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Gregg Lewis IDP'93 and
Karraine Moody '01 meet at a Hartford
home built through their two organizations.
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“Art has always been, and
continues to be, the main outlet
for my feelings, dreams, and
reflections of the world.”

NEEMA KIMONDO '23



Neema Kimondo '23 and **Brenda Ordoñez '22** show off the colorful mural adorning the community garden at Trinfo.Café. Kimondo, who is majoring in psychology and minoring in studio arts, created the mural with the assistance of Ordoñez, who double majored in educational studies and studio arts and now takes part in the Studio Arts Department's Deborah Buck '78 Postbaccalaureate Fellowship. The garden mural is one of several on campus by Kimondo—others adorn spaces including the Underground Coffeehouse tunnel, the Queer Resource Center, and an all-gender restroom in Mather Hall—with more to come, including one commissioned for the Student Activities, Involvement & Leadership (S.A.I.L.) Office. Kimondo also recently served as the lead artist for a mural on Broad Street for Black Girls Achieve, an empowerment program for Black girls led by Trinity alumna Taniqua Huguley '15, M'17.



For more on Kimondo's art—including a Q&A with her—and Huguley's program, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.



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ALONG THE WALK



Trinity at 200: light up our third century!

THE BICENTENNIAL KICKS OFF IN MAY 2023

All community members are invited to be part of a yearlong celebration kicking off on May 5, 2023. Since Trinity's early years in the heart of Hartford, the college's story has been and continues to be one of resilience, innovation, critical thinking, service, action, and pride. The people who have walked the Long Walk have brought energy into a world that is fueled by a liberal arts education. Our commitment to make this earth a better place has been true since 1823.

Come back to Summit Street. Gather your campus memories, and prepare to make new ones. Your story is that of this community, and it's time we tell our communal story together. Connect with the people, places, and education that define who we are and our place in history.

Committed to the future since 1823

1823 SERIES

The 1823 Series community events are free and open to everyone.

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Each varsity team is showcased with its history and a designated Bicentennial contest.

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Love movies? A special series highlights one film from each decade that Cinestudio has been part of Trinity.

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Come back in July 2023 for a series of concerts, including a special Bicentennial program with food on July 12.

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Join us for events in cities around the country.

*Dates and locations are to be announced.

200 STORIES

We are looking for your best memories!

Which class/professor changed the trajectory of your life? Why?

What is your favorite place on campus? Why?

What is your best memory from the Main Quad?

Which student group/activity made a difference in your life? Why?

Send your memories to bicentennial@trincoll.edu.

We may use your submission in future communications. Keep in mind that we reserve the right to edit for clarity, length, grammar, and appropriateness of content.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Bicentennial Kickoff

May 5, 2023

The campus community caps off Honors Day 2023 by launching the Bicentennial! Student performances, games, and activities, as well as food, music, and fireworks, make this a memorable festival.

Happy Charter Day

May 16, 2023

Mark Trinity's official birthday—Charter Day—with a new tradition on campus and a digital celebration around the world.

Alumni Bicentennial Celebration

June 9–10, 2023

Calling all alumni! Return to campus for a once-in-a-lifetime celebration over the course of our traditional Reunion Weekend.

Bicentennial Symposia

June 9–10, 2023

November 14, 2023

February 23, 2024

The Bicentennial Symposia are designed by faculty, staff, students, and alumni to create intergenerational reflection and dialogue about our history, our identity, and our future. Attend in person or watch keynote talks online.

Bicentennial Fall Weekend

October 13–15, 2023

Alumni and families, come to campus for a combined Homecoming and Family Weekend celebration.

Bicentennial Gala

May 11, 2024

A fundraising gala at the Connecticut Convention Center honoring the Trinity–Hartford connection closes out our Bicentennial celebration.

New Center for Entrepreneurship

Trinity College has announced the launch of its new Center for Entrepreneurship, which will support student, faculty, and alumni interests.

Dean of the Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs Sonia Cardenas noted in the fall that the center will be student focused and will promote entrepreneurial thinking.

“The Center for Entrepreneurship will provide any liberal arts major, not just those interested in business or start-ups, with the confidence and know-how to turn ideas into action,” Cardenas said. “This is consistent with our forward-looking Trinity Plus curriculum, which boldly combines the liberal arts with co-curricular, experiential learning in preparing students for the future.”

The Center for Entrepreneurship also will connect students and faculty with alumni and other world-class entrepreneurs and innovators, increasing Trinity’s visibility and allowing it to partner more effectively with Hartford’s innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem.

The center’s inaugural director is Danny Briere, who brings more than three decades of experience as an inventor and entrepreneur. He has started multiple successful firms—including TeleChoice, which focuses on leading-edge, high-impact technologies—and has served as a consultant to more than 200 start-ups. Briere has a B.A. and M.B.A. from Duke University, where he majored in public policy and economics. He served on the board of Duke University’s Innovation and Entrepreneurship initiative for a decade, and his experiences span multiple industries, including telecom, internet technology, alternative energy, health and medical, social networking, education tech, and youth-oriented nonprofits.

“The Trinity community has all the elements needed to inspire and empower future innovators,” Briere said. “The Center for Entrepreneurship has two goals: first, we want to build inventive, innovative, and entrepreneurial mindsets in all Trinity students, and then, for those who want to take the extra step in pursuing product and company launch, we will support that direction as well.”

The Center for Entrepreneurship is made possible by the generosity of Lou Shipley ’85. A current member of Trinity’s Board of Trustees, Shipley has served as an executive at multiple successful technology companies and as a senior lecturer at Harvard Business School and MIT Sloan School of Management. He also served on the President’s Commission for Trinity’s Future in 2020. The center will be fully funded from new gifts to the college, energized by Shipley’s passion and commitment.

“All of the highly successful entrepreneurs I’ve worked with, mentored, or led have liberal arts educations,” said Shipley. “They have curiosity, think broadly, and are passionate, resilient, and adaptable, which are all hallmarks of a Trinity education.”

NSF grant on cybersecurity

With a four-year National Science Foundation grant of \$850,000, Trinity College Associate Professor of Computer Science Ewa Syta and her research collaborators—including Trinity students—will work to make internet communications more secure.

“We live our lives on the internet,” said Syta, chair of Trinity’s Computer Science Department. “It’s hard to think of any process that’s purely offline. But the internet was not designed to withstand adversarial action . . . for years, it was used by scientists and researchers to communicate and share data with one another. Now you have this massive infrastructure that is lacking security; we cannot start over, so we’re trying to fix it.”

Syta will conduct the NSF-funded project, “Applied Cryptographic Protocols with Provably-Secure Foundation,” with Amir Herzberg, Comcast Endowed Professor for Security Innovation at the University of Connecticut. Syta and Herzberg have been pursuing this line of research for several years; both are principal investigators on the collaborative project. Trinity will receive about \$318,000 of the total grant, with the rest of the award going to UConn.

The focus of the research is on Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), which Syta said is something that everyone uses to encrypt messages to achieve confidentiality. “It’s a hidden part of internet infrastructure, but it’s completely broken,” she said.

With more than 100 different certificate authorities issuing public key certificates—which are used to authenticate the source of a message—and no standard definition of security for PKI, Syta said that there is plenty of room for people with bad intentions to take advantage.

The research is expected to benefit developers, who will have access to provably secure systems, and users, who will have improved security and privacy guarantees. Everyone will benefit from a strengthened security infrastructure, educational reports to raise awareness of the importance of cybersecurity, and new ways to encourage students to learn about cryptography and cybersecurity, Syta said.

At Trinity, Syta teaches a course on computer security and supervises independent studies and senior projects on related topics. “My long-term goal is to make computer security courses accessible and available to all Trinity students,” she said. “Regardless of their majors, our students will work with data, and it is critical for them to know how to properly and securely do so.”



Amanda Kauff Jacobson '94

When Amanda Kauff Jacobson '94 visited Trinity on a tour of colleges with her daughter last October, she was reminded of the breadth of the curriculum, the intimacy of the Trinity community, the availability of professors to undergraduates, and, especially, the sense of place.

"I was reminded of how special the campus is," says Jacobson, who lives in London. "It's this exquisite jewel box in the middle of Hartford. For me as a student, it was academically robust, I knew who my professors were, and I really felt like I found my niche."

Jacobson's time as a Trinity student has inspired her to become a consistent supporter of her alma mater. She has served as an alumni interviewer, offered career advice to Bantams just starting their professional journeys, and made substantial financial gifts to the college, including participating in the highly successful December 2021 Trinity Fund Challenge.

The daughter of alumnus Michael Kauff, M.D., '61 and sister of Russell Kauff '91, Jacobson says her family's long bond with the college played an important role in her decision to attend.

"When I was growing up, we were often there on autumn weekends, going to football games," she says, "and I had heard many, many stories about Trinity."

When it came time to make her own decision about where to attend college, that sense of familiarity won out.

"I looked at a lot of different schools," Jacobson says, "but ultimately, I really just always felt at home at Trinity, and I decided to carry on the family tradition."

According to her friend Deb Oxnam Betsch '94, Jacobson's love for Trinity started early.

"Amanda is one of my dearest friends thanks to Trinity," Betsch says. "From the day I met her and her family, her commitment to Trinity has been steadfast. Her belief in the rounded experience that Trinity affords has led her to be a strong and ongoing supporter of the school and all those who have called the Long Walk home."

As an art history major, Jacobson focused on abstract expressionism. She wrote her senior thesis, advised by Professor of Fine Arts Michael C. FitzGerald, on painters Mark Rothko, Barnett Newman, and Franz Kline. Inspired by a chemistry and art course with Henry DePhillips, now Vernon K. Kriebel Professor of Chemistry, Emeritus, she also crafted a minor exploring the nexus of science and art. In her junior year, studying art history in Florence, Italy, she met her husband, Blair, who was then an undergraduate at Williams College.

"We were in an Italian class together, and he was the smartest guy in the class and quite a flirt as well," Jacobson says with a laugh. "We started going to galleries together and fairly quickly became inseparable."

After graduation, the two moved to New York, and Jacobson began a career in publishing as an editorial assistant at Random House. She then moved to sales and soon was pitching books to big booksellers including the now-defunct Borders and attending events where she met writers and public figures such as Michael Crichton, Anne Rice, and Bill Clinton.

"That was a super experience," Jacobson says. "Meeting these incredible writers and taking them out to meet my buyers and to events was just really fun."

After an 11-year career that culminated in her role as director of sales and marketing for Alfred A. Knopf, Jacobson was ready for a change. In 2005, when she and Blair saw an opportunity to move to London, they leaped at it. They have lived there ever since and now reside in the Holland Park neighborhood with their son and daughter.

Just before the COVID-19 pandemic hit, Jacobson hosted a Trinity gathering for President Joanne Berger-Sweeney as well as alumni and friends at her family's home. She describes a rainy Tuesday night in January, her home aglow with warm light and conversation. About 70 Trinity alumni were present, she says, along

with Berger-Sweeney, for whom Jacobson expresses great admiration.

"We all started with four years in Hartford and then set off into the world," Jacobson says, "and maybe that was part of the energy that night, that we had all chosen to live for one reason or another in London. There's a lot to bond over there. And I think people are just always happy to get together with fellow Bantams."



Amanda Kauff Jacobson '94, right, with husband Blair Jacobson

That enduring bond—and the undergraduate experience that fostered it—are among the many reasons Jacobson continues to be dedicated to the college.

"It's a combination of meeting great people, studying with some incredible faculty, and exposure to a lot of different sorts of people and ideas and topics—the full liberal arts experience—which I think Trinity does so well," she says. "I want Trinity to be around for a long time."

—Abe Loomis



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Edited by Naomi M. Jackson;
Rebecca Pappas, Assistant
Professor of Theater and Dance;
and Toni Shapiro-Phim
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Abigail Waldron M'20
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New director of alumni relations

Alexandra Muchura-Mensah '04 started work on January 9, 2023, as Trinity College's new director of alumni relations.

In a December 2022 announcement, Vice President for Advancement Michael Casey said, "As an alumna, Alexandra knows well the value of a liberal arts education from Trinity and the dynamics that shape the student and alumni experiences. [She] is a seasoned professional who brings with her a depth of professional experience and a breadth of knowledge that touches upon all areas of advancement work."

That experience includes time working in the College's Alumni Office, where from 2006–10 she held various roles of increasing responsibility, ultimately serving as assistant director of alumni relations. While working on campus, she oversaw a number of important alumni groups, including affinity groups that served the Asian, Black, Latinx, and LBGQT+ communities, and launching the young alumni program of the Bantam Alumni Mentoring program.

Muchura-Mensah's career then moved to independent schools. From 2010–17, she worked at Loomis Chaffee School in Windsor, Connecticut, as the associate director of alumni and parent relations/director of events, overseeing the alumni career network and affinity group engagement and leading the design and implementation of reunion programs. She also led Parents Weekend, regional and head of school receptions, and the Centennial Campaign celebration gala.

Since 2017, Alexandra has worked at Miss Porter's School in Farmington, Connecticut, where she has gained direct fundraising experience, first as associate director of the annual fund and then as lead gift officer. Her leadership was pivotal in 2021 when the team raised funds to renovate and rename a building for one of the first black alumnae of the school.

Muchura-Mensah graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.A. with honors in international studies with a concentration in African studies. She also was the recipient of the 2004 Professor Albert L. Gastmann Book Prize in International Studies.

Muchura-Mensah, who will report to Associate Vice President for Advancement Dwayne Busby, said, "I am a proud alumna and am delighted to return to Trinity. . . . I am excited to reengage with my own community, celebrating what makes Trinity strong and relevant to the world today and making space for all in our community who come from diverse backgrounds. The power of Trinity lies in the people we meet, the connections we make, and the opportunities we provide others. I have always been grateful for receiving the Merrill A. Yavinsky '65 Scholarship, which made the Trinity experience possible for me. I look forward to seeing what we can do together, especially during the Bicentennial year."



Alexandra Muchura-Mensah '04

Queer Resource Center



Trinity College's Queer Resource Center (QRC), at 114 Crescent Street, serves as the campus hub for LGBTQ+ life, providing community-building opportunities, campus education, support services, and advocacy. Crystal Nieves '08, who was named director of LGBTQ+ life in December 2021, notes that the college has made great strides since she graduated as a public policy and law major, when she took a part-time position at the QRC upon its launch while also working as coordinator of the LGBT Center at Central Connecticut State University. Today, Nieves says, Trinity has reached a milestone for LGBTQ+ services, scoring a 4.5 out of 5 on the national Campus Pride Index, a benchmarking tool that assesses college and university LGBTQ+ inclusion, programs, and services. This new rating sets Trinity apart, Nieves says, as "one of the best choices you can make for a small New England liberal arts college in terms of LGBTQ+ life and services." QRC offerings include Safe Zone training and programs such as Ally Week, which Nieves, who also spent four

years as assistant director of the Stonewall Center at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, says is vital to increasing the visibility of support networks for LGBTQ+ students and expanding the center's work beyond its walls. Other key events include National Coming Out Day, the Transgender Day of Remembrance, and Lavender Graduation. Nieves adds that the QRC also provides institutional guidance, informing college leadership and the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion on best practices for LGBTQ+ inclusion in higher education. She says the college needs to keep asking the following: "What are we doing well? Where do we need to make improvements? What can we be doing more proactively rather than reactively to help support this population and make Trinity a place where people want to come for college and employment, and, when they are here, feel like they are a welcomed and essential part of the Trinity community?" For more information about the QRC, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

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



NSF grant

Associate Professor of Psychology Michael A. Grubb recently received a \$470,000 five-year Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) that supports his research on reward learning, selection history, and attentional control.

“This project advances our scientific understanding of how an observer’s past modulates their attention in the present,” Grubb said. “The educational objective is to develop, deliver, and

refine a unique set of educational opportunities.” Those include:

1) creating a data-focused lab course to accompany his undergraduate seminar on selective attention, 2) formalizing his approach to teaching programming in his research lab by creating a mentoring program wherein older students in the lab teach younger students, and 3) starting a campus chapter of Out in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (oSTEM) to promote LGBTQ visibility and inclusive mentoring in the service of retaining LGBTQ students in science.

Grubb said that his long-term research goal is to advance understanding of the external, internal, and developmental factors that determine the focus of attentional prioritization in any moment to better understand the role that attention plays in perception, action, and cognition. Using behavioral, eye-tracking, and neuroimaging methods, “the research objective for this grant is to test two hypotheses concerning selection history, the reflexive prioritization of previously attended items,” Grubb said.

During the current academic year, Grubb is a teaching fellow in Trinity’s Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL). This yearlong program supports teachers who wish to undertake a project of innovation in their teaching and to be part of an ongoing conversation about pedagogy. Grubb said he will focus on the development of a lab course to accompany his attention seminar, adding that he will deliver the course annually, making refinements in line with feedback from a formal, end-of-term assessment that he will develop as part of the CTL project.

FULBRIGHT HONORS

Two recent Trinity College graduates were selected to participate in the Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship (ETA) program for the 2022–23 academic year. Georgia Beckmann ’21 is working in Portugal at the Instituto Universitário de Lisboa, an institute affiliated with the University of Lisbon, and Shawn Olstein ’22 is in Yilan, in northeastern Taiwan, outside the capital city of Taipei. The ETA program places Fulbright grant recipients in classrooms in foreign countries to assist local English teachers while serving as cultural ambassadors for the United States.



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Seeking nominations!

It’s not too late to nominate a top student-athlete from your class for the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame 2023. Just scan the QR code for the nomination form, or visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

NIH GRANT

Research Associate Professor David N. Ruskin recently received a \$459,000 National Institutes of Health (NIH) R15 Academic Research Enhancement Award (AREA) that includes collaboration with Vernon D. Roosa Professor of Applied Science Susan A. Masino and Associate Professor of Neuroscience Luis A. Martinez.

The three-year NIH grant will fund the continuation of their research on metabolic therapy, this time to modulate brain dopaminergic systems.

Ruskin, principal investigator on the grant, said the work is related to his previous R15 grant, “Metabolic Therapy to Relieve Pain in Females: Ketogenic Diet and the Estrous Cycle,” with the current grant continuing the theme of metabolic—or dietary—therapy.

Masino, co-investigator on the grant, said, “We’ve had a long-running research program testing the relationship between the neuromodulator adenosine and very low carbohydrate diets. Our initial emphasis was on basic neurobiology and on epilepsy, autism, and pain, but from the beginning we knew that there are clear interactions between adenosine and dopamine systems in the brain.” She added that this grant proposes to test the hypothesis directly that metabolic therapy with very low carbohydrate diets modulates dopamine-related processes, noting that dopamine is a neurotransmitter involved in many behaviors and also in the effects of abused drugs.

Ruskin and Masino have published some initial work in collaboration with Martinez and Trinity undergraduate students.

“All our work involves student researchers,” Ruskin said. “[They] learn to prepare and present their work in poster format both at the college and at local and national conferences. Some students earn authorship on major publications.”



**HARTFORD
WOLF PACK
@ THE XL CENTER**

1 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
HARTFORD, CT

About two miles from Trinity's campus on Summit Street—and only a few blocks from the college's Constitution Plaza presence—the Hartford Wolf Pack take the ice at the XL Center from mid-October through mid-April. Fans can see the Wolf Pack, the American Hockey League fixture in Hartford since 1997, as the team continues its 26th season as the top player-development affiliate of the National Hockey League's

New York Rangers. Two big games remaining on the schedule include an "I-91 rivalry" against the Springfield Thunderbirds on March 17 and the final home game of the season against the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins on April 14. For more information about the Wolf Pack, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.



WE ARE THE CLASS OF 2023

From Trinity College to next steps

BY ANDREW J. CONCATELLI
PHOTOS BY NICK CAITO

The story of the Class of 2023 is one of creative, nimble, and determined students forging their own paths and thriving during one of the most unusual and challenging four-year spans in Trinity College's history. *The Trinity Reporter* originally spoke with the following five seniors more than three years ago, soon after they arrived on campus as new students in 2019 and months before the world first heard of COVID-19. As Azka Hassan '23 says, "It feels like so long ago, but at the same time it feels like just yesterday." Here, we learn about their memorable Trinity experiences, how they achieved their goals, and what they've been inspired to plan to do after they graduate in May during Trinity's Bicentennial year.

MAGGIE POWERS

Hometown: West Hartford, Connecticut

Flashback to fall 2019: “My time at Trinity will hopefully be filled with growth that leads me to be engaged with my education and my community and to become more of an independent thinker who challenges our social and cultural norms.”

Maggie Powers began her college experience by studying for a semester with a dozen fellow first-years in San José, Costa Rica, through the Global Start program. Then, her first semester on Trinity’s campus was cut short when classes went remote in March 2020. “We were welcomed by students and faculty into a close-knit community on campus, but then the start of the pandemic was shocking,” says Powers, who chose to spend the following year studying remotely as well. “It was a huge, transformative time of learning humanity and grace. There were extraordinary things going on in everyone’s lives.”

When she first joined the Trinity community, Powers thought her interest in restorative justice may have led to a major in urban studies or women, gender, and sexuality; instead, she found her place in the American Studies Department and is pursuing the five-year B.A./M.A. program, with a particular interest in the digital humanities. “I believe in exploring alternatives to written reports as products of academic studies,” she says. “A digital humanities approach makes knowledge open to anyone. It moves discussions which traditionally only happen in classrooms to a more public-facing, accessible forum.” To that end, she has produced a podcast, published websites, and worked on building digital archives. Some of her work has taken place at the Watkinson Library, the home of Trinity’s rare books and special collections.

Powers has been an enthusiastic participant in student life—attending a cappella concerts, supporting athletics, and spending time with friends in the Underground Coffeehouse. “I still have two of the same best friends that I met on day one in Costa Rica,” she says. Powers also enjoys being a first-year seminar mentor. “I appreciate the opportunity to become close with and help the future classes at Trinity,” she adds.

“I’m grateful to Trinity for allowing me to forge my own academic path because I’m a very independent learner,” says Powers, who plans to pursue her interest in the digital humanities as she completes her master’s degree and into the future. “Without the pandemic and without everything being virtual, I don’t think I would have tapped into being a creative, digital student.”



RAY ALVAREZ-ADORNO

Hometown: Newark, New Jersey

Flashback to fall 2019: “I’m open to anything that’s thrown my way. . . . In my time here at Trinity, I want to focus on not only getting smarter but also becoming a better person and a more accessible person to talk to.”

With interests ranging from politics to poetry, Ray Alvarez-Adorno wanted to soak up all he could at Trinity. He decided on a major in anthropology and sees a future in graduate school, possibly pursuing a Ph.D. focused on Puerto Rico. “I would still love to be a teacher,” he says. “Politics is not off the table, but I have a lot more to learn.” During his time at Trinity, Alvarez-Adorno has been a student researcher and a teaching assistant. He says, “I try to extend a hand to other students whenever possible.”

Outside of the classroom, Alvarez-Adorno is heavily involved with engagement in Hartford, both as a student worker at Trinfo.Café—a community space open to the public—and as a student member of the advisory board of Trinity’s Center for Hartford Engagement and Research (CHER). At Trinfo, he has prepared taxes with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program. “Trinfo is one of the best spaces on campus,” he says. “I’ve gained a relationship with Hartford that makes me feel like a person, not just a student who is here to get a degree. I want to give back. I’m here to learn and create relationships, and that’s going to make me a better, smarter, more capable person.”

Being at Trinity and in Hartford during the pandemic challenged the definition of community, Alvarez-Adorno says. “We’re so used to seeing it physically; the pandemic helped us digitally exist in new forms and reconsider what we can do with public spaces,” he adds. “I think my class [peer group] really considers alternative ways of community engagement, whether through arts, music festivals, or other forms.” Some of Alvarez-Adorno’s favorite Trinity memories are from his work as a student organizer for the Temple of Hip Hop, which produces the annual Trinity International Hip Hop Festival.

“The pandemic made time feel shorter, but it made us open ourselves up to new perspectives and think about things from all corners,” Alvarez-Adorno says. “I feel like I’m a better person now, not just in the work I do, but how I carry myself.”





AZKA HASSAN

Hometown: Malé, Republic of Maldives

Flashback to fall 2019: “I want to become the person that 5-year-old me would be proud of. In my future, I see a lot of growth, a lot of accomplishment, and, most importantly, a lot of hard work.”

When Azka Hassan arrived on campus as the first Trinity student from the Maldives, she seized the opportunity to represent her country at the college’s Festival of Nations. “I feel like Trinity has given me the space to really show myself and my country to the rest of the community,” she says.

Hassan has helped plan and promote events at the International House. She is president of the International Student Advisory Board and a former intern in Trinity’s Office of International Students and Scholars, helping to welcome students from all over the world. After finding value in her own introduction to Trinity, Hassan stayed involved with the Promoting Respect for Inclusive Diversity in Education (P.R.I.D.E.) pre-orientation program through her work in the Office of Multicultural Affairs. “At Trinity, you learn so much, grow as a person, and are opened up to so many different perspectives. It’s an amazing opportunity for personal growth and to challenge yourself,” Hassan says.

Following a lifelong interest, Hassan pursued a studio arts major, as she predicted three years ago. But she found a new passion through a course she took remotely during COVID and added a second major in educational studies. Through that class, she helped a teacher at Hartford’s Expeditionary Learning Academy at Moylan School run lessons online and created a storybook using drawings of the students to engage them. “Studio arts helps me think about how to mix things up a little and make education more interesting for the students,” she says.

Hassan persisted through the struggles of studying at home, several time zones away, at the height of the pandemic. She has had op-eds about educational issues published in the CT Mirror and will have her senior studio arts thesis exhibited this spring. After graduating, Hassan plans to gain experience in schools back home before pursuing a doctorate in education. “I’m interested in the education system in the Maldives and helping to improve it in any way I can,” she says. “I think 5-year-old me would have been proud, even three years ago, of how far I had come. She is proud now, and she will be proud in the future.”

GIFT NOSAKHARE

Hometown: The Bronx, New York

Flashback to fall 2019: “I took psychology in high school, and it was my favorite subject. I want to go deeper into that field to see if it’s something I want to do. . . . I hope Trinity can break me out of being so reserved and help me be more open-minded.”

“When I came to Trinity, I was very excited for the unknown, but also kind of nervous,” says Gift Nosakhare. “It’s so cool to think about how far I’ve come.” As co-president of the Trinity African Students Association (TASA), Nosakhare helps to organize its annual fashion show on campus. “My first year, I was on the sidelines watching the show. I was scared to join the group; now I get to help lead it,” Nosakhare says.

Rather than pursuing a career in medicine, as she thought she might when she was a first-year student, Nosakhare is exploring careers as a therapist or social worker. “Taking courses here and talking with faculty and other students helped me choose to become a psychology major,” she says. This year, Nosakhare is part of a program called Tea@3, which pairs students with senior citizens in the Hartford area. “We have weekly chats, drink tea, and just talk about whatever they want,” says Nosakhare, who plans to earn a master’s degree in psychology and possibly a Ph.D.

Nosakhare says her involvement on campus helped her grow as a person. “I feel like I’m so much more open-minded now—not just with people, but with the cultures and classes that I’ve explored. The social climate and diverse community here are helpful in breaking you out of your shell,” she says. Through her role with TASA, Nosakhare has collaborated with other student groups, including Imani: Trinity’s Black Student Union and the Trinity College Black Women’s Organization. She has enjoyed participating in events held by different cultural clubs, including a Diwali celebration and a Hispanic Heritage Month gala.

Nosakhare’s time at Trinity has left her with some good memories during some difficult circumstances. “It wasn’t exactly what I planned, but nobody planned on COVID,” she says. “Our last year here is very bittersweet. Knowing that I’ll take these memories with me is keeping me excited for the end of senior year. It’s crazy how fast four years have gone by.”





JAKE ARMENTROUT

Hometown: Lyman, Maine

Flashback to fall 2019: “Coming here as a legacy, there’s a pressure to be successful. I want to have a good academic career and not let my family down. My goals are to be true to myself and to continue the legacy in a strong way.”

Jake Armentrout has pursued a course of studies that has helped prepare him for what he previously said would be his next step: law school. He paired a major in public policy and law with another in classical studies. “Public policy brings in working lawyers to teach courses, so I’ve learned from people who are active in their fields,” Armentrout says. He also notes that classical studies is applicable to the law field, with a good deal of terminology stemming from Latin. “It’s helped me to be a better reader and writer,” he says.

Armentrout was on campus his sophomore year, when COVID restrictions were still in place. “I was happy to be at Trinity and not isolated at home, but being here with a limited campus community was tough,” he says. “We still couldn’t gather socially, and the dining hall options were all grab-and-go.” He worked for the Office of Student Activities, Involvement & Leadership and joined Trinity’s Boxing Club, a partnership with the Charter Oak Boxing Academy, a nonprofit organization in Hartford. “It’s a great mix of people from different backgrounds, and Trinity students serve as tutors and mentors to the younger members,” Armentrout says.

Some of Armentrout’s favorite memories from the past four years stem from his time studying at the Stockholm School of Economics in Sweden. “Study away is an incredible opportunity. You get more of a world view from outside of America,” he says. Back on campus, Armentrout helped to revive the college’s Pre-Law Society and worked as a stage technician for theatrical productions in the Austin Arts Center.

He next plans to work for a few years in the legal field before applying to law school and choosing a specialty. He’s already started exploring some possibilities. “I got a lot of good exposure and built some relationships through an internship at a firm that does transactional law,” Armentrout says. “I also liked a class I took on environmental law, which is an interesting, developing field.”

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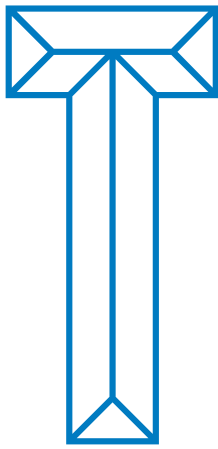
FUTURES

The paths of Gregg Lewis IDP'93, Karraine Moody '01
meet in Hartford

BY MARY HOWARD

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hough they both graduated from Trinity College, Karraine Moody '01 and Gregg Lewis IDP'93 were strangers before collaborating recently on the building of an energy efficient concrete home in Hartford. It was their shared interest in the welfare of people in the state's capital city and beyond that connected them, says Moody, CEO of Habitat for Humanity of North Central Connecticut (HHNCC). "We both want to support people at a local, national, and global level," she says. Lewis, chief communications officer for the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association (NRMCA), notes, "I believe we all have a responsibility to help those in need."

In March 2021, Habitat for Humanity joined Build With Strength, an NRMCA initiative, to construct concrete homes in 16 locations across the country. These homes—built with expanded polystyrene forms that are fitted together and then filled with concrete—are durable, fire resistant, and cheaper to heat and cool than a typical home, says Lewis. "We're building in a way that allows the owner to incur less [energy] expense, while providing solid walls that are resistant to anything Mother Nature might throw at them."

Habitat for Humanity affiliates across the country expressed a great deal of interest, says Lewis. After a deliberate selection process, they chose 50 affiliates to collaborate with over the next two years. And the one in Hartford was one of them.

Moody was thrilled. "I thought it was a great way to make [net-zero-energy homes] affordable to first-time homeowners," she says. In addition, the use of concrete instead of lumber would save her organization thousands of dollars in building costs. "Lumber prices are really high, and we are trying to find alternative ways to build affordable housing."

The team broke ground for the house, located on Cleveland Avenue, in June 2021. A year later, Lewis handed the keys to Tammy Lubin, a customer service manager for a local supermarket chain. Claiming ownership of the attractive, two-story home was a dream come true for Lubin, who emigrated from St. Lucia in 2011. "This is a launchpad for my son," she told a reporter for WFSB, a Hartford-area television station. "I started from nothing. My son doesn't have to."

As part of her path to homeownership, Lubin contributed 150 hours in "sweat equity" to HHNCC, working on her own house and those of others. "I think a lot of people are of the opinion

that [Habitat for Humanity] gives away homes for free," she says. "The program simply gives you a chance to meet the homebuyer requirements."

Families must be committed to get through the process, says Moody. HHNCC hosts meetings for potential homeowners twice yearly, but more than half of the 100 families who apply each year won't qualify because of debt or low income, she says. "Each year, we have 45 to 50 families competing for 10 to 12 homes," which breaks Moody's heart, she says. "The reality is [many] families aren't going to make it."

By the end of this year, Build With Strength expects to complete 70 homes in 32 states, says Lewis, who grew up in Deep River and Hartford. But it is the Hartford house that has been most meaningful to him. "Coming home to Hartford to deliver sustainable results for the people living there has been very gratifying," he says. "Bringing that ideal into this project with Karraine's team makes it even more special."

It was during the planning phase for the Hartford house that the two realized their Trinity connection. While on a Zoom meeting, Moody noticed a framed Trinity diploma hanging on the wall behind Lewis's desk. "I thought, 'No way! He went to Trinity?'" she says.

"It was a fun realization," adds Lewis.

Both agree that their experiences at Trinity helped foster their interests in helping others. "Making a commitment to have a positive impact wherever we work is a vital part of what I learned at Trinity," says Lewis, who describes his college education as "less than traditional." Though he matriculated in 1982, it was 11 years before he graduated through the Individualized Degree Program with a degree in art history. "I spent a lot of time working and figuring out my path," he

says. Along the way, classes with Professor of Fine Arts Kathleen Curran helped spark his interest in architecture, “not just as a career, but as a way to impact my community.”

He also credits his stepfather, the late David Winer, who was dean of students at Trinity for 22 years and a faculty member for nearly four decades, with developing his sense of equity and justice. “He was a tireless advocate of students of all stripes.”

Lewis graduated from Yale School of Architecture in 1998. Over the years, he has held a variety of positions in the field, including spending a year and a half in Haiti to help rebuild the country following the 2010 earthquake.

In 2015, he joined the NRMCA, where part of his work is to “tell the story of how concrete building provides a better quality of life.” Because concrete homes are cost effective, resilient, and easier to heat and cool, they can play an important role in providing affordable housing, says Lewis. “It’s not just in places like San Francisco or New York City. The lack of affordable housing is impacting every community across the United States.”

Notes Moody, “Everyone is talking about solar, but they should be talking about concrete.”

A Hartford native, Moody spent time on the Trinity campus in high school as part of Upward Bound, a national program that helps increase the rate of college graduates among low-income students and those whose parents do not have bachelor’s degrees. “Trinity was a great fit for me,” she says. “There was so much going on. The campus energy matched my energy.”

Initially, Moody planned to major in engineering. “My dad was in construction,” she says. However, conversations with professors including Stephen Valocchi from the Sociology Department and Alta Lash, now deceased, who taught a community internship seminar, led her to design her own major in community development. At Trinity, she shadowed community organizers, volunteered for a Habitat for Humanity build, and graduated knowing exactly what she wanted to do in the world, “to change people’s lives and create a better community.”

After Trinity, she served as a work-life coordinator at United Technologies and, later, a manager of the community technology center for Hartford Public Schools. In 2005, she joined Habitat as family services director, rising to the role of CEO in 2014. Moody, who holds a master’s in organizational management from the University of

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GREGG LEWIS IDP’93

Phoenix, says she is blessed to have a career where she helps individuals and families achieve their dreams.

