patricia; daughters Ann Lamb (Steve) and Katie Bullington (Rob); three grandchildren; and sister-in-law Arlene Hunter. He was predeceased by brother James Hunter and brothers-in-law James Skipper and Harry Skipper.

1960 David M. Russell, 86, of Manchester, Connecticut, died on February 28, 2025.

Russell earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Glee Club. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army and U.S. Army Reserve. Russell worked in information technology with several insurance companies.

Russell is survived by children Ann Wetmore (Don), Mary Bombardier (Wade Reid),

and David Russell (Nancy); five grandchildren; and four step-grandchildren. He was predeceased by wife Ruth and siblings Alvah Russell Jr. and Dan Russell.

1960 Sage C. "Caddy"

Swanson Jr., 87, of Snoqualmie, Washington, died on April 21, 2025.

Swanson was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the tennis team. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army Reserve before a career in the communications and television industry.

Swanson is survived by his wife of 63 years, Susan; daughters Megan Coleman and Kristin Pastoriza (Hugh); and five grandchildren.

1962 Francis J. "Frank"

Cummings, 84, of Barrington, Rhode Island, died on April 7, 2025.

Cummings earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he played basketball and was a member of the Newman Club. He went on to earn an M.D. from the University of Virginia School of Medicine. Cummings, who served as a faculty member at Brown Medical School, worked for 45 years at Roger Williams Hospital Cancer Center.

Cummings is survived by his wife of 35 years, Laura Young; children Todd, Tim, Shannon, Jay, and Ted; three grandchildren; and first wife Rosalie.

1962 James K. Finch II, 87, of Naples, Florida, died on March 21, 2025.

Finch earned a B.S. in biochemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. He went on to earn an M.S. from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and to serve in the U.S. Army. His career included time with Pratt & Whitney and United Information Utilities.

Finch is survived by wife Joyce, children Kip (Jennifer)

and Debbie (George), six grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and siblings Maggie, Peter, Polly, and Ruth. He was predeceased by brother Earle.

1962 Michael S. Lutin, 84, of New York City, died on November 10, 2024.

Lutin graduated Phi Beta Kappa with an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the Senate. He went on to be an astrologer; he authored several books and shared his expertise on television and in print media, including in *The New York Times* and *Vanity Fair*.

Lutin is survived by sister-in-law Sheila Lutin. He was predeceased by siblings Joseph Lutin and Selma Andelman.

1963 Stephen H. Haarstick, 82, of Reston, Virginia, died on October 8, 2024.

Haarstick earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army Reserve before earning an M.S. from Stevens Institute of Technology. He started Haarstick Sailmakers and retired from the company in 2015.

Haarstick is survived by son Chris (Hilary) and two grandchildren. He was predeceased by brother Anthony.

1965 Raymond C. "Skip"

Lynch Sr., 81, of Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania, died on January 14, 2025.

Lynch earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the crew and squash teams. He went on to earn an M.Arch. from the University of Pennsylvania. After serving as an officer in the U.S. Navy, he founded the architectural firm Lynch Martinez and worked on large-scale commercial and community projects.

Lynch is survived by children Daphne Lynch and Raymond C. Lynch Jr. '98, five grandchildren, siblings Madeline Anagnostopolis and George Lynch, and companion Jo Ann Miller.

1965 George C. Robinson, 81, of Boca Grande, Florida, died on April 1, 2025.

Robinson earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi. He went on to a career in the investment business.

Robinson is survived by his partner of nearly 30 years, Donna Moore; son Michael Robinson '94 (Virginia); two grandsons; Donna's children Jeff Moore (Kathleen) and Janice Moore; Donna's grandson; and sister Evelyn Darden (John). He was predeceased by daughter Courtney Robinson and sister Joan Fisher.

1966 Richard P. Kuehn, 81, of Burnsville, Minnesota, died on February 21, 2025.

Kuehn earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod* and took part in fencing. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force and to a career that included time as president of J.W. Kuehn Co. and Richards Aerospace Research.

Kuehn is survived by wife Jackie, sons James (Jan) and Stephen (Lisa), 13 grandchildren, and brothers Jack Jr. (Andrea) and Robert (Kathy).

