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Showstopping fireworks illuminate the Main Quad's statue of Trinity College founder Bishop Thomas Church Brownell during Reunion Weekend 2022. The Saturday evening light show capped a full day of Reunion events in addition to the pandemic-postponed 2020 Commencement ceremony. The festive feeling will continue through to next year, in May 2023, when the college kicks off its bicentennial celebration, Trinity at 200: Committed to the Future since 1823. For more on Reunion, please see page 10; for more on Commencement for the Class of 2020, please see page 4; and for more on the Bicentennial, please see page 7.

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ALONG THE WALK

2022 ACCOLADES

Trustee Award for Faculty Excellence:

Paul E. Raether
Distinguished
Professor of American
Studies **Davarian
Baldwin**, Associate
Professor of Legal
and Policy Studies
Adrienne Fulco; **Staff
Excellence:** Athletics
Equipment Manager
**Sonia E. "Penny"
Lawrence**, Hillel
Director **Lisa P. Kassow**;
Student Excellence:
Alicia Maria Camuy '22,
John D. Hayes Jr. '22

**The Dean Arthur
H. Hughes Award
for Achievement in
Teaching:** Assistant
Professor of
Religious Studies
Gabriel F. Hornung,
Assistant Professor
of Computer Science
Ewa Syta

**The Thomas
Church Brownell
Prize for Teaching
Excellence:**
Brownell Professor
of Philosophy
Dan E. Lloyd



2022 Commencement

“Aim for building bridges instead of creating chasms,” said painter and poet Raja Changez Sultan ’72 to the graduates of the Trinity College Class of 2022 during his Commencement address on Sunday, May 22. “The diversity that you find around the globe is our collective strength.”

A crowd gathered on the Main Quadrangle witnessed more than 520 students receive their degrees. Among the undergraduates, 320 received B.A. degrees, and 188 were awarded B.S. degrees. Six of the undergraduate degree recipients were Individualized Degree Program (IDP) students. In addition, 14 graduate students received M.A. degrees.

Sultan, an internationally renowned artist from Pakistan, received an honorary doctor of fine arts degree in recognition of his distinguished career and his devotion to a more just society for his home country and for the world. Speaking remotely, he offered advice to the graduates before reading an excerpt from one of his poems. Sultan implored the Class of 2022 to strive for a balance between power and wisdom and to shun shortcuts. “Success has always come through dedication, hard work, and commitment,” he added. “May your journey be long and purposeful, and may each of you leave an indelible mark on the sands of time.”

Honorary degrees also were presented to Lloyd Alexander Lewis Jr. ’69, the first African American from Alexandria, Virginia, to be ordained to the priesthood of the Episcopal Church, and Cornelia Parsons Thornburgh ’80, the first female chair of the Trinity College Board of Trustees.

Renita Washington ’22, selected as the student speaker, noted the ways in which she and her classmates persevered during challenging times. “In the spring of our sophomore year, we were all hit hard by a global pandemic and conversations about racial inequity,” she said. “We were all affected. But if I do say so myself, we persisted.”

In her charge to the graduates, Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney encouraged the members of the Class of 2022 to use their voices and their education to empower others. “That is the essence of education,” she said. “It’s not just how you use education to make life better for yourself but how you will use it to make life better for others. This idea explains why we say that education is a public good: it’s not simply what job you get; it’s how society will be better because you got your education.”

Daniel Jacob Nesbitt, of Ohio, who earned a B.S., summa cum laude, in public policy and law and with honors in chemistry, was named valedictorian; Nayantara Ghosh, of India, who earned a B.A., summa cum laude, in political science and urban studies, in addition to a minor in religious studies, was named salutatorian.

Following the awarding of degrees, then-Trinity College Alumni Association President Jamie Tracey Szal ’06 welcomed the graduates into the community of Trinity alumni. “You may be departing campus, but you always will be among family,” Szal said. “Wherever you land, the alumni—30,000 strong—are there: ready, waiting, and eager to support you as you go out into the world.”



(1) Salutatorian Nayantara Ghosh '22 and valedictorian Daniel Jacob Nesbitt '22 (2) Honorary degree recipients Cornelia Parsons Thornburgh '80 and Lloyd Alexander Lewis Jr. '69 with Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney (3) Celebrating graduates (4) Student speaker Renita Washington '22

For more on the 2022 Commencement, including videos and the text of Raja Changez Sultan’s remarks, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

2020 Commencement

2020 ACCOLADES

(Recognized during 2021 Commencement)

Trustee Award for Faculty Excellence:

Professor of Physics and Environmental Science **Christoph E. Geiss**, Principal Lecturer and Laboratory Coordinator in the Environmental Science Program

Jonathan R. Gourley;

Staff Excellence: Then-Director of Campus Safety **Brian Heavren;**

Student Excellence: **Rahuljeet Chadha '20, Hamna Tariq '20**

The Thomas Church Brownell Prize for Teaching Excellence:

Paul E. Raether Distinguished Professor of History **Cheryl L. Greenberg**

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

Assistant Professor of Psychology **Michael Grubb**



For more on the 2020 Commencement, including a video and the text of Will McCormack's remarks, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

“Success belongs to us because when it mattered most, we did it as a community,” class speaker Matthew Rivera '20 said to fellow members of the Trinity College Class of 2020 during their long-awaited Commencement, held more than two years after the COVID-19 pandemic interrupted their senior year.

About 350 alumni from the Class of 2020 returned to the Main Quadrangle on Saturday, June 11, for the celebration of their graduation during Reunion Weekend 2022. While members of the Class of 2020 already received their diplomas by mail after being honored via a virtual celebration in 2020, a total of 537 degree recipients—not all of whom could attend in person—were recognized at the special ceremony, with 335 earning B.A. degrees, 187 earning B.S. degrees, and 15 earning M.A. degrees. Included among the undergraduate degree recipients were 13 Individualized Degree Program (IDP) students.

Rivera told his fellow alumni to think back to spring 2020, when students were sent home and classes were completed remotely. “We made our relationships with one another a priority and recognized that the only way to weather the storm that was in front of us was to do it together,” he said. A sociology major at Trinity, Rivera was the first in his family to attend and graduate from college. He serves as executive director of The Dream Support Network, through which he has worked with more than 40 Connecticut schools, delivered more than 100 speeches, and exchanged more than 40,000 “ice creams for dreams.” He also is pursuing a master of divinity degree at Yale Divinity School.

Actor and Academy Award-winning filmmaker Will McCormack '96, who graduated from Trinity with a B.A. in English, also offered remarks. The recipient of a 2021 Oscar for Best Animated Short Film for *If Anything Happens I Love You* (2020), which he co-wrote and co-directed, McCormack recalled feeling pure joy and connection after his first performance on stage at Trinity. “In a moment, I knew at age 19 that I would devote my life to storytelling. I didn't know how, but I knew why. I believed stories mattered,” he said. “Trinity

College nurtured and championed this passion for story. I did every single play I could. I worked at Cinestudio and saw every single film.”

McCormack came to Trinity in the footsteps of his sisters: Bridget Mary McCormack '88, H'13, chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, and actress Mary Catherine McCormack '91. Will McCormack was among members of the Class of 1996 belatedly celebrating their 25th Trinity College Reunion on campus this year, after the pandemic delayed Reunion celebrations in 2021.

Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, in her charge to the class, reminded the graduates that they had much to celebrate, including the compassion shown by the Trinity community when students left campus in March 2020. “Staff cared for students who were unable to go home, and you, your families, and many alumni and others made donations to the Student Emergency and Equity Fund to ensure that all of our students had whatever they needed to complete their Trinity educational experience,” she said. Berger-Sweeney also mentioned that the class received personal notes of encouragement from members of the Class of 1980.

The ceremonial conferring of degrees began by recognizing the achievements of the class's valedictorian and salutatorian. Alexandra M. Sinson, of Wisconsin, who earned a B.S., summa cum laude, with honors in engineering and with a second major in environmental science, was the class valedictorian. Tarek Abdallah, of Germany, who earned a B.S., summa cum laude, in economics, was the class salutatorian.

Honorary degree recipients for 2020, celebrated during Commencement 2021, included the first four women to receive undergraduate degrees from Trinity: Professor of Theater and Dance, Emerita, Judy Dworin '70; Elizabeth Martin Gallo '70; Judith Odlum Pomeroy '70; and Roberta Russell '70 (post-humously). Additional honorands were Francisco L. Borges '74, chair and managing partner of Landmark Partners; the Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry, the 27th presiding bishop and primate of the Episcopal Church; and James Hanley and Peter McMorris, co-founders of Cinestudio, the art house cinema on the Trinity campus.



(1) Graduates processing on the Long Walk (2) Valedictorian Alexandra M. Sinson '20 (3) Will McCormack '96 (4) President Joanne Berger-Sweeney and Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Anita Davis among others on the podium (5) Student speaker Matthew Rivera '20



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CLASS OF 2022

ATHLETICS HALL OF FAME

Trinity College Director of Athletics Drew Galbraith recently announced the 2022 Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame class, listed below. The Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame was created to celebrate the college's rich history of athletic excellence, honoring the individuals who, through athletics participation, coaching, or service, have distinguished themselves in the field of intercollegiate athletics, brought honor and acclaim to Trinity, and contributed to the success and advancement of intercollegiate athletics at the college. The group was set to be officially inducted into the Hall of Fame at an in-person ceremony in September.

MICHAEL BLAIR '06
(football, track and field, wrestling)
Blair is Trinity's only four-time All-American in wrestling and also earned All-American honors as a defensive lineman for football while helping that team win multiple NESCAC titles. Blair was an All-New England track and field athlete as well.

KAT CASTLE '85
(field hockey, lacrosse, squash)
Castle was an All-American squash player, a field hockey captain, and a lacrosse player. She played field hockey for the U.S. National Junior Team that won the World Cup in 1980.

LINDSAY DAVISON PAGE '94
(field hockey, lacrosse)
Davison Page was an All-American and remains one of the most prolific scorers in Trinity field hockey history. In 1993, she led that team to the first NCAA Final Four in any sport in Bantam athletics history. She also was a lacrosse captain.

MOE DRABOWSKY '57
(baseball)
Drabowsky was a pitcher in the 1950s prior to getting signed by the Chicago Cubs to begin his 15-year career in the major leagues. He finished second in the National League in strikeouts one year and won two World Series with the Baltimore Orioles.

JOHN DUNHAM
(coach for men's golf, men's ice hockey)
Dunham coached men's ice hockey for 33 years, starting the program and coaching until 2005. He guided the Bantams to 21 postseasons, four ECAC titles, a NESCAC title, two NCAA Tournaments, and one NCAA Final Four.

KATHY ENNIS BRITTON '90
(basketball, soccer, softball)
Ennis Britton was a captain of basketball, soccer, and softball and guided the latter two teams to championship titles. She is one of the top scorers in the history of Trinity soccer and one of the best hitters in Trinity softball history while helping that team to three New England titles and an undefeated season.

SCOTT GROWNEY '82
(lacrosse)
Growney was an All-American lacrosse player and is still among the best in most offensive statistical categories. He played professionally for the Philadelphia Wings and is a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Lacrosse Hall of Fame.

DENISE JONES '80
(softball, swimming and diving, track and field)
Jones was a two-time All-American and a New England champion swimmer in the late 1970s and is a member of the Hartford Public High School Athletic Hall of Fame. She set a Trinity record in the breaststroke that stood for nearly 30 years.