Though they don’t have definitive plans to build another concrete-insulated house, Moody and Lewis say they are confident it will happen. “From the outset, Karraine recognized the benefit this type of build would have to her homeowners,” says Lewis.

Says Moody, “It has been a joy working with Gregg and his team. We are going to continue to implement this system. These are strong, fortified, energy-efficient homes that are not a financial burden to homeowners. What more can you ask for?”

Karraine Moody ’01, Gregg Lewis IDP’93, and Tammy Lubin smile for a selfie on the front porch of Lubin’s new Hartford home.





COVID-19 brings
challenges to getting
a good night's rest

BY ANDREW J. CONCATELLI

THE IMPORTANCE OF SLEEP

While stress of any kind can interfere with a good night's sleep, the COVID-19 pandemic introduced new stressors that make restorative sleep even more elusive.



BEYOND COUNTING SHEEP

Tips to help you sleep

From Jeffrey Durmer, M.D., '87, sleep performance physician and neurologist, and Brian Chin, assistant professor of psychology at Trinity

Avoid artificial light and caffeine before bed.

Durmer: Think about light as medicine that wakes you up. Better sleep is associated with outdoor daylight and reducing screen time in the evening.

Chin: Avoid caffeine close to bedtime. It's a powerful signal to our bodies to stay awake and alert. Drinking coffee, caffeinated tea, or caffeinated soft drinks within six hours of your bedtime can be harmful to your sleep that night.

Have a bedtime routine.

Durmer: Think about what we do with our kids, things like a calming bath, reading quietly, reducing stimuli.

Chin: Even though it's hard, try not to sleep in too late on your weekends. Your circadian rhythm could be thrown off, as if you had jet lag from changing time zones.

Make your bedroom a sanctuary for sleep.

Durmer: Try to do things other than sleep—like studying, working out, and eating—outside of your sleep space.

Chin: You will get the best night of sleep possible in a quiet, dark room with no interruptions.

VID brought on physical and psychological stress, including the stress of being isolated from each other," says Jeff Durmer, M.D., '87, a Denver-based sleep performance physician and neurologist who has worked with the Atlanta Falcons NFL team, the U.S. Olympic team, and the Federal Aviation Administration.

Durmer has spent much of the last several years speaking with health care organizations and other companies about the importance of sleep health and the challenges posed to it by the pandemic, which for many people has made falling asleep and staying asleep more difficult.

By definition, he says, sleep health is utilizing proper sleep techniques and identifying impediments to sleep to maintain good health. Sleep health care, by contrast, involves the diagnosis and treatment of sleep disorders, such as insomnia and sleep apnea.

Most people underestimate the importance of sleep, and about a third of American adults are not getting enough sleep on a daily basis, Durmer says. "We need to reframe how we think about sleep and sleep health," he says. "Sleep is a fundamental building block of life, a basic physiologic need. It keeps you healthy and reduces the chances of disease."

Experts say that with basic knowledge about sleep and careful attention to their own behaviors and environments, all people have the power to improve their sleep health, even during a pandemic.

AT TRINITY, Durmer studied psychology and psychobiology—a precursor to the college's neuroscience major—and was a member of the men's varsity heavyweight rowing team. He earned an M.D. and Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania and has spent decades teaching at medical schools and serving as chief medical officer for health care companies, which recognize the ways in which sleep helps fight and even prevent disease.

"Sleep affects four basic categories of health: immune, mental, cardiovascular, and metabolic or inflammatory health," Durmer says. "The greatest benefits are realized with the proper duration, timing, and quality of sleep." The average American adult sleeps 6.2 hours a night during the week, but that should be in the 7- to 9-hour range, he notes, adding that as the country's average sleep times have decreased over the past 60 years,

associated increases in obesity, diabetes, hypertension, stroke, and some cancers have emerged.

Trinity Assistant Professor of Psychology Brian Chin, whose areas of research and teaching include sleep and circadian rhythms, also notes that sleep is crucial to both physical and psychological health. "Repeated disruption to our circadian rhythms—an internal 'clock' in our brains that entrains our bodies to a 24-hour cycle of rest and activity—can compromise our immune systems," says Chin, who joined the Trinity faculty in 2022. "Poor sleep can also be dangerous; people who don't get enough sleep are more likely to get into accidents on the road and in the workplace."

Durmer notes that the immune system and sleep are intimately integrated. "Typically, if you get sick, your brain activates sleep, which helps to modulate your inflammatory response to support your defenses against viruses or other infections. If you're not getting enough sleep, you're not protecting yourself from agents you come in contact with on a daily basis."

People who are sleep deprived may therefore be predisposed to COVID infection, Durmer says. COVID also has been noted to cause sleeplessness, which further weakens the immune response, making it harder for your body to fight the infection, he says. "Partially, we think that long COVID may reflect a lingering impact of sleep disruption and deprivation."

Chin adds that there was a dramatic rise in the number of people who reported difficulty sleeping after the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. "Some people were calling this 'COVID-somnia.' The pandemic has increased stress levels, decreased our access to social contact and social support, and led us all to feel like things are overwhelming and unpredictable," Chin says. "All these things are antithetical to restful sleep."

"Stress makes it harder for people to fall asleep, harder for them to reach the deeper and more restorative stages of sleep, and harder for them to stay asleep the entire night," he continues. "On the other hand, well-functioning social relationships provide us with the security and sense of belonging that we need to get a good night of sleep. We know that people who perceive their social networks to be more supportive find it easier to fall and stay asleep."

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Getting a good night’s sleep is simply essential for a person’s well-being, Chin says. “We can’t thrive without good sleep. It’s connected to our mood and our emotions; we feel better and happier after a great night of restorative sleep than we do after a lousy night of interrupted sleep.”

While this may be easier said than done, Chin and Durmer say there are ways to improve the duration, timing, and quality of sleep [see column at far left]. Maintaining what they call “good sleep hygiene” sets a person up for a restful night and a better day to follow.

“Sleep is not the end of your day; it’s the beginning of your next day,” says Durmer. “What you do to prepare for and improve your sleep today will have a dramatic impact on your tomorrow.” ■

STUDENTS & SHUT-EYE

Even before the pandemic, one segment of the population stood out as particularly sleep-deprived: “Of students in middle school and high school, 66 percent are not getting the sleep they need,” says sleep expert Jeffrey Durmer, M.D., ’87.

Assistant Professor of Psychology Brian Chin notes that poor sleep greatly impacts student performance because sleep is associated with cognition. “When we are sleeping poorly, we can’t think as clearly, as quickly, or as creatively. We are also worse at paying attention and staying focused on tasks,” he says. “Athletes who aren’t getting enough sleep are going to recover more slowly from training and perform worse on the field.”

With these reasons and more in mind, Charles A. Dana Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience Sarah A. Raskin has been a longtime advocate of later school start times. She says that adolescents experience a sleep phase delay after puberty, meaning they can’t fall asleep early, often not before 11:00 p.m. or midnight. The problem with early school start times, she notes, is that students this age need 9 to 10 hours of sleep, but they can’t get an adequate night’s sleep if they need to be in class at 7:30 a.m. “We set them up to be cognitively less than their best, and then we tell them to go learn algebra or do a close reading of a novel,” she says. “It’s counterproductive.”

A Trinity faculty member since 1994, Raskin teaches a unit on sleep in her “Brain and Behavior” course. “Recent studies of college students show that, everything else being equal, grades go up in line with the hour in the day they take a class; the later in the day, the higher the GPA,” she says. “The State of Connecticut has a task force looking at making a change to later, healthier start times. Advocates say that high school and middle schools should not start before 8:30 a.m.”

School start times also are an equity issue, Raskin says. “We know that early start times impact students from disadvantaged backgrounds more, so it makes the achievement gap worse. Kids whose parents have means can drive them to school, which may give them an extra hour of sleep, while others may have to wait at a bus stop,” she says.

It’s critical to recognize the effects of sleep deprivation on mental health, Raskin adds. “Students who are sleep-deprived have much higher rates of depression, anxiety, substance abuse, and thoughts of suicide,” she says. “One of the tools we have to help improve their mental health is to encourage them to get enough sleep.”



EYE ON THE BALL

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Apstein '10 is an
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Stephanie Apstein '10
at Citi Field in Queens,
New York

STEPHANIE APSTEIN '10 did not have an auspicious early relationship with athletics. While she was “OK” at fencing, she was given the position of backup shortstop on her high school softball team. “They set me on the field with the actual shortstop because they didn’t know what else to do with me,” she says. And, at the end of one season, when each player received a signed softball from the coach with an encouraging message about her progress, Apstein’s ball read, “Trying is everything.”

Still, as someone growing up near Boston, Apstein learned that “you have to know what the Red Sox are doing, or they won’t let you live there,” and she found that following and rooting for a team offered a sense of belonging during the ups and downs of high school.

She also began to recognize some of the intricacies of the game and its rules. “I was very bad at sports, so I thought they were just a brute activity,” she says. “But as I paid attention, I realized there were elements and complexities that might be interesting and worth exploring.”

Now Apstein is an award-winning senior writer for *Sports Illustrated* with Major League Baseball (MLB) as her primary beat.

Apstein’s sports writing took shape during her first year at Trinity College, when she joined the staff of *The Trinity Tripod* newspaper and began covering swimming and diving—two sports about which she initially knew nothing. “But everyone was so generous,” she says, with the coaches and athletes explaining what she needed to understand until she became comfortable in her role.

That same openness and generosity helped drive Apstein’s decision to enroll at Trinity, even though her campus visit was on an early spring day dampened by freezing rain, “probably the most disgusting weather day of the year,” she remembers. Still, she found the campus beautiful and was impressed by the individual attention both during the visit and once she was accepted, from the highly personalized acceptance letter to lengthy phone calls with professors in her areas of interest. “Everyone I talked with

envisioned me as part of the community,” she says, “and that mattered a lot.”

Still, with some typical first-year jitters, she worried about fitting in, so she followed her mother’s suggestion to arrive early for pre-orientation. There she met people who would become some of her best friends. She also found a sport that suited her when she was persuaded to join the rowing team, where she was the coxswain all four years and captain her senior year. She majored in French and Italian, worked with Habitat for Humanity, joined the staff of the *Ivy* yearbook, and participated in Model U.N. for all four years.

And she continued writing for the *Tripod*, eventually becoming sports editor and then editor-in-chief. She especially appreciated covering sports at a Division III school like Trinity, where the athletes she wrote about did not receive special attention. “There’s great support for athletics at Trinity,” she says, “but they are also kept in context. Our athletes are no more or less important than students who act in plays or are involved in student government.”

From Trinity, Apstein enrolled in the 10-month intensive master’s program at Columbia Journalism School. Journalism degree in hand, she took an internship at *Sports Illustrated*, working her way up from fact-checker and copy editor to senior writer.

Apstein writes for *SI*’s monthly print publication and its website, covering daily news stories primarily about MLB both on and off season and occasionally about professional golf. She also writes features and cover stories. In 2021, she won two Associated Press Sports Editors awards—one for overall beat writing, the other with writer Alex Prewitt for their cover story exposing pitch doctoring in MLB. Titled “This Should Be the Biggest Scandal in Sports,” the article confronts the issue head on: “To understand the fiasco of baseball’s 2021 season, which people around the game describe as sullied by rampant cheating to a degree not seen since the steroid era, all you have to do is pick up a ball.”

While a scandal of this sort is major sports news, Apstein also is committed to telling athletes’ stories. She learned a great deal about developing those stories from the subject of her senior thesis at Columbia, Fernando Perez, an outfielder for the Chicago Cubs (now a coach for the San Francisco Giants) and a published poet. “Fernando helped me understand how professional athletes think,” she says.

For instance, she notes that asking an athlete how it feels to win the U.S Open or the World Series is not likely to yield a response that can drive a story. “Top athletes may be playing in stadiums with 50,000 people screaming at them. Their athletic skills may have no relationship with skills required for dealing

 To read a sampling of Apstein’s work, including the award-winning story on pitch doctoring in Major League Baseball, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

with the media,” Apstein says. Instead, athletes are more likely to be able to describe their crafts; a baseball player might be more comfortable talking about how he knows where to place his hands on the bat or why it’s important for a fielder to get the glove all the way down in the dirt. Those kinds of conversations, she says, can open the door to more nuanced and personal stories.

A highlight of Apstein’s career thus far has been covering the 2020–21 Summer Olympics in Tokyo and the 2022 Winter Olympics in Beijing. “In the Olympics, something is happening every minute,” she says. “My colleagues told me that you’re inevitably in the wrong place a lot of the time—it’s just the nature of the event.” But, in both Tokyo and Beijing, Apstein lucked out. In Tokyo, she was assigned to gymnastics at a moment when much of the world was transfixed by the triumphs and struggles of Simone Biles. Apstein had just written an *SI* cover story on Biles, giving her the background to present a major sports story with resonance beyond gymnastics and even beyond sports.

And, in Beijing, assigned to figure skating, Apstein once more found herself covering a story with far-reaching implications: the doping scandal surrounding 15-year-old Russian figure skater Kamila Valieva. “Again,” she says, “I was in the right place. But there is nothing fun about the story of a teenager forced to live out a nightmare in public. I felt that I was doing work that people cared about and was able to remind fans of who the villains really are.”

Going forward, Apstein wants to keep writing. “A lot of people move from writing to editing. I understand why, but I like the reporting. I like that search for info. I like humanizing the people.”

Humanizing, she emphasizes, does not mean deifying. “Too often, individuals who are groomed from an early age as top athletes are told that other aspects of their lives are not important; selfishness becomes beneficial to them,” she says. “Then we demand that they be role models, something they are unprepared for. Too often, fans will excuse or ignore problematic behaviors because they want their team to win.”

But, Apstein says, there also is the joy of sports, their ability to unify, to create community, and to bring out the best in those who play and watch. And sports can send powerful, positive messages, as when athletes work for social justice or when the U.S. women’s soccer team starts getting paid the same as the men’s.

“Most of all,” Apstein says, “these stories are human stories, and I want people who don’t particularly care about this team or that to read and enjoy my writing.” ■



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Tech literacy + business savvy

The CEO of YouTube majored in history and literature, and the CEO of Nike was an economics major, as was the CEO of PayPal. Slack, a company that has revolutionized day-to-day business operations, was founded by a philosophy major.

Summer
Tech-Edge
program
opens doors
for liberal
arts students

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The fact that some of the most innovative minds working at the crossroads of business and technology hail from a liberal arts background speaks to the versatility such an education provides.

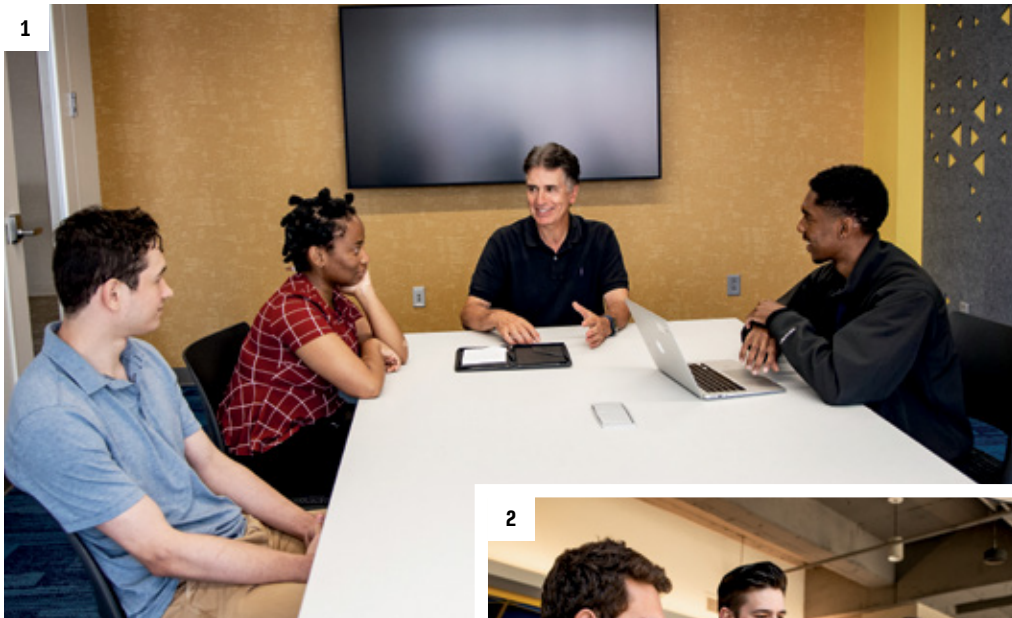
“I’ve been an IT executive for the majority of my career, and I’ve seen the value that liberal arts students can bring to the technology field,” says Steven Gomes ’83. “They bring a critical-thinking aspect to the job as well as the ability to collaborate and use diverse opinions to find creative solutions for business problems.”

Yet the idea persists in some circles that a liberal arts background leaves a student less prepared for a career in business than a STEM education, and this theory creates unique challenges for liberal arts students entering today’s job market, says Joseph Catrino, executive director of Trinity’s Career and Life Design Center.

Gomes adds, “Right now, a lot of companies use AI and other technologies to screen résumés. This means that as a liberal arts student, the chances of getting screened out are higher due to the lack of tech experience on your résumé. Tech-Edge closes that gap.”

Tech-Edge, an intensive three-week summer program run out of Trinity’s Innovation Center at Constitution Plaza in downtown Hartford, helps liberal arts students gain technology experience. Developed as part of the Trinity-Infosys Applied Learning Initiative, the collaborative effort aims to bridge the gap between the liberal arts and the future of digital technology.

“What’s valuable about it is that students get introduced to technology concepts alongside business concepts,” says Gomes, who has served as the program lead since its inception in 2019. “Personally, the reason I got involved is because I think it’s something that will really benefit students as they move



forward in their careers. It opens opportunities for them.”

Psychology major Kaila Dowd ’25 participated in the Tech-Edge program following her first year at Trinity. She was interested in taking a computer science class as a sophomore and after hearing about Tech-Edge thought the program could give her a head start.

“I was drawn to it for that academic aspect,” she says, “but it ended up being a lot more valuable. I learned about all the ways business is connected to technology, and it opened my eyes to all of the different career opportunities we have regardless of our major.”

Tech-Edge has three components. An academic portion introduces students to concepts such as coding, cybersecurity, and blockchain technology. A business innovation segment exposes students to industry professionals, often alumni, who demonstrate how the concepts students are learning can be applied in real-world situations. Finally, an emphasis on career enhancement helps students position themselves for future success.



For the academic program, students can opt to receive credit for their coursework. The curriculum is rigorous but accessible, according to Associate Professor of Computer Science Ewa Syta, who serves as Tech-Edge’s academic director. Syta notes that tech tends to be intimidating for students without a STEM background. “We want to break those barriers,” she says. “But I never want to convey the idea that the liberal arts is not enough. I tell all the students on day one that I have zero plans to turn them into a STEM major. Instead, I want them to gain a valuable skill set to complement their knowledge and interests and to open up opportunities.”

Syta, who earned a Ph.D. in computer science from Yale University, is a firm believer in the union of liberal arts and technology. “I want students to learn that tech is a key enabler for innovation,” says Syta, who also serves as chair of Trinity’s Computer Science Department. “It’s a powerful tool that can be used to offer solutions, but it will not solve real-world problems by itself. We want to produce creative students who can harness tech to solve these problems. We don’t need them to be tech experts, but they should be tech literate.”

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The business innovation aspect of Tech-Edge shows students how they can apply their newfound conceptual knowledge. Alumni including Lou Shipley '85, a Trinity trustee, and Daniel Krook '00 have been instrumental in sharing their experiences during interactive sessions. Shipley, an entrepreneur and former tech CEO who majored in economics at Trinity before earning an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School (HBS), currently serves as a lecturer at HBS and MIT's Sloan School of Management. Krook, who majored in political science and international studies, is a principal cloud architect at IBM, where he has played a leading role in running Call for Code, a global initiative that inspires developers to create sustainable open-source software solutions for the world's most pressing problems.

"The industry speakers show how understanding and utilizing a small amount of tech can open doors in a number of different ways," Syta says. "There are so many different roles—project managers, UX designers, testers. They're not necessarily computer science people by trade, but they've learned how to successfully leverage a relatively small amount of tech alongside their other strengths."

The culmination of Tech-Edge is a two-day challenge where students work in small groups to solve a real-world problem. Last summer's prompt focused on sustainability and elicited a number of creative

Tech-Edge in action: 1) Colin Hoeffner '23, Destini Watson '23, Program Lead Steve Gomes '83, and Kristopher Kendall '25; 2) Tudor Ionescu '25, Program Coordinator for Innovation Initiatives Evan Field, and Duncan Sopko '23; 3) Kaila Dowd '25; 4) Colin Hoeffner '23 and Kristopher Kendall '25



For more information on Tech-Edge—which is designed for undergraduates and recent graduates from Trinity or from other institutions—please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.



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"I learned about all the ways business is connected to technology, and it opened my eyes to all of the different career opportunities we have regardless of our major."

KAILA DOWD '25

ideas. One group proposed a campuswide rideshare program to capitalize on the shared migratory patterns of school life. Another developed a virtual reality tour of a nuclear power plant that could be used to educate citizens who are voting on whether to build such a facility in their town.

"Their idea was based on this belief, which I agree with, that once you have firsthand experience with something, you're much more willing to give it more thought and change your beliefs," says Syta. "They designed it in a way that you could take the technology and apply it to any other societal problem or something you'd like to educate people on."

Starting in 2022, Tech-Edge participants had the option to participate in an eight-week internship following the program. "We use our tremendously valuable alumni network and other key partners around Hartford to line up these opportunities," says Catrino. Tech-Edge students interned at Aetna, Infosys, and various departments within Trinity.

Dowd worked with Trinity College's Office of Information Security, where she improved web content for students and faculty. "Anyone who went into the program wanting an internship came out of the program with an internship," she says.

In a world where some employers use artificial intelligence to screen résumés, a process that Gomes says can negatively affect liberal arts students, this kind of experience is invaluable.

"Think about this," Catrino says. "You've just finished your first year, and you've been accepted into Tech-Edge. You're going to gain all these tech skills, and then we're going to get you an internship. Think about the investment you're making in your future. I look at it as scaling and stackable. The students who completed Tech-Edge got an internship that same summer. What's next summer going to look like for them? I think it's going to look even better." ■

Creating access, opportunity

Fundraising for financial aid a key priority

STORY BY KATHY ANDREWS

As Trinity College prepares to enter its third century, it has achieved significant progress in recent years on a key financial aid priority set forth in Trinity’s strategic plan, Summit, says Vice President for College Advancement Michael Casey. As included in Summit, the college will “attract and retain the highest caliber of students” by building financial aid resources to be used strategically “to attract and support a high-quality and engaged student body that embraces a diversity of backgrounds and perspectives.”



Since 2015, Trinity has increased its financial aid budget by 60 percent, enabling the college to enroll an increasingly broad array of talented students. To keep building on this momentum, and to continue supporting Trinity’s commitment to open its doors to all deserving students regardless of their financial situation, Casey notes, “a vital element of the college’s \$500 million comprehensive fundraising campaign—now in its leadership phase—is to raise a minimum of \$100 million in gifts to expand the college’s financial aid endowment.” As of December 2022, more than \$55 million toward that \$100 million goal has been reached.

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Kelli Harrington Tomlinson '94, second from right, with Tomlinson Family Foundation Scholars Phoe Shui Se '25, Maria Vicuna '24, and Nanci Lopez Flores '23

The Trinity Reporter checked in with some of the individuals who are committed to advocating for Trinity's ambitious financial aid goals and to welcoming exceptional students from around the country and across the globe. We also spoke with a few of the many students for whom financial aid and scholarships have been transformative.

The power of financial aid and scholarships

"I care deeply about educational equality, which is access to education," says Trinity Trustee Kelli Harrington Tomlinson '94 of Atherton, California. "I think education is a great equalizer, but it can't be a great equalizer unless a student has access to that education."

As a member of Trinity's Financial Aid Campaign Committee, Tomlinson, who majored in political science and minored in performing arts, says she and her fellow committee volunteers recognize that financial aid and scholarships are powerful in many ways and that different donors are motivated to support financial aid for different reasons.

"We know that many bright, motivated students do not have the ability to pay full tuition and can only consider Trinity if their financial needs are met," says Tomlinson. "Also, as Trinity has increased its financial aid resources, we have seen the academic quality of our student body grow stronger and stronger. We have the data showing the correlation between the investment in financial aid and the growth in the strength

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of our classes. And that’s been echoed by members of the faculty, who describe the greater levels of intellectual engagement and discourse they’ve seen in their classrooms.”

In her role as founder and co-president of the Tomlinson Family Foundation, Tomlinson focuses on the nonprofit sector. A member of Trinity’s Board of Trustees since 2019, she also serves on the board of Challenge Success, a nonprofit affiliated with the Stanford University Graduate School of Education. Previously, she was a board member and board chair of The Girls’ Middle School, a STEM-focused girls’ school in Palo Alto.

Along with husband Steffan C. Tomlinson ’94, Tomlinson recently established a Trinity scholarship fund, with the first three scholars—all Hartford residents—named in fall 2022: Nanci Lopez Flores ’23, majoring in political science and urban studies; Maria Vicuna ’24, majoring in educational studies; and Phoe Shui Se ’25, who intends to major in neuroscience.

“My and Steffan’s giving to support financial aid and scholarships both at Trinity and in California has focused on allowing access to some of the best schools to students who otherwise couldn’t afford it, especially those who live within the community surrounding the school,” says Tomlinson. “What especially resonates for me is the gift of education and trying to do well by the school, in terms of its needs and goals with that gift.”

‘The best thing that’s ever happened’

Economics major Stan Cardona Toledo ’23 believes strongly in the extent to which one person’s encouragement and support can change another person’s outlook and future prospects.

Growing up in New York City, Cardona Toledo experienced a childhood of intermittent homelessness. At age 15, he moved to Connecticut and began attending Bristol Central High School. He sought new opportunities, which led to being accepted into a paid summer youth employment program that Tim Walsh ’85, P’15, who grew up in Bristol, had established with the local United Way.

Cardona Toledo also worked in Hartford at Journey Home, an organization striving to end homelessness, and he became involved in the Boys & Girls Club of Bristol. In 2019, he was recognized as the club’s Youth of the Year, which led to him doing public speaking on behalf of the club during his senior year of high school.

Cardona Toledo remembers when Walsh came to speak with the teens participating in the summer employment program. Walsh shared how financial aid helped him enroll at Trinity, where he had an amazing experience, majored in economics, and went on to a successful career in private equity. “He’s been inspirational for me,” Cardona Toledo says of Walsh, a member of Trinity’s Financial Aid

Campaign Committee and a former Trinity trustee, who established, along with wife Mary Casner Walsh, a scholarship fund that supports Cardona Toledo’s education.

“I don’t know where I’d be without Trinity—it’s the best thing that’s ever happened to me,” says Cardona Toledo. “Before my senior year of high school, I didn’t plan on college.”

Adds Cardona Toledo, who works in Trinity’s Advancement Office, “I fully appreciate what it means when donors like Mr. Walsh support the next generation of students—it takes away a huge burden and allows students to experience the kind of positive impact a Trinity education has on people.”

Fostering a sense of belonging

“From my vantage point, the more access we have to financial aid resources, the better and more relevant and powerful Trinity becomes,” says Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Matthew Hyde, who joined Trinity in July 2022 from Lafayette College.

“Creating access and opportunity for students from all different backgrounds—culturally, ethnically, and socioeconomically—is key, and so is being able to foster a sense of belonging,” says Hyde. “It’s challenging for students on significant levels of financial aid to truly feel like they belong, when others don’t need to think twice about accessing funds if someone says, ‘Hey let’s go out to dinner,’ or ‘Let’s go on this trip.’ For a number of students, additional resources make the difference between surviving and thriving at college.

“Trinity is fortunate to have a broad spectrum of scholarship opportunities bringing exceptional students to our campus,” continues Hyde. “Donors such as the Borges family, which contributed \$10 million to provide financial aid resources for outstanding students, allow us to maximize our ability to craft communities with as much dimension, diversity, and talent as possible.” [The Borges family’s gift was featured in the spring 2022 *Trinity Reporter*.]

Hyde notes that Trinity has benefited from the generosity of numerous Trinity alumni, families, and friends who have created or donated toward scholarships, such as those that bring Illinois Scholars and Class of 1963 Scholars to campus year after year. “We’re also proud to be part of the world-famous Davis United World College (UWC) Scholars Program, through which high-achieving international students come to Trinity,” he says. Recognizing the value Davis UWC Scholars bring, Trinity has made concerted efforts in recent years to grow its participation. Between 2010 and 2022, 40 Davis UWC Scholars have graduated from Trinity, and the number of these scholars at Trinity has increased markedly in recent years. For the 2022–23 academic year, 78 Davis UWC Scholars are studying at Trinity.

 For more on Trinity’s commitment to financial aid—including a video with recent alumnus Henry Chavez ’18—please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

Following one's aspirations

For Anahit Avagyan '24, it was a challenge to explain to others in her home country her keen interest in studying computer science. "In Armenia, computer science is seen as a man's job," she says. "So, when I was 16 and mentioned computer science to my friend, she asked, 'Do your parents know about this?' And when I told my grandma, she responded, 'But you're a girl, how can you imagine doing computer science?'"

Fortunately, Avagyan's parents encouraged her to follow her aspirations. She was accepted into the Davis UWC Scholars Program and attended the UWC Dilijan College in Armenia, along with hundreds of international students from around the globe. "If I didn't receive financial aid, if I didn't get the Davis UWC Scholarship, my family was not going to be able to support me financially to study at Trinity, my dream college. If I had to stay in Armenia, maybe computer science would not have been my path," she says.

Due to the pandemic, her first Trinity semester was conducted online, and she says she always will remember participating in classes from Armenia, including "Introduction to Computer Science" with Professor of Computer Science Peter Yoon. "I fell in love with the course, and Professor Yoon was wonderful," says Avagyan. "I would stay up until 2:00 or 3:00 a.m. just trying to solve a problem. Every time, I would say, 'Mom, do you know what happened? I just solved this problem!'"

In spring 2021, Avagyan arrived on campus and took a course on data structures and algorithms with Associate Professor of Computer Science Ewa Syta. "She's been a great support. As she is interested in cybersecurity, we talked about it, and I became interested, too," says Avagyan, who served as Syta's teaching assistant and was recommended by her for two internships. "The first was at Trinity, working on enrolling multifactor authentication for the whole student body," says Avagyan. Then, Hybrid Pathways, the IT company working with Trinity on the project, offered Avagyan a summer internship at its downtown Hartford office. "If you look at the numbers," she says, "there are very few women in cybersecurity, so I was excited to work with this company."

Adds Avagyan, "I think seeing female professors in STEM fields like Professor Syta and President Berger-Sweeney . . . you understand that if they can do it as women, and they have this courage, they have this strength, then you can do it as well."

A game-changing initiative

In September 2022, Trinity and the Schuler Education Foundation announced that Trinity is among five colleges selected for the second year of the Schuler Access Initiative. This matching grant partnership promises to raise \$60 million to support high-

achieving, low-income students enrolling at Trinity—a significant opportunity to enroll a greater number of exceptionally talented, largely first-generation, students, regardless of their financial circumstances.

"We have the capacity to make a fundamental difference in the lives of these amazing students and in the lives of everyone who interacts with them," says Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney. "By capitalizing on this rare opportunity, we will make Trinity stronger and ultimately serve the public good."

The Schuler Foundation will contribute \$20 million for current financial aid, to be spent over 10 years, that Trinity will match by raising \$40 million in permanent endowment both for financial aid and for academic and co-curricular programs to support the participating students. The program will focus on students with the highest financial need, those eligible for Pell grants, and undocumented students.

As Henry Chavez '18 noted upon the announcement of Trinity's receipt of the Schuler grant, "Financial aid is important because it gives you the opportunity to say, 'I can knock on that door and see what's behind there.'" Chavez, who came to the United States from El Salvador when he was 2, double majored in political science and urban studies at Trinity and now works as a senior performance agency manager at Google. "I would tell the Schuler Foundation . . . thank you," says Chavez. "Thank you for believing in students who come from very different walks of life, that there are people out there who see and recognize the unique set of challenges that they have and who are committed to developing them to be the leaders of tomorrow."

Says Casey, "This is a game-changer. Leveraging the generosity of Trinity donors, the Schuler grant will substantially expand opportunities for talented low-income students, and this will benefit our entire campus community for generations to come."

The net result

"Trinity's financial aid goals and all of the strategies we're employing to meet these goals are about opening our doors as widely as possible," says Casey. "The Schuler Access Initiative focuses on talented students who have the greatest need. The Davis UWC Scholarship Program is bringing fabulous international students to Trinity. The Borges family's gift will provide support for a wide range of exceptional students and ensure that others can benefit from the same kind of life-changing education they received. The Walshes are making sure that terrific students from Bristol, where Tim grew up, can join our community, while the Tomlinsons are giving opportunities to students from our own backyard here in Hartford. There are more examples, of course, but the net result of all of these efforts is that we are able to enroll incredibly talented and diverse—in every way—students who can best take advantage of the remarkable education that Trinity offers." ■



Top to bottom: Anahit Avagyan '24, Stan Cardona Toledo '23, Henry Chavez '18

For more information about financial aid giving opportunities, please contact Caitlin Gasiorski, campaign director, at caitlin.gasiorski@trincoll.edu or 860-297-2406.

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1947 From the Alumni Office: Richard Poliner, son of **Irving J. Poliner**, M.D., and Anne Eileen McComiskey Poliner, wrote to say that his mother passed away on December 26, 2021; his father died in 2009. Poliner added, "Trinity meant so much to my father; my mother and their five children knew how grateful he was."

1950 Jennifer Blum '88 reports the sad news of the passing of her father, **Robert M. "Bob" Blum**, at home in Rensselaerville, New York, in November 2022, just after his 94th birthday. Until the end, Bob was in regular touch with his best friend, **Harry Rowney**, who lives outside Boston. Bob was always eager to hear from classmates, receiving a call last summer from **John Grill** of Topeka, Kansas.

1951 Vice President: **Norman L. Wack** • Class Agent: **Vacant**
We regret to inform you that your former secretary, **Richard G. Mecaskey**, passed away on September 28, 2022.

1952 Vice President: **John E. Taylor** • Secretary: **Finley Schaefer**, finley.schaefer.1952@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **Vacant**

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or 713-669-1830. You ready for your 70th Reunion? Can you believe it? 2023? Well, it is time to prepare for it now. The lines are still open for your notes for *The Trinity Reporter* on what you have been doing this last quarter. Sal and I were in Southwest Harbor, Maine, for three weeks in an inn, with six bedrooms and baths for visiting family. The weather was perfect during the first weeks of July. We drove to the top of Mount Desert a number of times, ate a lot of lobster, rolls and steamed. Some of us even went swimming. I did a lot of sunning on the front porch.