1968 Lawrence H. Roberts, 78, of Waterford, Connecticut, died on April 21, 2025.

Roberts earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi, the Senate, and the lacrosse and football teams, the latter of which he served as captain his senior year. He went on to earn an M.A.T. from Connecticut College. Roberts had a career in

education as a teacher, coach, adviser, and administrator at schools in several states; he retired as principal of East Lyme High School in 2008. The loyal alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Roberts is survived by his wife of 40 years, Deborah; children Erin Roberts, Zachary Roberts, and Timothy Roberts; two grandchildren; and siblings Martha Hester and John Shepard.

1969 Grantley W. Taylor II, 77, of Needham Heights, Massachusetts, died on May 23, 2025.

Taylor earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity before earning an M.D. from New York University School of Medicine. He spent most of his career working in inpatient psychiatry.

Taylor is survived by former wife Carol, sons Jacob (Esther) and Marco, two grandsons, and siblings Louise, Liz, Lindsay, Mary, and Andrew. He was predeceased by brothers Robbie and Johnny.

1971, M.A. 1971 Lawrence L. Bruckner, 75, of Thomson, Illinois, died on June 3, 2025.

Bruckner earned a B.A. in history and an M.A. in political science in the same year. The Illinois Scholar was a member of the Glee Club, the band, and the Debating Society and worked at WRTC. He went on to earn a J.D. from William & Mary Law School and then to a career as an attorney. Bruckner also served as a JAG Corps officer in the U.S. Army Reserve.

Bruckner is survived by his wife of 44 years, Luanne; daughter Brianna Burns (Logan); stepchildren Matthew Henneman, Amie Callahan (Michael), and Heidi Henneman; six grandchildren; siblings Clarence Bruckner (Allison) and Nancy Spinelli '74; brother-in-law Tony Frosch; and

sisters-in-law Janice Frosch and Teresa Linn (Eric).

1972 Charles R. King, 75, of Tolland, Connecticut, died on April 19, 2025.

King earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the Jesters. He went on to study journalism at the University of Iowa.

King is survived by siblings Mary Ellen Via (Warren), Susanne King, Ruth McHutchison (James), and Geoffrey King (Barbara). He was predeceased by sister Elizabeth Eaton.

1975 Elizabeth Shea Clement, 71, of Granby, Massachusetts, died on April 2, 2025.

Clement studied at Trinity's Rome Campus on her way to earning a B.S. in psychology. She went on to earn a Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Clement practiced as a child and adolescent psychologist for more than 40 years.

Clement is survived by her husband of 43 years, Henry Clement '74; children Nick '09 and Liv; a granddaughter; and siblings Billy, Duffy, Meg, Molly, and Jack.

1978 Sterling W. Hall, 68, of Windsor, Connecticut, died on April 5, 2025.

Hall earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he worked at WRTC and played basketball. He went on to earn an M.B.A. in economics from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Hall served as treasurer at the Gándara Center and as a housing counselor for Springfield Neighborhood Housing.

Hall is survived by his wife of 13 years, Lisa Harrison; daughter Marlina Duncan; a grandson; and stepson Carl Harrison II.

1981 Brad I. Phillips, 65, of Rochester, New York, died on February 23, 2025.

Phillips earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi. He went on to earn a B.S. in small business administration from Rochester Institute of Technology. After serving in the U.S. Army and U.S. Army National Guard, Phillips worked in financial services and sales management before launching a career in security services.

Phillips is survived by siblings Clay Phillips III '78 (Katherine) and Ann Waite (Mark).

1982 Albert E.R. "Bert" Zug, 65, of Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania, died on April 28, 2025.

Zug earned a B.A. in religion from Trinity, where he was vice president of Pi Kappa Alpha and a member of The Chapel Singers; he also ran cross country and worked at WRTC. Zug went on to earn an M.Div. from Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry. His career included time as middle school chaplain and religion teacher at The Episcopal Academy, from which he retired in 2020.

Zug is survived by wife Kathy; children Jamie Zug (Shakeya Thomas), Albert Zug Jr., Graham Zug (Veronica Tatone), and Andrew Zug (Madilyn); stepdaughters Sarah and Hannah Maniates; two grandchildren; and siblings Thomas Zug (Susan), Lenore Lobel, Graham Zug (Elizabeth), Susanne Thompson (David), and Caroline Zug (Steven Szymanski).