For more on the Trinity Athletics Hall of Fame, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

New trustees

President Joanne Berger-Sweeney announced the appointment of five new trustees to the Trinity College Board of Trustees. They began their terms on July 1, 2022. They are:



Olusegun "Shay" Ajayi '16, director of operations for Hartford Hospital, a division of Hartford HealthCare



Lisa Alvarez-Calderón '88, former chief human resources officer of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation



Malcolm Foster MacLean IV '92, founder, managing partner, and director of Star Asia Group



Stephanie Ritz '90, partner at WME in the Talent Department



Leslie Torres-Rodriguez, superintendent of Hartford Public Schools

For more on these individuals and bios of all Trinity trustees, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.



PLEASE WRITE!

The Trinity Reporter welcomes letters related to items published in recent issues. Please send remarks to the editor at sonya.adams@trincoll.edu or Sonya Storch Adams, Office of Communications, Trinity College, 300 Summit Street, Hartford, CT 06106.

Bicentennial celebration kicks off in May 2023

TRINITY IS ABOUT TO TURN 200! On May 16, 1823, the charter to found Washington College was signed. So much has changed since then—from our name to Trinity College to our location from the site of the Connecticut Capitol in Hartford—and yet one thing remains consistent: we continue to be deeply committed to educating academically talented leaders by developing the best of their intellect, curiosity, and spirit of innovation.

Join us next spring when we kick off our yearlong bicentennial celebration. On Charter Day 2022, President Joanne Berger-Sweeney announced the celebration's theme, *Trinity at 200: Committed to the Future since 1823*.

In her letter to the community, Berger-Sweeney noted that the festivities will start in 2023, exactly 200 years after the college's charter was granted. Under the guidance of Philip Khoury '71, H'21, former vice chair of the Board of Trustees, and Kelli Harrington Tomlinson '94, a current trustee, the Bicentennial Steering Committee continues to guide the work of three community-wide Celebration Committees tasked with programmatic planning to honor what makes this college special—our People, Places, and the Liberal Arts. Fourteen working groups have been meeting and collaborating on plans to celebrate and engage the full community through intergenerational dialogues and reflections about our collective history and future.

While the planning had been slowed due to the pandemic, you soon will begin to notice a number of communications about the calendar and planning of events, collective storytelling, and community engagement. Committees are actively planning and envisioning ways to illuminate and honor the history—and future—of people, places, and the liberal arts at Trinity.

Of note, Trinity will broaden alumni engagement and is planning events to invite alumni back to campus, including an enhanced all-class reunion in June 2023 to help kick off the bicentennial in true Trinity fashion. The college wants to hear from all alumni and will send an alumni survey this fall, similar to one sent four years ago. This time, responses also will help shape some of the bicentennial programming.

During the planning year, the college is rolling out the branding initiative, which will guide how Trinity tells its story to the world through these lenses: the strength of our connected community, the passion of determined doers, and the dynamic location of our campus and Hartford. As Trinity continues this year to communicate the progress made from the strategic plan, Summit, you also will start to hear about the goals of our \$500 million capital campaign, currently in the nucleus phase and expected to launch in fall 2023.



Refreshing our visual identity



Have you noticed the new wordmark and design elements on the Trinity website? As part of a branding initiative led by the firm Ologie, the college's visual identity has been updated to include a new wordmark, academic shield logo, and designs inspired by the shapes and forms of campus architecture, most notably the Long Walk. The system makes room for a vibrant and expanded color palette, new typography, and abstracted architectural elements—all complementing existing spirit marks such as the big "T" and our beloved Bantam. Look for the updated branding reflected in an upcoming issue of the magazine.

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Learn more about the project at commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.



FACULTY FULBRIGHT

Trinity College Professor of Biology Kent D. Dunlap has received a Fulbright Specialist Program award to teach in Uruguay. Although he has deferred travel to Uruguay until 2023 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Dunlap taught virtually as part of a graduate-level course at the Universidad de la República in Montevideo during his sabbatical in the 2021–22 academic year.

A program of the U.S. Department of State, the Fulbright Specialist Program is a unique opportunity for U.S. academics and established professionals to engage in two- to six-week, project-based exchanges at host institutions across the globe. Dunlap previously has received two Fulbright U.S. Scholar Grants: one in 2009 to study electric fish in Uruguay and one in 2019 to research fish brains in Portugal. The electric fish that Dunlap studies are native to Uruguay, and his fellowship there launched a long collaboration with a group of researchers.

Dunlap plans to teach in person in Uruguay in May and June of 2023, which is winter in the southern hemisphere and will not interfere with his teaching at Trinity. "The course is on the neural basis of social behavior in animals," he said. "I will be giving lectures on my area of expertise—how the production of new neurons in the brain contributes to social behavior."

His work as part of the Fulbright Specialist Program is related directly to his teaching at Trinity. Dunlap said, "At Trinity, I teach an upper-level course on sensory biology, and we do various writing exercises: writing about scientific material for the general audience, a research paper, and a mock research proposal as well. I believe writing skills are really important for scientists, but not just one kind of writing; it's important to reach many different audiences."

As a member of the Trinity faculty for 24 years, Dunlap said he enjoys the benefits of being at a small liberal arts college in a city. "You can do both teaching and research here. The ability to be both a teacher and a scholar has been a great part of my work at Trinity," he said. "The support the college has given me to teach and do research abroad has been great."

New faculty

The following tenure-track faculty began appointments at the college effective July 1, 2022.

DIANA ALDRETE
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF
LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
STUDIES AND HUMAN RIGHTS
Ph.D., University at
Albany-SUNY
M.A., Marquette University
B.A., University of Wisconsin-
Milwaukee

CATINA BACOTE
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF ENGLISH
M.F.A., University of Iowa
M.A., Teachers College,
Columbia University
B.A., Wesleyan University

**DAVID STERLING
BROWN '06**
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF ENGLISH
Ph.D., M.A., New York University
B.A., Trinity College

DOYLE CALHOUN
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF LANGUAGE AND
CULTURE STUDIES
Ph.D., M.Phil., M.A.,
Yale University
M.A., KU Leuven
B.A., Boston College

BRIAN CHIN
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF PSYCHOLOGY
Ph.D., M.S., Carnegie
Mellon University
B.S., Stony Brook University

CARMEN DE SCHRIVER
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF PHILOSOPHY
Ph.D., Northwestern University
M.Sc., London School
of Economics
B.A., University of Warwick

LAURA HUMM DELGADO
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF URBAN STUDIES
Ph.D., M.C.P., Massachusetts
Institute of Technology
B.A., Williams College

NHAT-DANG DO
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
Ph.D., M.A., B.A., University of
California, San Diego

BRIANNA HALLADAY
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF ECONOMICS
Ph.D., M.A., University of
California, Santa Barbara
M.A., San Diego State University
B.A., Boston University


NIKISHA PATEL
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
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B.S., University of Connecticut

BLASE PROVITOLA
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF
LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
STUDIES AND WOMEN,
GENDER, AND SEXUALITY
Ph.D., M.Phil., M.A.,
Columbia University
B.A., Haverford College

I. GABRIEL SALGADO
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
Ph.D., M.A., University of
Pennsylvania
M.A., The New School for
Social Research
B.A., Bard College at
Simon's Rock

LORI WATSON
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF MATHEMATICS
Ph.D., University of Georgia
B.S., Florida Atlantic University
B.A., Emory University

RAUL ZELADA-APRILI
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
OF ECONOMICS
Ph.D., M.A., University of
Massachusetts Amherst
B.A., University of Missouri-
Kansas City

 For more on the new
faculty members, please
visit [commons.trincoll.
edu/Reporter](https://commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter).

Goldwater Scholars

Trinity College students Skye Embray '23 and Nicole Massa '23 have been selected to receive Barry Goldwater Scholarships from a pool of more than 5,000 applicants from across the country. The scholarship is one of the most prestigious awards for students interested in pursuing careers in the natural sciences, mathematics, and engineering.

Embray, from Los Angeles, is double majoring in environmental science and public policy and law. After first becoming interested in environmental science thanks to a middle school ecology class, she developed a passion for understanding the environment and ways to protect its resources and the life within it. Embray has worked extensively with Associate Professor of Environmental Science and Biology Amber L. Pitt, her major adviser and research adviser. Her current research focuses on understanding the spatial distribution of mercury accumulation in the floating vegetation of a pond in West Hartford's Beachland Park.

She said she chose to attend Trinity because the city of Hartford was the culturally diverse environment she was looking for. "I also was excited about the presence of a strong Environmental Science Program with opportunities for research and the multitude of student-run social organizations that would allow me to find a community on campus," she said. At Trinity, Embray is an RA, co-president of the Trinity College Black Women's Organization (TCBWO), and co-captain of the Trinity Cheerleading Team.

Embray aspires to combine the science of aquatic ecology with policy development to address damages to natural water resources through pollution and chemical contamination. "In the long term, I plan to obtain a Ph.D. in aquatic ecology with an emphasis on sustainability and resource management," she said.

Massa, a neuroscience and psychology double major from Natick, Massachusetts, said her passion for the sciences was cultivated in part by her parents taking her to Boston's Museum of Science as a child. She added, "My interest in neuroscience and psychology specifically stems from an independent research project I did for my 11th-grade biology class exploring the neural abnormalities in obsessive-compulsive disorder. In the future, I hope to continue exploring similar neural abnormalities."

She initially was drawn to Trinity for its broad academic offerings. "This has given me the opportunity to pursue both my sciences courses, such as neuroscience, chemistry, and biology, as well as courses in other areas, such as music and religious studies," Massa said. She has been a musical director of the Trinity Pipes a cappella group, a community bonding coordinator of the Fred Pfeil Community Project (The Fred), and a tutor at ESF Dream Camp.

Massa has been mentored at Trinity by Alison Draper, director of Trinity's Center for Interdisciplinary Science; Associate Professor of Psychology Elizabeth D. Casserly; Associate Professor of Psychology Michael A. Grubb; and Associate Professor of Psychology Elizabeth D. Casserly. Following her time at Trinity, Massa plans to pursue a Ph.D. and work as a neuropsychologist, researching the neural abnormalities underlying psychiatric disorders.



Top to bottom:
Skye Embray '23,
Nicole Massa '23

Reunion 2022

Trinity College's Reunion Weekend June 9–12 was marked with multiple milestones. Among the highlights, members of the Class of 2020 returned for their long-awaited, in-person Commencement ceremony, which had been delayed due to the pandemic. Additionally, due in part to the collective generosity and efforts of returning alumni, Trinity surpassed the halfway mark of an overall \$500 million fundraising campaign goal.

"It was incredibly heartening to see so many alumni return to campus both to celebrate Reunion with their classmates and to witness the Class of 2020's long-delayed but deeply moving graduation ceremony," said Vice President for Advancement Michael Casey.

"Seeing all of those generations of alumni, parents, and friends on campus together made it even more gratifying to know that we had just passed the halfway mark in our campaign, with \$252 million in hand toward our \$500 million goal," said Casey. "It demonstrates our community's deep pride and belief in Trinity as we prepare for next year's bicentennial celebration."

The Reunion Weekend festivities brought alumni representing 26 classes across seven decades of Trinity history to campus to spend time 'neath the elms. Staff, class alumni volunteers, and a tremendous number of campus partners transformed Trinity into a center of activity for alumni from classes ending in 1s, 2s, 6s, and 7s—from 1956 to 2017—and their families.