I called **Jack North**, and he still manages to care for himself in his apple shed in southern Vermont. No vegetable garden this year and promised not to shovel snow off the roof this winter. He has a daughter in Maine and a son in Connecticut who visit regularly.

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**

Grant Thomas suggested that we write about a memorable time in our four years at Trinity. He took a course in art appreciation with **Mitch Pappas**. In a slide session showing works of art, which was slowly lulling all to sleep, Mitch flashed a slide of a nude Marilyn Monroe on the screen. Got everyone's attention. Thanks for the idea, Grant.

Bob Wolff: "My memory is of Dr. Cameron on our first day of 'English 101.' He pointed out the new bike at the top of the stairs. Told us the previous year's class had given it to him. Then stated it did not change any grades. Made an impression."

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

Part of the complexity of reporting information in *The Trinity Reporter* is that my detail can be somewhat dated. So, I am going to try to bring you all up-to-date on some news concerning classmates who have passed on even though the event took place some many months ago. We lost **Bob Freeman** in August 2022 after a long period of recovery and then decline. He and Jean had been one of the most active of our class attending fall football weekends and participating in the annual Florida gatherings. Bob

spent his professional life in pre-college academic institutions, teaching, coaching, administrating, and, most importantly, preparing high schoolers for the challenges of higher education and adulthood. His positive influence on so many was significant.

Samuel Dachs was a member of ATO fraternity but clearly a serious premedical student at Trinity. He received his medical degree from Chicago Medical School, Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science. He completed his residency at Mount Sinai Hospital. He became a board-certified pathologist, active in clinical pathology and anatomic pathology, plus using transfusion medicine procedures. Sam passed away in December 2017.

Bouldin "Bo" Burbank, like **Bob Freeman**, found life's opportunities in educating secondary school students in their early years as well as preparation for postsecondary education. His 39 years in this endeavor were at just two boarding schools, Tabor Academy and Mercersburg Academy. He conscientiously expanded his skill offerings by earning advanced degrees and exposure to the broadest lineup of academic areas of study. While at Trinity, Bo earned his bachelor's degree in mathematics and also studied fine arts and physics. He earned a master's degree in mathematics from Syracuse and studied architecture at the Harvard Graduate School of Design. Those of us who returned for our 50th in June 2005 will recall our class produced an art show. This was orchestrated primarily by Bo and was such a success that it drew Reunion visitors from other classes. At Mercersburg, Bo served as head of many different academic departments and coached numerous sports. Bo passed away in January 2022 and is survived by his wife of 63 years, Eloise; six children; and 11 grandchildren.

Dick Leach was one of the most enjoyable and easy-to-be-with classmates. His personality generated friendships across all elements of campus life. Following his graduation from Trinity and having completed the ROTC program, Dick fulfilled his U.S. Air Force (three-year) commitment. He then established himself as a successful "bond man" in his 25-year career with the First National Bank of Boston. He was able to travel extensively and was known for his significant generosity, specifically aimed to better the lives of children in need. He established the Sunshine Fund and supported YMCA camps specifically aimed for low-income youth. He was a fantastic father of seven and leaves 12 grandchildren. He died peacefully in September 2021.

Ron Moss was gifted with a true high-tenor singing voice, and following his graduation from Trinity, he began a successful singing career. Initially, he joined Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians, a popular touring

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group. He then joined The Rover Boys, whose records sold well and who attracted an enthusiastic audience. Ron produced a successful single, "Almost Paradise," in 1957. He also soloed in Carnegie Hall, performed for Queen Elizabeth II, and traveled the world entertaining on cruise ships. Ron and Evelyn were married in 1959, and he soon joined *The New York Times*, where he worked for 42 years. Early in his business years, Ron earned an M.B.A. from CUNY Baruch College. He passed in February 2022 and leaves behind seven adoring grandchildren.

Although I reported **Don Mountford's** passing in the last issue of the magazine, I want to reiterate how important he was to the class in the planning, organizing, and conducting all of the five-year Reunions and the many, many fall football weekends, plus being the stimulus for all of those who could join the annual February gatherings in Florida. So much camaraderie and enjoyment were generated by Don, who became a dear personal friend of mine over a span of 50 years. Thanks, Don.

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

I enjoyed a visit from **Allyn "Skip" Beardsell** in late March, accompanied by his wife (a native of nearby Roanoke, Virginia) and their son. We managed to catch up on news, his many experiences as a medic, and their overall pleasurable life in Clinton, New York. For an update, I called him last week and learned that he spent some time in Florida in early spring and was planning on a fall trip to Sandwich, New Hampshire, and Cape Cod to visit **Beau Coursen**. I got an email (via **David Taylor**) from **Dick Abbott**, who has had some medical procedures but is doing fine and most recently was able to ride out Hurricane Ian from far away at his summer residence in Culpeper, Virginia. Their home

in St. Petersburg was spared and relatively safe. **Gil Vigneault** also dodged the hurricane bullet by the luck of being in Vero Beach on the East Coast of Florida. **Ron Boss** was not able to make our 65th Reunion but shared a new cuisine creation he called "egg salad for single old men"; he will share upon request. **Dave Renkert** called in April to tell me he had COVID earlier this year but has recovered fully and has moved from the family home in Akron to a retirement village he very much enjoys. I am sad to report that **Don Ahlberg** died on August 7, 2022. He was an active gardener and a good architect; he had an impressive career with Pratt & Whitney as a mechanical engineer.

On a happier note, **Donald Anderson** wrote of a fascinating evening he and wife Carole experienced in London last April. It was a retired banker's dinner at the famous Mansion House (official residence of the lord mayor of London). He and Carole, dressed impressively (black tie, evening gown, etc.), were seated among 290 people at long tables, where toasts were made, speeches were given by dignitaries, and those attending included representatives of the royal family, heads of state, and even the U.S. president. And an amusing footnote, post-Reunion: In July, I was walking in Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard, with my youngest granddaughter, high school senior Ella, wearing my Trinity Reunion cap (a big T on the crown), when two young lads stopped me and asked, "Did you go to Trinity?" I responded, "Yes, of course," and we talked for a few moments and then split. But 17-year-old Ella was joyous and thrilled and asked, "Are they all that cute, Baba? If so, that's where I want to go!"

1957 President: Ward S. Curran • Vice President: Donald B. Stokes • Secretary: Frederick M. Tobin, frederick.tobin.1957@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Ward S. Curran, Neil Day, Donald B. Stokes, Melvin Tews, Frederick M. Tobin • **Don Stokes, Jim Kenefick, Mel Tews, Dyke Spear, Don Pillsbury, Jim Bradley, Ron Gocht, Steve Letcher, Clint Reichard, Len Wolin,** and me (or should I say I?) attended our Reunion. Spear told me to say "me." Unfortunately, I followed his advice, but Judge Jimmy not Judge Judy saved the day and advised me to go with "I."

At our dinner, we were joined by gentlemen from the Class of 1956 who were led by Ned Montgomery '56. Ned ate two dinners. We passed the hat because Ned lost his wallet.

One of the highlights was that we were joined by a charming young lady, Caroline Killian '23, who is the recipient of the Class of 1957 Scholarship. We are indebted to esteemed classmate **Paul Amadao Cataldo**,

who led the establishment of the '57 Fund at our 25th Reunion, and the rest of our classmates who have given so much to maintain and increase the amount of the fund.

Now that **Bryan Bunch** is 85, he has decided to divest himself from the many boards and associations that he has served on in favor of younger generations.

I regret to inform you of the passing of **Norm Kayser, Bruce Baker, Nelson White, Jack Darcey, Don Taylor, David Beers, Vin Irwin,** and **Ezra Diman**.

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Ed Speno wrote at length about his active life. Keeping a promise to wife Marty before she passed just before COVID, Ed moved in with his daughter and her 6-year-old daughter. He loves what he calls his "sweet suite" with its wood-burning fireplace. He is active with his church and plays golf in the summer as a member of the Super Seniors. He has been trying to convince his fellow board members to change the name to The Chronologically Enhanced. He stays in touch with Charlie Sticka '56, Bob Johnson '60, and Frannie, the wife of Roger LeClerc '60. He keeps in close touch with his six children and 17 grandkids.

Always when I see or hear from Ed, I remember especially good personal times with him. As freshman quarterback, I got confused and called for a fake punt, deep in our own territory, on what I thought was third down. It was fourth down, and Ed knew it. But he knew there was no talking in the huddle, so even though he knew my mistake, he still played the good teammate. All he did, in silence, was run 85 nervous yards to set up our winning touchdown.

Fifty years later, when we were at a **Borden Painter** alumni week at Trinity in Rome, learning of my wife Shirley's Catholic devotion, he invited her to the steps of St. Peter's for a papal audience with the new German pope. They sat in the second row, less than 10 feet from the pope. That's a memory one never forgets.

Speaking of **Bordie Painter**, he has made a significant step by moving from his 51-year residence in West Hartford to a Simsbury retirement community where he has been a board member and has many friends. He looks forward to this new chapter in his life.

Just before he left for Italy, **Mike Zoob** and **Bordie** did their annual lunch in Sturbridge. Mike has recovered from a couple shoulder surgeries and continues to travel, work out, support Road Scholar, and absorb himself in history and the American political drama.

The very hot summer has dried up some of **Gary Bogli's** favorite fishing holes. He has had to go after bluegills and bass. Gary says he reads a lot, unlike when he was an undergraduate. To compensate and “not let the old man in,” he walks two miles, up and down, on the nearby Fox Tower. He and I, totally separately, found *Spearhead*, a World War II accounting of a young tank gunner, intriguing. He urges us to not forget our upcoming 70th Reunion. Come on, Gary, we are not that old. It's our 65th. Ah! Is that old man sneaking in a little bit?

Bernie Moran had a scheduled family cruise in October with his daughter, eldest son, and granddaughter. Bernie has moved to Atlanta to be near a son and grandchildren. He says his snowbird status is official as he will be in Atlanta as of January.

A lot of family has marked **Pete Smith's** recent time. He does report that last summer he played daily tennis and has excellent success in the garden. As for family, son Erik and daughters visited from Washington state. Daughter Annika '88 and her two girls visited from Mill Valley, California; one is a senior at Cornell, and the other is at Harvard grad school. They planned to be together at Christmas in California at Annika's home. He and Annika celebrated their 61st in August. He closed his remarks noting that he and a partner had finished runners-up in club doubles.

From the Alumni Office: **Franklin** and **Beth Kury** have had a quiet summer highlighted by weddings. On June 26, the family celebrated the marriage of oldest son Steven to Gina Goldenser at an outdoor party in New Jersey. “The entire Kury family attended! On September 14, we celebrated our 59th wedding anniversary in good health. We are weathering well the challenges of aging.”

1959 President: **Robert D. Coykendall** • Vice President: **Jon Widing** • Secretary: **Paul S. Champion, paul.champion.1959@trincoll.edu** • Class Agents: **Robert D. Coykendall, William H. Pfeffer Bill Abeles, Charlie Nichols**, and I are in the midst of preparing a special memorial salute to an article commemorating the passing of **Jon Reynolds**. He died on April 16, 2022, and was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. He had a truly remarkable and unique military career. We hope to honor him by creating a special biography of the many contributions he made to our country.

On another note, we want to update you all on the news of the '59ers who suffered from Hurricane Ian, which swept in and destroyed part of the West Coast of Florida. I tried checking in with our class Floridians, but contact was difficult. However, I did get

a few updates from those affected in the area of Naples, Sarasota, and Fort Myers through **Kenny Lessall**, who reported that he had been in touch with **Shep Scheinberg, Paul Kardon**, and Ken Lyons '61, all of whom lost power but thank goodness were safe and hopefully only a little damp!

I received a note from **Jon Widing** about a conversation he had with **Bob Harnish** (in Vermont), who mentioned to John that they were about to begin their trip through Canada, starting in Montreal, on to Vancouver, with trips through the Rockies and the Lake Louise area. Other news from Nancy and **Bob Harnish** was a surprise party given in their honor by Habitat for Humanity, including some 50 families and friends for their efforts and hard work put forth for that cause. They were presented with a lovely stained-glass window to be placed in the Vermont village library.

Karl Scheibe sent me an email that after 54 years in the same house near the Wesleyan campus, he and wife Wendy have moved to a new house in a 55-and-older community in Middletown. They have two sons, David and Daniel. David is CFO for Ascent Health Services in Schaffhausen, Switzerland, and Dan is head of school at Lawrence Academy in Groton, Massachusetts. In addition, they have seven grandchildren, ages 16 to 28, and all are healthy and apparently sane. Life is good. Karl retains an office at the Wasch Center for Retired Faculty at Wesleyan. He still takes an occasional teaching assignment and maintains a small clinical psychology practice. They take advantage of Zoom for family gatherings and keeping abreast of developments in higher education.

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

It's been another eventful several months for the Class of 1960, with the highlight being a very stimulating Zoom call with Lisa Bisaccia '78, chair of the Trinity Board of Trustees. Subjects discussed included college rankings and their inherent flaws as well as increasing rates of graduation and retention at the school. We also were brought up-to-date on the status of the capital campaign and plans for the upcoming 200th anniversary of the school's founding. All in all, it was an excellent and very candid discussion of the state of affairs at Trinity. Lisa is a fellow Rhode Islander and, in my biased view, a perfect person to lead the board.

Turning to less weighty class news, **Bob Johnson** reports he went to the recent Trinity-Colby football game and spent some quality time with **Ray Beech** and **Bob Pedemonti** in

the spiffy new stadium box seats. He also let us know he's moved back into his own independent apartment and abandoned the senior citizen complex he had moved to. Also, **Kenny Lyons** shared that he had a long phone call with Bob, during which they reminisced for the better part of an hour.

Jere Bacharach has signed up for a cruise to the Falkland Islands and then journeying farther south, culminating in a visit to Antarctica. Wow, Jere, is all I can say. **Barry Royden** reports he spent two exciting weeks in Ireland and a week in London. He was especially fascinated by a trip to Belfast and learning more about the violence between Catholics and Protestants. I heartily second Barry's view of Ireland, which is a wonderful place to visit.

Marv Peterson tells us that he's finally hung up his skis, a victim of a bad back, which I can really sympathize with. But he did reach his goal of skiing past his 80th birthday and says he still loves spending winters in Big Sky, Montana. In the fall, he's planning some warm-weather travel with a visit to San Blas, Mexico, which is a very important historical sight. **Clark Phippen** continues being a very busy 83-year-old despite having to have his gall bladder removed. He has spent some quality time cross-country skiing in Vermont and then some nice summer vacation time in Maine. Corky, as we always have called him, still lives in Mystic, Connecticut, which is a delightful town to retire in, except maybe when the tourists pour in during the summer months. **George Kroh** continues his travel hither and yon with time out to tend his veggie garden.

Lastly, I continue to stay in touch with my good pal **Dick Stockton**, who is whittling down his real estate holdings to Nantucket and Vero Beach. I also stay in touch with **Ernie Haddad**, who doesn't really want to discuss the latest debacle with the Boston Red Sox. Also, on a very sad note, we recently learned of the deaths of **Dick Anderson** and **Bob Morgan**.

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

New technology and sustained energy and enthusiasm are helping classmates keep active on and off the internet.

Many of us find Zoom discussions more convenient, allowing us to communicate with groups around the world. But **Bill Weber**, “fully retired and enjoying my grandchildren,” is continuing in-person meetings of the Southington, Connecticut, Ordinance Committee and Commission for Persons with

Disabilities, as well as the Hospital of Central Connecticut Development Committee.

Mountain Bike Hall of Fame inductee **Bob Woodward** is working on a memoir and an exhibit covering the sport in its early days for Oregon's Deschutes Historical Museum. We're also trading jazz classics via email, which prompts some college musical memories. **Curt Turner** caught Chuck Berry senior year, and I saw The Big Bopper freshman year.

Speaking of oldies, here are a few phrases we geezers use and everybody chortles at: "Reading the paper, going to the icebox, hi-fi, playing a record." We used them while visiting **Jack** and **Lea Angell** and **Peter** and **Susan Kilborn** last summer in Rhode Island.

Buz Mayer, sending his best and wishes for good health to all, has a formidable list of activities: "Staying in shape with tennis three times a week and swimming every day in my pool. Grandson just started his plebe year at the Merchant Marine Academy. I remember very cold trips on the basketball team to play them in December. I'm going to Jordan in December and then up the Nile from Cairo in an eight-cabin, ancient style sailboat." And he plans to tour the east coast of Italy and Sicily next spring.

Paul Lazay has sent along the sad news that his wife, Kathleen Ann Huber, 74, died of cancer on July 9, 2022. She leaves her daughters Darya Tordi and Elissa Huber-Anderson.

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

Chuck Hoffman, our class president, wrote the following four paragraphs:

"The 60th Reunion of the Class of 1962 was a milestone event in that it represented the first joint Reunion with the Class of 1961. Over 25 members of our class were joined by 10 from 1961, plus more than a dozen friends and family members. For those who could spend the weekend at Trinity, it was a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with old friends and to meet with each other in a new way.

"The high point of our time together was the class meeting led by **Ian Bennett** and **Ted Wagner**. After a short business meeting, we had a chance to share the impact our time with Trinity has had on each of us. There was a consensus of all present that we should gather online at least annually to stay connected with each other. To that end, we will try to arrange a Zoom meeting through our representative at the college, Theresa Kidd. We will send you more information later.

"Thanks to all who worked so hard to make our Reunion year so successful, especially **Mike Creighton, Paul LaRocca, Fred Pryor, Doug Anderson, Bill Polk, Ian Bennett, Peter Bundy, Rod Day, Tom Johnson, Baird Morgan, Roger Nelson, Coenraad van der Schroeff, Jim Whitters, and Ted Wagner**. Through their hard work and enthusiastic planning, our class had the highest participation in giving to the college. For those who could not attend, we especially missed our former class president **Peter Meehan**.

"Going forward, we welcome **John Densem** to serve with **Fred Pryor** as co-class secretary and **Mike Creighton** as vice president and class agent. I am honored to serve as class president and will assist Mike in his role. Meanwhile, we look forward to gathering virtually during 2023."

Ian Bennett writes that he has spent two years coaching football at Burr and Burton Academy in Manchester, Vermont. As of this writing, his team has won the first two games of the season. He's also writing a book titled *Masked*, which provides observations about the personal impact of COVID's intrusion in our lives.

Colby Coombs checked in and says hi to classmates from over the years and over the ocean.

David Gates proudly told us that his granddaughter Lauren started Trinity in the Class of 2026. Lauren's parents, Susan Gates and Jon Massey, were Trinity Class of 1995.

We heard from **Tom Johnson**, chairman emeritus of IIE, the Institute of International Education. Its purpose is to promote the exchange of people and ideas and thus foster greater understanding and peace among nations. Tom has been on the board since 1989 and was chair for a number of years. Joanne Berger-Sweeney, Trinity's president, recently joined the board.

Charlie Classen is still doctoring. One day a week he is at East Carolina University teaching basic orthopedics to family practice residents. He emphasizes good, cost-effective medicine. He and Marion took a two-week Rocky Mountaineer train/bus trip starting and ending in Vancouver. Banff, Jasper parks, and melting glaciers were highlights. Regretfully, he missed the Reunion because of COVID.

Frank Cummings and wife Laura Young are very active in Barrington Village and the Village Common of Rhode Island, whose mission is to allow people to stay in their homes and community as they age and can no longer do chores they used to do independently. Volunteers assist with driving, errands, shopping, social connections, technology issues, help around the home, friendly visits, and calls to those who live alone and may be vulnerable. The gratification Frank and Laura

receive far outweighs the efforts they each donate weekly to wonderful new and old friends. Keep up the great volunteer work, Frank and Laura.

Ross Hall said he and his wife enjoyed the 60th Reunion. Highlights were seeing long-time friends and getting to know classmates whom he hadn't really talked with during college years. They slept in a Jarvis room for the first time in over a half century. One memory came back to him as he walked the path behind the Chapel above the soccer field: One winter evening, when a thick crust covered the snow, he and his Jarvis roommates went coasting on trays from the Mather dining hall. If he leaned way forward at the start, he could see where he was going—down the bank and bouncing across the drainage ditch along the soccer field (wipeout danger!), then across the field, somehow turning around backward and hoping for a soft impact between the support poles of the football field's chain-link fence. Not easily or often done, as he found out, but good fun. The trays were returned to Mather.

Classmates: keep alert for a class Zoom notice in 2023.

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1963 President: **Timothy F. Lenicheck** • Vice President: **John S. Waggett** • Secretary: **Thomas E. Calabrese, thomas.calabrese.1963@trincoll.edu** • Class Agent: **William C. Howland**

As I prepare this report for *The Trinity Reporter* winter issue, the memory of another successful Homecoming for our great class is fresh in my mind. We had a good turnout, with 14 '63ers and about an equal number of Class of '63 Scholars, and the program of events was outstanding. At our traditional Hamlin Hall dinner, our 37th, **Pete Sherin**, our first class president, shared his thoughts on what makes our class special. From start (our Friday night welcome dinner) to finish (a wonderful Sunday morning Chapel service), it was a grand time. The weather was perfect, and we won the football game (19–7 over Colby). Some of us got to sit on the Schulenberg Friendship bench, which is just outside the Chapel.

Updates from class members follow.

From **Steve Perreault**: "This past summer, Jean and I treated one of our granddaughters, who had just graduated from UConn, to a trip to Martha's Vineyard. To avoid traffic congestion near the Cape Cod Canal, we ferried over and back to the island from New Bedford, Massachusetts. This shortcut afforded us a different travel experience and left us more time to hear about the island's remarkable history during our tour there. We also welcomed our first great-granddaughter into the world in late June. The new arrival's parents



Tom Calabrese '63, third from left; Carl Lundborg '63; Tyler Calabrese (Tom's son); and Bill Howland '63 relax after enjoying a round of golf at the annual Trinity Football Golf Outing in 2022.

live far away in Santa Maria, California, so we don't expect to see her in person until later this year at holiday time."

From **Tom Calabrese**: "Linda and I continue to enjoy camping trips in our small van camper named Red Rover, a Winnebago Travato. This year, we have enjoyed traveling in it to Lewes, Delaware (quite a beautiful town just across from Cape May, New Jersey), Cape Ann above Boston, and Acadia National Park in Maine. I also enjoyed a nice round of golf at the annual Trinity Football Golf Outing with classmates **Carl Lundborg** and **Bill Howland** and my son Tyler."

1964 Co-Secretary: **Thomas J. Monahan**, thomas.monahan.1964@trincoll.edu • Co-Secretary: **James S. Twerdahl**, james.twerdahl.1964@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **Robert Spencer**

Bob Rimer writes: "I don't think I have ever written a note to the *Reporter*, so here goes! The age of 80 brings a lot of things to complain about, but one of the great things Paula and I get to experience is the fall changing colors of the aspen trees from green to various brilliant shades of yellow here in Avon, Colorado, where we spend our summers. While Paula still schusses down the ski trails when we visit during the winter, I limit myself to golf in the summer. Paula outdrives me at that sport as well. OK, I can't help but complain about some things! I hear from Tim Lenicheck '63 daily as he keeps a number of friends informed of national and international political problems of which there seem to be too many for one person to understand! All I can say about that is it is a good thing we have Tim! **Arnie Wood** and I spoke yesterday. He is trying to keep up with Anne, who sprints about five miles a day! This getting more mature isn't all it's cracked up to be, but life in Colorado and South Florida is always good with Paula and our combined families of five kids and, so far, four grandchildren when they visit! And all of them did just that this summer at the

surprise birthday celebration Paula orchestrated for me. It was a stunner! Hope all '64 Bantams are still strong!"

Our prolific poet **David Curry** is published again and has three poems ("Orchestra," "The Source," and "Watching the Screen during an Echocardiogram") in the online poetry journal *The Raven's Perch*.

Your co-secretary **Jim Twerdahl** is grateful to be able to travel again, especially to see grandchildren and to meet some clients who have only had a presence on Zoom. Next May, he and wife Daryl are planning a 155th (the sum of their ages) birthday party in San Sebastian, Spain. All '64 Bantams are invited to join in the fun.

Tony Milbank writes that he has been actively involved in the Ukrainian crisis. "My ongoing preoccupation since February 24 has been how to respond to the Ukrainian crisis. During my entire professional life, I have been outward looking, advising governments around the world on how to manage financial risk. However, these past seven months have introduced a whole new level of risk that no one on this planet can ignore. I have been involved with three initiatives that in a modest way can hopefully make a difference: Spirit of America, which employs military veterans in the civilian sector addressing nonmilitary issues in the Ukraine; the Scholar Rescue Fund (IIE), which has saved Ukrainian academics who have been at risk and successfully placed them in safer university environments elsewhere; and finally helping supply oxygen concentrators for hospitals throughout the Ukraine."

It was great to hear from **George Kellner**, who writes: "Still working as managing partner at Kellner Capital and Kellner Merger Mutual Fund. Also, still married to Bicky after 55 years, which is a testament to her endurance. Our son and daughter also have one of each, and we see them regularly. Like most, did little during COVID but now plan to travel in the next few months, including trips to Europe and Asia. Generally, all is

well, and hope the same is true for every one of our classmates."

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

Chris Arterton: "Since retiring as founding dean of the Graduate School of Political Management at the George Washington University, I have been working on a book to be published in January by Oxford University Press. *Strategy in Politics: Plotting Victory in a Democracy* clarifies the meaning of strategy, a much overused and therefore vague concept. In the process, the book offers guidance to those engaged in democratic politics as to how they can win and yet remain within ethical guardrails. I continue to live in New Haven with my beloved, Janet Bond Arterton, a federal judge. We have two daughters, two sons-in-laws, and four grandchildren, spread between Annapolis and San Diego."

Nic Cantor sent a photo from Eygalieres, France, where he and wife Ellen spent time with **Tom Garson** and wife Nancy. They were together for a destination wedding in Provence, to which they went because all knew the groom, his parents, and the bride, who is from France. The chosen venue was owned by a man from Afghanistan, so the wedding feast in France was Afghan food!

Sam Coale: "Retired? Am teaching a seminar on Don DeLillo and finishing a new book on the Big Bang and other origin stories, the Hardy Boys, Wittgenstein, and mysteries."

John Losse reports that, at the ripe old age of 79, he became a grandfather for the first time. Louis Penney Losse (Louis gets the French pronunciation, "Louie") was born to Owen Losse and Lily Haskins '10 on September 22, 2022, in London.

Nick McIver reported on the effects of Hurricane Ian where he lives near Raleigh, North Carolina. "Ian came with forceful winds and rain. Broken tree limbs around the neighborhood. No damage to the condo. And,



Ellen Cantor, Nic Cantor '65, Tom Garson '65, and Nancy Garson attend a friend's son's wedding in Eygalieres, France, in September 2022.

being one of five members of a mastermind group has made possible having new friendships while examining our life purposes. Saturday mornings, we connect via Zoom for one hour. We have just completed *Becoming Supernatural: How Common People Are Doing the Uncommon*, a *Wall Street Journal* best seller. The takeaway is the discovery of all that is possible in our lives and opening the door to self-actualized empowerment. Wishes to everyone for good health and purposeful living.”

Roberto Orellana: “This is the first time I have written to the Class Notes. My experience at Trinity was very good. I enjoyed the classes and my friends at Alpha Chi Rho and others. After Trinity, I received an M.S. at Stanford University. I was in the financial sector of El Salvador. In the ’70s, I was general manager of a new commercial bank, Banco Cuscatlan. In 1980, the banks were nationalized, and I had to quit after a year. The government decreed a land reform. These populist reforms affected the economy of the country. This period was called the ‘lost decade.’ In 1989, a moderate president was elected, and I was appointed president of the Central Bank. I worked there for nine years. I worked in the financial sector until I retired two years ago. The COVID experience helped me to accept retirement after being a workaholic for many years. The week after I retired, I visited my daughter in California. I had planned to stay for a week, but I could not return for six months because there were no flights to El Salvador. In this period of my life, I will enjoy my family as much as possible. I have two sons, two daughters, and four grandchildren. My older daughter lives in El Salvador, but she is moving with her husband to Mexico City in few months. Her son is in Tecnológico de Monterrey, and her daughter is studying in Guatemala. My older son lives in El Salvador. My other daughter is working at the Specialized Bicycle Experience Center in Boulder, Colorado. My other son lives in Mexico City, where he and his partner established an ophthalmology clinic network focused on cataract operations. He has two children and another one coming. I live in El Salvador with my wife, Julia. . . . I thank God for all the blessings that I have received.”

As most of our class will celebrate 80 years of birthdays in the coming year, here are some thoughts on aging. I hope they will be helpful!

When I was 15, I went to Florida with my father to visit his mother. It was not, however, your usual visit to grandma. She was in an institution, where she had been for two years, unable to speak or do much of anything. This was a woman who, at the side of her husband, helped to create what became one of the world’s largest intimate apparel

companies. After he died, she went into a deep depression, and it took time for the doctors to understand, treat, and ultimately cure her so she could return home to Atlanta and be productive again. That whole experience led to a lifetime commitment by my father, and, to a different extent, me to help people improve the aging process—not so much medically as socially and personally.

Many have learned that one major aspect of improving the lives of the aging is through volunteering. Perhaps it is finding something new in the community that interests you; alternatively, volunteer in your field of expertise. When Nancy and I moved to Washington, D.C., 13 years ago, I took courses at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), which is offered on more than 125 college campuses. I studied subjects including drawing, the Koran, the Civil War, and the first five books of the Bible. The teachers and students were volunteers. Everyone benefited!

Spend more time with family, especially the younger generations. They have so much to learn from us, such as what it was like to feed dinosaurs or how we could live without cellphones! Work with them on questions, on what they want to know. Video the Q&A for future reference.

In September, I sat next to a woman who was turning 80. She told me that her life was practically over; she had seen and done everything she wanted or cared to do. We discussed alternative possibilities from my point of view.

On a pillow in a store, I saw this: “People are like fine wine; they get better with age.” Remember that you are getting better and better (even if some days are less better!).

Finally, I believe that age is not a number; it is a state of mind. If you feel or act old, you will be. If you feel or act young, you will be. Happy birthdays, Class of ’65!

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

Editor’s note: We are sorry to report the sad news that David Charlesworth, longtime class secretary for the Class of 1966, passed away on November 14, just as we were preparing this issue. More news on his passing will be included in an upcoming issue. In the meantime, what follows are the notes that David submitted in the fall.

Well, classmates, only one month to mid-terms. The suspense is rising. Also, Hurricane Ian ripped through Florida, causing unthinkable destruction of life and property. I hope those of you who live there were spared devastating damage.

On an upbeat note, yours truly went to Homecoming with wife Jane and caught up

with **Joe** and Antoinette **Hourihan** and **Brian** and **Kathy Grimes**. It was a warm, sunny afternoon, and Trinity was playing Colby. It took us five hours instead of the usual two because of unbelievable traffic between New Hampshire and Connecticut. We arrived at the beginning of the third quarter, with Trinity behind 7–0. In 30 minutes, Trin managed to score 19 unanswered points, at which point we had to leave because of a prior engagement. So, we feel we were the good-luck charm for Trin that day.

Dan Waterman checked in on his recent trip to Alaska. He writes, “Deborah and I were driving through Wasilla, Alaska, the other day. I looked around for signs that might have indicated a clear view of Russia, but nowhere to be found. In fact, Russia’s Chukchi Peninsula and the Bering Straits were, as the crow flies, at least 500 miles to the west. I was heartened to learn as we passed through Sarah Palin’s hometown that she was losing the congressional election. Landing in Fairbanks five days before, and after a perfectly clear day of a train ride to Denali station, our group was shuttled 41 miles into the Denali Park. Deborah asked, ‘Why can’t we get closer to the mountain?’ and my reply was ‘road washed out, you know, lots of seismic activity up here, hundreds of little tectonic shifts every day, and besides, like Everest, you can’t get close to it unless you want to climb the 20,000 feet . . . and this would not be the best time of year to attempt that, what with your fear of heights.’ Snowcapped 45 miles away was good enough; at least we saw it. Travel to Alaska was postponed for two years because of COVID, but we paid ‘the price’ for our trip. Fully vaccinated and boosted did nothing to save us repeated exposure, including a busy, noisy, crowded restaurant we ate in as a group, where no one was masked. But most there were celebrating Labor Day weekend and were much younger than our group. Native beer flowed, while flat screens beamed out some sporting event. Deborah had a chill that night, and the expected symptoms of dry cough and fortunately mild cold symptoms ensued during the last few days of our trip. Antigen positive when we returned and common-sense quarantine for another week. We are both well, and almost fully recovered without Paxlovid. Vermont strong!” Well, you made it back, and you survived.

Frank Vincent, I think, expressed what many of us have endured over the past three years. “Nothing new. Still feeling restricted by COVID fears. We’d hoped to travel the last three years but haven’t wanted to risk it. Maybe in 2023? Cheers.”

Jeff Witherwax took a different path in 2022. “2022 represented catch-up for the various trips we had canceled due to COVID. We went

to the Dominican Republic for a few days of golf, then traveled to Normandy and cruised the Rhine and the Great Lakes. All involved golf and touring. A busy and rewarding summer. Just celebrated our 53rd anniversary. Life is good!" Indeed, it is, Jeff.

I recently had a nice conversation with **Bill Eakins**. He and Hope felt that retirement living in Connecticut was too stifling, so they are making the big jump to the Big Apple. He told me the process of purchasing an apartment in New York is very convoluted. You need letters of recommendation and have to appear before the apartment board to see if you measure up. Imagine doing that at age 78. Bill says, "After two years trying to adjust to living in a retirement community near Hartford, Hope and I have decided to return to the big world and spend the years ahead in New York City. We have bought an apartment on the Upper East Side with breathtaking views toward Central Park and plan to move there this autumn. We are thrilled with our decision and look forward to exploring our new life in a city that we have always found exciting and energizing." Good luck to you and Hope, Bill.

Well that's it. Until the next time, stay well. David

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Many thanks to all of you who sent in content to your ever-grateful secretary.

Don Bishop spent the spring semester at the U.S. Air Force Academy teaching world history to cadets. "The academy is STEM heaven—but these bright cadets don't seem to have been taught much history in high school. Their knowledge of geography is scant, alas." Don and Jemma are back in Northern Virginia as he continues as a fellow at Marine Corps University in Quantico.

Rob Boas has become a proud grandpa for the fourth time. His daughter Heidi and son-in-law Simon are the parents of Maya Hope Boas Muyanja. Rob and Suzanne have resumed their international travel after the COVID hiatus. They visited Namibia, Zimbabwe, and Botswana in April and May and traveled to the Azores in late July.

Al Hicks and wife Gloria just celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. All four of their children, with their seven grandchildren, live nearby in the Raleigh area. After Trinity, Al worked as a newspaper reporter and public-school teacher. "My career was redirected by a UNC M.B.A. ('76), which resulted in 35-year career marketing micro surgical and closure devices." He worked



Charley Kurz '67, right, joins the University of Pennsylvania's ninth president, Liz Magill, during her inauguration celebration in October 2022.

with surgeons at every major medical center in the country (and plenty of small ones). "My buds and profs at Trinity never leave my mind."