1988 Julie Webb Phillips, 58, of Richmond, Virginia, died on October 10, 2024.

Phillips earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma and the ski team. She went on to earn an M.S. in physical therapy from Washington University. Phillips practiced

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at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Richmond.

Phillips is survived by husband Bill, son Will, and brothers Doug and David Webb.

1995 Peter M. Gianusso, 52, of Chatham, New Jersey, died on May 24, 2025.

Gianusso studied at Trinity's Rome Campus on his way to earning a B.S. in mathematics and computer science. He went on to work for Prudential and to serve as a chief technology officer at companies including CSAA Insurance Group.

Gianusso is survived by his wife of 25 years, Bethany; children Isabella, Luca, Serafina, and Tomasso; and sister Elizabeth Wigginton (Greg).

IDP

2009 Deanna Ruffino, 50, of Cromwell, Connecticut, died on March 29, 2025.

Ruffino attended Middlesex Community College before studying women's studies and religion at Trinity. She went on to work as an editor and as an office manager.

Ruffino is survived by fiancé Bernard Buba, daughter Nicolina Diaz del Valle, father Richard Ruffino, and sister Bonita Mesick.

MASTER'S

1969 Adelle L. Gersten, 89, of Las Vegas, died on April 28, 2025.

Gersten earned a B.A. from Smith College before embarking on a career at Connecticut General, now Cigna. With her children grown, she earned an M.A. in economics from Trinity and returned to work, later retiring after more than 35 years in the pension department. The loyal alumna was a member of the Elms Society.

Gersten is survived by children Samuel Gersten and Ceil Gersten, a grandson, and two great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband

of 31 years, Harold Gersten, and her life partner of 25 years, Donald Bean.

FORMER STAFF

Patricia A. Coffey, 87, of Southington, Connecticut, died on March 14, 2025.

Coffey graduated from Central Connecticut Teacher's College. She went on to work as an administrative assistant in Trinity's Admissions Office for a time in the '60s and then again in the '80s before moving to the Life Sciences Department.

Coffey is survived by her husband of 46 years, Alan; daughters Jean Campochiaro (James) and Mary Zavisza '86; step-daughters Deborah Coffey and Diana Corona (Mark); 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by son John Zavisza; stepson Jay Coffey; siblings Jane, Diana, and Robert; and one great-grandson.

DEATH NOTICES

1951 Richard Checani

1951 Sune E. Timour

1954 Edward C. Jager

1959 Owen T. Smith

1960 Robert T. Sweet

1963 Richard C. Brittain

1965 James C. Stone III

1968 Richard A. Chapman

1970 William S.J. Bush

M.A. 1964 John "Jack" Spear

M.A. 1967 Mary A. Fleetwood

M.A. 1987 Sally F. Porterfield

IN MEMORY GUIDELINES

We will not announce the death of a community member without first confirming with a previously published obituary or direct notification from a relative. Also, those who passed away more than two years prior to the date of publication will be listed in Death Notices, along with those for whom we do not have enough information for a longer obituary.

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NEW TCAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS



Laura Weintraub Beck '92

Laura Weintraub Beck '92 earned a B.A. in history from Trinity and went on to earn a master's in public policy from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and a J.D. from Columbia Law School. She serves as chairman and managing director of Cummings & Lockwood. Beck just completed a term on the Board of Fellows and is eager to continue to serve the College in a leadership role.



Sebastian Broustra '17

Sebastian Broustra '17 earned a B.A. in public policy and law from Trinity. He has been living and working in New York City since graduation and works for General Atlantic, supporting the chief operating officer. Broustra is interested in strengthening alumni networks and alumni mentoring opportunities.



Abigail Smitka '11

Abigail A. Smitka '11 earned a B.A. with a major in history and a minor in classical antiquity from Trinity and went on to earn an M.Ed. with a concentration in higher education from Harvard University. The native Bostonian has worked in advancement since her Trinity graduation, working for a decade at Harvard University and now as assistant vice president of major gifts and campaign at the New England Conservatory of Music. She just completed a three-year term on the Board of Fellows and has been a class agent for many years. She is eager to continue connecting alumni to the College and to one another.