Among the weekend's highlights was Academy Award-winning director and actor Will McCormack '96, who delivered remarks during the Class of 2020 Commencement, speaking with alumni and guests following a private screening of his animated short, *If Anything Happens I Love You*, a poignant piece that explores the tragic loss of a child through a school shooting. The film won the 2021 Oscar for Best Animated Short Film. The keynote program on Saturday, "Liberal Arts in an Urban Setting: A Conversation with Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney and Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin," was moderated by Paul H. Mounds Jr. '07, chief of staff at the State of Connecticut Office of the Governor.

Collectively, the Reunion classes raised more than \$56.5 million in gifts to support the college. Leading the way were the members of the Class of 1971, who contributed more than \$7.5 million in celebration of their 50th Reunion.

"We are so grateful for these contributions," said Peter Duncan '81 P'13, '14, who serves as co-chair of Trinity's comprehensive campaign with Kathryn George Tyree '86. "It has given us an incredible boost as we begin to broaden our fundraising efforts. Trinity has such tremendous, positive momentum, and we want to position the college for continued success as we prepare to enter our third century."

(1) BIPOC Alumni Breakfast; Saturday, June 11, 2022
Jeffrey Coleman '01 and Yarel Silverio Marshall '96

(2) Traditional New England Clambake Friday, June 10, 2022
Marisa Marcantonio '96, Alden Gordon '69, P'05, '10, '12, and Liz Gill '97

(3) Traditional New England Clambake Friday, June 10, 2022
Vin Stempien '61, P'93

(4) Half-Century Club Induction and Eigenbrodt Cup Reception and Luncheon; Friday, June 10, 2022
Eigenbrodt Cup winners Peter Blum '72, P'12 and Tom DiBenedetto '71, P'08, '12, '13, '15, '17

(5) Liberal Arts in an Urban Setting: A Conversation with Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney and Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin; Saturday, June 11, 2022
Paul H. Mounds Jr. '07, President Joanne Berger-Sweeney, and Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin

(6) 50th Reunion Dance Party featuring the Outerspace Band Saturday, June 11, 2022
Compton Maddux '72 and John Moses '72, P'12

(7) Back on the Lower Long Walk; Friday, June 10, 2022

(8) 5th, 10th, 15th, and 20th Reunion Celebration Saturday, June 11, 2022
Katherine McArthur '16 and Devan Suggs '17



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR REUNION AWARD RECIPIENTS

THE EIGENBRODT CUP: Tom DiBenedetto '71, P'08, '12, '13, '15, '17; Peter Blum '72, P'12

PAUL E. RAETHER '68 ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD: Claudia Baio-Downes '86; Richard Palmer '72

ALUMNI MEDAL FOR EXCELLENCE: Whitney Gulden '16; Justin Maccarone Jr. '81, P'19; Yarel Silverio Marshall '96; Jorge Rodriguez '91; Ann Newman Selvitelli '91; Ellin Carpenter Smith '82, P'19; Matt Smith '82, P'19

THE GARY MCQUAID AWARD: Shakira Ramos Crespo '02; Peter Duncan '81, P'13, '14

THE KATHLEEN O'CONNOR BOELHOUWER '85 ALUMNI INITIATIVE AWARD: Liz Elting '87; Julie Gionfriddo '96, M'05

OUTSTANDING CLASS SECRETARY AWARD: David Sample '71, P'06, '09, '15; John "Jack" Nelson '72



 For more on Reunion, please visit commons. trincoll.edu/Reporter.

A portrait of Samuel D. Kassow '66, an older man with grey hair and glasses, wearing a blue button-down shirt and a grey blazer. He is standing in front of a brick building with arched windows. The text "Samuel D. Kassow '66" is written vertically on the left side of the image.

Samuel D. Kassow '66

TRINITY TREASURE

“When I arrived at Trinity as a teacher, I was 25; I was not that much older than the students,” says Samuel D. Kassow '66, Charles H. Northam Professor of History, who just completed his 50th year on Trinity's faculty and is the college's longest-serving current faculty member. “I've taught literally thousands of students. It's been very gratifying. Occasionally I'll hear from someone that they've never forgotten something I said, or that one of my classes was a catalyst that made them choose a career in academia. And now I'll sometimes hear, ‘You taught my mom or my dad.’ ”

Kassow is an internationally recognized scholar of Russian and Soviet history, modern European history, and the history of Ashkenazi Jewry. He recently saw one of his books adapted into the critically acclaimed documentary *Who Will Write Our History*. His Trinity courses include “World War II,” “The Third Reich,” and “The Holocaust.”

For Kassow, these subjects are personal. “I was born in Europe in a displaced persons camp. My parents were Holocaust survivors in Poland,” he says. “I knew that history mattered. You might say that in my house there was too much history.” When he came

to Trinity on a full scholarship, an initial interest in premed gave way to a growing passion for Russian history, which Kassow pursued in graduate school.

A chance meeting with the head of Trinity's History Department in London led him to join the faculty back at his alma mater, where he has stayed for his entire teaching career. “I love to tell stories,” Kassow says. “I try to make history come alive. I get up in the morning still looking forward to teaching. At the same time, Trinity has given me freedom to do my own work, like writing or being a visiting professor elsewhere.”

On campus, Kassow is involved with services and celebrations at Trinity Hillel, where his wife, Lisa Pleskow Kassow, was director from 2001 until she retired this year. He has mentored students in the History Department and in the multidisciplinary Jewish Studies Program and has led student travel experiences to Russia and Poland. “I think I'll teach for a couple more years,” Kassow says. “I hope I encourage students to be empathetic and to take history seriously. History doesn't give you answers, but the study of history encourages you to ask questions, which is always very good.”



For more on Kassow and his time at Trinity, 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.

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Tenure, promotions

The Trinity College Board of Trustees voted in April 2022 to award tenure and to promote to the rank of associate professor the following eight faculty members:

HASAN CÖMERT

ECONOMICS

Ph.D., University of Massachusetts Amherst
M.S., B.S., Middle East Technical University

MICHAEL A. GRUBB

PSYCHOLOGY

Ph.D., M.A., New York University
M.A., Sophia University
B.A., University of Oklahoma

CHRISTINA HEATHERTON

AMERICAN STUDIES AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Ph.D., M.A., University of Southern California
B.A., University of California, Berkeley

ROSARIO HUBERT

LANGUAGE AND CULTURE STUDIES

Ph.D., Harvard University
B.A., University de San Andres

LUIS A. MARTINEZ

NEUROSCIENCE

Ph.D., M.S., Georgia State University
B.S., University at Buffalo, SUNY

AMBER L. PITT

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND BIOLOGY

Ph.D., M.S., University of Florida
B.A., University of Vermont

ALYSON K. SPURGAS

SOCIOLOGY

Ph.D., The Graduate Center, CUNY
M.A., B.A., University of Maryland, Baltimore County

EWA SYTA

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Ph.D., M.Phil., Yale University
M.S., Central Connecticut State University
M.S., B.S., Military University of Technology

In addition, four faculty members were promoted to the rank of full professor:

JANET BAUER

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Ph.D., M.A., Stanford University
B.S., University of Central Missouri

CHRISTOPHER HOAG

ECONOMICS

Ph.D., California Institute of Technology
B.A., Amherst College

JENNIFER REGAN-LEFEBVRE

HISTORY

Ph.D., M.A., Queen's University Belfast
B.S., Georgetown University

MARK STATER

ECONOMICS

Ph.D., M.S., B.A., University of Oregon



RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Monkey Boy

Francisco Goldman,
Allan K. Smith Professor of English Language
and Literature
Grove Atlantic, 2021; 336 pages
(see page 14 for more)

The Door-Man

Peter M. Wheelwright '72
Fomite, 2022; 369 pages

Endangered Species Act: Law, Policy, and Perspectives

Edited by Donald C. Baur '76 and Ya-Wei Li
American Bar Association, 2021; 551 pages

Phase Six

Jim Shepard '78
Vintage Books, 2021; 244 pages

The Printer as Author in Early Modern English Book History: John Day and the Fabrication of a Protestant Memory Art

William E. Engel '80
Routledge, 2022; 220 pages

The Shakespearean Death Arts: Hamlet Among the Tombs

Edited by William E. Engel '80 and Grant Williams
Palgrave Macmillan, 2022; 346 pages

The Culture of Male Beauty in Britain: From the First Photographs to David Beckham

Paul R. Deslandes '87
The University of Chicago Press, 2021; 414 pages

The Great Courses: Notorious London: A City Tour

[DVDs and Course Guidebook]
Paul R. Deslandes '87
The Teaching Company, 2021

The Cord

Jim O'Loughlin '88, P'20
BHC Press, 2022; 242 pages

A Cultural Arsenal for Democracy: The World War II Work of U.S. Museums

Clarissa J. Ceglie M'05
University of Massachusetts Press, 2022; 224 pages

If you have a recent book, CD, or video that you would like listed in *The Trinity Reporter*, please submit a copy to Sonya Storch Adams, Office of Communications, Trinity College, 300 Summit Street, Hartford, CT 06106. Questions? Email sonya.adams@trincoll.edu.

New dean in admissions

Matthew S. Hyde became Trinity College's dean of admissions and financial aid on July 1, 2022.

Hyde comes to Trinity from Lafayette College, where he served as the assistant vice president for enrollment management and dean of admissions since 2011. Under his leadership, Lafayette grew the size of its applicant pool by 82 percent and increased other important recruitment benchmarks, including selectivity, student diversity, secondary/tertiary market growth, and yield rates. Throughout his time at Lafayette, Hyde helped to build and mentor teams within the department, uniting the efforts of the Financial Aid and Admissions Offices to manage modeling and forecasting strategies and to meet ambitious enrollment goals.

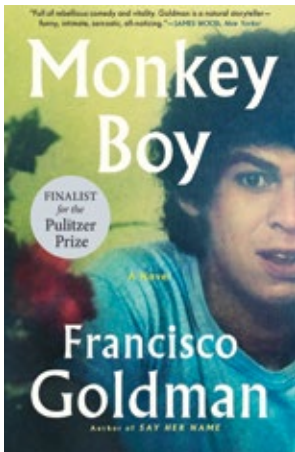
Prior to his time at Lafayette, Hyde served as an associate director of admissions at Tufts University from 2004–11, where he directed the Tufts Alumni Admissions Program and connected more than 3,400 alumni volunteers with prospective students. Additionally, he worked closely with the Athletics Department to support the recruitment of student athletes in 28 NCAA Division III programs.

Hyde earned a B.A. from Bowdoin College in history and environmental studies and an Ed.M. from Harvard University's Graduate School of Education.

His appointment was announced in April through a letter to the Trinity community from Trinity President Joanne Berger-Sweeney. She noted, "Matt's appointment comes after a nationwide search for a strategic leader with the demonstrated experience and skills needed to carry forward the college's vision for recruitment, enrollment, and financial aid. Matt stood out in a highly competitive pool of candidates for his wealth of experience, knowledge, warmth, and strategic thinking. . . . Matt's deep interest in the full arc of the student experience will help guide Trinity's continued growth as a vibrant community dedicated to student well-being and success, both inside and outside the classroom."



For more on these faculty members, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.



Pulitzer finalist

Allan K. Smith Professor of English Language and Literature Francisco Goldman's latest novel, the semi-autobiographical *Monkey Boy*, recently was named a 2022 Pulitzer Prize finalist for fiction.

Connecticut Public Radio's *Colin McEnroe Show* recently aired an interview, "An Hour with Francisco

Goldman." During the interview, in addition to discussing *Monkey Boy* and his other books, Goldman mentioned the sense of optimism he feels working with his students at Trinity and his appreciation for the way that young people are more internationally connected than many people from previous generations.