By the time you read this, **Phil Gulley** will have finished a 13-month prostate treatment in Tampa. "Prostate aside, health is good, golf continues to have (largely unrealized) potential. Disappointingly, sailing on Nantucket was nonexistent when we had to leave the island two months prematurely. I am researching ornamental and native grasses and attempting to landscape our Nantucket and Vero Beach properties. We do not have grandchildren, but our Maine-iac son Colin and his girlfriend have favored us with grand chickens, grand fish, grand dogs, and a grand 'Banjo' bunny. I wish E.B. White was around to chronicle the action. My wife, Joan, has always been the active one and continues her (successful) quest to out golf, out bridge, and outwork me."

Peter Heller's grandchildren are far-flung. Son Nate lives in Dakar, Senegal, with his wife and two children. Daughter Katie is heading to Cairo with her husband and two daughters. His partner Abbie's three children live in Denver. Peter splits his time between the Berkshires and the Upper West Side. "I am largely retired, having finished teaching a seminar at Williams each year."

Alan Weinstein and his wife had to cancel a cruise to Quebec when they both came down with COVID. They were boosted and got on Paxlovid quickly, so "it was not terrible." Alan is rounding out his year with a second hip replacement. "Stay healthy. It is much better for enjoyable living."

Gil Campbell and wife Marriett organized a reunion in Virginia Beach. There were 21 Campbells, including 11 grandchildren.

Where do you put 21 people? Easy. You rent a very large house with 15 bedrooms, 15 baths, a third-floor full kitchen, and a pool. They also took a boat tour down the Danube. "The tour highlight was the passion play in Oberammergau. The play has been done every 10 years since 1350. It was started as a thank-you for not experiencing one death during the Black Plague of 1350."

Jesse Brewer reports, "The big news is that I'm getting old. That was unexpected! I turned 75 in January 2021 all trained up for the World Masters track and field championship in Edmonton, but of course it was canceled due to COVID. I went to Southwest Florida with my wife and kids for a family reunion. The beach was nice, but flying is a nightmare now. Maybe again later this decade."

Bob Ebinger and wife Robin have traveled to Africa several times over the last five years. This past June, they flew by helicopter to a part of Angola so remote that Bob believes they were the first tourists in 40 years. Other African adventures included rhinos in South Africa; gorillas in Uganda; the Nile in Sudan, Egypt, and the Atlas Mountains in Morocco; and antiquities in Egypt and Jordan. Then back to Angola to see the giant sable and desert rhino and sand dunes in Namibia. Bon voyage to all Class of '67 travelers. Don't forget to write.

From the Alumni Office: **Charley Kurz** represented Trinity at the inauguration of the University of Pennsylvania's ninth president, Liz Magill.

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By the time you get this issue of the *Reporter*, it will only be a few months until our 55th Reunion. Our Reunion, June 8–11, coincides with the college's Bicentennial, so make your travel and hotel reservations early. Celebrating our 55th and the college's 200th should be a very special time, and we look forward to a good turnout and a great time reconnecting. It is not too late to let your secretary, **Larry Roberts**, or **Paul Jones** know of any programming ideas you have. We are looking for a slot of time to address views on one's "legacy," which has widely divergent meanings among our classmates and is a good follow-up to the seventh-inning stretch session at our 50th.

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The campus looked fabulous during the late September Homecoming Weekend, when **Larry Roberts, Walt Harrison, Joe McKeigue, Ralph White,** and **Daniel Goldberg** got to spend time with all four of the Class of '68 Scholars now at Trinity. We had lunch with Cesira Barrett '23, Julia Cheesman '24, Emma Markowski '25, and Anupam Khargharia '26. They are a most impressive group and are getting the most from their Trinity education. They are the kind of folks we are proud to have as Class of '68 Scholars: curious, kind, and socially aware. Three of them are majoring (or will major) in a field of study that was not even available when we were at Trinity: Cesira in neuroscience (and applying to graduate school for occupational therapy), Julia in environmental science (with a particular interest in geology), and Anupam in computer science (and already at work on computer repairs for fellow students). Emma is majoring in a field we had available, English. Her focus on library science (and working at the Watkinson Library) involves a whole new way of using libraries (but you will be happy to know that those study areas in the bowels of the library are still in use!).

Biking is a focus of a number of our classmates. **John Miller** reports that he and his wife, their daughter and son-in-law, and 1-year-old grandson Jackson all flew to Paris, grabbed the fast train to Avignon, rented a car, and motored to a "villa where we stayed and biked for a week. Jackson is too little to bike with somebody, so one of us stayed with him each day, and the rest biked to beautiful Provençal towns." John and his wife then went on a self-guided bike tour in the Loire Valley, checking out spectacular châteaux.

Joe Perta, among the most vigorous of our biking crowd, unfortunately was sidelined for months after breaking his femur in a freak bike accident—only his third bike-to-hospital trip in 32 years and thousands of miles in the saddle. After Joe had a titanium rod inserted, he got back on the bike five months later and has been biking four times a week since then. Joe reports colorfully that "life is pretty

wonderful; we're still here, well past the normal pull date and very fortunate for it."

Kim Miles's autobiography (all 320 pages) was a labor of love (and long, early morning hours of work). Kim describes it as "an attempt to describe, quite honestly and intimately, my life from spreading manure and shucking corn to the halls of the White House." For those interested (and Kim says he can't understand why anyone would be), *Miles To Go . . . Episodes From a Life Half-Lived* can be purchased on the Salt Water Media website. Hopefully, Kim will bring a pile of books to the Reunion. All proceeds go to nonprofit organizations.

The world of COVID isolation has given way to renewed travel, and the pent-up demand is best reflected in **Dick Pullman's** schedule. He and his wife bought nine weeks at the Four Seasons Residence Club in Carlsbad, California, where they spend five weeks in the summer and two in each of February and March. July took them to London for a few days and then to Dublin for a cruise. (Dick reports that he played a little golf, noteworthy for lots of strokes and lost balls!) If that weren't exhausting enough, in November he was scheduled to go with the Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas to Israel, with a stop in Dubai. Then, of course, there is the Reunion in June and a cruise in the Mediterranean! Whew!

Bill MacDonald reports that he and wife Susie are well and divide their time between Vero Beach, Florida, in the winter and Cleveland in the summer, with lots of time spent in Southern California visiting their two daughters and grandchildren (three of whom are in college). Bill and Susie see a great deal of classmate **Charlie Whipple** (Susie's brother) and wife Lynne, who live in the same community in Florida. Bill's self-deprecating report: "Charlie's golf game has stayed much more competitive than mine, and I am much quicker to move to the senior tees." But life is good: "We have been blessed with a wonderful family and are enjoying this stage of our life. We are very much looking forward to traveling internationally again in 2023 after a far-too-long pause due to COVID."

Paul Jones and wife Margaret had a nice visit with **Ken Button** and wife Linda. Ken was the first person Paul met from our class, and Paul fondly recalls that they were "sentenced" to live in Jones Hall third floor freshman year, so they got to know each other well.

We will be able to rekindle connections with our fellow classmates at our upcoming Reunion in June. See you at the 55th!

From the Alumni Office: **Emerson Gilmore** recently self-published *It Looks Like What I'll Take to My Grave: Viet Nam Fifty Years Later* a *Memoir in Verse*.

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Bill Marimow wrote en route to visit **Jim** and **Ginny Jones** in Cerrillos, New Mexico. Bill is president of the Fund for Investigative Journalism, which awards more than \$500,000 a year for promising investigative stories. FIJ became well known when it provided funding to help underwrite Seymour Hersh's groundbreaking stories about the My Lai Massacre.

Doug Gregor and Delta Phi fraternity brother **Duane Hasegawa** enjoyed a "great get-together this spring with our spouses at the Angry Trout Café in Grand Marais, Minnesota, on the western shores of Lake Superior. This was our first get-together since leaving Trinity. Life has taken Duane through a medical career, and he now resides in retirement in Grand Marais with wife Barb, where they are very civically active. My wife, Mary, and I were enjoying a spring getaway on the North Shore of Minnesota to view the raging rivers that feed into the lake, especially impressive after this year's torrential spring rains. We are enjoying an active retirement life in Aurora, she running a home-based fabric arts publication and national lecturing business, and I being mayor of our fair city of 1,600."

Rob Freedman writes, "After 45 years in practice of ophthalmology, I am finally winding down in Swampscott, Massachusetts. Now I can spend more time with five grandchildren, 10 to 1."

And this follow-up to an unfinished story in our spring 2022 Class Notes. **Ted Cook** reported from the tarmac in September: "I am off to Japan . . . after a seven-month-long visa battle to bring my wife's ashes home for internment in her family cemetery in Japan. The funeral for Haruko Taya Cook, who passed away last fall, will be held in Kanazawa, Ishikawa prefecture, on



Doug Gregor '69 and Duane Hasegawa '69 meet in spring 2022 in Grand Marais, Minnesota.

September 19.” Ted is going to remain in Japan for three months with her family and their friends.

Michael Beautyman ended 2021 ranked No. 1 in the world and No. 1 in the United States in men’s 75-and-over tennis. Michael says he seems to play well during pandemics!

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Classmate **Joe Barkley** reported: “Hartford’s own Samuel Clemens is often misquoted as saying, ‘The reports of my demise have been greatly exaggerated.’ I am pleased to report that my wife, Mary Lou Ambrose; our dog, Mia; our cockatiel, Joshua; and I are all alive and well and living in Belleair Bluffs, Florida. As virtually everyone knows, Hurricane Ian was projected to make landfall near Clearwater, Florida (two towns north of Belleair Bluffs). Instead, tragically, it came ashore approximately 115 miles south of us near Sanibel Island and did horrendous damage. We feel for those Floridians who were impacted by Ian and urge everyone to make a donation to a charity working to help our fellow Floridians.” Further, a personal note, Joe has taken on the task of commissioner of the City of Belleair Bluffs.

Yours truly’s son, John Alexander, on the other hand, took on the challenge of surfing “wave dancer” in the aftermath of Fiona’s waves, which were the biggest Second Beach in Middletown, Rhode Island, has seen in at least half a decade, literally eight to 10 feet at one point. Dad acquiesced in the task of impressed photographer on a cold, windy, salt-sprayed rock for more than two hours freezing his you-know-what off. Fortunately, an amateur professional grabbed a memorable shot of John Alex among the almost 100 difficult-to-identify “black seals” out there.

Two books I wish to submit for your reading pleasure and broadening horizons are *The Watermen* by Michael Loynd (Penguin Random House, 2022) and *Of Boys and Men* by Richard V. Reeves (Brookings Institution Press, 2022). The former is a well-documented and footnoted gripping true story of the birth of American swimming and a young man’s fight to capture Olympic gold by dedicating his emerging life to ennoble the honor of his struggling mother and the United States. Contains amazing descriptions of how the swimming strokes we take for granted today had to be formed from a blank slate regarding a human’s ability to float and move through water safely and rapidly at the beginning of the 20th century. The British Empire was in control of the sport, and America had no recognized place until Charlie Daniels came



Andy Shaw '70, Ernie Mattei '70, David Mattei '03, and Bob Broatch '70 at the younger Mattei's July 23, 2022, wedding in Canton, Massachusetts.

along to best all the talent it could throw against him coupled with some very nasty tricks in a basically heretofore unregulated international sport. It includes great descriptions of the formation of the Olympic Games in Athens and swimming in the elite athletic clubs of New York City at the time. The author is an Olympic historian and chairman of the St. Louis Olympic Committee.

The latter is a work by a senior fellow in economic studies at the Brookings Institution who has three sons of his own. He sees and feels the struggles that men and boys are encountering today and offers some tremendous insight as to what can be done. It may become one of the seminal post-women’s movement studies attempting to address how our society and culture can better absorb boys and men who, frequently forgotten and cast aside by our divided society, have lost their enthusiasm, hope, and desire for having a meaningful place in our economy. It addresses the current male malaise, difficulties in fatherhood, educational disincentives and ineffectiveness regarding boys, political stalemates between left and right, etc., and it attempts to offer practical and effective solutions for the future in a nonjudgmental and nonpolitical fashion.

Ernie Mattei has received the Hennessey Professionalism Award from the Connecticut Bar Association and has been elected to a second term as beach commissioner for the Weekapaug (Rhode Island) Fire District, a quasi-municipal entity. Ernie’s son Dave ’03 and Corinne Oberg were married on July 23, 2022, in Canton, Massachusetts. The wedding celebration was joined by classmates **Bob Broatch** and **Andy Shaw**, but **George Munkwitz** was not able to attend. Ernie presented the Trinity College Alumni Achievement Award to Connecticut Supreme Court Justice Richard Palmer ’72 this past September.

Paul Maryeski has sent his thanks to me for all of my decades of toil, and I appreciate it, Paul. He says he has been in the Florida

Panhandle since retiring from the Air Force in 2002. He is peddling real estate in the Destin/Fort Walton Beach area, enjoying the sun and sand on the Emerald Coast. Plus, he is playing golf whenever he can. He would be glad to show anyone around the area, which is quite popular these days. We should take him up on it.

Richard Turk is continuing his role for our benefit as class archivist. With the patience and skill of digital archivist Amanda Matava and IT technologist Dave Tatum, **Dick Wyland**’s returned doorknob has been digitally reconstructed using the modeling program Metashape. In the future, they will have to include **Joel Greenspan**’s returned knob as well. The ability to create 3D models of objects is a new, valuable technology for the campus that will help digitally preserve some of Trinity’s historical artifacts. After several attempts and after the purchase of an automated rotating carousel, the group finally produced a good model from the multiple photogrammetry images taken by Amanda. You can see the model at www.skfb.ly/oypIn. The model, along with documentation, will be featured in the Watkinson Library. The modeling process also gives the college the ability to create a template for creating reproductions of the object, i.e., the doorknob. Our class may wish to consider some of these possibilities for the Bicentennial celebration. Richard and all of us regret that we missed the opportunity to join in a Reunion with the Class of 1971, but hopefully we can somehow connect with them and everyone else for the Bicentennial.

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By the time you are reading this in the *Reporter*, your secretary will be traveling in Southeast Asia—Vietnam, Cambodia, and



David Sample '71 connects with Rob Steigerwalt '71 while vacationing in Italy during summer 2022.

Thailand. Classmate **Lowen Hankin** said to me when I told of my upcoming trip, "At Trinity, we were trying to avoid those places." So true and how the world has changed over the years, and so have we. Nice to see so many at Reunion.

Shortly after our wonderful 50th Reunion, **David Sample** vacationed in Italy, where he connected with classmate **Rob Steigerwalt**, whom he had not seen since graduation! "We had a great evening with excellent food and wine, capped off by Rob giving us a nighttime tour of Rome." Why is Rob in Rome? Rob went to medical school in Rome, got married, settled down, and had two children. Rob is an ophthalmologist, specializing in macular degeneration research.

Keith Funston writes: "I was surprised and saddened to learn of the death of **Bill Prevost**. I got to know him by playing lacrosse. He was new to the game as a freshman. But he was made for the game. By senior year, he was named an All-American defenseman. Perhaps Trinity's only All-American. He was a gentle and kind guy. He wanted to be a veterinarian early on, which I know he became. I'm sorry I didn't keep up with him over the years. I remember he came to our 25th Reunion armed with a movie of one of our lacrosse games, which I think his mother had filmed. The ball did seem to spend quite a bit of time rolling around on the ground. Somehow, I remembered higher skill level. I was curious to see what he'd bring to our 50th, but sadly that was not to be."

Jay L. Schaefer sends his regards from San Francisco, where he continues to work as a freelance editor, having edited books by Vice President Kamala D. Harris and Frances Mayes (*Under the Tuscan Sun*).

Bob Muller writes: "I officially retired from J.P. Morgan in early September after more than 41 years there and almost 50 years in public finance. Lots of colleagues and others were surprised that I finally did it after talking about it for years. I had a fabulous and rewarding career, and the timing was right. We are planning to sell our house in Ridgewood that we have occupied

for 33 years and move to our current second home in Narragansett, Rhode Island. Unfortunately, we have to fix our basement after a pipe burst before we can put our house on the market. We also have a condo in North Bethesda, Maryland, near our daughter and first grandchild, Julia, who just passed 6 months old. I enjoyed seeing so many classmates at the Reunion and rekindling some old friendships. I have not felt closer to Trinity since the years just after graduation. As a new class agent, I will be reaching out to many of you. Our 200th anniversary awaits next year. Trinity is definitely on the move again. Take care, and be well."

From the Alumni Office: **David Casey** reported, "The last 12 months has been a wonderful time for the Casey family. Our son, David, was married in October and joined my law practice. My daughter, Shannon, was married in May and lives with her husband in Santa Monica, where she sells real estate. Lisa and I continue to enjoy the beach life in La Jolla and look forward to skiing this winter in Deer Valley. I am now entering my 47th year of practice as a trial lawyer."

From the Alumni Office: **Peter Moore** shared, "Thanks to all of those who contributed to the Trinity College Class of 1971 50th Reunion Yearbook. I just received my copy in the mail and enjoyed reading it immensely. Although we, my wife and I, have attended Reunions in past years, we could not attend this year's event because our daughter's wedding conflicted with the date. An update on us in San Diego: After graduating from Trinity, I immediately moved to San Diego to begin my on-air job in radio, the trade I learned so well in my four years at WRTC-FM . . . realizing the dream that started while working there. After nearly 50 years in broadcasting, I recently retired from my beloved business. I spent all those years here in radio sales and management, with both English- and Spanish-language radio stations, finishing my career as senior vice president/regional manager for Univision Radio. I have lived in San Diego since 1971. I met my wife, Lorrie, 37 years ago. We married a year later, to the day, and we have raised three wonderful children, Ashleigh, Stephanie, and Garrett. All were married in the last 13 months. So, it has been a very busy year (and a reasonable excuse for us not attending the 50th Reunion)! We are (finally!) expecting our first grandchild during this Christmas season. Over the years, I have had regular contact with **Bill Reynolds**, plus I see **Tom Sasali** and **Lou Slocum**, local San Diego Trinity '71 alumni, along with **Ed Karam** of New York, from time to time. Paul Herron '70, another WRTC-FM alumnus, and I communicated recently, recounting the amazing week in May 1970 when WRTC-FM broadcast

the 'Top 1,000 Hits of All Time,' compiled by Paul Herron '70 and **Dave Gilbert**. We laughingly remembered when we finished the countdown by playing the number one song, 'A Theme from *A Summer Place*.' The beer bottles and urinals torn off bathroom walls rained down on the Long Walk. My days are now filled with tennis, golf, road biking, and skiing, and soon, grandparenting. I would love to hear from fellow Trinity grads with whom I spent time between 1967 and 1971 at pmmoore005@gmail.com., and if you're in San Diego, give us a call."

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Happy to have **Andrew Gaines**'s nice update from Nebraska: "This may be my first Class Notes post. I am living a full and rewarding life. I have had many jobs, but because I have loved what I was doing (except for two weeks at *The Hartford Courant*), I do not think that I have worked a day in my life. I am now retired but still actively exploring and enjoying our world. My life partner, Betty, and my children, relatives, and friends provide great comfort and love as we traverse the landscape of life. I recently received my membership card to Trinity's Half-Century Club. I felt so very special; surviving has its own intrinsic rewards. Thank you to all responsible for providing this great honor. Also, thank you, classmates, for sharing tidbits from your lives over these last 50 years. I have looked forward to and enjoyed your life insights. I feel uniquely tethered to you all by the time, location, and space that we shared during our college years. I also thank Trinity College in all its facets, from Admissions to Commencement (and, of course, the Half-Century Club) for providing me with a place to think, grow, and explore our world."

Richard Palmer received the Paul E. Raether '68 Alumni Achievement Award. I'll include the citation so you can review his remarkable accomplishments. "Richard N. Palmer: Guardian of the rule of law, scholar, athlete, and respected colleague, you personify Trinity's mission to prepare graduates to be bold, independent thinkers who lead transformative lives.

"As a student, you distinguished yourself as a scholar and athlete. You majored in political science and excelled in multiple sports, including baseball, basketball, and soccer, and served as captain of the squash and tennis teams. You were awarded the George Sheldon McCook Trophy as the outstanding athlete in the senior class and the Eastern College Athletic Conference

Scholar-Athlete Award. Recognized as one of Trinity's top scholars, you served as editor-in-chief of *The Trinity Tripod* and were inducted into Phi Beta Kappa as well as Pi Gamma Mu.

"After graduating from Trinity, you enrolled in the University of Connecticut School of Law, from which you graduated with high honors and served on the *Connecticut Law Review*. You enjoyed a distinguished and fulfilling career in private practice and as U.S. attorney for the State of Connecticut before ascending to the Connecticut Supreme Court bench in 1993.

"On the bench, you were renowned for a long and exceptional career that created a remarkable body of work, including decisions that abolished the death penalty and established the right to same-sex marriage. At the time of your retirement in 2020, you had written close to 600 decisions over nearly three decades and served as co-chair of the Connecticut Appellate Rules Committee, as chair of the Connecticut Criminal Justice Commission, and as a member of the Executive Committee of the Superior Court. You have also shared your wisdom with students at Yale Law School and Quinnipiac University School of Law.

"From the moment you received the Trinity Club of Hartford's Person of the Year Award in 1993 to today, you have distinguished yourself as jurist, scholar, and humanitarian." Congratulations, Richard!

John Moses writes from South Carolina: "Exactly 54 years after our first performance at the old Cave café, November 1, 1968, the Outerspace Band appeared at the Shea Theater Arts Center in Turners Falls, Massachusetts. **Compton Maddux, David Robinson, John Koehler, John Moses,** and Eliot Osborn '71 revived what I'm calling 'The First Last Waltz' heralding the beginning of our 55th year as a band. The theater seats 300 with a 20-by-40 dance floor and featured our newly minted Outerspace Beer designed by our 'fifth Beatle,' **Barclay Shaw.**" (Secretary's note: Outerspace usually plays Maine in the summer, so go to Outerspace's Facebook page or email John at fingersgr4@gmail.com for their itinerary. Our Outerspacers also perform individually and have recordings all over the internet. As I write this note, I'm listening to tunes by John, Compton, Elliot, Klondike, and even the Rev. **Kirk Kubiczek's** sermon of last Sunday. Google any or all of them.)

After getting that pesky Reunion thing out of the way (just kidding, the Reunion and the planning were loads of fun), yours truly got back to his quest to become a "real" traditional ship sailor and continued to crew on *Amistad* and *Kalmar Nyckel*, as well as volunteer at Mystic Seaport. The high point was an eight-day voyage from Iceland to the

Faroe Islands in September through *Eye of the Wind*. My wife and I were on the 4:00 to 8:00 watch, so twice a day we got to hoist, haul, coil, douse, furl, climb, and steer this spectacular ship along with its skilled crew and six international fellow passengers, all of whom bonded seamlessly. Rugged landscapes, contrary winds, cold weather, and a captain right out of *Treasure Island* made for a totally amazing experience.

A couple of secretary notes: I neglected to report this in the last *Reporter*, so: What a pleasure it was to share our Reunion with the Class of '71. From the initial planning to the event itself, I and my fellow '72ers thoroughly enjoyed reviving old friendships and making new ones among the Class of 1971. You expressed it very well in your fall Class Notes, Howie, so I'd like to chime in as well.

Finally, **Peter Blum** has been appointed to the Places Celebration Committee for Trinity's Bicentennial, and our class is planning a variety of complementary programs centered on vehicles to get together online (starting with a Zoom in January) and in person, so please, update your contact info, and join in on the fun!

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From **Mike Vitale**: "I've been retired since 2018 from my IT profession. My wife, Dawn, is still working and carrying the health insurance, bless her heart! Our young sons are 26 and 23. Justin, our 23-year-old, recently graduated from the University of Massachusetts with a B.A. in music and will be starting his first teaching gig for sixth–eighth grade about 12 miles from us here in the wonderfully named Belchertown, Massachusetts! His main instrument is the clarinet, with which he was selected for Massachusetts All-State Band his senior year in high school. He has stayed active while looking for work, playing solos at my wife's church and ensemble in the Belchertown Community Band. Now he will get very busy, I suspect! News for me is that I'm about to have a game published again, after about 40 years since the last one. My World War II game, *Desert Blitzkrieg: Rommel's North African Campaign*, will be published by Compass Games in Hartford. Look for it on Kickstarter sometime in spring 2023. When I'm not working on the game, I've been golfing. Seems if you ever breathed the air at Mass Mutual, you can be in their golf league."

Frank Farwell writes, "I am finally joining the ranks of empty nesters. My youngest

child, Dakota, graduated from our local high school here in northern Michigan in May 2022 and is headed to Michigan State University's College of Engineering. He turned down acceptances from Columbia, Yale, and several others to go to MSU, where he is one of 16 entering freshmen out of a class of more than 10,000 to be named a Starr Scholar. He has been involved in robotics programs and competitions since middle school and plans to focus on solar energy. My daughter lives in Philadelphia, where she works as an elementary school adviser; my older son lives near Lausanne, Switzerland, where he works for a medical technology firm. My wife, Laura, and I continue to love living in rural America near a regional university's small city, on the south shore of Lake Superior."

Ric Ricci shares, "Fall 2022 marks the beginning of my 49th year as a college rowing coach. Being a part of the Connecticut College faculty is a privilege and continues to inspire my teaching and coaching. Undergraduate energy is a tonic that I highly recommend. I look forward to the celebration of our 50th Reunion and the special place our class has in the history of Trinity College!"

Aron Pasternack writes, "So far, 2022 has been very eventful, and except for two rounds of COVID, all in a good way! I officially retired from Berkley Offshore on March 31, with a three-office Teams celebration toast and a small lunch in Manhattan. On April 1, I started working part-time with Berkley Offshore as a consultant. I anticipate working two to three days a month, which gives me plenty of time to read, write, walk, and enjoy time with wife Kate and our first two grandchildren. On May 26, granddaughter Zenith Dorothea was born to son Dan and daughter-in-law Alison in Philadelphia. And on June 2, grandson Raphael was born to son Ben and daughter-in-law Liz, here in White Plains, five minutes from our house. In between all of these events, I've managed to visit with classmates **Stephen Fischer, Jon Sauer, Cindy Parzych, Larry Pistell, Ginny Butera, and Mary Salter** (along with husband Mel Kendrick 1971). And I'm looking forward to reviving the Kellari Lunch Club with **David Bargman, John Gatsos, and Robin Reif**. Happy autumn to all, and stay healthy. 2023 and our 'big' reunion are just around the corner, and I'm looking forward to it."

From **Danny Korengold**: "In addition to having four children and three of their spouses attend Trinity, in the last 2½ years, we have added four grandchildren and two more on the way."

Jonathan Gould writes, "After 45 years as a union and employment lawyer in Hartford and later Washington D.C., I finally called it quits in 2021. I moved back to Connecticut and bought a writer's former

studio (considerably renovated) in Roxbury in the Litchfield Hills. I am told that it was once owned by playwright and screenwriter Robert Anderson. I live close enough to Trinity that I have no excuse not to attend the 50th Reunion next year. Hope to see some of you then."

We are very happy to hear from **Karen Kahn**, who matriculated in the Class of 1974 and graduated as a member of the Class of 1973. Karen writes that after a long career as a psychologist and member of the faculty of Ohio State University and then in Washington D.C., as a practicing psychologist, teacher, and consultant, she "returned home" to live in Westport, Connecticut. She has pivoted her career and is a strategic advancement coach specializing in diversity issues and business development for law firms. Her company is Threshold Advisors. Karen is happy to report that she has a daughter in Westport and a son in Austin, Texas.

I, your class co-secretary Diane, was especially happy to hear from Karen after all of these years. Following Trinity, Karen and I shared an apartment in 1973–74 at UVA in our first year of graduate school, Karen in psychology and I for an M.B.A. It was a grueling and tortuous first-year program (at least for me!), and although we hardly saw each other, it was fun having Karen as a roommate. Whoa! How time flies!

"Education: that which reveals to the wise, and conceals from the stupid, the vast limits of their knowledge."—*Mark Twain*

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

From the Alumni Office: **Mark Goldberg** writes with sadness from New York: "Passing by Winchendon, Massachusetts, the hometown of **Bob Russell**, on a trip last summer prompted me to find out where he might be living now. I met Bobby, as we called him, at the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, where he regaled us with opera arias and songs from musicals and the American songbook. (His favorite was 'la donna è mobile' from Rigoletto, a showcase for tenors). He was a born entertainer but also was a very sweet guy, always ready to listen. I remember that there were three of us—Bob, Kiyoshi Matsumi '75, and me—who palled around together at PIKE. Unfortunately, I lost track of Bob when I left Trinity after sophomore year to go to another college where I could do a junior year abroad and finish in 1973 instead of 1974. In the years since, I've often thought of him and wondered if he was gay like me. After the

summer trip, I resolved to find him. Right off the bat, I got the worst possible news. The Winchendon connection revealed an online 2016 obituary for his dad, Robert R. Russell, which mentioned that he was predeceased by his son, Robert Russell, with no mention of where the son had lived. Somehow, I had a vestigial memory from a Trinity alumni master listing from decades ago that Bob lived in San Francisco; when I restricted my internet search for an obit for Bob to that city, I found his 1988 obit. It was in a special listing of gay men who died of AIDS. He also is said to be mentioned in Michael Roper's 2000 book *Memories of My Gay Brothers*. Bob, a victim of Kaposi's sarcoma, apparently had gone to the island of Kauai, Hawaii, one of the most beautiful places on earth, to die at age 36."

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Bill Curren writes: "All goes well here in my corner of Connecticut. I joined the development staff at the nearby Frederick Gunn School (formerly The Gunnery) at the end of 2019 and have enjoyed the transition to a shorter commute and having more personal time than I have in over 40 years! Dariel and I welcomed our first grandchild into the world, Laurel Marie Curren, in October 2021. She is the daughter of our son Jamie and his wife, Sarah, and we have been spoiling her appropriately. Last summer, I found myself in Seattle, where I had sushi and sake with **Forrest Schofield**, who's doing well and enjoying life in the Great Northwest! I often see fellow Nutmegger **Alex Murenia** and have recently spoken to Rick Tucci in Chicago, with hopes of putting together a long-overdue golf outing. The ongoing pandemic has certainly limited opportunities to connect in person over the past two-plus years, but I look forward to returning to campus for a tailgate at one of the Little Three contests in October/November. Stay tuned. P.S.: And let me be among the early well-wishers to my old Trinity, as it celebrates its 200th birthday next spring (raise your hand if you saw Sha Na Na at the 150th in 1973)!"

And from **Rich Tucci** we hear: "On the heels of the pandemic, I embarked on a journey to develop a team collaboration software platform using tools and methods for organization change and improvement developed over the past 25 years in my consulting practice. I'm hoping to make an 'impact' for hybrid and remote workplaces with IMPACT (www.impactfaster.com)!"

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Phil Brewer writes that it has been a quite a ride since college days, but who would've thought that after going to college in the "capital of the insurance world" he'd have a 37-year career in insurance and still be working! His kids, Abby and Caleb, are more than 10 years out of college and are contributing members of society; Abby is engaged and will be married next summer on Cape Cod, where they have a long family tradition. Phil and wife Pat enjoy seeing as many national parks as they can; in 2022, it's been five. The last one, Glacier National Park (for the second time) was so they could complete a bucket-list hike in the back country—an amazing experience. Next summer, they are looking forward to rafting the Grand Canyon. Living in Concord, Massachusetts, for 30-plus years, Phil still plays tennis and squash.

Walter Lawn shares that one of the things he likes about our Trinity class is that we all seem to have had a fine time at college, learned a bunch, and taken our experience to do other things. He just retired from 20 years as a disaster recovery planner and is delighting in the first hurricane season he has not had to follow obsessively. He published a poem in the summer 2021 issue of *Lily Poetry Review* and is sure all loyal Bantams will rush out and buy a copy. A story ("Deportees") was published at On the Run in July 2022. He never lost track of what Hugh Ogden, Dianne Hunter, and many others tried to teach him.

Chip Goode, class vice president, writes that he and Laura just returned from the wedding of **Dave Rountree's** daughter Molly at Migis Lodge on Sebago Lake. It was extra special as Chip introduced Dave to wife Carter when Carter and Chip were classmates at business school! Also attending were **Nancy Motley Walton** and **Greer Candler**. Mr. Tree, as always, was in fine form with fabulous toasts and fun activities throughout the weekend. "We all enjoyed celebrating with fantastic weather and our now 50-year friendships."

John Muro writes that after the publication of *In the Lilac Hour* in 2020, he released his second volume of poems, *Pastoral Suite*, in June 2022. Antrim House published both, and they are available on Amazon. Since the publication of his first volume, which included an acknowledgment to Hugh Ogden, John's poems have appeared in selective

journals including *Acumen*, *Barnstorm*, *Grey Sparrow*, and *Sky Island*. Twice nominated for the Pushcart Prize in 2021 and, in 2022, for the Best of the Net award, John's work has been praised by poets including Kelli Russell Agodon, Robert Cording, and Rennie McQuilkin. John also continues to serve as senior vice president and a member of the senior management team at Secure Energy in support of conservation and the principles of environmental stewardship.

Jack Orrick writes that he and Margie have lived in Bethesda, Maryland, since graduation. Margie retired last year from her job as an IT professional at ECS, a contractor with the U.S. Mint. Jack continues to practice law with Offit Kurman. They enjoy visiting their first grandson, James. They are enjoying traveling again, having taken a small-boat cruise and overland trip to Alaska in August.

Rebecca Dunn Reinmann shares that she and husband Paul are off on their much-delayed two-month trip to the South Pacific: a cruise in Fiji, followed by a tour in Australia and New Zealand (stopping to see family and friends), and then Tahiti.

Jim Solomon writes that he runs a fitness company he started in 2014 in Toronto, though he still travels to New York City often because his son lives there. **Tom Korengold** visits Jim in Toronto at least once a month, and Jim tries to show him the sights. Jim had a great time at Reunion and enjoyed seeing our class and the class behind us, particularly his buddy Sandy Weedon '77.

Lisa Heilbronn, co-secretary, writes that she has been retired from the State Department since September 2019. Her ambition is to get plans back on track now that the pandemic seems to be somewhat manageable. That includes trying to move by the end of 2023 to property she bought in New Orleans in 2019 and to spend more time in Cape Town. She was able to return to her apartment there from February to April 2022 (first time since being evacuated in April 2020) and hopes to return from November 2022 until mid-January 2023. Otherwise, she spends her time trying to revive her research and writing skills for possible life as an independent scholar.

Hal Smullen writes that he and Mary enjoyed the summer cruising local waters and visiting their favorite ports of call, especially Block Island. He also played a few rounds of golf with **Steve Thoren** and **John Clifford**, whose games are well tuned. "My game . . . well, that's why I'm a boater! It was also great reconnecting with many classmates at our 45th Reunion in June."

Sue Weisselberg says she retired from the Connecticut Office of Policy and Management in 2019 and is happy to be traveling again with husband Nick, most recently exploring different parts of the country. She has lived

in New Haven, Connecticut, since 1982. She, too, enjoyed connecting with the Classes of 1976 and 1977 at Reunion.