Susan Church Zibell '97

Susan Church Zibell '97 earned a B.A. in religion from Trinity, where she was a four-year varsity starter and two-time captain of the softball team. She also played soccer for two years prior to studying abroad in 1995. Zibell went on to earn an M.S. in elementary education and a Connecticut teaching certification. In 2012, she earned a sixth-year diploma, with distinction, in educational leadership from Quinnipiac University. A career educator, Zibell has served as a program coordinator, department head, and team leader for the Berlin (CT) Public Schools. She has been a member of the Trinity Club of Hartford for more than 10 years, serving on its executive board since 2019, and is the club's president. She also is an active member of the Women's Leadership Council and a class agent.

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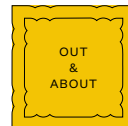
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Alumni Events



Reunion—On Campus, June 5–8, 2025

1. Henry Zachs '56 and Francesca Borges Gordon '82

2. Members of the Class of 2015

3. Randy Lee '66, associate professor of psychology, emeritus, leading a program remembering George Higgins, professor of psychology, emeritus, who passed away in 2024

4. Members of the Class of 2005

5. Bill Curren '75 and Robin Bodel '75 at their 50th Reunion

6. Alumni touring the new Scully Center

7. Richard H. "Dick" Levitt '45, P'78 at the Zachs Hillel House marking his 80th Reunion

8. Nina McNeely Diefenbach '80, P'18, outgoing President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, Tara Lichtenfels Gans '88, P'20, and Ann Newman Selvitelli '91

9. Moustafa Hamada '15, Elisa Neira-Hamada, and Harrison Mullin '95



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Last Words



Voices of the Trinity College community in the media



I constantly see people will talk for us, but we really don't have an equal voice at the table.

MARISOL GARCIA IDP'22, on formerly incarcerated individuals; *CT Mirror*, May 27, 2025

Over time I have become aware of the decline in bird populations, and I have decided to do something about it.

CLARE ROSSINI, artist-in-residence, emerita, on why she plans to do programs on birds as the poet laureate of West Hartford, Connecticut; *West Hartford Life*, June 2025

This team has filled Connecticut and their loyal fans with immense pride, further cementing Connecticut as the Basketball Capital of the World. Go Bants!

RICHARD BLUMENTHAL, U.S. senator for Connecticut, on the Trinity men's basketball team winning the 2025 Division III national championship; *Patch*, May 19, 2025

Calling it an attack makes it sound unprovoked. Dogs that are off leash and get between a bear and their escape route, their food, or their cubs will cause this reaction—this was not an unprovoked attack, and hunting bears would not have prevented it.

SUSAN A. MASINO, Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of Applied Science, on a recent negative bear interaction and the debate on bear hunting; *The Hartford Courant*, June 30, 2025

When preventive systems disappear, we spend more on crisis care that could have been avoided.

WILLIAM J. BANNON IV '28, on the potential "silent unraveling" of Connecticut's public health care infrastructure; *CT Mirror*, April 29, 2025

Individuals take the lessons learned from the experience in the football program—such as hard work, discipline, resolve, teamwork, collaboration, bouncing back after setbacks—and apply them throughout the rest of their lives. This is still the same experience at Trinity as it was 100 years ago. I take great pride in that.

JOE SHIELD '85 on his time as a student-athlete and his path to the NFL; *Bennington Banner*, April 25, 2025

We welcome the perspective and experience that Alden brings to the board; he will help to sustain and accelerate our momentum as we develop an array of public programs, special events, and new exhibitions attracting new people into our midst, electrifying the entire museum.

JEFFREY N. BROWN, president and CEO of Hartford's Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, on the election of Alden R. Gordon '69, Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of Fine Arts, Emeritus, to Wadsworth's board; *Patch*, May 12, 2025



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Lessons for a lifetime

Robin Sheppard M'76, professor of physical education, emerita, and former associate director of athletics, center, joins field hockey co-captains Anne Collins '83 and Ruthie Flaherty Beaton '83 in the early '80s. Sheppard, a longtime field hockey and women's lacrosse coach who also led the women's basketball team at its start, is one of many Trinity coaches remembered fondly by numerous student-athletes, including Betsy Jones '87, who identified the student-athletes above. For more on how Sheppard and other coaches served as important mentors, please see page 26.

Do you have a memory to share about your favorite Bantam coach? Please email your recollections to sonya.adams@trincoll.edu.