Goldman's creative fiction writing colleague at Trinity, Associate Professor of English Ethan Rutherford, said, "This recognition for *Monkey Boy* from the Pulitzer committee is such welcome news and further confirms what Francisco's readers, students, colleagues, and friends have known for years: he's one of the best writers at work today. We are so lucky to have him here at Trinity."

A Trinity faculty member since 2002, Goldman is the author of five novels and two books of nonfiction, and his books have been published in 16 languages. His works have won several awards, including the 2011 Prix Femina étranger for *Say Her Name*. His novels also have been finalists for many prizes, including, twice, the PEN/Faulkner Award. His fiction, journalism, and essays have appeared in many publications, including *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times Magazine*, *Harper's*, and *The Believer*.

Goldman is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and has been a Guggenheim Fellow, a Cullman Center Fellow at the New York Public Library, and a Berlin Fellow at the American Academy.

[🔗 To listen to the radio interview with Goldman, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.](https://commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter)

GRANT FOR FIRST BOOK

Trinity College Assistant Professor of American Studies Juliet Nebolon recently was awarded a 2022 fellowship from the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS). The fellowship grant is supporting Nebolon during this academic year as she completes her first book, *Settler Militarism: World War II in Hawai'i and the Making of U.S. Empire*, which explores the period of martial law in Hawai'i from 1941 to 1944.

ACLS fellowships and grants are awarded to individual scholars for excellence in research in the humanities and related social sciences. Nebolon earned a Ph.D. in American studies from Yale University. Her research and teaching bring a transnational perspective to the study of race, indigeneity, and gender in the United States, with a particular focus on U.S. war and empire in Asia and the Pacific Islands. In addition to teaching courses on these subjects, Nebolon also teaches the first-year seminar "Race and American Culture."

Yenching Scholars

Two Trinity College alumni—Stanislav Knezevic '21 and Shawn Olstein '22—recently were named recipients of a Yenching Scholarship from the Yenching Academy of Peking University in China to pursue an interdisciplinary master's degree in China studies.

Scholars awarded these full fellowships take courses in the social sciences and humanities in relation to China, working alongside their academic mentors. Outside the classroom, they participate in fieldwork and extracurricular activities to advance their knowledge and understanding of China and its past, present, and future influence on the world.

"What Yenching Academy will allow me to do is complement my understanding of European and American politics with a deep understanding of China's role in the world," said Knezevic, who majored in political science, minored in philosophy, and studied abroad in Paris and in London.

As an undergraduate, Knezevic, of Serbia, worked in the Dean of Student's Office and was involved in the Student Activities, Involvement & Leadership Office, the Model United Nations Club, and the International Relations Club. As a sophomore, he served as a research assistant to John R. Reitemeyer Professor of Political Science Anthony Messina, focusing on American immigration politics. He also participated in Trinity's Legislative Internship Program, and won, with Ana Stambolic '21, a Davis Projects for Peace grant.

Currently, Knezevic is the Youth Delegate of the Republic of Serbia to the United Nations. He also is a member of the Young Ambassadors Program of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. After finishing his studies at the Yenching Academy, Knezevic plans to pursue a career in diplomacy.

Olstein, of New Jersey, majored in political science and international studies: Asian studies. He served as president of the Class of 2022 and of the Ulmus Literary Society and as a member of the Mock Trial Team and the Honor Council. During his first year at Trinity, Olstein received the First-Year Papers Award and was named a Deans' Scholar for being among the 25 full-time, first-year students with the highest grade point averages at the end of their first year at Trinity.

Olstein's interest in applying to be a Yenching Scholar relates directly to his studies at Trinity and to his goals for the future. "A lot of what I've done at Trinity with political science and Asian studies has been focused on China and the national politics," said Olstein. "Studying at the Yenching Academy is an extension of the Trinity education I've received through the American perspective, so being in China, I will get the Chinese perspective through the culture." Olstein hopes to pursue a career in diplomacy and security, working for the U.S. Department of State.



Top to bottom:
Stanislav
Knezevic '21,
Shawn Olstein '22



HARTFORD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
166 CAPITOL AVENUE, HARTFORD, CT

AROUND HARTFORD

Pursuing its mission to “enrich lives and the community through great music” since 1934, the Hartford Symphony Orchestra—marking its 78th season in 2021–22—plays to audiences of more than 95,000 each year through more than 100 concerts. The HSO’s powerful and emotional experiences include classical masterworks, pops shows, and live performances of film scores including the Harry Potter series. The orchestra is led by Carolyn Kuan, who in 2011 became the first woman and youngest person to be named HSO music director. In 2020, when the pandemic forced the cancellation of indoor concerts, the HSO created new methods of sharing music, including HSO To Go, an online platform hosting orchestra recordings, and the Summer Splash! Series of outdoor concerts around Connecticut. Today—as in pre-pandemic times—the orchestra’s primary venue is The Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts. In addition, the HSO hosts the Talcott Mountain Music Festival Friday nights in July at the Simsbury Meadows Performing Arts Center. The HSO’s extensive array of education and community activities serves 23,000 area individuals each year, fostering joy for music and an appreciation of its transformative power. With a renewed commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, the HSO has pledged to seek out diverse talent and to develop more inclusive programming to better promote community engagement and artistic vitality. For more information about the HSO, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.



PHOTOS: (BOTTOM LEFT) JOHN MARINELLI; (RIGHT) COURTESY OF THE HARTFORD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

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**RESTAURATEUR
JAMIE MCDONALD IDP'00
MAKES AN IMPACT IN
HARTFORD AREA AND BEYOND**

story by **WENDY CARLSON**



photos by **JOANNA CHATTMAN**



JAMIE MCDONALD IDP'00 BELIEVES IN THE POWER OF THE BUTTERFLY EFFECT, THE IDEA THAT EVEN THE [SMALLEST] ACT OF KINDNESS CAN HAVE A (((((RIPPLING))))) IMPACT.

SINCE THE OPENING OF THE FIRST
BEAR'S SMOKEHOUSE BBQ IN EAST
WINDSOR, CONNECTICUT, IN 2013,
MCDONALD HAS USED THAT POWER
AS A FORCE FOR GOOD.

A decade ago, McDonald was working his way up the corporate ladder at a Connecticut aerospace company while juggling a side gig competing in eating contests. He holds 13 world records for devouring everything from pies to pizza in warp speed. That talent came in handy in 2012 shortly after Hurricane Sandy struck, when he helped organize a hot-dog-eating fundraiser at a local restaurant. Not surprisingly, he won. But his competition days came to an end when the restaurant owner offered to rent him some counter space to start his own smokehouse.

McDonald jumped at the chance. A native of Kansas City, Missouri, he grew up with seriously good barbecue, and he saw a market in Connecticut for smoked meats and homemade sides. With the \$70,000 he won in eating contests, McDonald bought his first wood-fired smoker. In 2013, he left his job, and he and his now ex-wife, Cheryl, opened the first Bear's. From day one, the tiny takeout business was a huge success. Almost overnight, they were flooded with customers, and they needed more employees fast.

They reached out to local organizations that help formerly incarcerated individuals find jobs. In their view, it was a win-win: Bear's needed a staff, and

many formerly incarcerated individuals, who struggled to find work after being released from prison, needed a second chance.

"Sometimes all they need is somebody to believe in them and give them that chance. Because if no one does, what choice do they have?" McDonald explains.

Today, he and Cheryl remain business partners and together operate eight Bear's, four of which are in Connecticut, including the one on Hartford's Front Street, a short drive from Trinity's campus. In 2020, they opened two restaurants in Asheville, North Carolina, a move McDonald says was sparked by a good market that had a lack of diverse barbecue. They recently opened two more North Carolina locations, one in Weaverville and the other in Mill Spring, at the Tryon Equestrian Center. In each of the locations, they work to pay their success forward through hiring formerly incarcerated individuals, providing a living wage, supporting women's rights and animal welfare, and sponsoring events to help break the stigma around mental health issues and promote suicide-prevention awareness.

About 70 percent of Bear's 300 employees have experienced incarceration, according to McDonald. Each employee candidate is carefully assessed, and sex offenders or career criminals are not considered. Not every hire is a success story, but a majority are.

"The ones who succeed are really trying to change their lives, either for themselves or they have young children at home and they want to be able to provide for them. So, by helping one person, you end up helping a wider circle of people," he says.

Hartford resident Gilberto Rivera has spent the last six years working at Bear's, "doing a little bit of everything." He had served multiple prison sentences adding up to more than 30 years for crimes including selling drugs and assault when he was given the chance to get his life on the right track, and he's not taking that opportunity for granted.

"This time around, I decided enough is enough," Rivera says. "I'm tired of this life [in prison]. I told my family that this was my last time, and they said, 'Yeah, we've heard that before from you, and you always give up.' But I said, 'This time I'm doing it.'"

Rivera hasn't given up, and he says he enjoys his job. "Everybody works together. It's just like it's a big family. I look forward going to work; it's a good environment. I've called out only once in six years." He adds, "I'm a role model to my 22 grandkids, and they all look up to me. I'm blessed, and I'm thankful for Cheryl and Jamie. They gave me the opportunity."

McDonald's acts of kindness extend far beyond the local community. Shortly after Russia invaded Ukraine earlier this year, he connected with World Central Kitchen (WCK), a nonprofit feeding refugees in Poland. McDonald flew to Warsaw and spent three

weeks working at a kitchen facility located about five miles from the Ukraine-Poland border. He helped prepare the nearly 150,000 meals delivered daily to Ukrainian refugees streaming across the border. In the evenings, he visited a nearby kennel to help take care of some of the hundreds of dogs from Ukraine that were left homeless as a result of the conflict.

Back in Connecticut, McDonald set up a donation page on Facebook and shared photos of refugees he met during his trip. Within three weeks, he raised more than \$90,000 for WCK, in addition to donating 25 percent of the proceeds from the sale of Bear's sauces and rubs.

McDonald was recognized for his work in the capital city as the 2017 recipient of the Trinity Club of Hartford (TCOH) Person of the Year Award. The annual honor is "presented to a graduate of the college who has given outstanding service to the community or to the college."

Hartford entrepreneur Jeff Devereux '12, partner at Breakfast Lunch & Dinner, was president of the TCOH at the time McDonald was honored. He says the club was impressed with McDonald and his team taking on the challenge of opening restaurants in the city. "The energy, the tenacity, and the determination to do all of that was inspiring to the club," he says, adding, "He kind of threw himself into many aspects of the Hartford community. I knew him, but lots of people knew him, because he was just that kind of guy."

Building a business as a force for good wasn't exactly how McDonald, now 43, imagined his life. "I had always been active in volunteering, but if you had asked me 25 years ago what I wanted to be, I might have said I wanted to be a big CEO. That's what I thought life was all about, climbing the corporate ladder," he says.

McDonald enlisted in the U.S. Navy straight out of high school. He served as a nuclear machinist, monitoring nuclear power generation systems on aircraft carriers. After he completed his military service, he entered the aerospace industry and eventually moved to Connecticut, where he worked repairing and overhauling jet engines at Hamilton Standard, then a division of United Technologies.

Marriage and raising a family followed, but, along the way, McDonald decided to further his education. Trinity's self-paced Individualized Degree Program (IDP), which allows self-supporting students to take as many or as few classes as they want each semester, was a perfect fit. With a full-time job and a family, he was far from the typical college student.

He pushed himself, taking six to eight courses a semester while working the night shift at Hamilton Standard. He graduated in three years, an accomplishment he attributes to his time in the Navy, where he learned to push himself both mentally



and physically and to strive for a high level of achievement.

Armed with a B.A. in economics, he set his sights on a high-powered career in business. "Back then, I envisioned myself master of the universe," he jokes.