Finally, from our class president, **Phil Bieluch**, reporting on our 45th-plus-one Reunion: "Twenty-three members of our class returned to campus almost half a century from when most of us started at Trinity. Friday night we enjoyed a dinner with retired faculty and the traditional clambake on the quad. **Hal Smullen** was our class representative for the All-Reunion Gathering of Remembrance at the Chapel Saturday morning. Saturday dinner on the Gates Quad was the highlight of Reunion."

We would like to thank the following Reunion Committee members who put in two years of work planning this event: **Phil Bieluch**, **Chip Goode**, **Roger Bowie**, **Willette Sharp Burnham**, **Major Capers**, John Gillespie '77, **Mike Gilman** P'05, **Terry Michel Gumz** P'07, **Lisa Heilbronn**, **Karen Jeffers**, **Jim Perez-Gillespie**, **Hobie Porter**, **Hal Smullen** P'14, and **Sue Weisselberg**.

By now you should have received an email reminiscing on our time at Trinity. These will be published periodically and will contain links to *The Trinity Tripod* and other publications. We hope you enjoy it.

We were saddened to learn of the passing of **Geoff Booty** in October. Our condolences to Helen and their family.

We would like to thank **Sue Weisselberg**, **Hal Smullen**, and **Lisa Heilbronn** for taking the lead to be co-secretaries. Please provide them submissions of news.

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Thanks to those who sent notes this time. Let's start with **Anne Bradford**, who sends two for the price of one: "When Mary asked me for an update to include in *The Trinity Reporter*, I thought back to when my last submission was, which was sometime in 1991 after children number two and three (twins) were born. Am I too early for this update? **Phil Bradford** and I moved back to the city of our heady days—New York—after raising our three children in Connecticut. We've been here around 12 years and spent the entire pandemic here as well. We're glad we stayed, as two of our adult kids live here in town, and we had no place else to go. Silver lining time: meeting up with them in a park or for a walk—without meals, without hugs—was what got us through those two very strange years. I believe this made us all more resilient, and it certainly strengthened

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family bonds. N.Y.C. is 100 percent our home, but Phil and I decided to get a small weekend getaway, just for the two of us. Three days ago, we closed on a spot in Beacon, New York, which is a funky little town in Dutchess County that has all the stuff we love: art, music, food, and weirdo people with interesting stories. We all hope that occasionally getting out of N.Y.C. will improve my language, which is getting saltier by the day."

Here's another silver lining to the pandemic: our 45th Reunion this past summer was made even better than usual by sharing it with the Class of 1976. So many connections, so many years! It really underscored how sweet life is, how nice it is to reconnect, and how important it is to reach out. It reminds me of this little ditty of advice: if you accidentally pocket dial someone, don't hang up; instead, say, "I was just thinking of you and wanted to say hello."

Polly Lyman shared this update: "I am living on Cape Cod and am the director of development for Sea Education Association in Woods Hole. It's a wonderful educational organization (a number of Trinity alums are our alums, too). We have marine and maritime studies programs for undergraduates and gap-year students on board our two 134-foot tall ships, one in the Atlantic and one in the Pacific, creating ocean stewards and scholars. And the bonus: it lets me go on some cool donor sailing trips! I hope any classmates living in or visiting the area will be in touch. Last but not least, I am now the proud grandmother of two beautiful boys ages 2 months and almost 3 years." Sounds very rewarding, Polly!

And this message from **Marty Kanoff**, D.O.: "Having made it through the High Holy Days, I just want to wish everyone a healthy and meaningful new year."

Thanks to you all. Talk soon!

From the Alumni Office: Barclay Damon LLP's New Haven office announced that **Brian Donnell** was recognized in the 2023 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*.

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Deborah Buck writes, “So, a quick note. I had an exhibition of 27 of my paintings at the Southampton Arts Center in the Hamptons this summer, which was amazing. Lots of sales, and two of the paintings are going to museums, so I couldn’t be happier. I have started traveling again. Italy for a wedding and Basel for Art Basel this summer. Drove over the Alps by mistake. . . . Waze sent us the fastest way; it didn’t say that it would be a most harrowing experience! Headed to Paris next to celebrate the exhibition and vaccinations and hopefully a quasi-return to a more normal existence. I was also in two exhibitions this year at The Silvermine Galleries in New Canaan, Connecticut. That’s it. Take care, and be well!”

Harry H. Graves has published *Pater’s Kent*, the story of Father Sill and the founding of Kent School in Kent, Connecticut. The volume is based on the Trinity master’s thesis of Harry’s father, William Graves ’45, M’62 and Kent 1940. The book may become available in physical, digital, and audio versions. Many great life lessons contained within as Kent celebrates 100 years of rowing this year and the Kent–Trinity connection continues to be strong.

Nancy Riemer Kellner drops into the world of the *Reporter* (welcome!) by sharing this: “This may be the first time I have submitted anything in the 44 years since graduation. I retired from my job as an elementary school librarian in central Massachusetts in 2017 and immediately moved to Bristol, Rhode Island, with husband Charlie ’76 to satisfy our dream of a home with a water view (through the trees of the across-the-street neighbors, but still). We haven’t regretted it for one second. Immediately got involved in the community by volunteering at the local food pantry, being hired to a part-time position at the local public library (and then serving briefly as co-interim director), and being one of the four co-founders of Rhode Island’s first PorchFest, bringing musicians to the streets for a free, family-friendly celebration. Charlie also volunteers at the pantry and serves on its board as treasurer. I stay in touch with just a few members of the class. I spent a wonderful weekend in the Berkshires with **Diane Schwartz** in September 2021 and stay in touch regularly with **Renee Sandelowsky**, though COVID has twice put the kibosh on our plans to reunite. Our kids are happily married and have flown away (too far, I might add). Alex and wife Allie

live in Kansas City, Missouri, with our first grandchild, Hattie. Emily and wife Ava are on the other coast, making Berkeley, California, their home. The airlines love us.”

Ty Tregellas shares, “Looking forward to a mini ’78 reunion with a few Bantam alums to bike through the Alentejo Region of Portugal. Meeting up with **Laurie Perry Jones**; Britton Jones ’79; **Vivi Dunklee Duke**; [Vivi’s] husband, Lester (brother of Peter Duke ’77); and about 14 other non-Bantams. **Boo Clarke Stroud** and **Morris Stroud** ’77 were supposed to join, but they pulled the rip cord for reasons unknown.”

Your secretary, **Jory Lockwood** (that’s me), has spent the last six weeks serving as a general contractor of sorts for a close friend who is moving. Which painter should we hire, what paint color, what type of paint, what about the trim? We need a fence for the dog. What kind of fence, what about the neighbor’s fence, is it really \$5,000 to install a fence? The tasks are endless; I have decision fatigue. On other fronts, I have rediscovered my interest in cross-stitch and have produced a nice sampler or two. My great-grandmother would smile to see me doing this. Reunion is coming soon.

From the Alumni Office: **Charlie Johnson** reported: “**Andy Vermilye**, **Al Vaughn**, **Mike Kluger**, and I had the privilege of being with **Gary Markoff** two days before his collapse while training for the Pan-Mass bike ride. We’ve been gathering each summer for nearly four decades, usually on golf courses spanning from Wisconsin to the outreaches of Nova Scotia. Gary would invariably arrive with a newfangled swing trainer and strong opinions on the latest turn in the markets. He was a colorful, committed, and generous friend. He was the proud father of the marvelous Aiden, Liam, and Natalie. On our last evening together, he took pride in hosting us on his new powerboat on Lake Sunapee, where we were joined by his two sons. We were just one of many friend groups that Gary nourished over the years. And we, like so many others, will miss him dearly.”

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Our classmates can be found doing a variety of interesting things: showing up at Homecoming, globetrotting, meeting up for concerts, celebrating birthdays, or making a move.

George Brickley writes to say that he ran into several classmates during Homecoming

Weekend in October. Friday, at the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame dinner, George reconnected with teammates **Clint Brown** and **Ted Almy**, two former stalwarts of the ice hockey team. “Always fun to see friends and teammates from the past.” Their former coach, John Dunham, was an inductee that night. On Saturday, George ran into former football standout **John Flynn**. “We tailgated together outside Jesse/Miller Field before heading in to watch Trinity defeat Colby—another Homecoming victory in the coop! Also, ran into our trustworthy co-secretary **Ken Crowe** at the football game. Ken is nearing retirement after a very successful journalism career. Congratulations, Ken, on a job well done! Upon returning home from campus, Cindy Higgins Brickley ’80 and I did what all good grandparents do—we continued to spoil our two darling granddaughters!” Go Bants! George being his typical modest self didn’t mention he is an inaugural member of the Hall of Fame when it was launched in 2019. From Ken: “I’ll take this opportunity to say, I’m not quite retired as a reporter or union leader. It looks like I’ll be working until January 2024. I was just re-elected president of the Albany Newspaper Guild with a pledge to finish negotiating our first contract in 14 years at the *Albany Times Union*.”

Jim Cropsey, who also works on these Class Notes, as does **Diane Molleson**, connected with two classmates. Jim said he chatted with **Lynn Kennedy** recently. She’d been in Africa for three weeks; her kitten was understandably excited to see her without interruption, so the kitten turned off the answering machine, which she’s learned to do. Lynn decided to check if there might have been a message just in case there was one from before the kitten turned the machine off! Lynn has been in California south of San Francisco for years. Her freelance writing business suffered greatly under COVID, making it nigh on impossible to get her work done, so she applied for and obtained a job with NASA, in its Earth Science Project Office. Lynn sometimes travels in her position supporting science missions. A recent assignment was to support scientists doing a snowstorm study on Chincoteague Island off the coast of Virginia. She had just gotten back from a five-week stint helping a scientific mission to *Cabo Verde*, Cape Verde in English, off the west coast of Africa. It’s an island nation in the Atlantic Ocean. For fun, she goes on bike tours with her husband. She likes the bike tours because you can get the tastes and smells of the country you are going through. A tour prior to COVID was through Tuscany in Italy. She’s planning a bike tour through Portugal. She recently had a chance to get a bird’s-eye view of the country when she flew into Lisbon on the Cape Verde mission.



Elizabeth “Lisa” Parker ’80, Denise Jones ’80, Cindy Higgins Brickley ’80, Beth Davison Hyde ’80, and Lanier Drew ’80 gather at the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame dinner in September 2022.

Now for something I didn’t know: Remember those athletic certificates with the beautiful calligraphy that you may have received at Trinity junior and senior year? Lynn did those, sometimes doing all-nighters to meet the deadlines.

Jim also said our own **Alfred Gray** co-chaired a well-attended session titled “Innovations in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion” at the USLAW Network Client Conference in Austin, Texas, in September 2022. Al is a partner in the Boston law firm of Rubin & Rudman, which specializes in employment and human services law.

Kevin Maloney writes that he saw **Laura McCanness** and **Don Silk** in August in the Berkshires. They saw Earth, Wind & Fire perform at Tanglewood. It brought back memories of dancing in Hamlin Hall. Kevin is a vice chair of the college’s Board of Trustees.

Susan Tananbaum, class vice president and class agent, writes, “My husband and I took his kids and our grandkids to Costa Rica—quite the adventure with 10 of us! Then **Cindy Flanagan Goss** and her husband joined us for a week of lovely sailing here in Maine. So nice to resume many pre-pandemic activities.”

Susan supplied the update when she wrote to say thanks for contributing to the college’s Greek Giving Week. Jim and Ken belong to Pi Kappa Alpha, whose alumni leaders had the most members contributing. What you may not know is that **Bennett Wethered** helped lead the effort to revive PIKE at Trinity in 1976. Bennett wrote that he and wife Heidi moved recently, though only 10 miles south to nearby Manassas, when they moved in with their older daughter, her husband, and their three boys (6, 4, and 2). “The basement is being renovated and expanded and, as 6-year-old Nathaniel said, we’ll be the trolls under the bridge and they’ll be the three billy goats gruff upstairs. It’s a win-win as we can help each other, and enjoy each other’s



Bantams and more celebrate at the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame dinner in September 2022. Front row: Britty Page, John Davison ’67, inductee Lindsey Davison Page ’94, and Bo Page; back row: Margot Ring ’92, Lexi Rice Carr ’93, Trina Davison P’92, ’94, Beth Davison Hyde ’80, Lucy Page, Blakely Page, Rob Falk, Larry Hyde, Amanda Falk, Jennifer Caplan Hall ’91, Christina Davison Melchionni ’92, and Schuyler ’94 and Brent Morris

company.” Semiretired, though still directing the Machen Retreat and Conference Center west of Staunton, Virginia, and preaching regularly, Bennett is quite involved serving in the Society of the Cincinnati, both in the General and Maryland Societies, as a chaplain and with committee work. Seeing **Andrew Walsh’s** comments on retirement on Facebook recently has given him opportunity to be thankful for his time at Trinity, though brief and incomplete.

Class President **Holly Singer** said it was a ladies’ group of classmates who enjoyed a wonderful September weekend with perfect fall weather in the Hudson Valley, New York, region celebrating turning 65 and friendships spanning 40-plus years. “We rented a house that was convenient to various sightseeing and hiking adventures and nicely outfitted for our cooking plans!” Attendees traveling from Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New Jersey included **Lynne Bagdis Wilson**, **Sarah Wright Neal**, **Jane Terry Abraham**, **Deborah Cushman**, and Holly.

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Excited to see on Facebook that **Judy Ambrose Ewald** has a new grandson. Nate is so cute!

IES Abroad had a virtual reunion in September. Were you in Vienna fall/spring in ’78-’79? Spring ’79, *iche war en Wien* (I was in Vienna) and roomed with **Kris Jackson** in Frau Oppolzer’s apartment in the 8th district. What wonderful memories in that beautiful city. **Carol Goldberg** was there in the fall, living in the 1st district. She reported other Trinity classmates participating in the

reunion were **Maggie Brown**, **Elizabeth “Lisa” Block**, **Elizabeth “Lisa” Parker**, **Lee Clayton Roper**, and **Currie Smith**. Missing were **Mark Leavitt**, **Annievive “AV” Crain Palm**, **Katie Cole**, **Beth Thrasher**, and a few others.

Homecoming ’22 celebrating 50 years of Title IX was a great weekend. Kicking it off Friday night was the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame. I went to support my niece Lindsey Davison Page ’94, who was introduced by Coach Robin Sheppard. Lindsey, her sister Christina Melchionni ’92, and her dad and my brother, John Davison ’67, were among the attendees. I was excited to see so many former classmates, coaches, and administrators from our era there to support other recipients. The inductees included John Dunham, men’s golf and ice hockey coach; Robin Sheppard M’76, field hockey, lacrosse, and basketball coach, as well as associate athletic director and whatever else they needed her to do; Scott Gowney ’81, lacrosse; and Kat Castle Grant ’85, field hockey, squash, and lacrosse. **Denise Jones** was recognized for her successes in softball, swimming and diving, and track and field. Among her successes, Denise was captain of the varsity swim team, didn’t lose a regular season race senior year, and broke her breaststroke records 10 times. She was All-American and All-New England and made it to the final four at nationals. Coach Dunham in his comments recalled the fundraising efforts for the ice rink and gave special thanks to **David Koeppel** and his family. Jerry Hansen ’51, former director of alumni relations, at 93 came with son Todd ’88.

Saturday morning, the sun was out, and the campus looked great. Robin Sheppard presented the history of women’s sports at Trinity. The college now has 15 sports for men and women and a lot more specialization. Coach Sheppard highlighted **Lanier Drew**,



Stephen Brown '81 spends time with "friends" in Yellowstone National Park in summer 2022.

who played basketball for her and swam in the same season. Sheppard said she would see Coach Chet McPhee tapping his watch, she'd pull Lanier out of the game, and Lanier with her bathing suit under her uniform would run to the pool, then swim her events, towel off, and then return with a damp suit under her uniform to finish the game. Sheppard said she was critical to the success of both teams. In those days, there was no women's cross-country team, so Lanier ran with the men. Lanier is still running but not doing marathons. Others participating in the weekend included **Doug Bennett**, Dede Seeber Stone '81, **Steve Yarnall**, Bill Miller '81, Clint Brown '79, Jennifer Kaplan Hall '91, Schuyler Morris '94, Margot Ring '92, and Lexi Rice Carr '93.

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Steve Brown writes that he has lived in Rhode Island and worked for Voya Financial as a key account analyst since 2005. "I manage large employer-sponsored group retirement plans and ironically have no current plans to retire myself. With the pandemic raging, international travel has been out of the question. Instead, my cousin and I toured several national parks in Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, South Dakota, and Utah. Our best dinner was in Jackson Hole at a highly recommended bistro called the Local where we dined on elk chops. I strongly suggest many of my fellow East Coasters head out west and see this great country!"

Scott Growney writes, "It's been great connecting with friends and familiar faces at Trinity this year, first at Reunion in June and most recently at Homecoming Weekend, which included the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame induction. I was honored to be inducted as a member of the Class of 2022 along with others including John Dunham, Denise Jones '80, Michael Blair '06, Robin



Scott Growney '81 and classmates get together at the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame dinner in September 2022.

Sheppard M'76, and fellow Philadelphians Kat Castle Grant '85 and Lindsey Davison Page '94. I am deeply grateful to my family, friends, former teammates, and coaches who made the effort to be in attendance or took the time to send congratulatory texts, emails, and other messages. Particular thanks go to **Peter Duncan** and Peter Miller '83, who narrated the montage played at the ceremony. The event gave me an opportunity to reflect on just how much I value my Trinity experience, academically, athletically, and socially. Friends and teammates who made the HOF banquet included Ted Austin '82, **Jeff Baker**, Doug Bennett '80, John Brady '82, Michael Brigham '83, Clint Brown '79, **Bill Miller**, Peter Miller '83, Matt Pace '82, Rand Pearsall '78, Matt Smith '82, Steve Stuart '80, Craig Vought '82, **Peter Whalen**, Matt Woods '92, **Steve Yarnall**, and Jennifer Zaccara '82. It was wonderful to see and thank Mike Darr, our men's lacrosse team's coach when we battled on the fields of friendly strife, and to meet current coach Jason Tarnow. I'm thankful that Professor Samuel Kassow '66 attended as a guest, since my favorite academic memory at Trinity was serving as his teaching assistant for his course 'Rise of Modern Russia.' Thanks to the school and everyone for the recognition and the memories! Go Bants!"

From **Nancy Lucas**: "As soon as I was able, I retired after 19 years as an attorney with Holland & Knight in N.Y.C., sold my house in Long Beach, and made my way down to beautiful, beachy Brunswick County, North Carolina. Stayed with dear friends for seven months (and ate like a queen; my friend is an excellent cook!) until my little 'Nan-sized' house was finished, finally moving in on August 1. There's a real booming housing market down here, with tons of affordable new homes going up every day. Come on down! Beaches are gorgeous; weather's been

fine so far. Awaiting the mild winter and no snow! My daughter joined me last week. Hopefully she can find employment and new friends in short order."

Also have news from the other side of the Atlantic. **Erika Berry** and **Curtiss Kolodney** have taken up residence in rural Venta Valera in southern Spain, where they've "become one with the land," growing juicy tomatoes and other freakishly large vegetables amid fruit-laden fig trees, an olive grove (they're still cooking with last year's bumper crop of olive oil!), and glorious vistas. I can't wait to visit next June!

Jill Steidl: "I think this will be the first time I've put in news about myself. Working as a PA for the last 23 years, with 22 of those in family practice, and spent a wonderful 15 years in southwest New Mexico in a rural clinic. Back in New York again, this time in Upstate New York, Syracuse. Working in rheumatology starting earlier this year. Moved here to be close to Nick, my son, and his family. Have three grandsons that I get to play with, so that makes the winters tolerable! Interesting that I started with work life. Probably because it is still such a large part of my focus. Gardening and herbal medicine is a big interest. Facebook provides means to keep up with Trinity friends, and I love seeing people's kids as they are becoming adults! Cheers to everyone!"

Joseph Troiano: "I moved back into the Behind the Rocks neighborhood in December. Living with the two granddaughters/daughters Grace and I adopted, in the house we bought in 1984. Trinity is now a source of PokeStops and gyms. In July, it will be 10 years since cancer took Grace. She would have turned 64 the other day. All six of our children attended the Trinity College Community Child Center. I retired from the Hartford Public Schools six years ago."

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This year's Homecoming was celebrated in a much more expansive and engaging way. Held earlier in the fall on a weekend when lots of team sports were hosting games on campus, there was much more to take in and enjoy. The festivities were kicked off with the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Friday evening, where **Matt Smith** joined fellow laxmen and classmates **Ted Austin, Craig Vought, and Matt Pace** to honor inductee Scott Growney '81 among others including Robin Shephard. **Jen Zaccara** was there as well and commented that "there was quite a wonderful contingent of Philadelphia Main Liners in attendance!"

The next morning, **Ellin Carpenter Smith** attended a special breakfast honoring women Bantams to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the passage of Title IX. We women Bantams were fortunate to ride the early wave of this law's benefits because they came just as we were entering high school. Opportunities were there for us from the start. Enjoyed sharing the festivities and catching up with **Sally Larkin**, who shared that she is enjoying staying fit through her work as a yoga instructor in Vermont.

So many of us benefited from the athletics programs at Trinity, whether as players and/or spectators. With this in mind, we invited classmates to share their memories of Bantam sports, on and off the field.

Carl Rapp remembers playing varsity basketball ("no beer policy during NESCAAC games") and spring intramural softball ("beer encouraged"). He shared that daughters were the full beneficiaries of the hard work of everyone who worked to enact Title IX. "As a result, they both view the world as a place where they can compete and win, and I am still a proud lax dad of a college athlete. Personally, while at Trinity, my observation, gleaned from deep field research conducted at numerous fraternity social events, was that women athletes were fully engaged with all facets of the college experience." **Scott Cassie** recalled playing soccer freshman and sophomore years and commented that having a daughter who was recruited for DI lacrosse, he could appreciate all the strides that have been made since Title IX was passed. **Karen Miller Boudreau** loved watching football games as well as her daughter's rowing regattas. She swam all four years at Trinity and rowed for two. She lives in Seattle and continues to row competitively. And she is excited to be part of a small group strengthening the alumni-student rower connections

and raising funds specifically for women's rowing programs. "Title IX was huge for our generation of athletes, though I really don't remember being more than vaguely aware of it—mostly just that we had new opportunities. I distinctly remember asking the Athletics Department if the softball team could have the old JV baseball uniforms when they got new ones so we wouldn't have to slide in shorts."

More updates from our Reunion survey: **Jennifer Prost** shared that after 39 years as a literary publicist, she went back to school amid the pandemic, earned an M.S.W. from Columbia University, and is one year into her second career as a psychotherapist. **Deborah Schwartz Lessne** also is working on career number two—as a horticulturalist. **Diane Brouder** enjoys her work as a therapist in private practice. **Beth Rube** volunteers with a local organization that helps seniors live independently in their homes. **Larry Torres** is principal of a small alternative school in Pasadena and just finished a two-year term as school board president. He looks forward to retiring "at some point" and taking classes in "subjects I have missed like art history and science." **Rima Sirota** is a professor at Georgetown Law and recently got together with Broad Street roommates **Gina Bonsignore** and **Libby Powell**. **Emilie Kaulbach Kendall** retired from full-time work and volunteers as a consultant for several nonprofits. She shared that she has enjoyed some great visits with classmates **Brodie Bain, Ellen Brown, Brook Scott, Martha Sayre, and Katharine Rubin** and a Zoom get-together organized by **Bailey Johnston Farrin**.

And now for another retirement success story: **Tom Mathews** writes that he recently checked off a bucket-list item by spending a week working at Amici Cellars in Calistoga, California, right in the middle of the harvest. "I participated in what they call their wine boot camp (code for free labor). We were well fed all week, and the awesome wine flowed every evening. It was amazing! The production work at harvest is not to be underestimated as it is extremely physical and demanding (maybe that's why all the interns are in their 20s!). We were at the winery every morning no later than 7:00 a.m. to start taking 'B&T's' (Brix and temps in non-wine speak) to monitor the fermentation levels. We did many pump-overs, stirred the lees each day, pressed grapes, and moved wine from tanks to barrels. And oh yes, we generally cleaned everything 100 times! So glad to have had this mind-blowing experience. Cheers!"

Clearly, we are coming into a new phase in our lives when we will have the opportunity to experience new kinds of fun . . . and research. Please feel free to email any other updates you may have.



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Angelos Orfanos writes that he and **Ron Carroll** got together for a little morning basketball a few Saturdays ago. Ange remarked that Ron was throwing down jumpers like he used to when he wore the blue and gold. After dazzling the rest of the random players who joined them, the two former teammates grabbed lunch and reflected on how they've still got it. Ron and wife Ruta have a senior in high school who is starting to look at colleges, while Ange and wife Denise are awaiting the arrival of their first grandchild around Christmas.

Tina Tricarichi got a nice surprise when **Wendy Gorlin Tayer** and husband Mark visited Cleveland for a wedding in June. The group took in the sights at the Cleveland Museum of Art, which included the Alberto Giacometti exhibit, and the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. The two classmates even performed a duet in a makeshift studio complete with backup players. Tina writes that Wendy is now a big fan of Cleveland.

The second annual alumni golf tournament to benefit the Trinity basketball program took place the Friday of Homecoming Weekend. **Mike "Buzz" Collins** was there, of course, as were **Steve Gomes, Doug Kuzmicki, Bob Pigue, Steve Shugrue, and Kevin Sullivan**, along with Jim Callahan '82. Buzz reported

Richard P. Reading '84



DEGREES: B.S. in biology; master's in environmental studies, Yale University School of Forestry and Environmental Studies; M.S., M.Phil., and Ph.D. in wildlife ecology, Yale Graduate School

JOB TITLE: Vice president of science and conservation at Butterfly Pavilion

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: I have numerous fond memories from my time at Trinity. Those include free concerts on campus (U2!) to playing football for a perennial NESCAC powerhouse to all the biology courses I took or audited (I loved them all!) to the many strong friendships I developed.

What was your professional path to Butterfly Pavilion? While at Trinity, I benefited from a semester at the Duke University Marine Lab in North Carolina, and following graduation, I got a scholarship for graduate work at Duke, which I did that summer. From there I went to Yale University, where I spent most of the next decade pursuing several degrees, with a couple years in between working as a zookeeper at the Bronx Zoo and researcher in Montana for the Northern Rockies Conservation Cooperative. During my Ph.D. research, I worked with the Montana Bureau of Land Management (BLM) on black-footed ferret and prairie dog conservation and took a job with the BLM upon completion of my Ph.D. running its ferret conservation program.

I then had a great opportunity to work as a consultant for the United Nations Development Programme on a biodiversity project helping Mongolia with conservation initiatives during its transition from communism to democracy. I worked on and off for the U.N. and for the German government as a consultant on park conservation in Mongolia until August 1996, when I took a job to start and run a conservation biology program for the Denver Zoological Foundation (Denver Zoo). I ran that program for 19 years, eventually rising to a vice president level.

While at Denver Zoo, we started several conservation and research projects throughout the world. During that time, I reached out to Butterfly Pavilion to get its assistance on invertebrate conservation. That began a dialogue that eventually led to Butterfly Pavilion "stealing" me from Denver Zoo to set up a Research and Conservation Department for our invertebrate zoo at Butterfly Pavilion.

What do you do in your role? As a member of Butterfly Pavilion's Executive Leadership Team, I help oversee the overall direction and operation of the organization. My more direct responsibilities lie in overseeing our Curatorial, Horticultural, and Research and Conservation Departments. I spend a significant portion of my time with the latter, as that department currently lacks a director and that is where my passion lies. Plus, we have great directors overseeing the Curatorial and Horticultural Departments. My work involves managerial oversight, developing and working on our research and conservation projects, a bit of consulting, fundraising, fostering partnerships both internally and externally, and much more. No day is the same, and that makes the job incredibly interesting.

What do you enjoy most about what you do? I enjoy seeing animals. I have studied everything from butterflies to elephants and from Lake Titicaca

frogs to tarantulas. I love them all. I particularly love making a difference in the conservation of threatened and endangered species. That usually entails working with local people and building local capacity, including empowering women, which are crucial, in my opinion, to successful conservation over the long term.

What are the biggest challenges you face? I hate to get too philosophical, but I used to think that human population growth (and associated resources use) was the biggest challenge facing the conservation of biodiversity, but my thinking evolved during graduate school. Now I believe that the greatest challenge finds its roots in the values people hold. We simply must begin to shift our values so that nature conservation becomes more of a core value to most people. Right now, that value falls well below other values that take precedence when push comes to shove. Thus, we continue to destroy the natural world and consume resources as if they are infinite, which they clearly are not. Major value shifts often take generations, but we do not have that luxury in this case. If we hope to keep most of the species with whom we share this planet and, selfishly, to maintain a high quality of life for humans, we need to move toward more ecocentric (i.e., putting nature more at the center) values, attitudes, and behaviors. The solutions lie within each of us, and I am hopeful that people will recognize the importance of the natural world before it is too late.

How did your time at Trinity prepare you for the work you do? Trinity provided a great, multidisciplinary foundation. I built on that initial training in graduate school and through the mentorship of others in the real world, particularly Drs. Susan Clark and Stephen Kellert. A liberal arts education was a crucial part of my growth as a person, and for that I am grateful.



Deborah Cronin '84, right, and son Sam Strymish '24 attend the 2021 NESAC cross-country championships.

that Trinity basketball coach James Cosgrove announced the first winner of the Pat Sclafani Heart and Desire Award. The plaque denoting the winners is on display at the Ferris Athletic Center. Go see it next time you visit. Buzz also reported that he is heading to London in early November to visit his daughter, who is doing a semester abroad.

In July 2022, **Rashne Desai** took an early retirement after 28 years of service with Whole Foods Market. Now I know why their food was always so good. Her last position was global vice president of culinary operations, execution, and training. After taking the summer off to travel and relax, Rashne is in the process of establishing her own culinary consulting company, which will help clients elevate their culinary culture, product innovation, and merchandising standards. She also has enrolled in a Feminine Power Coaching Certification Program, which she reports has been a life-changing experience. Sounds like an exciting next chapter for Rashne.

Finally, some exciting news from Tinseltown. **Tim Yasui's** Cleopatra Entertainment has finished production of its newest feature film, *Frost*. The thriller was filmed on location in the San Bernardino Mountains in Southern California during winter 2020. A soundtrack for *Frost* is scheduled to accompany the film's release and features contributions by several renowned industry artists, including our man Tim on the drums. The film's release date was set for October 11, 2022, after the film finished its film festival run.

That's all for this edition. Remember to save the dates June 8–11 for our 40th Reunion. Take care, all.

From the Alumni Office: Barclay Damon LLP of Boston announced that **Brian Whiteley** was recognized in the 2023 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*.

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Is everyone as busy as we are? 2022 absolutely flew by! **Steve Tall** and I became proud grandparents last August to little Harley. What an exciting new chapter! We are also busy adding to our Row House franchise family by selecting potential locations for our next studio. In the meantime, you can visit our flagship location at Row House Lovejoy Wharf in Boston's North End and get the best low-impact workout ever! And if you didn't see on social media, Steve shaved his head for our fundraiser to benefit the cancer center at Mass General. I'm anxiously waiting for it to grow back.

Peter Stinson was the first to respond to my plea for news and offered: "All is well here. In terms of news that is fit to print: I turned 60 and got a dog. Betty Lou, who can be found on Twitter as @DogBettyLou, joined our family in Fairfax, Virginia, this past Christmas. I have two questions from this experience. First, why'd I wait so long to get a dog? And, second, how did we get so old?"

Nina Porter Winfield shared, "My daughter is a junior at Trinity playing on the field hockey team. It's been wonderful to be back on campus to cheer on the Bantams!"

Deborah Cronin was kind enough to chime in and said, "I get to visit campus often as I have a son, Sam Strymish, who is a junior, and a niece, Emily Diricio, also a junior. Odd walking around campus because I feel like I never left! Sam is a Trinity merit scholar and three-sport runner. Proud mama brags that he won the physics and math prizes. I keep busy driving back and forth from Newton to Hartford, and in my spare time my husband and I keep busy at our 5-year-old microbrewery in Medfield, Massachusetts: 7th Wave Brewing. Come visit!" Deb, Steve and I are on our way!

Susan Thomas Schlett writes, "I continue to be an active member of the Society of Women Engineers (SWE) and was very excited to hear that SWE will be holding one of its local conferences in Hartford, Connecticut, in March 2023. Because of that announcement, it brought back a lot of memories for me regarding my engineering journey. We helped obtain an SWE charter for the school in 1983, and I was proud to be the first Trinity College SWE section president. I reached out to my retired engineering professor Dave Ahlgren and current professor John Mertens and am excited to be planning a trip back to campus in March to talk with students and tell my engineering story, which includes being a part of TEAC (Trinity Engineering Advisory

Committee) and the department ABET journey, and to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the SWE charter!"

Well, it's short and sweet, but I love seeing new names. Thanks for sharing!

From the Alumni Office: **Jeanne Maglaty** retired in July from *Smithsonian Magazine* after 15 years following a long career in writing and editing at magazines and newspapers, including *The Hartford Courant* and *The Washington Post*.

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In addition to news for you, I might have procured a few invitations (extended or not!) for future travels. With the passing of Queen Elizabeth II still in mind at the time of this writing, I decided to reach out to professor **Phillips O'Brien** over in Scotland. Phil confessed to having no special insights on the future of the monarchy or the Commonwealth but readily shared that he's been married to Mathilde Von Bulow for five years and they have a 4-year-old son named Payson who is "a delightful little boy," Phil assures. They are happily settled in the town of St Andrews, where they moved at the start of the pandemic. "You can certainly tell any classmates that if they are ever passing through St Andrews to drop me a line and I'd love to meet up," he said.

I also dropped a line to **Jeff Kise**, who replied, "While life on the Monterey Peninsula is good, we're also spending more time with family in Maine." Jeff is still consulting for local government, but his passion is on the water—sailing and racing. He racked up 74 races in the 2022 season and more than 60 days on eight different boats in California and Maine. "I marvel at the lives of our grown children and do all I can to care for and spend time with aging parents," he said.

Meanwhile, on the other shining sea, **Sonia Flanders McArdle** and husband Rich are spending the majority of their time on the Outer Cape in Truro, focusing on her painting, Rich's woodworking, gardening, and extended family, which includes four generations of the Flanders family during the summer months. Thanks to Zoom, she continues to engage in pediatric health care advocacy with Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago. One of her kids is in New York, and the other is in Philadelphia. "We are grateful for good health and the natural beauty that

surrounds here on the Cape, which inspires us every day,” she summarized.

Ken Festa provided an inspiring update, noting that he went through “a little health challenge in 2019, diagnosed with stage 4 lymphoma.” However, he assures that is quite possible to train for a marathon and go through chemo at the same time. He’s doing fine now and was training for his 21st New York City Marathon! Wife Natalie is in senior management at VNS Health, and Ken attributes the success of his two kids to her “brains and discipline.” Older son Liam graduated from the University of Delaware summa cum laude and has been awarded “pretty much a full ride” to its doctor of physical therapy program. Younger son Tanner is at SUNY New Paltz and is “killing it in their CS program.” Ken still works at Google as a technical writer. He and Natalie have begun shopping for a retirement nest in her native Barbados and are looking forward to splitting time between New York City and the Caribbean in the next couple of years.