But a course he took at Trinity in business ethics convinced him that corporations have an obligation to benefit the communities in which they operate.

"I don't recall who the instructor of the course was, but I do remember he told us that at the end of the day, every business has the responsibility to better their community. That course really stuck with me. So when we started Bear's, we thought a lot about how we could use it to help others, whether through food donations to charities, through raising the minimum wage, and through staffing ex-offenders," he says.

McDonald has seen addiction within his family, which also influenced his decision to help those in recovery who seek a second chance. He notes that some of the employees working at Bear's ended up in prison as a result of drug or alcohol abuse. When given the opportunity, "those who make it are absolutely the most loyal and hardworking employees we've had because they appreciate what we've done for them," he says.

His campaign to help make the world a better place includes last May's marking of Mental Health Awareness Month with the launch of Hopefest at the Bear's location in New Haven, featuring a series of events in support of mental health awareness and suicide prevention. He also works to support service members by hosting events such as Cigars for Warriors, a fundraiser to benefit the similarly named nonprofit that aims to boost morale of those in the military.

As he sees it, by working collectively, we all can make a difference in the world. "Even the smallest gesture," he says, "can have a huge impact." ■

Jamie McDonald
IDP'00 volunteers
near the Poland-
Ukraine border with
World Central
Kitchen.







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Hellen Hom- Diamond

Trinity's new
vice president
for strategic
marketing and
communications

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CARLSON

Hellen Hom-Diamond joined the Trinity College community in January 2022 as vice president for strategic marketing and communications after serving as the chief communications officer at Sidwell Friends School in Washington, D.C., and before that, as chief communications officer at The Hotchkiss School. She has more than two decades of experience in education communications, most of which was spent at Yale University, where she served as director of campus communications in the Office of Public Affairs and Communications, and at the UCLA Alumni Association, where she served as director of online communications.

In her new role as a key member of Trinity's senior administration, she leads strategies to connect people to the heart of the college and to present Trinity to the broader world.

Hom-Diamond earned a bachelor's degree in architecture from Columbia University.

She recently took the time to respond to questions from *The Trinity Reporter*.

What drew you to Trinity College? I was excited to be a part of Trinity—it's historic and dynamic and has graduated many leaders and artists of world significance. There is a stellar caliber of faculty and staff here who care deeply about the impact we have on students and on the well-being of where we live. Life is never dull here. There is never a shortage of projects, beliefs, perspectives, ideas, or opinions. Some opinions are pointed, some are subtle, and others are expressed with passion and creativity. I really like the feel of a small liberal arts college because it means you get to know people and much can be gained from the resulting discourse and energy. I don't take the word "community" lightly in the digital age given how social media is shifting how well people think they know and care about one another. A small academic community allows for interactions that I hope we never lose, ones that build a depth of friendship, mentorship, and empathy. It makes for thousands of interesting stories that are unique to the inherent culture of Trinity. As a person who loves the work of storytelling, I find the opportunity to lead sizable communications and reputational efforts at Trinity to be a dream.

What closed the deal for me was meeting President Berger-Sweeney. I've worked with my fair share of leaders in education, and it is not

hyperbolic to say that she is one of a kind. I truly appreciate her as a leader and role model.

What have been your priorities since you arrived in January?

There is so much work to do! We have a highly talented communications team, and I feel grateful to work in the company of dedicated staff and academic colleagues. My first priority was to listen. It's important to hear and understand the dynamics that have informed and shaped constituent relationships within the cultural context of this college. My next priority is to develop strategies to elevate Trinity's national profile and fortify the reputation of a small but mighty college. A lot happens here, and we need the world to know it.

I would emphasize that it starts with our own community. Trinity has a powerful story to tell, but it needs community members to stop and reflect on the caliber of intellectual inquiry and innovation on this campus. Students have the power to illuminate perspectives and push boundaries in ways that can make others pause and think—and they become alumni who are then influenced by their time here. We are doing really interesting things at the college, right here and today. This is what our branding initiative has been about: reaffirming what we already know about Trinity and refining the lens through which we tell our story. I hope everyone, including the most vocal critics in our community, can see this as important.

Without question, there is a door opening right now, and that door is the college's bicentennial. I am honored to co-chair the core campus committee for the bicentennial with Associate Dean for Curriculum Mitch Polin '96, serving alongside the greater Steering and Celebration Committees. This will be a huge effort that requires significant coordination and energy from many people. I also appreciate that the comprehensive capital campaign is upon us and am grateful to the those who are working quite hard to get us to the community (a.k.a. "public") phase. If we as a community reflect upon both what 200 years has meant and the potential in what the next 200 could bring, I think we have a tremendous opportunity to walk through this door with enormous grace, pride, and strength. Everyone has a part to play in this community, and I am excited to see how we will rally!

What opportunities do you see in marketing and communications at Trinity?

A mentor at Yale once said to me that she saw the role of a communications office as the connective tissue of a complex organization, connecting priorities and messaging for our audiences. When you add in the marketing layer, we also are agents of our own future, creating effective reach to target audiences and persuasive content that

delivers a compelling narrative. Every opportunity has the same goal: engage our community and elevate our reputation and reach.

We are developing strategies for a higher volume of media-rich stories, a more fulsome content strategy, focused messaging, and a deeper digital reach. Media relations and leadership messaging are central to our work. Yet, our small team cannot do it alone. So, a definite opportunity is to expand how we engage others to support our work. It is not enough for one department to create a great video or story with singular utility. In the era of social media, the question lies with how we engage students, faculty, staff, and alumni to take pride in these stories, to become agents and ambassadors to reach more people.

To you, our readers, I invite you to read our news frequently, pay attention to our social media, magazine, videos, and e-publications, and see what role you might play in our collective efforts to share the Trinity story.


What challenges do you foresee in this area, and how do you plan to tackle them? The biggest challenges we have are time and resources. We have only so many hours in the day and months in the year to execute at a level that competes with other institutions. I often meet peers from other universities who have more staff on their social media, web, or data analytics teams alone than we do in the entire Communications Office. And yet we operate and market in the same space, and we do it at a high level.

We are required to be crafty and resourceful, shifting from a department that responds to tasks at hand to one that makes longer-term strategic plans. It means using the branding guidelines that we have created with the firm Ologie as a baseline and lens for focusing our energy and stories. It means greater emphasis on our creative direction and becoming better and faster craftspeople who write, design, and photograph with vision and precision. It means pulling together a social media plan to operate as a collaborative ecosystem of departments and groups that push as many positive and interesting stories out as possible. And it also means coming up with measurements for how we can benchmark our progress and how we correct assumptions in our work.

What do you feel are Trinity's greatest strengths? Without question, our people are the greatest strength. There is an entrepreneurial spirit here that when tapped into in the right way produces great work and sparks a different way of getting things done. Basically, we rely a lot on grit, willpower, skill, and dedication in order to compete

at a high level. My colleagues and the students here are incredible.

How do you plan to share those strengths with the world? Storytelling. Doing it well requires strategy, skill, and artistry to connect with people on both intellectual and emotional levels. That is what we do in the Communications Office: we paint a mosaic of the many stories that define who we are as an institution and the student experience that is created.

Is there anything else you want readers to know about you? I like meeting new people, and I love what I do, so please say hello! In my spare time, I'm an artist and I love to draw, and, on occasion, I obsessively knit. Life is more satisfying when you put your heart into your work and express gratitude for the people and places around you. 

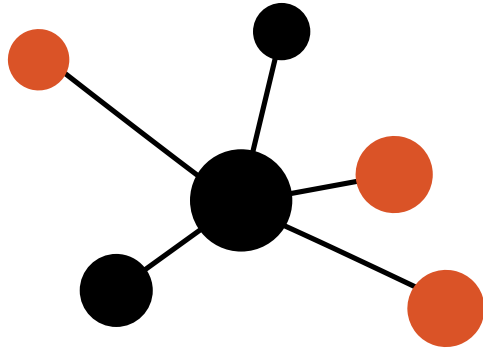


 For more on Trinity's branding initiative, please see page 8 and visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

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HELLEN HOM-DIAMOND,
VICE PRESIDENT FOR STRATEGIC MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

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Retired
professors
still pursue
their passions

LEARNING

“Do things you love. If you don’t love your job, find another one. What is life if you don’t have something to keep your mind active, something that excites you?”

CRAIG SCHNEIDER
CHARLES A. DANA PROFESSOR
OF BIOLOGY, EMERITUS

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Craig Schneider in his Trinity lab, circa 2008

BY MARY HOWARD



“I haven’t been bored a single moment,” says Leslie Desmangles, professor of religious studies and international studies, emeritus. Though retired since 2018, he continues his research and writing. And he is not alone. *The Trinity Reporter* recently checked in with Desmangles and five other retired faculty members who are busier than ever and engaging their passion for learning every day.



“I have a curious mind, and I absolutely love research. It’s like a game or a sport to me.”

LESLIE DESMANGLES
PROFESSOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES
AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES,
EMERITUS

Desmangles, who specializes in the anthropology of religion, recently finished writing two long chapters—one on Rastafari and another on Judaism—for a book on the religions of the Caribbean that will be released by Oxford University Press later this year.

He also is enjoying a newfound interest in Christopher Columbus. “I am fascinated by what led him to travel to the other side of the world,” says Desmangles, who is studying the explorer’s journals and those of others who accompanied him.

Desmangles says he found a sense of community among Trinity faculty members, in his own and in other departments. “I had frequent scholarly discussions with my colleagues, which enriched my ongoing research and publication,” he says.

When not writing or researching, Desmangles teaches a course in Caribbean studies at the University of Hartford.

Craig Schneider, Charles A. Dana Professor of Biology, Emeritus, says he’s “publishing like crazy.” As a specialist in the phylogenetics of marine algae, Schneider continues to identify new species, placing them on the tree of life, a branching diagram that illustrates the evolutionary relationships among various biological species based on their gene sequences. He estimates that he has identified between

70 to 80 new species of algae during his career.

“I love my work. I love looking for new species. I remain curious about all that we don’t know,” he says. Since retiring from Trinity in 2020, he spends every weekday and many Saturday mornings in his at-home lab. “If my wife asks me to do something on a Saturday, I usually acquiesce,” he says.

While these professors were at Trinity, they were conducting their research while teaching a full course load, says Takunari Miyazaki, associate dean for faculty development and associate professor of computer science. “Now they can devote all their time to their passion for scholarship and research,” he says.

Milla Riggio, James J. Goodwin Professor of English, Emerita, echoes this. “The only thing we retire from is teaching,” she says. When she left Trinity in 2018, she made commitments to write seven essays for various publications, including scholarly articles on the film versions of Shakespeare’s *The Taming of the Shrew* and several articles on the Trinidad and Tobago Carnival. She also is working on two books, a study of the Abraham legend and *Compensatory Masquerade: The Healing Spirit of Trinidad Carnival*, co-written with German scholar Patricia Alleyne-Dettmers.



“When I look back, I never regretted my time in the classroom. Teaching was my calling.”

MILLA RIGGIO
JAMES J. GOODWIN PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH, EMERITA

“If we have active research interests, we have more time to pursue those in retirement,” says Riggio, who became interested in the historical and cultural significance of the Trinidad and Tobago Carnival in the ’90s. “Shakespeare and my carnival are kindred spirits,” she says.

Miyazaki notes, “These distinguished scholars chose a career in academia because they have a passion for learning,” adding that the support they received from Trinity over the years fostered this passion. “It is a natural progression for them to continue their research after retirement,” he says.