From the Alumni Office: **Susan Granger Tyler** represented Trinity at the inauguration of Rice University’s eighth president, Reginald DesRoches.

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I hope all are enjoying their fall.

This past June during Trinity’s Reunion Weekend, **Claudia Baio** was presented with the Paul E. Raether ’68 Alumni Achievement Award. Congratulations, Claudia!

Tom Waxter passed along an update on the Waxter family, including **Olive Cobb Waxter**: “Big Olive is still the executive director of the Hippodrome Foundation, which sponsors Broadway touring shows here in Baltimore at the Hippodrome Theater. She is also working on the development of a new venue for the performing arts adjacent to the Hippodrome Theater. I am still an attorney (insurance defense, toxic torts) at a firm. Our eldest—Little Olive—got married in May 2021, and she and her husband live about a mile from us. Little Olive is working in private wealth management, and husband Alec Mitchell is in commercial real estate. Middle child is Maggie, who is serving as the assistant athletic director and head women’s lacrosse coach at a private school in Nashville. Our son, Jake, is also in commercial real estate, focusing on multifamily housing in Denver. We took a family trip to the Canadian Rockies in August, and it’s a



Erik Smith ’86, Paul Kipnes ’85, Ben Rhodes ’86, Jerome Kapelus ’86, and Christine Pastore Rhodes ’86 meet recently in New York City.

trip we all highly recommend. An amazing part of the world.”

Christine Pastore Rhodes and **Ben Rhodes** had a mini reunion of sorts. “Ben and I traveled to N.Y.C. to meet **Jerome Kapelus, Erik Smith,** and **Paul Kipnes ’85** to attend the wedding of Jerome’s daughter **Liza ’16**. I am loving owning and working in my private psychotherapy practice in Providence. Ben continues to enjoy working for The Hartford, mostly remotely these days. We play a fair amount of squash in Rhode Island and do a bunch of cycling here and on the Cape as the weather allows. Jerome is living with wife **Jolie** and working in N.Y.C. at his start-up. Erik has just moved to Bainbridge Island, Washington, with his wife and daughters and is enjoying life on the left coast! Paul and wife **Michelle** are living in California, where Paul is the rabbi at Congregation Or Ami in Calabasas, California.”

This past Labor Day weekend, my wife and I dropped our daughter **Hanley** off at Trinity to begin her first year as a Bantam! She joins her brother **Charlie ’23** on campus.

That’s it for now. If you have any news to share, don’t hesitate to send me a note.

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Janet Lane Dye writes that she and husband **Stu Dye ’89** are empty nesters in Maine. “Our oldest daughter went to Kenyon College and is now happy working and living in Boston. Coincidentally, she had a seminar with **Ted Mason, Stu’s** favorite Trinity

professor. Our son is a junior studying film at Sarah Lawrence College. Our youngest daughter is a sophomore at UChicago double majoring in political science and human rights. Stu and I have traded weekend tournaments, boosters’ groups, volunteer judging speech debates, etc. for hikes, stargazing, and local night skiing. Not a bad trade!”

Michele Amendola had dinner with **Carol Helstosky**, who was passing through Connecticut. Michele writes, “We hadn’t seen each other in nearly 20 years, but it was as if no time had passed at all.”

Tom Ashley moved from Tucson to Rio Rico, Arizona, about four years ago: “First time living in the country, and I love it. Only took me 50 years to realize it. I tool around on an electric motor scooter and stare down cows. I’m 12 miles from Mexico. Love my cat, my alt music, and the open air out here. I stay in touch with very few from our college days, mostly on Facebook. Guess that’s the way with most of us and especially with COVID around. But maybe we are done with it and heading into the Roaring Twenties part 2?”

Lisa van Riper is vice president for communications and information technology services at Knox College, a private liberal arts college in Galesburg, Illinois. “We now live in Illinois, just outside Peoria, where my daughter is a senior at an excellent high school. She is cheering and applying to a number of colleges; she plans to be a lawyer. This was a pandemic move for us that ended up turning out quite well. We all miss the East Coast but are making the most of our time here.”

Debbie White’s name hasn’t appeared in Class Notes since her 1988 wedding. She has two adult children, a dog, and the same long-suffering spouse. “After 16 years working as a forensic neuropsychologist, I



This throwback photo from fall 1986 shows Carla Torres '87, Ann Kuhlthau Caspari '87, and Mary Giurleo '87 in their Trinity residence hall room.

was ordained and am now the rector of an Episcopal church in Martinez, California.”

Now a jam-packed update from **Ken Jurish**: “Most of you haven’t heard from me in years, and that’s entirely my fault. I did not, as opposed to rumors circulated by my nemeses, drop off the face of the earth. Chicago’s western ’burbs, contrary to the opinions of most of you East Coasters, is not merely flyover country—people actually do live here. Not to delve into the distant, dusty past, but I’ve had my own environmental consulting firm for the past 13 years; I love working for myself. My son just graduated from North Central College in Naperville, Illinois, with a dual degree in philosophy and business administration and is fully employed. We are very proud of him. My wife has worked for Express Scripts, now Cigna, for nearly 20 years. We were already remote during the lockdown, so nothing really changed much for either of us, well, for her; for me, yeah, I had zero billable hours from February 28 until June 1, 2020. That was hard, but we survived. And we survived, in large part, because **Lynne Sawyer** hosted weekly virtual cocktail hours every Saturday, usually running for 90 minutes. Regular participants were me and my wife; **Lucius Palmer** and his wife; **Lynne** and her husband; **Doug Kim**; and **Christopher Allen '88**. Sometime participants were **Austin Keyes** and **Howard Young**. I swear, I looked forward to those 90 minutes every single week. I also regularly speak with **Lucius**, **Christopher**, and **Lynne**, as well as **Steven Gerber** and **Roger Esnard**, and see **Melissa Moore Janes '88**, who lives in Grand Rapids, Michigan. I had a great conversation with **Dan Sutton** during the lockdown; he lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Lastly, I am in contact with **Anne Coleman** (now **Reed Coleman**) who still lives and works in Portland, Oregon, as an audio book reader/narrator and is loving life. I had dinner with **John Lee '88** and **Chuck Valentincic '88** and our wives. It was wonderful. An interesting tidbit showing how small the world is:

my in-laws and **Eric Beatty '88**’s in-laws both have summer places in South Haven, Michigan, where we see each other and have a grand old time.”

I conclude this installment with the sad news of the passing of three classmates: **Arturo Valdejuly** (December 2021), **Carla Torres** (July 12, 2022), and **Lawrence Bou** (July 31, 2022).

Ann Kuhlthau Caspari and **Mary Giurleo** shared this tribute to **Carla**: “A dear friend who changed our lives. From the moment we met in North Campus, her infectious spirit, intellect, and compassion lifted and challenged us. From listening to the Psychedelic Furs to late-night philosophical discussions, we shared many laughs, cries, and experiences. It was our great privilege to visit **Carla** one last time before she died from brain cancer in July 2022. She had recently fulfilled her longtime dream of moving to Santa Fe, New Mexico. While there, we were fortunate to visit with her two children and meet friends from her long career as a hospice nurse and executive. Clearly, the love and care she shared so freely in this life will carry on in the hearts of all whose lives she touched.”

Class President **Douglas Kim** shared these words about **Lawrence**, who “died quite suddenly while swimming at Kenwood Country Club. Family and friends gathered at the Church of the Little Flower in Bethesda, Maryland, for his funeral. Trinity alumni in attendance included: **Caroline Bou '82** (sister-in-law), **Scott Chisholm**, **Manuel Del Toro**, myself, **Greg Mario**, **Bill Pratt**, **John Shiffman**, **Larry Travers**, and **Scott Zoellner**. There may have been others, so I apologize if the list is incomplete. I had the privilege of knowing **Larry** for most of my life, so I would like the Class Notes to reflect his legacy of kindness, devotion to family, and a distinct joie de vivre that all who knew him will acknowledge with a smile. If you’d like to write to **Larry**’s family, please reach out for information. Hail and farewell, **Lawrence Keith Bou**.”

Two notes from the Alumni Office: **Tucker Ellis LLP** announced that **Peter Voudouris** was recognized in the 2023 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Greenberg Traurig LLP’s Boston office announced that **Kevin J. Walsh** was recognized in the 2022 edition of *Massachusetts Super Lawyers* magazine.

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Hello and happy new year to all! I hope you are well and looking forward to 2023.

Liz Cahn Goodman writes that she and **Wendy Goldstein Pierce** (and their husbands) had an amazing adventure in Kenya in September. Highlights included taking in the wonders of the great migration in the Masai Mara and the restoration of the black rhino population at the Lewa Wildlife Conservancy. “Planning our next adventures as we go (and hoping to convince some classmates to come along!)”

Jennifer Blum shares, “At the end of July, **Anne Mongillo McRavey** generously hosted nine gals at her lovely vacation home on the Cape for a weekend of both relaxation and fun. **Liz Cahn Goodman**, **Wendy Goldstein Pierce**, **Holly Davoren**, **Karen Tufankjian Aharonian**, **Cynthia Dokas Whipple**, **Ann Grunbeck**, **Jessica Brownstein Prestegaard**, **Lisa Godek**, and I were able to join. Lots of delicious food and wine, ’80s music, laughs, and great conversation were had. The sun warmed and shined over us as we took long walks, sat poolside and on the beach, and had lunch at a local winery. We reminisced about college days. We renewed bonds with each other over the joys and stresses of our current lives and reflected on how lucky we are to maintain the Trinity friendship over so many years and miles.”

Lisa Alvarez-Calderón dropped a note that “2022 had been filled with life reflection and reconnecting with family and friends. Over the summer, I’ve had the chance to visit with several Trinity ’88ers whose friendships I cherish. **Laura Mann Eidelson** and I regularly meet for walking and talking dates since we both live in Seattle. **Corinne Coppola** and I talk frequently by phone and saw each other in person in Chincoteague, Virginia (**Corinne**’s new home and my family’s long-standing ‘happy place’). And I met up with **Anne Mongillo McRavey** in late August when we both had reason to be in Philadelphia. **Anne** hosted a group of our Trinity women at her vacation home on Cape Cod at the end of July, which I was very sorry to miss.” Congrats to **Lisa** on her recent appointment to the college’s Board of Trustees! We know you will be a wonderful asset!

Homecoming was early last fall but nicely attended by several classmates who also have student kids on campus or were touring campus with their families. **Dede DePatie Consoli** and husband **Vic '87** were there with daughter **Grace '22** hosting their tailgate for classmates and friends. **Dede** said it’s great to report that **Susan Mabry Van’t Hof** and **David Van’t Hof**, **Jen Brewster Jordan**, **Wayne Fitzpatrick**, **Tim Steele**, **Tom Fitzgerald**, **Dean Andrews**, **Rita Scuris**, and **Amy Rebovich** also were there.



Holly Davoren '88, Anne Mongillo McRavey '88, Lisa Godek '88, Karen Tufankjian Aharonian '88, Ann Grunbeck '88, Jessica Brownstein Prestegaard '88, Wendy Goldstein Pierce '88, Cynthia Dokas Whipple '88, Jennifer Blum '88, and Liz Cahn Goodman '88 get together in Cape Cod in July 2022.

Dede would like to “thank our classmates who raised their hands and contributed to Greek Giving Week in the fall to support the Greek system. Our class was strongly represented as donors, and in turn the college increased donors by 75 percent over last year’s Greek Giving Week.” Outstanding job once again by ’88ers. Last summer, Dede was named vice chair of the Annual Fund campaign. Congrats again! And no, we will not run the other way, Dede. In celebration of the 200th anniversary, let’s show our strength by giving back and moving the college forward into its next century!

Hard to believe it’s almost time to celebrate our 35th Reunion this summer! How did that happen? And better yet, the college celebrates its 200th anniversary at the same time. Mark your calendars for June 8–11. Special things are being planned. Join classmates and alumni from across the years who also will be invited to mark the occasion. It will be a great weekend. Hope to see you all ’neath the elms in June. Keep your eyes out for details in the coming months!

Two notes from the Alumni Office: Tucker Ellis LLP announced that **Nicholas Clifford** was recognized in the 2023 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Elizabeth Cahn Goodman announced that she has joined Commonwealth Care Alliance (CCA) as chief legal and public affairs officer. She will work out of the company’s D.C. office and will be back and forth to Boston.

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Thank you to all who contributed news. It is great to hear from so many of you. If you’ve not provided an update in a while, please do for the next edition!

Robert Cummings had an exciting update to share. “Our son Griffin got engaged over the summer to his girlfriend, Kathryn, with a spring 2024 wedding planned.” He’s also seen **Emily Blumenfeld** and Dave Lowey ’90 after they relocated to a nearby town. He added, “They have had a few small get-togethers as they unpack and settle into their new place.”

Becky Holt wrote about a very different but also significant life milestone, “I am happy to report that our son Gabe entered kindergarten this week. He was lamenting the fact that there would be only one recess, but the kind teachers have reflected on the effects of COVID and agreed that more outside time was good for learning. So, lucky Gabe isn’t confined to the four walls for the next dozen years quite yet!”

Sarah Zajchowski Kreidler, Rita Nagle, and Julie Overeynder vacationed together sans husbands in Maine this July. They had a great time catching up, hiking, eating, and enjoying nature in Acadia National Park, and Julie engaged constructively in her passion for burning things by starting the nightly roaring campfire.

Alyssa Purbeck Greer writes, “My husband, Peter Greer Jr. ’93, and I continue to enjoy our empty-nesting status here in Wisconsin while our daughter enjoys her time in Nashville at Vanderbilt Law School. I am a psychologist

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specializing in OCD, and I love my job. I recently traveled to New Jersey to visit my Trinity classmates and dear friends **Elizabeth Johnston Smith** and **Susan Kennedy Burgos**. Elizabeth had us climb a mountain with multiple iterations of ‘we are almost to the top’ followed by a seven-mile hike the next day that she claimed was four miles. She has since been forgiven! We made it and had a great time catching up and reminiscing.”

Barbara Prichard Scudder: “I’m still living in N.Y.C. with my husband and our three (now teenage) daughters, starting to think about colleges. I’ve been at Morgan Stanley for the last 14 years and have really enjoyed my career working with nonprofit hospitals on their financing and strategic needs, never more than over the last two years! It had been incredible to work with so many great organizations as they respond to the pandemic. I’m also especially proud this year to have welcomed two recent Trinity grads into the new analyst class for my department. I have the great luck to still be close with Becky, Michelle, Laura, and Susan from our class.”

Lisa Abshire Pojano wrote a quick note reporting that she has become a Connecticut state-certified election moderator. “I worked one shift at the primaries in August and looking forward to a 17-hour day in November.” Thank you for your community service, Lisa.

Jay Flemma teamed up with five other lawyers on an amicus brief going to the U.S. Supreme Court. “We’re up in a question of what happens to the equity after a tax foreclosure. We say the homeowner should get it back. Oh, and I tore my other rotator cuff. I’ll fix it after ski season. See you all from Sugarbush, Stowe, and Killington this year.”

Lee-Ann Wilson Harris and husband Mitch ’87 have moved to Florida as of fall 2021.

“We love South Florida! It was a great winter without any shoveling and lots of visits from friends and family.” I checked in on them right after Ian hit the state and was pleased to learn their home was not impacted by the hurricane. Thank goodness.

Ridge Cromwell has joined a family office called M Mountain Capital making private equity investments in small-to-mid-sized companies. “With our youngest daughter off to college this year, our son moving to Greater



Bill Ryckman '91 and Antonia Ness were married on June 11, 2022, in New York City. Bantams celebrating with the groom, center, were Michael Cavanaugh '90, Jessica Reinis Lister '91, Robin Halpern Cavanaugh '91, and Hannah Stebbins Resetarits '92.



Chrissy Hewitt '93, Lizzie Lifland Rich '93, Kelley McDevitt-Hooker '93, and Liz Wiegand Couchon '93 spend time together during summer 2022 at Calf Pasture Beach in Norwalk.

Providence for a job, and our oldest at grad school in N.Y.C., there is the potential for an empty nest later this fall after having a full house over the summer."

And all is well with me, your secretary, **Andrew Walker**. My son graduated from Colby last spring and is taking a year or two off from education before resuming with law school. That's the current plan anyway. For now, he is at home, and we're grateful to have him around again after eight years of boarding school and college. My daughter is in her second year at Scripps College and is having a great experience. We may lose her to Southern California forever. I continue to stay in regular contact with **John Woodlock** and **Matt Ramsby**, even though they never submit updates for this column. As for me, after spending a lifetime of summers looking out at passing boats off the coast of Waterford, Connecticut, I finally joined them, buying a 21-foot motorboat. Although plans to get **Kevin Scollan** out for a boat ride didn't quite come together, I did get in a cruise with Jeff Kriebel '88, his son, and his nephew. I'd love to host others on the water, too, so let me know if your summer plans ever take you to Eastern Connecticut.

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From **Pam Hickory**: "My husband and I moved in December 2020 from N.Y.C. to Florida, where I've established a new office for my firm, Amity Search Partners. We have three boys; eldest just graduated from Duke and will be starting a consulting job in N.Y.C., middle son is racing cars in the U.K., and the youngest just completed freshman year of high school in Palm Beach. Couldn't be happier in the Sunshine State!"

Mono (aka **Dan Goldman**) is living the high life in Snowmass, Colorado. He recently started Gravirax, a hitch-mounted ski rack company. He spends much of his time driving to ski towns across the Rockies showing off his racks and making turns. If you want to ski a lap, let him know!

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Hey-o! Couple of great updates, but first me: I recently had breakfast with **Peter Knight**. I will be going to see his band, Next Level Results, play in a few weeks. I'm a proud uncle; my niece started her freshman year at Trinity, the fourth Hazelton to attend. I saw some Trinity folks this past summer on Martha's Vineyard, Josh and Benagh Newsome, both '95, and Merrill Richardson '92.

From **Audrey Brashich Sjöholm**, "Hi from Vancouver, British Columbia. Life is grand, and I got a chance to take my boys (now 13 and 15) to Trinity in June 2022. The campus looked wonderful, and my kids enjoyed imagining themselves as possibly maybe potentially (hopefully!) someday being Trinity students. We also got to reunite with Alexis Brashich Morledge '90 and her boys (Louis, UPenn '20, and Alexander, UPenn '23) after a long hiatus."

Also, an amazing update from **Kelley McDevitt-Hooker**: "The past few months have been busy but great for our family, starting with our son Michael's graduation from CCSU with honors with a degree in finance. We then had a bit of a 'Griswold' European vacation that took us over to France and the United Kingdom, where we met up with our daughter Katie, who was studying abroad in Toulouse for her minor in French. She is a senior Nutmeg Scholar at the University of Connecticut, studying molecular and cell biology. Steve '92, my husband, is a financial professional with Virtus Investment Partners in Hartford, and I manage a unique gifts shop

Bentley Weiner '96



DEGREE: B.A. in history

JOB TITLE: Vice president, HBO Sports Documentaries

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: Living in High Rise with my three best friends senior year. We had so much fun. But they still laugh about all the times they'd be done with their work by 9:00 p.m. and getting ready to go out, while I would just be starting to write a history paper due the next morning. I was a consummate procrastinator back then and am pretty sure none of us thought I'd be in a position to be answering this Q&A 25 years later.

What do you do in your role? I am responsible for the acquisition, development, and production of sports documentaries at HBO. Some of the projects I've overseen in recent years include the big wave surfing series *100 Foot Wave*, the documentary short *38 at the Garden*, and the two-part film *Tiger*.

What was your path to your current position? My first job in television was working as a production assistant at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta,

which coincided with my graduation. After the games, I headed with my Trinity roommates to New York City, where I eventually landed a job at HBO Sports. I started out as an associate producer on the shows *Inside the NFL* and *On the Record with Bob Costas* and worked my way up to producer. In 2008, I began producing and directing the Emmy-winning documentary series *24/7*, profiling athletes such as boxing champion Floyd Mayweather, surfing icon Kelly Slater, and hockey star Sidney Crosby in the lead-ups to some of the biggest events in sports. I also directed several feature-length documentaries, including *The Many Lives of Nick Buoniconti* and *Legendary Nights: The Tale of Gatti-Ward*. In 2020, after two decades of working in production at HBO, I transitioned to a programming role, overseeing all the sports docs for the company.

What do you enjoy most about your work? When I was producing and directing, I loved meeting and interviewing interesting people; Bill Russell and Tiger Woods are particular highlights. And then I just really

enjoyed the process of finding creative ways to tell their stories. These days, my job is to help producers and directors make their films the best they can be, and I'm having a lot of fun with that.

What are your biggest challenges today?

It's a very competitive landscape right now in the TV world with all the networks and streamers searching for great content. We are pitched so many sports stories at HBO but can only tell so many of them. It's very challenging to make sure we're picking the right ones!

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

The liberal arts education I received at Trinity helped me tremendously with writing and storytelling, both integral to my job, as did the proximity to downtown Hartford, where I interned at two local television stations. And then there's the time I spent on the lacrosse field, which helped develop my grasp of the paramount importance of teamwork, something that's been imperative to every single project I've worked on through the years.

Did you have a favorite professor? Who and why?

Jack Chatfield. I was only lucky enough to take one American history course with him, but he was fantastic. I brought my history-loving father to his class once when he was visiting me, and Professor Chatfield called on him several times and let him show off. It's still something my dad talks about today.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity?

"Contemporary Musical Theater." I convinced a handful of friends to take it with me, thinking it would be a fun and somewhat easy course. Turns out, it was incredibly difficult, and everyone was mad at me! The good news is I still know and love the whole songbook from *Pippin*, even if nobody likes to hear me sing it.

in Madison, Connecticut. We live in Guilford, my hometown, with our beloved dogs Dunkin and Betsey! Summer concluded with a quick but fun get-together in Connecticut with some of my favorite Kappa sisters, including **Chrissy Hewitt**, **Lizzie Lifland**, and Rich and **Liz Wiegand Couchon**. Our weekend included an amazing sunset at Calf Pasture Beach in Norwalk. We were especially excited to be with Lizzie, who drove all the way from Silver Spring, Maryland, to be with us. We had not seen her in at least five years!”

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Hope everyone has had a great summer!

Michael Kurdziel writes, “We are proud that our middle son, Matthew Kurdziel, enrolled as a freshman at Trinity. He is keeping the Trinity tradition alive by following in the footsteps of my wife, Alison Rivers ’92, and me. Matthew is a grad of Needham High School.”

And **Lisa Michelizza Colombo** shares, “I celebrated my 50th in August in Peru with my husband, Miguel, who is from Peru, and our two children, Dante, 11, and Lucia, 7. Unfortunately, my husband got COVID, so we had to stay local to his hometown, but the kids and I did some day trips and enjoyed the time there. We plan to go back next summer during the kids’ break and travel around like we were supposed to this year.”

Mike Spaeder writes, “On the occasion of our respective 50th birthdays, **Margaret Braver Chadbourne** hosted a group of us in Gloucester that included **Molly Campbell Callaghan**, **Brian Pitts**, **Heather Burnside**, **Dan Helmick**, and honorary 50-year-old **Pat Garrahy**. A great time was had by all.”

Cliff Fuller writes, “After 12 years at New York University, I have recently been hired as the office manager and administrative assistant of the Alumni House and Development Office at Horace Mann School in the Bronx, New York. It’s a huge quality-of-life upgrade, including a can’t-be-beat six-minute walking commute to and from work!”

Michelle and I had a chance to catch up with **Stephanie** and **John Donohue** this past summer. They were dropping off their son Sam at Boston College; he’s a freshman with a number of other kids of our classmates.

Brian Dufour writes, “I was hiking with my kids in late August. We were in Northern California and came across a stupa overlooking the ocean. A lone figure was meditating in the distance, and as we approached, I realized it was **Tom Corderman**! Tom is doing



Mark Kastrud ’94, **Dana Lowe ’94**, **Janet York Kastrud ’94**, and **Carrie Gosselin Rubino ’94** celebrate Dana’s birthday in Atlanta.

well; he had just traveled from spending the summer on the East Coast. He was spending a week meditating in the wilderness as Tom is recommitting to life extension. It was great seeing Tom!”

Joe Gross writes: “Much has happened in 2022, but in particular, I’m delighted to share that in September, I was elected president of the Trinity College Alumni Association. I’m both honored and excited to lead and serve and look forward to greater engagement with our class as well.”

Mark and **Janet York Kastrud** recently celebrated **Dana Lowe**’s “29th” birthday in Atlanta with **Carrie Gosselin Rubino**.

Please don’t forget to share any updates from the fall!

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Hope everyone is having a nice fall. **Jon Massey** recently had the pleasure of attending Homecoming, where he had the chance to visit our daughter, who just started her first year at Trinity, and to meet up with **Al Carbone**, **Joe Kobza ’94**, and **Tim Rooney ’94**.

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Well, if the saying “no news is good news” is correct, the Class of 1998 is doing great! Seriously though, no one sent any news to share this go-round, so this will be a pretty short update. I am doing well. My daughter and I took our first post-COVID international trip this past summer and spent two weeks in Ecuador exploring the Amazon and the Galapagos Islands. It was very cool. My son is in the middle of applying to college, which has brought back lots of memories of my years spent ‘neath the elms. I’ve been asked to be a part of our Reunion Committee and hoping to see many of you at our 25th Reunion in June! Until then, feel free to send any updates to jessicalvincent@yahoo.com. Hopefully next time I will have more to report!

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Greetings and salutations! This month, I have happy news to share about babies, retirements, and weddings!

Katie Wallack and husband Art Dickenson welcomed baby boy Wylder in April after four years of IVF. The new family of three relocated in June from Texas back to Katie’s home state of Alaska, where they are enjoying the mountains, the wildlife, and actual seasons. Katie still works for SAG-AFTRA as a contract education strategist and is workshopping her one-woman show on her IVF adventure.

Zander Vincent said that he was lucky to retire from the U.S. Navy Reserve in December 2021 after 20 years and also wanted to wish **Adrian Stafford-Browne** congratulations

Lindsay Jankowski '01

What does your work entail? I work in a small, group private practice as a mental health therapist. I work with individuals ages 8 and older, providing treatment for trauma, anxiety, depression, grief, adjustment disorders, emotional and disordered eating, and anger management, as well as providing overall wellness counseling.

What was your path to your current position? After graduating from Trinity, I started my career as a special education teacher. I loved working with children and helping them make positive changes. I knew that I wanted to go back to school to obtain a master's degree, but I was torn between teaching and counseling. In the end, counseling prevailed. I had a great clinical internship during graduate school, working at Bournewood Hospital's adolescent day program. After graduating from UMass, I began working as a clinician in a residential treatment program for adolescents. I gained a lot of clinical experience over the three years that I worked there. I was drawn to individual and family counseling during this time and wanted to try private practice. I joined a large, group private practice in 2008 and immediately knew that this was what I wanted to do. Soon after, my husband's job relocated us to Georgia from Massachusetts, and I began working for Aetna as a weight-loss therapist. I enjoyed this work, but I missed private practice. After being a stay-at-home mom to our three kids, I knew that I wanted to get back into private practice.

What do you enjoy most about what you do? I love helping people lead happier, more fulfilled lives. Watching clients make breakthroughs and having those "aha" moments is extremely rewarding. I truly enjoy helping clients make changes and teaching them how to put skills into practice. Teaching clients how to communicate more effectively, in order to enhance the quality of their relationships, is another area that I enjoy.

What are the biggest challenges you face? I think the biggest challenge is maintaining a healthy work-life balance. I love the work that I do, but it can be very heavy emotionally. It can be difficult to separate work life from your personal life, especially when you are dealing with people who count on you for support and availability.

How did Trinity prepare you for what you do now? Trinity had/has such a robust Psychology Department and dedicated professors. It was amazing to have a wide variety of psychology classes to choose from over my four years there. I was a TA my senior year and also participated in an internship at The Institute of Living. Both of those experiences helped shape my desire to get into a counseling career.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Well, if I'm being honest, I would have to say biology because I had to take it twice (ha!).

Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential? Professor David Winer was, hands down, my favorite professor at Trinity. He was my internship and senior-year adviser. He brought such passion, humor, and kindness into all of his lectures and in his advice and guidance. He taught me the value of experience. I remember sitting in his office and talking about possibly going to graduate school right after college. He encouraged me to "get some life experience" first. I welcomed those words, and I am thankful for my experiences before attending graduate school.

"I love helping people lead happier, more fulfilled lives. Watching clients make breakthroughs and having those 'aha' moments is extremely rewarding."



DEGREE: B.S. in psychology; M.Ed. in mental health counseling, University of Massachusetts Boston

JOB TITLE: Licensed professional counselor

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: I don't have one specific memory that sticks out. I absolutely loved my time at Trinity. I made some of the best friendships that I have ever made and still maintain to this day. I had amazing professors who were passionate about what they taught. I was challenged to think critically and openly and to take advantage of what the school had to offer. My four years at Trinity were some of the greatest years of my life, and I would do it again in a heartbeat.



Katherine Woodcock LeDuc '00 and John Day were married on July 9, 2022, in Simsbury, Connecticut. Bantams celebrating with the bride, wearing solid blue behind the Trinity banner, included Lincoln Heineman '01, John Brigham '00, Frank Stellabotte '00, Amelia Ames '00, Ann O'Connell '00, Jon White '00, Sara Merin '00, Beth Gilligan '01, Virginia Lacefield '00, and Dan Courtney '01.

for retiring this spring from the U.S. Army Reserve after more than 20 years of service. It's hard to believe that it's been long enough since graduation for any of us to start retiring from anything, but congratulations are definitely in order for both of you!

I was delighted to have been able to attend the wedding of **Katherine Woodcock LeDuc** and John Day on a lovely July afternoon beside the Farmington River in Simsbury, Connecticut. Kathy's Trinity crew turned out in force to celebrate with her, and we held our own on the dance floor! Among those present were **Amelia Ames**, Dan Courtney '01, Beth Gilligan '01, Lincoln Heineman '01, **Sara Merin**, **Ann O'Connell**, **Frank Stellabotte**, **Jon White**, and **John Brigham**, who toasted the bride with several hilarious anecdotes from our college days. All around, it was a refreshing and happy weekend and a welcome opportunity to be together in person after two long years of distancing.

I stayed in New England for a few extra days after the wedding and had the pleasure of meeting up with **Nora Matthews** for coffee in West Hartford, near where she continues to teach theater arts to middle schoolers. She was excited about just having seen her first Broadway show since December 2019 and was already looking forward to heading back to New York for another one!

In Boston, I had lunch with **Elizabeth Nethercote Callahan** and her husband, Dan. It was wonderful to be able to spend time with them. I also was able to fit in a short hike with Dawn Fancher '98 in Montpelier, Vermont, where she still enjoys rural living with her 16-year-old daughter, River.

On my way out of Hartford, I stopped by Trinity for a stroll down the Long Walk. Parts

of campus have been thoroughly transformed with shiny new buildings and fancy landscaping, but the quad retains a timeless, comforting familiarity that still feels like home. The only thing missing was familiar faces, but I have high hopes for our 25th Reunion in three years. Until then, please continue to send me your news and updates at virgquest@gmail.com, or find me on social media. I hope you all had a happy holiday season and wish you all the best for 2023!

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Classmates, it's been a busy fall, and your secretary is hoping for temps in Houston to drop so that she can bust out her sweaters (it's 90 degrees as I write this in early October). Hopefully some of you were able to attend Homecoming and were able to connect and carry on the fun from Reunion. So much fun. Still sad that I missed out on late-night Campus Pizza on the quad.

Doug Carlson enjoyed attending the wedding of **David B. Bijur**, who married Lauren Edmonson on September 10, 2022, in Sunapee, New Hampshire. Other Trinity alumni attending the celebration included **Reed Wilmerding**, **Benjamin Sayles**, **Spencer Schulten**, **George Hutton**, Kathleen Fulton '99, and Sandy Schmid '99. David and Lauren reside in Chicago.

Russell Fugett reached out with an update, "I'm in Maryland near Annapolis. #GoNavy. Our family sponsors two midshipmen, one



Katie Wallack '00 snuggles with son Wylder, born in April 2022.

of whom is on the football team. I also joined the board of Indian Creek School, where my daughter is in third grade. I'm leading Jumla Network, where we're leveraging the ISO global standard for diversity and inclusion. We are leading a methodical project management approach to bring about transformation in organizations to minimize risk and spur growth. Our nonprofit arm, Endowment Commons, a 501c3 public charity, will use donations to invest with diverse fund managers and funds executing diverse strategies. We'll take the proceeds of the endowment to donate it to nonprofits doing the work to close the racial wealth gap. In my free time, I co-host my wife's podcast *Progress Over Perfection* and volunteer with my church as a liaison to our local food bank."

From the Alumni Office: **Peter Blair** has been appointed executive producer of Chicagoland's Marriott Theatre, which presents new and classic musicals, often direct from Broadway, and has staged more than 250 productions before an estimated 12 million people in its history. In his new role, Peter, who has been with Marriott Theatre since 2005, will be responsible for its overall leadership. After graduating from Trinity with a B.A. in music, Peter began his theater career at the La Jolla Playhouse and since then has held nearly every job in the business.

2002 Secretary: **Ellen Zarchin**, ellen.zarchin.2002@trincoll.edu
 • Class Agents: **Shakira Ramos Crespo**, **Dave Kayiatos**, **Nhung My Thi Lam**, **Ellen Zarchin**
 Hello, Class of 2002! Well, fall has officially arrived in New York, and I have already begun counting down the days until spring!

Rebecca Brosnan checked in from Hong Kong with news that she joined the

leadership team of Diginex as CFO and head of strategy. Rebecca writes, "Throughout my life, I have loved working at the intersection of business and impact, whether it be helping to develop commercial businesses in emerging economies or bringing data-centered impact measurement to social enterprises and nonprofits."

Marty McGivern wrote from the Windy City to share that a flock of Bantams gathered to celebrate the life of **Alison Hadden** at her home in Boulder, Colorado, last spring. **Alice Affleck Bullitt, Diana Beedy Baruni, Eric Brown, Andy Cohen, Laura Cohen Escobar, Bridget Dullea, Salma Gaya Khan, Sarah Greenwood Salmon '01, Abbie Gross Cohen, Liz Kingsbury Yoshino, Kara Klenk, John Klinger, Marty McGivern, Will Proctor '01, Morgan Salmon '01, Rachel Skolnick, and Amy Werner Ragsdale** shared happy memories, sad feelings, and some greatest hits in honor of our dear friend and her movement, #notimetowaste.

Jesse Lee and **Nita Chaudhary** are still married after meeting at the Underground Coffeehouse 22 years ago. Nita is director of program at MoveOn, and Jesse is a senior adviser to the National Economic Council at the White House.

As always, please continue to send me news from your corner of the world. All the best, Ellen

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

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

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

'04ers, please get mentally, emotionally, and physically prepared for our 20th Reunion, kicking off in 2024!

Emily Johnson and her family left N.Y.C. and bought their first home in Westchester in June. Their 3-year-old loves having a backyard! As a bonus, she and her family now live closer to **Dana Viltz** and **Alix Purcell** and their adorable children. Hooray for second-generation Trinity friends!

Meghan Emilio Clarke, along with her husband and two daughters, moved back to Massachusetts after 11 years in the United Kingdom. She is teaching math and computer science at Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts.

Earlier this year, **Jake Schneider** launched a blog (www.IPDecode.com) that explores the intersection of law and technology. He is an intellectual property attorney at Holland & Knight's Boston office.

2005 President: **Erin E. Kinney** • Vice President: **Rebecca M. Bell** • Secretary: **Vacant** • Class Agents: **Eileen Flynn, Devin Malay, Andrea Leverant Minor, Liz Hanusovsky Patterson** • [f/groups/trinitycollegeclassof2005](#)

The class secretary position for the Class of 2005 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.

2006 President: **Victoria Hamilton McCarthy** • Vice President: **Kyle J. Cox** • Secretary: **Timothy Y. Fox, timothy.fox.2006@trincoll.edu** • Class Agents: **Nicole Tsesmelis Cea, Kyle J. Cox, James McCarthy, Victoria Hamilton McCarthy, Kim Galloway McHale, Gabriel L.P. Rotman**

Colin Levy loves his role as legal chief for the legal tech (contract management) company Malbek. His position provides opportunities to speak to law school classes and participate on podcasts and webinars. Colin also is nearing the relaunch of his website that provides insights from leaders in the legal industry. He celebrated his 11-year wedding anniversary with husband Jared in June.

David Sterling Brown, a Shakespeare studies and race scholar, returned to Trinity in fall 2022 as an assistant professor of English. He is delighted to be back on campus, working in the department he has loved for two decades. David recently launched a professional website, www.DavidSterlingBrown.com. And he is finalizing a book, under contract with Cambridge University Press, that examines race and whiteness in Shakespearean drama.

Jake Isbrandtsen, Justin Wasfy, and Tim Fox got together for lunch and drinks outside Washington, D.C., in mid-September, when Jake was in town for a wedding. It was a good excuse for Tim and Justin to get out of the D.C. bubble and experience Chantilly's beautiful shopping centers.

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



Mike Bojko '08 reconnects with **Liz Dreier '08** in London in October 2022.

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

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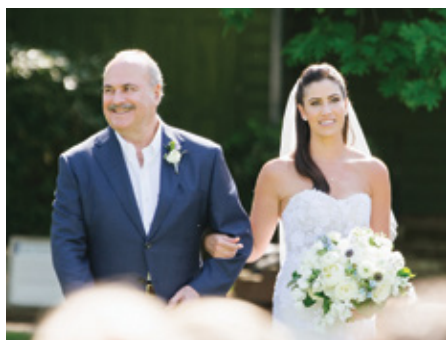
2008 President: **Tyler L. Sparrow** • Vice President: **Andrew P. Maia** • Secretary: **Elizabeth Fritzer Dreier, elizabeth.fritzer.2008@trincoll.edu** • Class Agents: **Nadia Zahran Anderson, Sasha C. Kravetz, Victoria Sprehe**

Greetings from the Class of 2008!

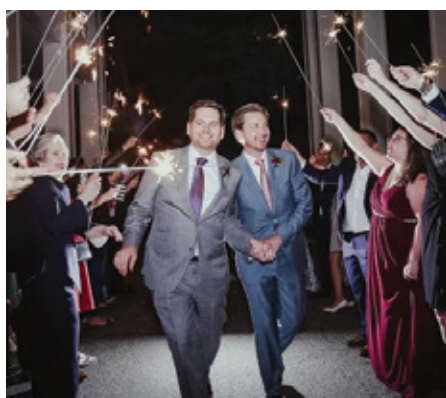
Congratulations are in order for **Mark Durney** and wife Melissa, who welcomed their first child, John "Jack" Thomas Durney, into the world on July 30, weighing in at 6 pounds, 13 ounces, and towering tall at 20.75 inches. The two are enjoying parenthood so far and are looking forward to taking baby Jack on adventures soon.

Also, **China L.M. Reichert** has been hard at work impressively earning an M.S. in nutrition and public health from Columbia University and working as a clinical registered dietitian nutritionist. Additionally, China founded a nonprofit advocating for at-risk Afghan allies to the U.S. government and other vulnerable groups after the Taliban takeover of Kabul. Civilians for Afghans assists with case management and relocation efforts for our former partners with the goal of honoring American promises.

In other news, **Mike Bojko** recently attended a reception in London for Lisa Bisaccia '78, chair of Trinity's Board of Trustees, hosted by James Yu '87. Mike said, "It was the first Trinity-in-London event since January 2020, and it was great to meet



Jenny Vince '09, right, and Evan Pietras were married on May 21, 2022, at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michaels, Maryland. The bride's father, Clinton Vince '71, left, joined in the celebration.



Jamie Gale '10 and Chris Cabanski were married on October 15, 2022, at the Chevy Chase Club in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

several recent graduates, some of whom are following a similar path to me and are pursuing a master's in the United Kingdom upon graduating from Trinity. It's always nice to welcome Bantams to London! It was also exciting to hear Lisa talk about the board's ambition to continue to improve the student experience and the campus." Mike also met **Liz Dreier** for a lovely dinner before she ran the London Marathon at the beginning of October. Liz had not been back since studying abroad through Trinity's partnership with Queen Mary University of London but enjoyed visiting again.

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Art Schweitzer has lived in downtown Austin, Texas, since 2015. He started a drainage/plumbing/landscape business 3½ years ago and sold it early last year. In fall 2021, he helped start a nonprofit that specializes in equine therapy for addiction and trauma, where he also is a board member. He spends



Vivian Baker '11 and Prasanna Gautam '11 were married in June 2022 in Kathmandu, Nepal. Bantams in attendance included Tomas de'Medici '11, Catherine Marinello '11, Jessica Ross '10, and Rebecca Ostrowsky '11.

his days in the Hill Country, west of Austin, on the farm helping to take care of the horses and the property. He also works as a coach for people who are in early recovery and helps them with everything from rebuilding relationships with their family and friends to getting jobs to learning how to pay taxes and sign leases for houses or apartments. He says, "I couldn't be happier. Life is good."

Stephen Sullivan and Victoria Martinez (DePaul University '14) celebrated their one-year anniversary on February 13. They were married in a small ceremony in Los Angeles officiated by his brother, Andrew.

Chelsea Naftelberg and Jared Williams were married in Waitsfield, Vermont, on a sunny June afternoon. The ceremony was officiated by longtime friend and fellow Cleo, David Slatkin '08.

Jenny Vince and Evan Pietras were married on May 21, 2022, at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michaels, Maryland. Those celebrating with the couple included father of the bride Clinton Vince '71, bridesmaids **Alyce Fernley**, **Megan Taverna Manley**, and **Kristina Scontras Cutter**, along with guests **Becky Zoller Cator**, **Becca Freedman Shortle**, **Katie Leahy Stoddard**, Charlotte Fouch Fox '06, and Tim Fox '06.

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

Hello, again. I have had the pleasure of catching up with some of our classmates recently, which I've included below, but I'd also love to share more about what's going on with you in this section of the *Reporter*. Please reach

out to me at rmherrigel@gmail.com to be included for the next issue's Class Notes.

Ardath Dixon, **Katie Goodman**, and I recently met as new and new-ish Portland, Maine, residents. Ardath is the stewardship manager at the Cape Elizabeth Land Trust, a position she started in October 2021. Katie is the director of Camp Chewonki, in Wiscasset. It was fun to reminisce about Trinity and hear what cool things they've been doing in Portland. I guess that means you all should come visit us here!

I also met **Elizabeth O'Connell** on a recent hot day in Boston. She's started a new position in the catering department of a Newport hotel, where she plans weddings and corporate events. We might have been the only people in town not there to see the Red Hot Chili Peppers.

Jamie Gale and Chris Cabanski were married on October 15, 2022, at the Chevy Chase Club in Chevy Chase, Maryland. They had a special wedding ceremony, surrounded by their family and friends, and were fortunate to have so many people attend from all parts of the country and from abroad! It was a magnificent two-day experience that they would not change for the world.

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

As we enter the fall, please raise your pumpkin spice latte and help me offer cheers to a 2011 Bantam wedding. Congratulations to **Vivian Baker** and **Prasanna Gautam**, who were married in June 2022 in Kathmandu, Nepal!

That lovely news is the only class update we have this time. As always, I'd love to hear from you, so send your updates for the next issue of *The Trinity Reporter*.

Jordan Green '14

What do you do in your position?

Reaching back services is essentially a community engagement position. Hartford Promise is a nonprofit organization centered on providing scholarship opportunities to students from Hartford. Through the “reaching back” programming, I work with Hartford Public School students, counselors, administrators, and teachers to help strengthen the college-going culture in each high school and to ensure Hartford students are aware of their talents, the Hartford Promise scholarship (students can receive up to \$20,000 in college scholarship), and the many college opportunities and possibilities available to them. (There’s another Trinity alum on our Board of Directors: Walter Harrison ’68, H’18!) Previously, I was a director of college and career readiness at Capital Preparatory Magnet School in Hartford and a private college consultant who has helped students in the inner city receive more than \$73 million in scholarships and grants. These students attended schools including Trinity College, Stanford University, Dartmouth University, the University of Pennsylvania, Vanderbilt University, Wesleyan University, Colby College, Howard University, and many more. I was profiled by NBC Connecticut for helping students in the Class of 2022 receive \$27 million in scholarships and grants. I couldn’t have done that on my own; that was a collective effort by the community.

What led you to work in education? I was drawn to working in education after doing a mentoring program at M.D. Fox elementary and studying the systemic educational inequalities in Connecticut while an undergraduate at Trinity. As a 12-year-old at Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy, I remember visiting Trinity. However, I did not think I could attend a school like Trinity College. I internalized from an early age that certain elite institutions were out of my reach. There was a fear that my status

as a first-generation student raised by a single parent would limit what I could do. Access to support helped me realize the fluidity of my existence. I got into education to provide support and hope to other students in vulnerable positions. My path in education initially started out as a social justice teacher where I created social justice curriculum.

What does it mean to you to work in Hartford? Hartford is home to me; I am a product of the Hartford school system. I understand the systemic inequalities that exist within the Hartford community. I’m privileged to be able to utilize the skills I’ve built at Trinity and give back to my community. It’s always been a goal to help build up my community. I’m honestly grateful and feel really lucky to be doing this work.

What do you enjoy most about your job? I enjoy connecting with and inspiring students who come from similar backgrounds. As a former first-generation college student, I understood the difficulties that came with trying to achieve things beyond my immediate environment. So much self-doubt and anxiety can creep into the mind when you venture into uncharted territory. Being able to support [members of] the next generation to find their path is beautiful. The best part of the job is helping people become alive to the fluidity of their existence!

What are the biggest challenges you face? The greatest challenge is understanding the limitations that come with community work. An array of issues plague the city of Hartford, so even if you’re working with students to help with college access, other impediments—such as food insecurity, crime, poverty, mental health, etc.—present problems. The students I’m working with are battling so many other issues. However, my capacity to help is limited. That’s why community cohesion is so important. We need collaborative community efforts to



DEGREE: B.A. in public policy and law, with a concentration in policy analysis

JOB TITLE: Director of reaching back services, Hartford Promise

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: I can’t separate one moment. I look back with pride on the day-to-day connections I made while at Trinity. The laughs, the jokes, the tears, the joy, the debates . . . the connections I made will stay with me for a lifetime!

pool resources that will allow Hartford to flourish.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? The American studies course “Viewing *The Wire* through a Critical Lens” with Nicholas Conway was my favorite class. Using the TV show *The Wire* as a vehicle to examine our postmodern society redefined what education could look like for me.

Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential? Not just professors but also staff members . . . there were so many! They all poured into me and gave me a platform to explore and find myself. There were professors such as Adrienne Fulco, Nicholas Conway, and Davarian Baldwin. Also, staff members including Pejay Lucky, Alicia McKenzie, Carol Correa de Best, Romulus Perez, Karla Spurlock Evans, and Christopher Card helped make Trinity feel like a home.



Elle Lucadamo '12 and Andrew Smiles were married on June 4, 2022, in Evanston, Illinois. Bantams celebrating with the bride, second from left, included Sam Brill '12, Rafaela Minkowsky Perkins '12, Shawna Altdorf '12, Caroline Bodian '12, and Leigh Howard '12. Mike Phillips '12 also attended.



Marc DiBenedetto '13 and Kathryn Longenbach were married on June 18, 2022, in Boston, in a ceremony officiated by Dante Ambrogio '13.



Lacey Rose '10 and Carly Bernstein '13 tied the knot in August 2022 with many Trinity friends in attendance.

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In July, **Annalise Welte** moved back to New York City from Los Angeles for a new job. Annalise is librarian for research services at the Institute of Fine Arts at NYU.

Meredith Veach launched a new podcast last fall, and the first episode of season two just launched! *One Oh! One: It's a beginning* is a web series/podcast by Exit 74 Productions for young women who are interested in pursuing careers in film and television. Meredith and her co-host, Kate Forsatz, interview industry pros to help young women learn about the opportunities in their industry. By arming young women with information, they are confident they will go after these opportunities and change the industry for the better. Learn more and listen to the new season at www.oneohonepodcast.com.

Elle Lucadamo and Andrew Smiles were married on June 4, 2022, in Evanston, Illinois.

The 2022 wedding calendar also included the nuptials of three Adams who once

shared a Jarvis suite overlooking Trinity's Main Quad. **Adam Boynton** and Emily Cardenas were married in May in Beverly, Massachusetts. **Adam Katcher** and Johanna Kinsler were married in July in Lake Angelus, Michigan. **Adam Norton** and Joyce Yan were married in October in Blairstown, New Jersey. Their five other 2012 suitemates were grateful the three Adams enthusiastically agreed to a combined bachelor party in this busy year. Regrettably, their wives were not prepared to merge the weddings into a single event.

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Marc DiBenedetto and Kathryn Longenbach (Hamilton College '13) were married on June 18, 2022, at SRV in Boston. Kathryn and Marc met while studying abroad at the Trinity Rome Campus in 2011. Kathryn's parents are both Trinity alums, James Longenbach '81,

who passed away in July 2022, and Joanna Scott '82. **Dante Ambrogio** officiated. Kathryn and Marc are living in Boston for the foreseeable future.

Carly Bernstein and Lacey Rose '10 were married on August 6, 2022.

Dani Isaman and **Ryan Burgess** celebrated their one-year anniversary on October 1, 2022.

2014 President: Victoria C. Trentacoste • Vice President: Annick J. Bickson • Secretary: Vacant • Class Agents: Brendan Bader, Carl Barreto, William Gray, Madeleine Dickinson Hansen, Alex Harvey, Sophie Katzman, Juan Lopez Rodriguez, Annie Murdock, Nat Nurmi, Ian Pickrell, Benjamin Plumer, Max Schaefer, Victoria C. Trentacoste, Katherine Weatherly-White

While it certainly was a full wedding season, we had just one submission for Class of 2014 nuptials! If you'd like to be included next time, please contact **Chloe Miller** at chloe.miller100@gmail.com.

Kelly Freeman and **Bradley Runowicz** were married on September 17, 2022, in Kelly's parents' backyard in Milton, Massachusetts. Trinity alumni in attendance included **Mary McAlister Turgeon**, **Moriah Sweeney**, **Lauren Blau**, **Causey Dunlap**, **Abigail Hancock Doherty**, **Robert Ferrara**, **David O'Brien**, Connor Glynn '22, **Caroline Freeman** '19, **Ryan Glynn** '20, **Daniel DiIeso**, **Chase Gowney**, **Paul Mirabelli**, **Brittany Viola**, **Patrick Carbone**, **Elizabeth Getzoff Malarney**, **Joseph Malarney** '10, **Ian Pickrell**, and **Ryan Carr**.

The class secretary position for the Class of 2014 is vacant. If you would like to serve as class secretary, please contact Julie Cloutier in the Alumni Office at 860-297-2403 or julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu.

From the Alumni Office: We want to offer our thanks to **Chloe Miller** for providing this issue's notes for the Class of 2014.

2015 President: John A. Kandarian • Vice President: Aysen S. Muderrisoglu • Secretary: Shaina N. Lo, shaina.lo.2015@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Stephan “Mac” Morse, Peter J. Ragosta Jr., Stephen Sample, Marie Christner Stansfield, Sarah Wolcott, Robert Zindman

Moustafa Hamada has happily returned to Trinity to work with the men’s squash team. He is super excited to work alongside Paul Assaiane, who has been his coach and mentor for all of these years.

Marie Stansfield and **Sheldon Stansfield** welcomed baby Teddy Wackerle Stansfield on May 12, 2022.

Chudi Iregbulem recently won a \$100,000 cash grant from the Google for Startups Black Founders Fund for his company Beatmatch.

Osarumese Okoh won second place in the 2022 Mayor’s Garden Contest in Boston.



Kelly Freeman '14 and Bradley Runowicz '14 were married on September 27, 2022, in Milton, Massachusetts, with a healthy showing of Trinity alums.

2016 President: Joshua J. Frank • Secretary: Ashira E. Anderson, ashira.anderson.2016@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Ethan Cantor, Whitney Gulden, Kathryn Orticerio, Ian Robinson • f/groups/Trinity2016

While completing her M.B.A. at the Quinlan School of Business at Loyola University Chicago, Amber Townsend '17, started a new position as the inaugural manager of DEI at Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine Cancer Center.

Andrew Fishman and wife Rayna met with friends **Philip Oxnard** and Carson Einarsen at Hershey Park this past summer.

Evan Turiano and Kelly Vaughan '17 were married on July 2, 2022, in a beautiful ceremony in the Trinity College Chapel nearly seven years after meeting in McCook Hall. More than 20 members of the Classes of 2016, 2017, and 2018 attended. Evan completed a Ph.D. in history at the CUNY Graduate Center in June and is a visiting assistant professor of history at Queens College, CUNY.

Since spending the last five years in Rwanda, **Dieudonne Irankunda** returned 'neath the elms to pursue an M.A. in public policy. He and a fellow alumnus run a technology company they founded after meeting in a computer science class at Trinity. They are launching a scholarship program for three primary students from Rwanda worth \$100 per student for school supplies. More information about Dieudonne’s philanthropic work can be found at www.theeinsteingiving.com.



Kelly Vaughan '17 and Evan Turiano '16 were married on July 2, 2022, in the Trinity College Chapel, with plenty of Bantams joining in the celebration.

2017 President: Ryan Miller • Vice President: Sebastien Broustra • Secretary: Alexandra Chalfin alexandra.chalfin.2017@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Alec Buffamonte, Daniel A. Garcia, Clare Knowlton,

Kaitlin Lewis, Julianna Maisano, Ryan Miller, Kiley Nygren, Jennifer Tran • f/groups/Trinity2017

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2019 Secretary: William J. Duggan III, william.duggan.2019@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Rachel Brigham, Sam Buck, Emma Godi, Sophia Gourley, Debbie Herrera, Ethan Hunter, Alex Kaplan, Talia La Schiazza, Brooke LePage, Molly McGonigle, Emily McLeod, Kristina Miele, Erik Mohl, Simran Sheth, Chandler Solimine, Amber Stevenson, Stephanie Velarde, Michael Zarra

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

The Class of 2020 finally made it back to camp to take a final walk across the plaque we avoided for six years! The highlights of the ceremony included **Matthew Rivera’s** inspiring speech, which reminded us how resilient and unique the Trinity community is, especially the Class of 2020. We also enjoyed the thought-provoking speech from Will McCormack '96 that made us laugh, made us cry, and encouraged our class to remain “surprising” as we navigate the next stages of our lives. Graduation gave us a space to finally come together safely to celebrate our great successes, return to our senior housing, rekindle the memories of our time at Trinity, and gain closure to an abrupt end to our college years. I look forward to the next time we will all be together in Hartford!

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

I hope that you were able to make it back to our second Homecoming. Time carries onward, and though we have been out of our time at Trinity for more than a year, we certainly continue to grow and mature in our professional and personal successes. I am certain that many of you look forward to additional developments in the Bicentennial. I have been actively engaged in the planning process and serve on several of the committees. There will be many opportunities to engage, particularly in supporting regional celebration efforts. When developments are announced, I earnestly hope to see the Class of 2021 step up to the plate.

To wit: we were quiet again this month. Let's endeavor to change that. As I mentioned in the last edition of the *Reporter*, please share your experiences, updates, and milestones with me; this is so crucial to keeping our class connected, especially as the gulf widens from our time at Trinity. Do not hesitate to drop me a line via email (brendanwclark@outlook.com) or telephone (610-781-8446) with updates or to find a time to catch up. Please also follow our class Instagram page for information on class events @trincoll21.

In lieu of news from all of you, I will share my own developments: **Brendan W. Clark** has concluded his second semester at William & Mary Law School and has accepted an offer to serve as a 2023 summer associate at Richards, Layton & Finger, the largest law firm in Delaware, in Wilmington. Fun observations about Delaware: it is the state of incorporation for 66 percent of Fortune 500 corporations and has more corporations than individual residents. Brendan continues to be actively engaged at William & Mary, serving as president of the Business Law Society and a staff member on the *William & Mary Business Law Review*.

2022 Co-President: Nayantara Ghosh
 • Co-President: Shawn Olstein
 • Secretary: Vacant

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 IDP'19, shahzad.joseph@trincoll.edu
 • Class Agent: Robert F. Peltier IDP'91



Chris McBride M'93 and daughter Calla tour the Trinity campus in summer 2022.

Master's Co-Secretary: Crisanne Colgan M'74, crisanne.colgan.1974@trincoll.edu
 • Co-Secretary: Christopher McBride M'93, christopher.mcbride.1993@trincoll.edu
Richard M. Glendening M'66 lives in California, where he has worked as a high school English teacher, computer peripherals sales representative, and Aetna Financial Services representative. For the past 22 years, he has performed as a member of the San Francisco Symphony Chorus.

Tom Truxes M'75 is a member of the History Department and Irish studies faculty at NYU (having previously taught history at Trinity). In November 2021, Yale University Press published his most recent book, *The Overseas Trade of British America: A Narrative History*.

From **Chris McBride M'93**: "Hello, fellow alums. I appreciate all of the updates and having the opportunity to learn a bit about your many activities. My wife and I are excited that our daughter Calla is applying for admission to the Class of 2027 at Trinity!"

Melissa A. Kotulski M'05 has posted an e-book titled *National and International Attestations* that is available on Amazon. She has three others forthcoming: *The U.S. Supreme Court 2020–2022*, *International Judges and Nationality*, and *The Distribution of Power at the National and International Levels*. She has stated that she owes such successes to her foundations at Trinity.

Geoffrey G. Fisher M'07 has been studying at the Cooley Law School at Western Michigan University. After past experience as a member of the West Hartford Board of Education, Geoffrey plans a return to Connecticut in 2023 to run for West Hartford

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Town Council. He writes: "I am negotiating with my fiancée to move to Connecticut, but she refers to my state as 'The People's Republic of Connecticut.' "

IN MEMORY

V-12 Philip L. Iampietro, 98, of Wallingford, Connecticut, died on June 13, 2022.

Iampietro was attending Massachusetts State College (MSC; now University of Massachusetts Amherst) when World War II interrupted his studies. After enlisting in the U.S. Navy, Iampietro completed the V-12 program at Trinity and midshipmen training at the University of Notre Dame. He later graduated from MSC with a B.A. in chemistry. He went on to a career in the pharmaceutical industry.

Iampietro is survived by children Philip Iampietro Jr. (Mina Koyanagawa), Meagan Burke (Guthrie), and Hollis Barickman (James); daughter-in-law Canny Iampietro; five grandchildren; a step-grandson; and brother Pat Iampietro. He was predeceased by his wife of nearly 67 years, Mary Louise, and son Thomas.

1948 Joseph V. Faillace, 96, of Avon, Connecticut, died on August 14, 2022.

Faillace served in the U.S. Army during World War II before earning a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity and a master's degree from Wesleyan. He was a longtime physics teacher in the Avon public schools.

Faillace is survived by his wife of 56 years, Inez, and son David Faillace (Sarah). He was predeceased by siblings James Faillace and Theresa Faillace.

1948 Robert Ramaker, 97, of Wakefield, Rhode Island, died on August 13, 2022.

Ramaker attended Yale University and served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II before earning an interdisciplinary B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and the

Senate. He went on to a career in newspapers, including time at *The Hartford Courant*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *The Providence Journal*, where he worked for 28 years.

Ramaker is survived by his wife of 70 years, Artemis; children Samuel Ramaker (Laurie) and Martha Hazard; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by brothers Donald, Judson, and John Ramaker.

1950 Leonard S. Ross, 93, of Barnstable, Massachusetts, died on March 9, 2022.

Ross earned a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and participated in Hillel. He went on to earn an M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. Ross served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps before working as a radiologist at Tufts New England Medical Center and later opening his own practice, Quincy Radiology Associates.

Ross is survived by wife Janet; children Mitchell Ross and Sheryl Ross (Matthew Berg); stepchildren Lorri Mayer, David Mayer, Joseph Mayer, and Andrea Mayer; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brother-in-law George Rittershaus (Denise); and daughters-in-law Kathryn O'Brien and Karen Lynch. He was predeceased by his former wife, Muriel, and his brother, Norton Ross.

1950 John A. Strother, 94, of Princeton, New Jersey, died on June 27, 2022.

Strother's studies at Trinity were interrupted by service in the U.S. Army during World War II. After returning to Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club, he graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.S. in mathematics. Strother went on

to earn an M.S. in engineering from Princeton. His career included time in RCA's Astro-Electronics Division, where he was involved in the creation of the TIROS 1 weather satellite.

Strother is survived by daughters Kate, Jean (Dick Tushingham), and Nancy (Larry Kelly); four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and siblings Gordon Strother, Mary Alice Peachman, and Peg Gillies. He was predeceased by his wife of 70 years, Terry.

1951 William P. Austin, 91, of Asheville, North Carolina, died on January 6, 2022.

Austin earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi, the Glee Club, the Concert Choir, and the staff of the *Ivy*. He went on to earn graduate degrees at institutions including Brown University and Yale University's Berkeley Divinity School. Austin also served in the U.S. Air Force.

Austin is survived by children Annie McDonald, Patrick Austin, and Sarah Wicker; six grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter. He was predeceased by wife Mary Lee and daughter Martha Austin.

1951 Joseph A. Camilleri Sr., 93, of Hamden, Connecticut, died on March 28, 2022.

Camilleri earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. He went on to earn an M.D. from the Yale School of Medicine. Camilleri had a private urology practice for 33 years.

Camilleri is survived by his wife of 64 years, Elizabeth "Bette"; sons Joseph Camilleri Jr. '81 and Robert Camilleri; and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by daughters-in-law Martha Brochin '81 and Tammy Camilleri and siblings Mary Scalia, Salvatore Camilleri (Gloria), and Sarino Camilleri (Amalia).

1951 Edward D. Taylor Jr., 93, of Newton, New Jersey, died on July 25, 2022.

Taylor earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, the Senate, and Medusa. After time in the insurance industry, he worked as a certified industrial environment safety engineer for Fairchild Industries.

Taylor is survived by his wife of 47 years, Marjorie; her children and their spouses, Doug and Mary Helton and Jennifer and Steve Piniaha; his children and their spouses, Marjorie and Jim Hickey, Diane and Mark Forsyth, Gene and Tina Taylor, Bill and Marta Taylor, Catherine and Jerry Soster, and Jacqueline and Steven Sobol; 17 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by son Edward Taylor III and stepdaughter Dawn Helton.

1952 Kenneth H. Kinner, 94, of Casper, Wyoming, died on June 24, 2022.

Kinner earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He went on to Berkeley Divinity School at Yale University and was ordained a deacon and then a priest. He served in Episcopal churches for 20 years and later was consecrated as an Anglican Catholic bishop in 2004.

Kinner is survived by sons Mark (Tibbie), Paul (Lorinda), Stephen (Julie), and Christopher (Charlotte); 12 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Priscilla, and infant son Kevin.

1952 Edward B. "Ted" Thomas, 93, of Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, died on April 29, 2022.

Thomas earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi, served as president of the Senate, played lacrosse, and took part in ROTC. He went on to serve in the U.S. Marine Corps. Thomas spent his career in copper alloy manufacturing.

Thomas is survived by his wife of nearly 67 years, Joan; children Chip and Carolyn and their spouses, Laura Hasti and

Brook Spaulding; and three granddaughters.

1952 William M. Vibert, 92, of Granby, Connecticut, died on June 10, 2022.

Vibert earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and the football and baseball teams. He went on to serve in the U.S. Navy and then spent 20 years in the reserves. Vibert earned an M.A. in history from the University of Iowa before serving for more than two decades as a teacher and coach. He had a second career in real estate.

Vibert is survived by his wife of nearly 71 years, Patricia; children Mark Vibert '79 (Betsy '79), Carrie Vibert, and Todd Vibert (Lisa); four grandchildren, including Matthew Vibert '10; and one great-grandchild. He was predeceased by siblings Isabel Benton, Ruthven Vibert, Robert Vibert Jr., Peter Vibert, John Vibert, and Thomas Vibert.

1953 Leroy C. Rees Jr., 91, of St. Paul, Minnesota, died on August 11, 2022.

Rees studied at Trinity, Luther College, and the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. He also served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. Rees worked for Unisys for 32 years.

Rees is survived by children Linda Schramm (Steve), Bradley (Dawn), Brian (Gena), and Karen Lenz (Craig); 18 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and brother John Rees. He was predeceased by his wife of 62 years, Dolores "Laurie," and sisters Lois Woodend and Elizabeth Bixler.

1954, M.A. 1970 Richard C. Austin, 89, of Keene, New York, died on April 13, 2022.

Austin earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He taught middle school before being drafted into the U.S. Army and serving in the Korean War; he later served in

the Army National Guard. Austin went on to a 37-year teaching career at East Lyme High School, where he also coached tennis. He returned to Trinity to earn an M.A. in history.

Austin is survived by his wife of 36 years, Donna; his former wife, Sandra; and their son, David Austin (Kasia).

1954 John E. Backenstoe, 89, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, died on June 2, 2022.

Backenstoe earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and played soccer. He went on to earn a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania School of Law. Backenstoe served in the U.S. Air Force and then as an attorney in the U.S. Army. His later work experiences included practicing law and serving in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives and as a judge.

Backenstoe is survived by sons David Backenstoe (Kelly), Gerald Backenstoe (Nancy), and Thomas Backenstoe and six grandchildren. He was predeceased by wife Lois and sister Sally Afflerbach.

1954 Edward T. Condron, 89, of Enfield, Connecticut, died on July 9, 2022.

Condron earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and Newman Club. He had a 30-year career in Connecticut state government and also served as an adjunct professor.

Condron is survived by his wife of 62 years, Maureen; children Kathy Hearn and Thomas Condron; seven grandchildren; sisters-in-law Jane Charette and Patricia Peters; and seven grandchildren. He was predeceased by brothers-in-law Edward Peters, Paul Charette, and Paul Peters.

1955 John J. Burton, 88, of Sebastian, Florida, died on July 23, 2022.

Burton attended Trinity, where he was a member of the

Glee Club, before moving on to Colgate University. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 20 years, including during the Vietnam War.

Burton is survived by his wife of 14 years, Donna; children John Burton Jr. (Susan), Patti Sue Burton-Pye (Russell), Michelle DeMunbrun (Craig), and Denise Pikramenos (Harry); nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; one great-great-granddaughter; and sisters Linda Shearer and Sally Walton. He was predeceased by daughter Jane Burton and brother David Kettlehut.

1955 Robert A. Freeman, 89, of Raleigh, North Carolina, died on August 21, 2022.

After serving in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War, Freeman earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and played basketball and tennis. He went on to earn a master's degree in physical education from Springfield College. Freeman spent his career in education, including 25 years at Green Mountain Union High School in Vermont, where he served as athletic director, teacher, and coach.

Freeman is survived by his wife of 63 years, Jean; daughters Betsy Chapin (Tom), Diane Hammond, and Susan Halloran (Michael); six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

1955 Donald F. Mountford, 90, of Kinnelon, New Jersey, died on May 27, 2022.

Mountford earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi. He went on to a career at JCPenney, which was interrupted by a stint in the U.S. Navy. The dedicated alumnus was active in planning class Reunions and most recently served as his class president.

Mountford is survived by his wife of 64 years, Lura; children Alison Mountford '81 (Peter Dianni), William Mountford II (Missy Conboy), and Gary Mountford (Lynn); eight

grandchildren; and sister Gloria Hopping.

1955 Peter W. Nash, 89, of Nantucket, Massachusetts, died on September 10, 2022.

Nash earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he served as president of Psi Upsilon and was a member of the Philosophy Club. He spent much of his career as an investment counselor with Scudder, Stevens & Clark. The loyal alumnus was honored by Trinity with an Alumni Medal for Excellence. He served on the Board of Fellows and as a class agent; he also was a member of the Elms Society.

Nash is survived by his wife of 64 years, Sally; sons Peter II (Sandy), Tom (Lisa), Lew (Amanda), and Andy (Deneige); and eight grandchildren.

1955 David A. Roberts, 89, of Center Valley, Pennsylvania, died on May 27, 2022.

Roberts earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and played basketball and baseball. The Illinois Scholar went on to serve in the U.S. Army before a 40-year career with Bethlehem Steel, retiring as general manager of sales.

Roberts is survived by children Robin (Les Wade), Gayle (Greg Pisklo), Linda (Ian Drake), David, Richard (Laura), Roger (fiancée Jessica Armstrong), Kim (Clark Durant), and Scott (Katie); eight grandchildren; one great-grandson; three step-grandchildren; and six step-great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 54 years, Shirley, and his sister, Lynn Stuchkus.

1955 Richard L. Tompkins, 89, of Marstons Mills, Massachusetts, died on August 18, 2021.

Tompkins earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the football and track teams. He went to found R&D Tool company.

Tompkins is survived by his wife of 68 years, Rita; children Greg (Jane Brookins), Ross, Jeff (Michelle), and Juli Black; five grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

1955 Peter F. Vilter, 89, of Media, Pennsylvania, died on December 20, 2021.

Vilter attended Trinity before moving on to the University of Wisconsin, where he earned a B.S. and an M.S. His work experience included time with IBM and E.F. Vilter Company.

Vilter is survived by children Paul Vilter (Mary) and Ann Erickson (John), five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and brothers Thomas Vilter and Lance Vilter. He was predeceased by wife Judith and grandson Eric Erickson.

1956 Donald E. Ahlberg, 88, of South Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on August 7, 2022.

Ahlberg earned a B.S. in engineering. He went on to work as a mechanical engineer at Pratt & Whitney. The dedicated alumnus also served as a member of the National Guard during the Korean War.