Schneider says that Trinity gave him the resources to carry on a very active program of research while teaching. These resources included institutional leaves and funding for fieldwork during his first decades at the college. “Yes, it all took a drive from within, and that’s always been present,” he says, “but the college truly nurtured my success over the years.” Schneider adds that, due to his track record of publications written



“I had the good fortune of having senior colleagues in the Philosophy Department during my early years who allowed and even encouraged me to go intellectually wherever my interests happened to be. And they happened to be all over the place.”

MAURICE WADE
PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY, EMERITUS



Left: Joan Morrison in 2010; right: Judy Dworin in 2005

“The most important thing to consider for retirement is to have a plan. The daily structure and the activities one is used to are gone, and quickly, when retirement begins. It helps to have other activities lined up—research, writing, volunteering—so the shift is not so drastic.”

JOAN MORRISON
PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY, EMERITA

while he was at Trinity, he secured funding from the National Science Foundation that fostered his research later in his career and into retirement.

The support received by these professors was not only in the form of funding, says Riggio. They also were given the freedom to follow their own research interests. “Where else would I be allowed to turn like a whirling dervish in so many different directions? I wasn’t forced to be the Shakespearean. I was allowed to find my own passions,” she says.

During his career, Maurice Wade, professor of philosophy, emeritus, has studied and taught environmental philosophy, philosophy of the body, African philosophy, ethics and public policy, race theory, and Latin American and Caribbean philosophy. “When I became interested in something, I developed a new course,” he says.

Retired since July 2021, Wade is devoting much of his time to reviewing the unpublished personal notebooks of the Trinidadian intellectual and activist Lloyd Algernon Best. He plans to publish on the philosophical foundations of Best’s thoughts. “I believe he is a figure whose thinking should be better known,” he says.

Wade also is developing a model course on colonialism and anti-colonialism in the Caribbean. This digital course will use story-mapping tools to provide a historical narrative of text, images, and maps of the Caribbean.

Joan Morrison, professor of biology, emerita, retired in 2017. “At Trinity, we could study what we wanted to study,” she says. A conservation biologist, she helped launch the college’s Environmental Science Program in 2002 and served as its director from 2004 to 2008. She also conducted a well-publicized study of red-tailed hawks living in downtown Hartford.

But her main passion for the last 30 years has been monitoring a population of crested caracaras at the Archbold Biological Station in Florida. She says these threatened raptors are losing their habitat to rapid development in the area. Morrison notes that she is the only biologist studying these birds, which she has done since she was a University of Florida graduate student. And she has no intention of stopping. “When you spend this much of your life studying and being humbled by an animal, you want to know what’s happening to it,” she says.


For Judy Dworin '70, professor of theater and dance, emerita, "Trinity was a fertile and active environment that inspired me to go beyond myself." During her 43 years at Trinity, Dworin established the college's dance program, co-founded the Trinity/La MaMa Performing Arts Program in New York City, and was instrumental in creating the Department of Theater and Dance, which she chaired for many years.

"That drive I experienced at Trinity led me to create something on my own," says Dworin. In 1989, she founded the Judy Dworin Performance Project (JDPP), now called the Justice Dance Performance Project, which examines social issues through dance-theater performance and engagement with the arts. She also established a performance residency for women incarcerated at the York Correctional Institution, Connecticut's only state prison for women.

"Retirement never felt real to me," says Dworin. "I have never worked harder in my life." She continues to lead the JDPP, and—despite COVID-19 restrictions—her company has been performing regularly, including a commissioned piece staged at the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center in Hartford. Though retired from the college since 2015, she teaches a field study in a course offered through Trinity's Human Rights Program that examines the intersections of the arts, prison, and human rights by involving students in a performance project with returned citizens.

For Dworin and the others, their involvements extend beyond academics. Wade runs a reading group on works by and about writer James Baldwin that includes retired and current members of the Trinity faculty. Morrison gives bird-banding demonstrations to students in her community near Albuquerque, New Mexico. And, through their church, Desmangles and his wife, Gertrude, work with refugees from the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Haiti, helping them acculturate to the United States.

"It's an interesting life," says Desmangles. He says his 40 years at Trinity were good to him. "I had the opportunity to teach some very fine students. I learned from them; they enriched my life."

When asked if he foresees a time when he will stop writing and research, Desmangles seems to speak for himself and his colleagues when he says, "I don't think of it. For now, it's full speed ahead." 

"The arts are so important to our development and to our humanity. Trinity gave me the opportunity to expose students to the art of movement, especially those students who didn't see themselves as dancers. And they became dancers—each in their own way."

JUDY DWORIN
PROFESSOR OF THEATER AND DANCE, EMERITA





BEARING THE BRUNT OF bullying



**‘Social
Neuroscience’
course delves
into the
psychological
pain**

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“The children’s rhyme goes, ‘Sticks and stones can break my bones, but names can never hurt me,’ but in fact that’s not true, when you look at how the brain processes the psychological pain of bullying,” says Trinity College Assistant Professor of Neuroscience Sally Bernardina Seraphin, who last year introduced the new “Social Neuroscience” course to the college curriculum. “Psychological pain hurts, in that it activates some of the same areas of the brain as physical pain, like from a paper cut or a punch.”

A unit in the course that focused on the impact of bullying on the brain teaches Trinity students about how social rejection or isolation can lead to long-term physical and mental health problems. The students, in turn, had the opportunity to deliver these “Bullying in the Brain” lessons to children in local schools and youth organizations through participatory presentations as part of the course’s community learning component. “Learning is interactive and collaborative. That’s what resonates with students of any age,” Seraphin says.



“Social neuroscience is a newer and rapidly emerging interdisciplinary field that looks at how the brain processes and regulates social functions—that includes everything from processing faces, gestures, and postures, to vocal communication and complex social interactions,” Seraphin says. “For students who want to pursue neuroscience careers, it’s a really important foundation. Other students may find what they learn through studying social neuroscience useful when they go into business, finance, government, and health professions.”

The study of bullying is just one aspect of social neuroscience that connects with Seraphin’s background in research on early maltreatment and trauma. “There’s good literature on the impact of social isolation, social rejection, and loneliness that emerges from bullying on mental health and well-being,” she says. Seraphin has given a conference presentation on the subject and co-wrote a peer-reviewed article for *The Journal of Undergraduate Neuroscience Education*. Bullying remains a perpetually timely subject, Seraphin says, noting that at the time the inaugural course was being taught, the U.S. Congress was holding a hearing about cyberbullying and bullying in schools.

Seraphin teaches her students that just as there are ways to help treat physical pain, such as with medication, there are also ways to cope with psychological pain, including social support, self-care, and mindfulness. “Loneliness increases the expression of genes involved in inflammation, which contributes to a lot of health problems. By contrast, feeling a part of a community reduces inflammation. This is all part of the mind-body connection,” she says.

The effects of bullying don’t stay manifest in the brain and body, Seraphin says. “Really bad things can happen to kids who are bullied. Sometimes they stop going to school or don’t perform as well in school, they may become delinquent or may become bullies themselves, and they are more likely to become incarcerated. Some develop mental health problems stemming from the bullying and may even die by suicide. So it seemed really compelling to go out there and teach about these connections between physical pain, psychological pain, and bullying, in terms of where they manifest in the brain, but also how both can be alleviated by self-care and social analgesics or allyship.”

Neuroscience major Dorothy Mansah Anika ’22, of the Bronx, New York, says the course taught her about the brain, social connections, love, neural systems, and more. She notes, “This course examines the complexities of human behavior, its relationships to the environment, and the mechanisms behind social processes and these actions.”



Seraphin joined the Trinity faculty in 2020 wanting to forge connections with the Greater Hartford community and to deepen learning for her students. To accomplish both of those goals, she joined Trinity’s Community Learning Faculty Fellows (CLiFF) program, which introduces faculty to community engagement pedagogy and supports them in designing a community learning component to be taught in an upcoming course. Seraphin focused on the idea of developing what she calls non-disposable assignments or learning objects. The creation of something physical and more permanent that can be used to help teach others—like a game or interactive poster—can help students retain knowledge and can leave more of a lasting impact than an exam or a term paper, Seraphin says.

“They’re not just assignments that students submit for me to read but instead can potentially benefit someone in the community, so there is a greater emotional investment,” Seraphin says. “We don’t want students to be passive receptacles of knowledge. Non-disposable assignments generate knowledge that can be shared with the community, giving their work a lifespan that surpasses the semester. This is a way not only of deepening student learning by giving them an opportunity to apply and perform a service based on the course materials but also is a way to create a bigger impact in the community.”

Students in Seraphin’s class had several opportunities during the spring 2022 semester to deliver their anti-bullying program and to engage younger area students with the learning objects they created. The class members visited the Trinity College Boys & Girls Club of Hartford and took part in April 2022’s on-campus “BBQ and Brains” event hosted by Trinity’s Neuroscience Club—and co-organized by Anika, Alicia Camuy ’22, and Michelle Mordasiewicz ’22—which welcomed students in the Compass Youth Collaborative, whose CEO is Trinity alumna Jacquelyn Santiago Nazario ’00.

At the in-person programs, Trinity students set up several stations designed around different messages and activities. At one station, the Trinity students talked about what bullying means and how it looks in the brain. At another, the younger students wrote anonymously on index cards about their experiences with bullying and dropped them in a fish bowl. Making notes on interactive bulletin boards facilitated conversations about ways to help alleviate social pain or stress.

“WE WANTED TO TEACH BASIC NEUROSCIENCE WHILE COMMUNICATING THE ANALOGY BETWEEN HURT FROM BULLYING AND PHYSICAL PAIN.”

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF NEUROSCIENCE
SALLY BERNARDINA SERAPHIN

Seraphin says, “One group of my students developed a game that involves role-playing different bullying scenarios, appropriate for different age groups. The idea was to get to the recognition of when and how to go from being a bystander to an ally.” She adds, “We tried to keep the principles and takeaways simple. We wanted to teach basic neuroscience while communicating the analogy between hurt from bullying and physical pain.”

Through a virtual presentation with students at Hall High School in West Hartford, Seraphin’s class used online versions of the games and interactive bulletin boards and also spoke with the high schoolers about the criminal implications of bullying. Seraphin says she hopes to further develop this program and make it available to after-school programs and public schools.

Hall math teacher Darcie Hudson-Harriman says that her students were struck by the research they were shown. “Being able to see that the regions of the brain associated with pain are affected from bullying made many students realize the impact bullying has on the body,” she says. “Students learned how they can lessen the physiological impacts of bullying by practicing self-care techniques, as well as how to be an upstander in a safe way. We were so impressed with the thoroughness of the presentations and interactive activities. It was a positive experience that left students feeling hopeful that there are ways to help themselves or other victims.”

Recent graduate Anika says preparing for the high school program led to “fascinating conversations on how our upbringing or the circumstances we find ourselves in have a significant impact on our life and how the brain is involved.” She adds that it was important to teach younger students about the connection between neuroscience and bullying because it raises awareness and emphasizes the need to reassure them that others are available to help, that they can speak up, and that the human brain is resilient. “These resources and this knowledge can prevent a child from the horrifying aspect of being a victim.” ■



Sally Bernardina Seraphin, Assistant Professor of Neuroscience



BUILDING EMPATHY

A “Social Neuroscience” class lesson involved the Trinity students using virtual reality goggles. “The students had a VR experience during which they were embedded in a homeless encampment,” says Assistant Professor of Neuroscience Sally Bernardina Seraphin. “They could look through belongings there and experience a police raid when the camp was dismantled and people were displaced. I had the students take an implicit attitude test regarding bias against homeless people before and after the experience. This was intended to enhance learning and hopefully encourage people to be allies by building their empathic capacity.”