Ahlberg is survived by several nieces and nephews as well as longtime companion Pamela Caywood and her family. He was predeceased by wife Evelyn M'62, '68, siblings Allan Ahlberg and Audrey Daniels (Gordon), and sister-in-law Betty Schiedler.

1956 Richard F. Nissi, 91, of West Falmouth, Massachusetts, died on July 30, 2022.

Nissi earned a B.A. in history and educational studies from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu, the Newman Club, and the football and track teams. He spent his career at AT&T. Nissi also served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

Nissi is survived by sister Elisa Doyle. He was predeceased by wife Ann, brother Nordo Nissi Jr. (Jaqueline), and brother-in-law William Doyle Jr.

1956 William R. Smith III, 86, of Shelton, Connecticut, died on May 19, 2022.

Smith earned a B.S. in physics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Theta and ran cross country and track all four years, serving as captain of the former and co-captain of the latter during his senior year. He went on to earn two master's degrees in engineering from the George Washington University and later a Ph.D. from the University of Connecticut. Smith's work experience included time as an electrical engineer, university professor, mathematician, and computer programmer.

Smith is survived by children William Smith IV (TammyAnn) and Paula Mohamed (Mohamed); Geoffrey Smith (Elizabeth); six grandchildren; and stepchildren James Cody, Michael Cody, and Cynthia Webb. He was predeceased by his ex-wives, Jeannette Smith and Jacquelyn Cody.

1957 Ezra S. "Sam" Diman IV, 86, of Viroqua, Wisconsin, died on July 17, 2022.

Diman earned a B.A. in Spanish from Trinity, where he was a member of the Young Republicans Club and the Spanish Club. He served in the U.S. Armed Forces in Germany. Diman spent much of his career at the University of Wisconsin Press, rising to associate director.

Diman is survived by wife Perry Nesbitt, son Mark Diman, and brother Roderic Diman (Doris).

1957 Vincent J. Irwin III, 86, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on June 12, 2022.

Irwin, who earned a B.A. in economics, was a U.S. Army veteran. He worked for the State of Connecticut for four decades.

Irwin is survived by his wife of 47 years, Felicita; children Judith Madera (Donal Mulcahy), Anita Winters (Jason Wrubleski), David Irwin, and Charles Irwin (Richard Herrod); and seven grandchildren.

1957 Norman C. Kayser, 87, of Estero, Florida, died on September 5, 2022.

Kayser earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and worked at WRTC. He also took part in ROTC. Kayser spent much of his career at R.C. Knox, a Hartford-based insurance and risk management firm, serving as president and later as chairman. He also was a special agent in the U.S. Air Force. The dedicated alumnus was honored by Trinity with a 150th Anniversary Award and an Alumni Medal for Excellence. He served the college as a class agent, as an officer in the alumni association, and on the Board of Fellows; he also was a member of the Elms Society.

Kayser is survived by his wife of nearly 65 years, Joan; children Lynne Parrott, Lee Szaroleta, and Steven Kayser and their spouses; and two grandchildren. He was predeceased by sister June Minor.

1958 James F.X. O'Reilly, 85, of Newtown, Connecticut, died on March 17, 2022.

O'Reilly earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. O'Reilly worked for Union Carbide for more than three decades.

O'Reilly is survived by his partner of 30 years, Carolyn Settzo; children Colleen Garvey (Bill), Kelly Martin, Sean O'Reilly (Laura), Heather McCollough (John), Kerry Feierabend (Erich), and Shavaun Mullane (Tim); 11 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sister Marybeth Walsh; and Carolyn's brother Alan Settzo (Anne Marie). He was predeceased by brother John O'Reilly Jr.

1959 Stephen A. Klinck, 88, of Old Lyme, Connecticut, died on April 29, 2022.

Klinck earned a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity,

where he was a member of the Brownell Club. His time at Trinity was interrupted by a stint in the U.S. Army. He went on to a career as a teacher in the Guilford school system.

Klinck is survived by twin brother Stan Klinck and sister Louise Ferree, as well as sister-in-law Mary Ellen Klinck. He was predeceased by brother Donald.

1959 Myles McDonough, 85, of Satellite Beach, Florida, died on August 11, 2022.

McDonough earned a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi and the baseball and soccer teams. He spent more than 20 years in the U.S. Air Force as a special agent in the Office of Special Investigations. After retiring from the military, he worked another 20 years at Harris Government Systems.

McDonough is survived by his wife of 59 years, Cynthia; children Kerry (Jill), Susan, and Paul (Adrea); four grandchildren; and siblings Stewart, Duncan, and Dena Shively.

1959 Peter Whitbeck, 86, of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina, died on July 5, 2022.

Whitbeck earned a B.S. in biology and went on to graduate from Tufts University School of Dental Medicine. He was in the U.S. Army Dental Corps for 23 years before serving as an associate professor at the College of Dental Medicine, Medical University of South Carolina.

Whitbeck is survived by his wife, Joan; sons Steve and Jon; daughter-in-law Michelle; and two granddaughters.

1960 Richard H. Anderson, 83, of Stamford, Connecticut, died on May 5, 2022.

Anderson earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi. He went on to serve in the U.S. Navy before earning an M.B.A. from New York University. Anderson served as

a systems consultant, working for firms including West Virginia Pulp and Paper, GE Capital, and Nine West. The loyal alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Anderson is survived by his wife, Mary; twin sister Margaret Surridge; nephew Timothy Surridge (Nancy); and nieces Judith Lux (David), Denise Eberhardt (Jay), and Gayle Ray.

1960 Henry S. Bromley III, 85, of Florence, South Carolina, died on June 13, 2022.

Bromley attended Trinity, where he was a member of the Newman Club and took part in fencing, before serving in the U.S. Army. He went on to work as a commodities broker before returning to academia. Bromley earned a B.S.N. from LaSalle University and then worked in nursing, including the last two decades as a home health care nurse.

Bromley is survived by his wife, Patricia; children Henry IV "Kit," Frank, Robert, and Regina "Gina"; two grandchildren; and siblings Roger Bromley, Brad Bromley, Peter Bromley, and Rosemary Hubbard.

1960 Charles M. Hawes III, 84, of Alpharetta, Georgia, died on July 18, 2022.

Hawes earned a B.A. from Trinity, where he was a member of Q.E.D., the Glee Club, and the Senate and took part in fencing. He went on to earn an M.Div. from Episcopal Theological School. Hawes spent his career in the clergy, serving the Episcopal Church in several locations.

Hawes is survived by his second wife, Faith; daughter Kelly Hawes (Robert Evans); stepchildren Adam Hils (Courtney), Miriam (Stephen Matkovits), and Jeremy Hils (Teresa); six grandchildren; and brother Peter Hawes. He was predeceased by his first wife, Sheilah.

1961 William G. Ellyson, 84, of Irvington, Virginia, died on June 3, 2022.

Ellyson earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi. He went on to earn a law degree from the University of Richmond. Ellyson practiced law from 1979 until his retirement in 2013.

Ellyson is survived by his wife of 56 years, Catherine; children Kitty (TJ Dupree), Sally (Kurt Jaskowiak), and Billy Ellyson (Janelle); six grandchildren; and sister Sally Ellyson (Jerry Esposito). He was predeceased by brother Robby Ellyson.

1964 William R. Koretz, 80, of Ketchum, Idaho, died on July 12, 2022.

Koretz earned a B.A. in religion from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi and the swimming team. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Michigan. Koretz worked for Lever Brothers and later opened a restaurant in Illinois and a cookie company in Idaho.

Koretz is survived by daughter Frannie (Mike Pergola); three granddaughters; and brother Alan Koretz (Tracy). He was predeceased by brother John (Carol).

1965 Royal J. Gay, 79, of Branford, Connecticut, died on April 6, 2022.

Gay earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn an M.D. from the Yale School of Medicine. Gay, a specialist in internal medicine and cardiology, founded Capital Cardiology Associates in Albany, New York.

Gay is survived by his wife of 54 years, Margaret; children and grandchildren Michael Gay (Kanita), Matthew Gay (Sarah), and Megan Gay; and siblings Anita Winkler, Robert Gay, and Roger Gay.

1965 Joseph G. Moore, 79, of New York, died on April 16, 2022.

Moore earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he served as president of Pi Kappa

Psi and played baseball. He went on to earn an M.S.W. from Columbia University and a Ph.D. in social work from Fordham University. Moore worked as a social worker in the public and private sectors in New York City for four decades.

Moore is survived by his wife, Jenny Roper; daughters Melissa Reimertz (David) and Emily Murray (Andrew); five grandchildren; and sister Judy Rice.

1966 Robert A. Johnson, 79, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, died on March 30, 2022.

Johnson earned a B.A. in psychology. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Illinois. Johnson was a faculty member at the University of North Carolina before taking a position at Disability Determination Services.

Johnson is survived by his wife of 17 years, Nancy; children Erin Adkins (Duane) and Daniel Johnson (Feira Taylor); his children's mother, Mary Johnson; stepdaughters Tammy Horton and Tonya Snyder (Robert); siblings Richard Johnson and Kathy Pellizzeri; three step-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.

1966 Richard B. Root, 77, of Kennewick, Washington, died on June 2, 2022.

Root earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. He went on to work in the insurance industry, retiring as a vice president.

1967 Kenneth Jue, 77, of Keene, New Hampshire, died on May 23, 2022.

Jue earned a B.A. in German from Trinity, where he was a member of the Glee Club. He went on to earn an M.S.W. from Case Western Reserve University. Jue served as director of a mental health center before embarking on a 33-year tenure at Monadnock Family Services, from which he retired as CEO in 2011.

Jue is survived by his wife of 53 years, Carol; children Alexis Clark (Jay) and Nathaniel Jue (Tara Reynolds); three grandchildren; and siblings Phillip Jue (Sandy Adams), Eric Jue (Genie Wong), and Madeline Ling (Roger). He was predeceased by brother Richard Jue.

1967 Richard W. "Butch" Rath Jr., 76, of Ackley, Iowa, died on May 21, 2022.

Rath earned a B.A. in studio arts from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod* and played lacrosse. He went on to earn a master's degree in architecture from the University of Pennsylvania. Rath worked as an architect in Philadelphia and the San Francisco Bay Area before settling into his own practice in Waterloo.

Rath is survived by sisters Elizabeth Quegg, Rebecca Schoell, and Charlotte Rath and half-sibling Charles Boyer.

1968 James L. Stuhlman, 75, of Madison, Connecticut, died on March 22, 2022.

Stuhlman earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and the basketball and baseball teams. He went on to earn a master's degree from Wesleyan University. Stuhlman taught history at Woodstock Academy and Daniel Hand High School before owning the Red Barn Children's Center, which he and his wife ran for 37 years.

Stuhlman is survived by wife Linda, sons Luther (Stephanie) and Bradley (Guillermina), three grandsons, and brother Byron (Hester). He was predeceased by daughter Gretchen.

1969 D. Scott Johnson, 75, of Chesterfield, Missouri, died on March 30, 2022.

Johnson earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Mu Delta. He went on to a career teaching high school history in Missouri.

Johnson is survived by his wife of 53 years, Lynne;

children Catherine Stahr (Chris) and Douglas (Anna); three grandchildren; and brothers Stuart (Barbara) and Douglas (Wendy).

1970 Dale Buchbinder, 73, of Pikesville, Maryland, died on May 24, 2022.

Buchbinder earned a B.A. in biology and psychology from Trinity, where he served in several leadership roles with Delta Kappa Epsilon. He went on to earn an M.S. from Thomas Jefferson University and an M.D. from Chicago Medical School. The vascular surgeon served as chair of surgery departments at two hospitals before going into private practice. He also served as a clinical professor of surgery at the University of Maryland School of Medicine.

Buchbinder is survived by his wife, Sharon; son Joshua Buchbinder (Elyse); two grandchildren; and sister Loraine Risetto. He was predeceased by sister Georgeda Buchbinder.

1970 Thomas S. Hackett, 74, of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, died on July 10, 2022.

Hackett earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the soccer and track teams. He went on to earn an M.A. in teaching from the University of Pittsburgh. Hackett served in the U.S. Army Reserves before a four-decade career teaching English, advising, and coaching at Wooster School in Danbury, Connecticut.

Hackett is survived by his wife, Caroline; son Geordie; two grandchildren; and siblings Samuel Hackett, Mary Ellen Williams, and James Hackett. He was predeceased by brother David.

1971 Diana A. Clancy, 72, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, died on June 17, 2022.

Clancy transferred to Trinity from Vassar College as a junior and earned a B.A. in psychology. She went on to study at the

University of Massachusetts Amherst. Clancy was a founding member of multiple support groups.

Clancy is survived by her wife, Susan Elkin; daughter Jennifer Boden; and brothers John Clancy and Mark Clancy. She was predeceased by sister Lee.

1971 Dominick F. Franco, 72, of Coralville, Iowa, died on March 22, 2022.

Franco earned a B.A. in French and comparative literature and went on to earn advanced degrees in comparative literature from the University of Iowa. His work experience included time as an assistant professor of English at Kirkwood Community College in Iowa.

Franco is survived by his wife, Elizabeth.

1972 Norman A. Johanson, 72, of Tilghman Island, Maryland, died on July 3, 2022.

Johanson earned a B.S. in biology from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the football and track teams. He went on to earn an M.D. from Cornell University. His longtime career as a surgeon included time as a professor of orthopedic surgery at Temple University and as chief of orthopedics at Hahnemann University Hospital.

Johanson is survived by his wife of 47 years, Brenda; children Erik, Kendra, Grace, and Elisa; five grandchildren; and a brother and a sister.

1973 Jon D. Goguen, 71, of Worcester, Massachusetts, died on July 26, 2022.

Goguen attended Trinity before transferring to Fitchburg State College, where he earned a B.S. in biology. He went on to earn a Ph.D. in zoology from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. Goguen spent his career in academics, most recently as an associate professor of molecular genetics and microbiology at the University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School.

Goguen is survived by his wife of 49 years, Cheryl Poirier; daughter Amber Goguen (Douglas Kirkpatrick); and siblings Peter Goguen, Jay Goguen, Robin Goguen, Alan Goguen, Patricia Silvestro, April Gendron, and Randy Goguen.

1973 Richard M. Heithoff, 71, of Coral Springs, Florida, died on March 25, 2022.

Heithoff earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he played football. He went on to work for the U.S. Postal Service for more than 35 years.

Heithoff is survived by his wife, Darlene; sons Jason (Jessica Meith) and Robert; and one granddaughter.

1973 Denese B. Mann, 95, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on July 13, 2022.

Mann interrupted her studies at Johns Hopkins University when she wed and later came to Trinity to earn a B.A. in psychology. She went on to earn a master's degree in pastoral counseling from Saint Joseph College and to practice family therapy.

Mann is survived by her husband of 74 years, Norman; children Karen Mann, Roselle Mann, Cynthia Mann (Brian Acker), and Jonathan Mann (Michal); eight grandchildren; and sisters-in-law Elayne and Sharon Berg. She was predeceased by brothers Gerald "Buzz" Berg and Elliott Berg and brother-in-law Sheldon Mann.

1975 Erik W. Larsen, 68, of Waterford, Connecticut, died on June 9, 2022.

Larsen earned a B.A. in religion and philosophy from Trinity, where he worked at WRTC and ran track. He went on to earn an M.Div. from Episcopal Divinity School and was ordained to the priesthood in 1980. His career included service to churches in Connecticut and Rhode Island.

Larsen is survived by his wife of 37 years, Karin; sons Benjamin Larsen (Hyungjin

Choi) and Gregory Larsen; one grandchild; and sisters Elin Larsen and Wendy Larsen.

1976, M.A. 1982 Margery Lyman Izard, 89, of Preston, Connecticut, died on January 24, 2022.

Izard graduated from the Springfield Hospital School of Nursing and attended Teachers College, Columbia University before earning a B.A. in art history and an M.A. in American studies from Trinity. She served as a docent at the Wadsworth Atheneum and the Mark Twain House.

Izard is survived by her children, Thomas Izard (Paula), Laura Schilke, Jeffrey Izard (Alisyn Hendel), and Jennifer Cray (Lynwood); 11 grandchildren, including Hannah Cray '23; and eight great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Mark Izard; son-in-law Peter Schilke; sister Jeanette O'Brien; and companion Jim Clark.

1978 Gary D. Markoff, 66, of Boston, died on July 29, 2022.

Markoff earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and the football and tennis teams. He went on work for E.F. Hutton and then Morgan Stanley, where he rose to senior vice president wealth adviser and portfolio manager.

Markoff is survived by children Aiden, Liam, and Natalie and sisters Wendy and Lori Markoff.

1981 James B. Longenbach, 62, of Stonington, Connecticut, died on July 29, 2022.

Longenbach earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he served as editor of *The Trinity Review*, as editor-in-chief of *The Trinity Tripod*, and as a member of The Chapel Singers and Concert Choir. After earning a Ph.D. in English from Princeton University, he joined the faculty at the University of Rochester, teaching courses on Shakespeare, Joyce, British

and American modernism, and contemporary American poetry. Longenbach authored six books of poetry and also published several books of poetry criticism.

Longenbach is survived by his wife, Joanna Scott '82, and their two daughters.

1982 Joan M. Sinisgalli-Sledzik, 62, of Bristol, Connecticut, died on May 30, 2022.

Sinisgalli-Sledzik graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.A. in economics. She went on to work for several major corporations, including IBM, Aetna, and, most recently, 3M.

Sinisgalli-Sledzik is survived by her husband, Brian; sister Barbara Le; and brother-in-law David Sledzik (Susan). She was predeceased by sister Carol Sinisgalli.

1984 Cynthia Williams Lau, 59, of New Port Richey, Florida, died on March 19, 2022.

Lau earned a B.A. in theater and dance from Trinity, where she was a member of the Jesters.

Lau is survived by her husband, Chun; son Aaron Lau; and brother Jeffrey Williams (Meg).

1987 Lawrence K. Bou, 57, of Bethesda, Maryland, died on July 31, 2022.

After earning a B.A. in economics, Bou earned a J.D. from American University. He practiced law with his father and then a brother.

Bou is survived by his wife, Jennifer; children Edward "Teddy," Stephen, and Elena; Consuelo Castillo; and siblings Stephen (Carolyn '82) and Wendy (Kevin). He was predeceased by his brother, Christopher Bou.

1987 Carla M. Torres, 57, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, died on July 12, 2022.

Torres earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity, where she served as editor of *The Trinity Papers*. She went on to a career in hospice, first as a nurse and later in management,

including serving as executive director at Amhercare Hospice.

Torres is survived by husband Spencer Laemmle and children Leo and Ruby.

1991 Catherine "Brook"

McWhirter, 52, of Chicago, died on July 26, 2022.

McWhirter earned a B.A. in Asian studies from Trinity, where she was a member of Delta Delta Delta. She also studied at Sophia University in Japan. McWhirter founded a consulting group and worked in nonprofit development with groups including the Chicago Shakespeare Theater and the Kohl Children's Museum.

McWhirter is survived by her father, William McWhirter, and brother Matthew McWhirter.

1992 Philip L. Graham III,

53, of New York, died on July 17, 2022.

Graham graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in history. He was a member of the Young Democrats and the ski team. Graham went on to earn an M.D. from the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences and an M.P.H. from Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health. His work life included serving as an associate professor of pediatrics at Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons and as chief medical officer in launching health care start-up Dock Medical.

Graham is survived by children Arla, Rosa, and Dean; parents Philip Graham Jr. and Burnley Dame; and siblings Virginia Graham and James Graham and their spouses.

2006 Avon T. Morgan III, 38, of Ridgewood, New Jersey, died on July 29, 2022.

Morgan earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the football team. He went on to earn a J.D. from New York Law School and practiced civil law before

working at the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office.

Morgan is survived by fiancée Kristyn Abreu, parents Barbara and Avon Morgan Jr., and sister Erin.

2008 Brent A. Rydin, 35, of Natick, Massachusetts, died on April 12, 2022.

Rydin earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he took part in theater and worked at WRTC. He was working on a master's degree in creative writing at the time of his passing.

Rydin is survived by his wife, Julia; parents Linda and Craig; grandmother Lorraine Rydin; parents-in-law Cate and Stephen Harty; and sisters-in-law Caroline, Lily, and Alice.

2019 Robert C. Revera, 24, of Miller Place, New York, died on May 13, 2022.

Revera earned a B.A. in public policy and law from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi. He went on to serve as vice president of strategic marketing for Penetron.

Revera is survived by his parents, Robert and Justine Revera; sisters Samantha Willig (Justin) and Margaret Revera; grandparents Anna and Robert Revera and John Weber; and nephew Justin Willig.

CURRENT STUDENT

2024 Jillian R. Hegarty, 20, of St. Johnsbury, Vermont, died on April 1, 2022.

Hegarty was studying neuroscience at Trinity.

Hegarty is survived by her parents, Sean and Buffie Hegarty; brother Andrew Hegarty; and grandparents Jane Fortin, Charlie Hegarty and Sherry Hoyt, and Connie and Jack Katuzny.

MASTER'S

1954 Marion Hoban "Bunny" Walsh, 98, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on August 14, 2021.

Walsh earned an undergraduate degree from

Saint Joseph College and a master's degree in psychology from Trinity.

Walsh is survived by her sons, Edward Walsh (former wife Mary Ann Walsh) and Leslie Walsh (Carolyn), and two grandchildren. She was predeceased by husband Edward Walsh and grandson Michael Walsh.

1956 Frances Hefner, 91, of Orleans, Massachusetts, died on May 19, 2022.

Hefner earned an undergraduate degree from Manhattanville College before earning an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity. She worked as a teacher in Massachusetts and in Europe.

Hefner is survived by her children, Judith Mason (Joseph), Mark Wiatrowski (Bridget), Gwynne Guzneau, and Margot Hallgren (Matthew); 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by siblings William Hefner Jr. and Barbara Dominguez.

1960 Dorothy Ann Egan, 88, of New London, New Hampshire, died on March 9, 2022.

Egan earned a B.A. from Connecticut College and an M.A. in English from Trinity; she also completed graduated work at Boston College, Harvard University, and Indiana University of Pennsylvania. After a few years teaching in secondary schools, Egan began a 34-year career at Colby-Sawyer College, where she became a professor in the Department of Humanities and served as academic dean.

1961 Rose M. Paternostro, 88, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on February 9, 2022.

Paternostro earned an undergraduate degree from Saint Joseph College. She went on to earn two master's degrees, one from Central Connecticut State College (CCSC) and another, in educational studies, from Trinity. Paternostro taught

chemistry in Hartford and Newington high schools, as well as at CCSC. She also worked in the real estate, engineering, and life insurance industries.

Paternostro is survived by her brother-in-law, Edmund Vitelli. She was predeceased by sisters Francis Tremont (William), Anna Miano (Thomas), Mary Vitelli, and Michalene Pagani (Robert).

1963 George A. Vannah, 85, of Auburn, New Hampshire, died on June 6, 2022.

Vannah earned a B.A. from Bowdoin College before adding an M.A. in history from Trinity. He went on to earn a Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts Amherst and a J.D. from the University of Connecticut. Vannah taught history at private schools before becoming the head law clerk for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manchester, New Hampshire.

Vannah is survived by children Tom Vannah (Betsy Strickland) and Liz Vannah, stepdaughter Veronica Deere, and one granddaughter. He was predeceased by his wife of 30 years, Andrea.

1965 Jane Moseley Bronk, 84, died on March 21, 2021.

Bronk earned an undergraduate degree from Brown University and a master's degree in educational studies from Trinity. She taught English for five decades, including more than 35 years at Loomis Chaffee School.

Bronk is survived by her daughter, Andrea Barton; a granddaughter; and brother-in-law Mitchell Bronk (Jeanne).

1965 Donald B. Burness, 80, of Rindge, New Hampshire, died on February 23, 2022.

Burness earned an undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan and a master's in English from Trinity. He also studied at the Iowa Writer's Workshop. Burness served as an English professor at Franklin Pierce College for more than 30 years, published multiple books of poetry, and

authored a dozen books on the history, culture, literature, and art of Africa.

Burness is survived by his wife, Maria Elena Balladares, and brothers John and Andy. He was predeceased by his first wife, Mary Lou, to whom he was married for more than 50 years.

1969 Walter D. Scholsky, 90, of Manchester, Connecticut, died on February 14, 2022.

Scholsky began his career as a metal fabricator at Pratt & Whitney. Wanting to teach, he majored in education at what would become Central Connecticut State University and then earned an M.A. in English from Trinity. Scholsky, who also served in the U.S. Army, taught high school English in Manchester for decades.

Scholsky is survived by his wife of 66 years, Marjorie; children Michael (Diana) and Aileen; three grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter. He was predeceased by son Kevin and siblings Martin Scholsky, Rita Jaworski, and Sister Anthony Mary Scholsky.

1972 Robert A. Haversat Sr., 86, of Guilford, Connecticut, died on August 2, 2022.

Haversat earned a B.S. from Quinnipiac University before adding an M.A. in economics from Trinity. He went on to a 45-year career affiliated with Sargent Manufacturing. He later was named CEO and president of Esstar.

Haversat is survived by his wife of 65 years, Joan; sons Robert Haversat Jr. (Elisabetta) and Jeffrey Haversat; four grandchildren; and brother Albert Haversat.

1975 Paul M. St. Louis, 74, of Monson, Massachusetts, died on May 31, 2021.

St. Louis earned a B.A. from Boston College before earning an M.A. in French from Trinity. He was a longtime French teacher at East Hartford High School, where he also served as head of the Foreign Languages Department.

St. Louis is survived by his partner of 34 years, Arthur Kamienski, as well as several cousins, brothers-in-law, and sisters-in-law.

1976 James H. Crowley Jr., 92, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on June 11, 2022.

Crowley earned a B.A. in mathematics from Wesleyan University, an M.A. in economics from Trinity, and an M.S. in professional accounting from the University of Hartford. The U.S. Navy veteran saw active duty during the Korean War and continued as a reservist during the Vietnam War. Crowley worked at Aetna, rising to the level of vice president.

Crowley is survived by daughter Anne James; son-in-law Glenn Pilczak; and sisters Madeline McGibbon, Patricia Jobs, and Mary Crowley. He was predeceased by daughter Lynn Pilczak and siblings Terrence Crowley and Nancy Wilde.

1981 Gladys G. Macdonough, 87, of Naples, Florida, and Grafton, Vermont, died on July 14, 2022.

Macdonough earned an undergraduate degree from the University of Connecticut. She taught at Renbrook School in West Hartford, Connecticut, for 38 years, during which time she earned an M.A. in American studies from Trinity.

Macdonough is survived by her husband of 42 years, Scott. She was predeceased by brother Ivar.

1982 Alexander Skouloudis, 76, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, died on September 18, 2021.

Skouloudis earned a B.S. from the University of Hartford before earning an M.A. in economics from Trinity. He went on to work for Aetna Insurance for nearly four decades. Skouloudis also served as a visiting lecturer at Trinity and at Central Connecticut State University.

Skouloudis is survived by his wife of 52 years, Maria.

1983 Christine J. Mansolf, 76, of Newington, Connecticut, died on August 11, 2022.

Mansolf earned a B.A. from the University of Connecticut before earning an M.A. in public policy from Trinity; she also earned a master's degree from UConn. She was employed by the State of Connecticut.

Mansolf is survived by siblings Thomas Mansolf (Linda) and Edward Mansolf (Kristi).

1985 Merrilee Levenson, 80, of Naples, Florida, died on May 3, 2022.

Levenson attended Drake University before earning a B.A. from the University of Hartford. She went on to earn an M.A. in American studies from Trinity. Levenson volunteered with many Hartford-area institutions, including the Wadsworth Atheneum and the Noah Webster House.

Levenson is survived by her husband of 62 years, Harvey; son Gary; and daughter-in-law Anna Klein. She was predeceased by son Lee.

1988 Mary Jane Springman, 78, of Simsbury, Connecticut, died on August 25, 2022.

Springman earned a B.A. from the Pennsylvania State University before earning an M.A. in American studies from Trinity. She co-authored two books.

Springman is survived by her husband of 56 years, Joseph; two sons; and sister Patricia Mei (Tony).

DEATH NOTICES

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1941 Frederick T. Strang
1942 John Strempfer
1943 Hugh Loweth
1944 Gaetano Miranda
1945 Fraser Drew
1945 Bruce Martin
1945 Robert Moran
1946 Edward Marra
1949 John Malmfeldt
1950 John Westerlund
1951 Lawrence Mehringer
1951 Arthur Single
1952 William Morse Jr.
1952 Frank Stark
1953 Benjamin Martin
1953 Beverley Shriver Jr.
1954 Richard Ainsworth
1954 David Kayner
1954 Roland Price
1955 John V. Nyquist
1955 Thomas Sugihara
1956 Richard Smith
1957 Normand Richard
1958 Charles T. Corning Jr.
1959 Allen R. Frey
1959 Phillip D. Jacklin Jr.
1960 Angelo Gada Jr.
1960 Jerry Hofmann
1960 Howard Knust
1960 Robert S. Morgan
1960 Nicholas Pompei
1961 Richard Mac Nett
1962 John Bishop
1962 Thomas Rattcliffe
1963 Edison J. Trickett
1964 Timothy H. Crawford
1968 Steven Harlow
1969 Robert Starck
1970 Hugo J. Luke
1971 Christopher Baker
1971 Howard C. Dickler
1973 Jeffrey Tucker
1974 Robert E. Russell
1974 Claire Tamm
1975 Peter Kiliani
1976 John L. Fauxbel
1976 Alison Lundberg
1977 James S. Chapin
1978 Margaret Lebonitte
M.A. 1971 John Markell
M.A. 1972 Bruno E. Bagnaschi
M.A. 1977 Beatrice B. Heywood
M.A. 1977 Barbara A. Tatro
M.A. 1979 Sandra E. Meslow

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We will not announce the death of a community member without first confirming with a previously published obituary or direct notification from a relative. Also, those who passed away more than two years prior to the date of publication will be listed in Death Notices, along with those for whom we do not have enough information for a longer obituary.

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[1] BIPOC BBQ

Hartford, Connecticut
JULY 21, 2022

[2] YOUNG ALUMNI SOCIAL

Chicago, Illinois
SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

[3] FOOTBALL TAILGATE

Medford, Massachusetts
SEPTEMBER 17, 2022
Matt Mihaly P'23, Doug Tansill '61, P'91, '96,
Themis Klarides '87, Ray Beech '60, P'94,
and John Sargent P'23, '25

[4] WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP COUNCIL GARDEN PARTY

Glastonbury, Connecticut
SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

[5] TRINITY ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME

Hartford, Connecticut
SEPTEMBER 23, 2022
Front row: Robin Sheppard M'76, John Dunham,
Lindsey Davison Page '94; back row: Scott
Growney '81, P'14, Michael Blair '06, M'10,
Kat Castle Grant '85, Denise Jones '80, P'14

[6] HOMECOMING 2022

Hartford, Connecticut
SEPTEMBER 24, 2022
Family and friends honoring Avon Morgan '06

[7] 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF TITLE IX AT HOMECOMING 2022

Hartford, Connecticut
SEPTEMBER 24, 2022
Alumnae athletes





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Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney



Entrepreneurial at our core

In September, we launched our new Center for Entrepreneurship. Some say that entrepreneurial thinking is a natural extension of a liberal arts education because it promotes creative problem-solving, innovation, persuasion, and risk-taking. I would go further to say that an entrepreneurial spirit is at our core.

The spirit of innovation is evident throughout our storied history of successful Trinity College alumni who have invented and led. As we define it, an entrepreneurial spirit finds solutions where solutions are not apparent. Entrepreneurship requires that we formulate a problem clearly, interrogate our received knowledge of the limits of the possible, persuade others to our point of view, experiment without fear of failure, and persist to the ultimate solution. I take pride in the entrepreneurial spirit of our students, faculty, and staff, which is demonstrated in their research projects, student ventures, and campus initiatives.

The new center, led by inaugural director Danny Briere, will provide any liberal arts major, not just those interested in business or start-ups, with the confidence and skills to engage their entrepreneurial spirit, connecting students and faculty with alumni and other world-class entrepreneurs and innovators. For those who wish to pursue their ideas further, the center will help them with their product or company launch.

I see this center as a logical extension of the Trinity Plus curriculum, the innovative liberal arts curriculum that was introduced last year. The curriculum enhances the strength of Trinity's core liberal arts education with the power of applied and experiential real-world learning experiences (i.e., internships with alumni, international study, community-based learning, and research with faculty). The "plus" credits, beyond Trinity's required 32 academic credits, provide students the time, flexibility, and agency to develop experiences

best suited for their particular interests—any combination of academic credits, co-curricular credits, or completion of a faculty-designed three-credit experiential certificate. The activities in the center will correlate and align with the curriculum.

As a neuroscientist turned college president, I can attest to the value of my own liberal arts education. It's also true of our recent graduates, with our latest data indicating that 97 percent of 2021 Trinity graduates were employed, in graduate school, or participating in volunteer/service work within six months of graduating.

A liberal arts education prepares us for life and for almost any job, not for a specific job after graduation. Here at Trinity, we educate strong, agile thinkers prepared to take risks and to challenge conventions. In the company of a connected community—small classes, esteemed faculty, and motivated peers—students are prepared with broad knowledge of the wider world and subject-specific, in-depth areas of study. They learn to shift and adapt, to embrace an exchange of ideas necessary for society to function and thrive. A student's major does not define the person that student will become or that student's eventual profession.

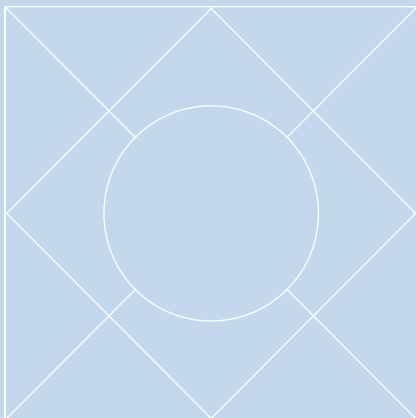
A liberal arts education allows our students to master critical reasoning skills, deal with complexity, develop social responsibility, communicate effectively to different audiences, and demonstrate the ability to apply knowledge and skills in real-world settings—such an approach is entrepreneurial at its core.

As we look toward our Bicentennial this year, we can do so knowing we are prepared to usher in a new century of Bantams with a liberal arts curriculum built for today and tomorrow—one that prepares our students well to lead in the future and that elevates Trinity to enter our third century of excellence. ■

“I take pride in the entrepreneurial spirit of our students, faculty, and staff, which is demonstrated in their research projects, student ventures, and campus initiatives.”

“I hope my support makes a difference for students.”

PETER WHALEN '81



Peter Whalen '81 understands the importance of access to education. He calls his own experience at Trinity College “a welcome awakening” and credits it with giving him a new perspective. While he first began giving because “it was the right thing to do,” Peter says, “as years passed, I liked the idea of providing scholarships to those who might not otherwise be able to afford a college like Trinity.” He increased his Long Walk gift to create a term scholarship to help open doors for students.



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