PHOTO: (FAR RIGHT) JOHN MARINELLI

Board Chair
Lisa Bisaccia '78
is listening,
learning, sharing



Talking about Trinity

BY
KATHY
ANDREWS

Lisa Bisaccia '78 has a distinct childhood memory of riding in her parents' car to visit her grandparents in Hartford. As she looked out the window, her attention was drawn to the sight of a big stone building with towers, all lit up. "It was up on a hill and seemed to loom over the horizon," she says. "I asked my parents, 'What's that?'"

Upon learning, first, that it was Trinity College, and second, that a college was a school where people went to study after high school, she announced, "Oh, I would like to go there."

Bisaccia recalls, "I remember my father saying, 'You can't—it's only for boys.'" But in 1969, when she was in eighth grade, coeducation arrived at Trinity. A few years later, she applied to just one college—Trinity. She recalls the anticipation of walking down her driveway to the mailbox to look for an envelope from Trinity and the thrill of opening it. "I shouted, 'Eeeee! I made it into Trinity!'" Of particular significance, Bisaccia knew she would be the first woman in her family to attend a four-year college. "It was the beginning of a wonderful relationship."

That relationship, which now spans five decades, rose to a new level in July 2021. Shortly after retiring as CVS Health's executive vice president and chief human resources officer, Bisaccia stepped into Trinity's top volunteer leadership role, chair of the Board of Trustees. Previously, she served on the college's Board of Fellows and participated in Reunion planning and the Women's Leadership Council, among other Trinity involvements.

A modern languages major at Trinity, she earned an M.B.A. at the University of Connecticut while working, first at Saint Francis Hospital and then at Hartford Hospital. The M.B.A. was important for learning "the language of business," she notes. But the skills

she learned at Trinity as a humanities student are the ones she considers invaluable. "The skills of interacting successfully with people from all different backgrounds, finding things in common, being able to pick up on cues, knowing when to speak and when to hold your tongue—all of those are skills that were essential in what eventually became my chosen profession," says Bisaccia. "I also credit Trinity with opening my eyes to the kind of career I could aspire to and preparing me for many subsequent meaningful decisions in my life."

Today, she relishes the opportunity to serve as Trinity's board chair and considers it an ideal way to transition into retirement. "I knew I couldn't go from 100 miles an hour to zero," she laughs. Bisaccia has spent much of the past year meeting with groups of Trinity alumni and other members of the Trinity community around the country and on campus. She reports that alumni tend to ask about four topic areas: 1) happenings in Hartford, 2) memories of Trinity, 3) the latest with students, faculty, and the curriculum, and 4) Trinity's future. She notes that when alumni meet for the first time, even if they attended Trinity years apart, they dive into discussing shared Trinity experiences. "They compare notes about campus landmarks, about faculty, about events, and it's an immediate connection across the years."

She says she finds it rewarding to hear people's Trinity stories and also enjoys providing updates about the college. "I share facts around our number of applicants, our increasing rates of graduation and retention, the academic profiles of the newest class, and the satisfaction of our students with the quality of their educational experience," says Bisaccia.

As well, she focuses on what President Joanne Berger-Sweeney calls Trinity's "spiral up" strategy. Says Bisaccia, "We are admitting wonderfully qualified applicants, who are academically prepared for the rigors of a Trinity education and also so accomplished in a whole spectrum of other dimensions—community service, the arts, athletics. I am so impressed by our students! I also talk a lot about the campaign and the strength of our endowment—it's grown tremendously during Joanne's tenure, but we'd all like it to be at least a billion dollars." She points out that a substantive endowment is key to being able to make the strategic choices that are right for the college's future.

For Bisaccia, coming to campus more often is a real plus to serving as board chair. Among her favorite spots is the Trinity College Chapel, where she sang with the Concert Choir as a student and, later, where she and her husband were married. "To be in an environment like Trinity as a young adult provided so many challenges and opportunities that have been formative to the person I have become," she says. "I look back and think: 'You know, if I hadn't gone to Trinity, what might have happened?' I know my Trinity experience is a defining variable in the choices I've made as an adult, even to today. I do believe I have something to give, and the something I have to give is directly connected to what Trinity gave to me, so my involvement with the college now is paying it forward in a very satisfying way." ■

Making a difference

Alumni offer support to financial aid, study of human rights

Two recent gifts to Trinity College will make a substantial impact on students for generations to come.

\$5 MILLION TO FUND NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Henry Mallari-D'Auria '83, a member of Trinity College's Board of Trustees and a longtime donor to the college, has made a \$5 million gift that will expand Trinity's ability to recruit the best students of every background and will establish the Henry Mallari-D'Auria '83 Scholarship.

"Henry's contributions to Trinity have long had an impact on the success of students and the institution," says Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney. "His personal and professional accomplishments are a wonderful example of a Trinity success story, and his commitment to the college will expand our capacity to enroll incredible students who lack only sufficient resources for an educational experience like ours."

Mallari-D'Auria, who serves as chief investment officer of emerging markets value equities at AllianceBernstein and portfolio manager for the Next 50 Emerging Markets Fund, sees his gift as a way of opening doors for students, the way financial aid and internships at Trinity did for him. "My first job, and ultimately my career, was driven by an internship at the school," says Mallari-D'Auria. "All of that would not have been possible if Trinity hadn't offered me financial aid."



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During his junior year, Mallari-D'Auria, an economics major, interned with the investment management division of Travelers Insurance. The connections he made there led to his first job after college at PaineWebber. "Trinity was key to being able to get that first job," he says.

Mallari-D'Auria recalled that shortly after his graduation from Trinity, he felt an obligation to give back to his alma mater. "It wasn't big dollars, but it was something. The school had been important to me." His involvement with Trinity continued through the years, including attending Reunions and making annual Trinity Fund gifts. As his donations increased, he decided to focus his philanthropy on financial aid.

Says Mallari-D'Auria, "I understood that the price of a small liberal arts school is out of reach for many families and that I had an opportunity to ease some of that burden. My view is that if you are in a position to, you ought to contribute to the school's ability to enroll the best students."

Mallari-D'Auria's gift contributes toward the current initiative to raise \$100 million in new support for recruitment and financial aid, an endeavor that is part of the college's commitment to opening Trinity's doors to the very best students from across the country and around the world.

\$4 MILLION TO SUPPORT HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAM

Everett "Ev" Elting Jr. '58, P'85, P'87 has made a \$4 million gift to support Trinity's Human Rights Program—the first of its kind at an American liberal arts college—greatly enhancing opportunities for students to study, and ultimately shape, the cause of human rights around the world.

Elting's gift comes more than two decades after he donated \$500,000 to create the program, which incorporates the study of human rights into the college's liberal arts curriculum. Inspired by the program's impact, Elting has designated his new gift to establish the Elting Fund for Human Rights and Global Citizenship. This latest commitment will build on the success of the Human Rights Program and offer additional resources for interdisciplinary study.

"Ev's transformational gift will markedly boost Trinity's impact as a leader of undergraduate human rights education," says Trinity's Dean of the Faculty and

Vice President for Academic Affairs Sonia Cardenas. "Students across the academic spectrum will deepen their appreciation of human rights and global citizenship in their lives. They'll experience unparalleled learning opportunities in this tremendously important field."

Elting's passion for human rights and commitment to the imperatives of empathy, responsibility, and global citizenship began at Trinity more than 60 years ago. Coursework in art history, philosophy, religion, linguistics, ethics, and economics sparked his interest in diverse peoples and cultures. "At Trinity, my interests broadened and provided me the basis for a much more enjoyable and enlightened life," he says. "I am a true believer in a small-school liberal arts education."

Elting was able to combine his divergent interests—in business and humanitarianism—by investing time and philanthropy in service to human rights causes while building a successful career. After Trinity, he rose through influential work in advertising and marketing to become president and CEO of Grey Advertising in Canada, which became the fourth-largest advertising firm in the nation under his leadership.

For Elting, his investment in support of Trinity's Human Rights Program is deliberately timed to address what he sees as an inflection point in global history. "I believe," says Elting, "at this time when political and social dissension is rampant in our country, nothing is more important for citizens of the U.S. and the world than to profit and prosper through increased understanding and empathy toward one another." ■

Left: Henry Mallari-D'Auria '83; right: Joanne and Everett "Ev" Elting Jr. '58, P'85, '87

These stories were excerpted from longer pieces on the Trinity website. To read the complete versions, please visit commons.trincoll.edu/Reporter.

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From **David Longobucco**: “There’s not a lot exciting to report from Madison, Connecticut, at this time. I am long retired and have spent a good deal of my time doing worthwhile volunteer work. It has been rewarding to see the good that comes out of charitable undertakings. It is also very satisfying to see each of our three grandchildren get settled successfully in their professional lives. Our oldest granddaughter earned her master’s degree as a nurse practitioner and is employed as a neuro nurse in the ER at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville. Her younger sister holds a master’s degree and works as a civil engineer in Austin, Texas. She is about to be sent to work on a project in Australia. Our youngest is a grandson who is a cousin of the two granddaughters just mentioned. Their mothers are twin sisters who are very close to each other. Our grandson just graduated from Central Connecticut State University with a degree in mechanical engineering. He had several job offers and is working in his field at Collins Aerospace, a subsidiary of Raytheon. So, we have good reason to be proud. Life in Madison continues to be good. We have been here for 62 years and enjoyed every minute of that time. We no longer winter in Florida. We do miss the warmer weather in Florida, but the travel became more trouble than it was worth. The trip down and back was too grueling, and many of our friends there have passed on. We plan to sell our Florida condo soon. Personally, I am aware that a 91-year-old cannot do many of the things he did just a few years ago. I have no complaints; it has been a good life. Easy to put this all in context when we realize our graduation from Trin was 70 years ago next June. My best to all classmates who are still with us.”

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Fellow 1954 classmates: We have no news to report. I know that is not true, but if a tree falls in the forest and no one hears it, did it happen? Is our class irrelevant? I know the answer. Write a note as you read this; I want the school to know we are still that special lemon squeezer Class of 1954.

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Each time I begin an effort to inform classmates of the wonderful news about our “academic buddies,” I have become challenged to generate positive reports as we lose individuals who have done so much to make many of the lives of our ’55ers more enjoyable and richer. Although each loss is a sad reality of life, the departure of **Don Mountford** and **Dave Roberts**, both on May 27 of this year, has been hard. I assuredly can note for both how much they contributed to the overall positive experience we all had as Trinity students and alumni. Don was a tireless initiator and contributor to all of our five-year Reunions, particularly our 50th, when he organized and produced a magnificent book of data and pictures that became a wonderful resource that I still use as a source of important and useful information regarding each classmate. I also note his continuing annual efforts to organize and promote gatherings beyond Reunions, such as fall football weekends; annual February Florida events for classmate residents and vacationers; and more recently the highly successful Zoom get-togethers. So many of us cannot thank Don enough for all he did to make our continuing Trinity experience as rich and enjoyable as it has been.

Dave Roberts’s influence during our four years on campus was impressively broad and impactful. He was a class leader in so many ways, particularly as a class officer; fraternity president; captain of the basketball team; shortstop and leader, along with Captain **Ed Yeomans**, for the baseball squad; plus Medusa. David spent his entire professional life with Bethlehem Steel, rising to a senior management position. On a personal note, he introduced me to key executives that allowed me to generate Bethlehem as a major client. His selfless focus and efforts toward his classmates, customers, fellow employees, and

wonderful family of eight children made him a very special person.

I have been fortunate to use my travels to visit several Trinity classmates. Following my April visit with **Dave Roberts**, I caught up with **Phil Truitt** and am happy to report he is dealing well with advancement-of-age challenges. He continues to be a sports-aholic, particularly keeping up with his favorite L.A. Dodgers team via late-night TV viewing. During a July driving trip, I hope to visit **Dick Zampello** and his wonderful wife, Helen, who has been an angelical caregiver as “Zamp” has been dealing with various health issues. On a quick trip to Jacksonville, I had a wonderful lunch date with Emmy and **Frank Cerveny**, who are enjoying many happy events (weddings and new babies) with their children and grandchildren. Phone visits have kept me in touch with several classmates, including **Hank Scheinberg**, who is enjoying watching his three “late in life” children impressively establish themselves in their professional endeavors. Hank spent most of this summer in Traverse City, Michigan, with his four sisters and many other family members. He often contacts **Warren Gelman** and reports Warren is doing quite well, still playing golf with his regular foursome. My latest touch with **Chuck Leonard** also generated a rather positive report as he and LoAnn enjoy being near their family in the Huntsville, Alabama, area.

What a small world we live in. A recent phone visit with **Tom Bolger** demonstrated this when we discovered his daughter and her husband, who live in Missoula, Montana, are friends with a couple who live near me in the South Carolina Low Country and who spend summers in Missoula. Tom and Shaila will vacation in Missoula during August and hopefully will meet my friends. Tom continues producing and enjoying broadcasting his radio program each Saturday (noon–2:00 p.m. CST) on Madison, Wisconsin, radio station WLHA.

Barbara and **Irwin Meiselman** are in the process of moving into a retirement village called Riverwood located in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Walter Blake (Blogoslawski) is a hoot. Each phone visit, I truly am entertained by his unbelievable stories of the unpredictable investment world and his almost comical sessions with his many doctors. But by virtue of expansive reading and research, he is in great shape, crediting the process of “second opinions” to go along with his limited diet of organic foods.

Barbara and **Lou Magelaner** have dodged a few challenges but are doing quite well. He is avid in maintaining his physical activity, which contributes significantly to his good health.

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Bob Welsh dodged the pneumonia bullet, and he and Barbara are eagerly looking forward to the fall football season, when her twin grandsons suit up to be part of the starting lineup for Amherst and St. Lawrence.

Bob Freeman and Jean are in good health, but Jean fought COVID for a short time and feels sure the vaccinations and boosters shielded her from a serious illness.

Charlie Eberle and his very talented wife, Eugenia, have been struggling with publishers to have them deliver on their agreed contracts. Eugenia has two very clever books for children that folks want, but they are having trouble getting them produced.

'Til next time, go Bantams!

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

I have just returned from our 65th Class Reunion at Trinity. Several classmates wrote me to decline. First was **Dick Abbott**, who had some medical problems and had to stay home (in Virginia). Happily, it is behind him, and he is in recovery mode. **Ken Weisburger** has medical issues and stayed home, and **Dave Renkert** wrote that he couldn't make it. **Allyn Beardsell** paid me a visit in late March, along with wife Libby and son. It was delightful to see Skip and his family again, but he was unable to come to Hartford.

Despite the fact that only six classmates turned up, our Reunion was a great success. The weather was perfect, the college preparations and events were well thought out, and we had fun. Our class was represented by **Ned Montgomery**, **Carl "Bunny" Meister**, **Charlie Stehle**, **Henry Zachs**, and **Dave Taylor** (and, of course, me). I met Charlie in Philadelphia, and we arrived on campus together in time for lunch in Mather Hall. Many classes were present, of course. The always tasty New England Clambake on the

lawn was first, on Friday night. There was music until late, drinks, lobster, and clam chowder. The next day began with breakfast, then class meetings (I remain class secretary, but **Henry Zachs** is our new class president). At around 1:00 p.m., bagpipes were heard, and the Class of 2020 had their COVID-delayed Commencement parade and ceremony. It was a joyous sight; about 250 former students and their parents and relatives paraded in. We sat under the elms and enjoyed the scene, including many interesting speeches. Especially good was one from Will McCormack '96, actor and film director (and Oscar winner). Later, we attended a discussion in the Austin Arts Center with President Berger-Sweeney and Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin on the subject of connecting the college to the city in new and meaningful ways. Finally, on the last evening, we attended a cocktail reception in the admissions building, posed for the class photo, and shared our class dinner in Smith House (the Alumni House). As we departed, we all felt that this was likely our last gathering on campus . . . a bittersweet moment, yet we remained upbeat and fulfilled by the experience of seeing one another and from our weekend on campus.

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

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

As we age, time and our doctors become bigger factors in our lives. Most of that is OK as we deal with life's changes and we continue on. Some not so.

Sadly, we report the death of Ann Painter this summer. It mattered not where or when—a college alumni gathering; a trip to Europe, especially Rome; or one of our Reunions—there was always **Bordie** and **Ann Painter**. Starting with my and Shirley's 1958 wedding and ending with dinner at Ristorante Consolini during the 2005 Alumni Week in Rome with the Lowensteins, **Ed Speno**, Shirley and I, and the Painters, Ann's warmth, humor, and good nature were always part of making the event memorable. She is and will be missed.

As always, **Mike Zoob** and **Joe Repole** were on the move. Mike spent a grandparent Road Scholar June week in Costa Rica with his 15-year-old grandson, Nathaniel. A day after his return, he was off to Tuscany and

Berlin with lady friend Sarah. He and **Bordie Painter** did their annual traditional lunch in Sturbridge just prior to his travels.

As for Joe, guess what? The Sox and the bike. 35,000 cheered as season ticket holder Joe's name appeared on the Fenway jumbotron. He was on the field with mascots Wally and Tessie and enjoyed a 6–5 Sox comeback win. As for the ubiquitous biking, 100.8 miles, round trip, Framingham to Hyannis. The 40th time he has done the trip. He was joined part of the time by son-in-law Ron Ghetti and his daughter and by granddaughter Kelly Repole. A hundred miles! Impressive, Joe. Most of us would tire out just driving that distance.

Class President **Gary Bogli** vows, "I will not let the old man in!" Gary still walks up a tower, two miles daily. Still fly-fishes, though wading is harder. Having skied around some of the world's most acclaimed ski hills, he has cut back on that. He and Beth do not do as many movies anymore. But, he is still determined to not let the old man in. They love watching a grandson act and sing and a granddaughter who performs with The City Choir of Washington, D.C.

Bernie Moran is headed for New England this fall for what he calls a "family cruise" with his son in Boston, daughter in Newport, and granddaughter in Portland. He is very pleased that his grandson, Jacob, appeared in the Hollywood film *The Black Phone*. On top of all that, you may recall that Bernie has written several plays. Lately it is poetry, and he has been published in the local newspaper *The Villages Daily Sun*. He says that John Dando would be pleased and rather surprised.

Shirley and I are still hanging on in South Florida. While the rainy season is back, hurricanes are threatening, and it is sub-tropically hot, the Florida political scene gives one all you could hope for in sometimes deplorable distraction. Trump appears to have moved, and Governor DeSantis is clearly on the move. If it were not for Shirley's battle with Parkinson's and my issues with bad knees, we would seriously consider moving to Italy, or Finland, or Antarctica. In the meantime, we stay alert and as active as can be, and I continue to be an HOA president.

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

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 an eventful several months for the Class of 1960 with the highlight being two Zoom calls examining the challenges of aging chaired by Karl Scheibe '59, professor of psychology, emeritus, at Wesleyan, and our own **Saki Greenwald**. Many subjects were covered, including the challenges of becoming a primary caregiver and dealing with issues of loneliness and isolation. All in all, we had a very productive discussion with some very poignant observations, further helping to keep the spirit of the Class of '60 alive. Kudos to Karl and Saki.

On a less weighty note, **Bob Johnson** has decided to downsize and is moving to a senior community. This was no easy task, as confronting the need to dispose of possessions that have been part of your life for 60 years is difficult. Bob definitely recommends getting professional help to assist in the move.

Got a nice note from **Ray Beech**, who, due to COVID, is spending a lot of time with Roberta in northwest Connecticut with an occasional visit to New York City to check up on his real estate holdings. He has started up visits to his home in Spring Island, South Carolina, maybe with an eye to working on his golf game.

George Kroh continues to be the class "Energizer bunny" with an incredible itinerary of trips, including two weeks in Europe with his lovely wife, five days in New York, and then off to Newport, Cape Cod, and Maine in July. Sitting still and vegetating in retirement is not in George's playbook.

Jere Bacharach continues his regular trips to Egypt and this time branching out with a trip to Saudi Arabia. I applaud Jere for his venturesome spirit, especially in that daunting area of the world.

Got a very nice note from **Barry Royden**, who retired from the CIA in 2013 after 50 years of service. Wow! Barry has raised six children and reports he is fortunate to have a very tight-knit family and continues to play a lot of tennis and take long walks with his wife, Brenda. He has a very active volunteer life involving everything from helping refugees find jobs to teaching citizenship to people with green cards as they prepare for their citizenship exam. Good for you, Barry.

I recently received news of the death of **Dave Rutherford**, a dear friend and loyal alum. Dave had been in declining health but had a wonderful attitude and a great view of life up until the end, and he will be missed. Lastly, we have a correction to make in the Class Notes of the winter edition of *The Trinity Reporter*. It has to do with the unfortunate mistake in mentioning **Ern Haddad's** career, which should have read emeritus general counsel of Partners HealthCare System (now known as Mass General

Brigham), which includes Massachusetts General Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital, plus several other great health care institutions. I've recently had the privilege of reconnecting with Ern, and he has to be proud of a very distinguished legal career.

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

Amid talk of downsizing and senior living options, 10 classmates and several spouses enjoyed in-person and Zoom Reunion events.

At dinner were **Peter** and Linda **Hoffman**, **Doug** and Dhuanne **Tansill**, **Doug** and Judy **Fitzsimmons**, **Vin** and Doreen **Stempien**, **Peter** and Anne **Kreisel**, and **Bill Weber** and **Andy Forrester**. Joining the class meeting via Zoom were **Mac Wiener**, **Andy Cantor**, and your humble scribe. **Peter Kreisel** is our new class president, and I'm continuing as secretary.

Vin noted that '61 ranks second among all classes in percentage of annual giving, while **Doug** voiced hopes that the college's \$800 million endowment will grow to a billion by Trinity's 200th anniversary next year.

Meanwhile, classmates continue to hit the links, among other activities.

Bob McCammon continues "to enjoy life in the Georgia beach town of St. Simons Island with my friend Jeanne. Many mornings start with a five-to-six-mile walk on our beautiful beach. Still playing golf, but continue to hope for that perfect round of playing my age; a lofty goal for someone whose major athletic success was making the freshman squash team. After several postponements, we will be visiting several towns, castles, and national parks in Southern England."

John Karvazy hopes to get back to golf after a hip replacement. He's happily ensconced at Twin Lakes in Burlington, North Carolina, with his daughter and her family back in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, after being in New Jersey. He's doing fine, and grandchildren are busy with various pursuits.

All due respect to these and our other golfers, but **Dale Peatman's** experience may top them all. He was an official at the U.S. Open in Brookline, Massachusetts, in June, spotting practice balls, helping control the crowds, and, of course, getting close to the world's top golfers. No word about whether they asked him for any pointers.

Cliff Bernstein, on Manhattan's Upper West Side, is busy with Zoom meetings and "writing as much as possible to make sense of information overload." As his oldest child turned 60, his youngest turned 30.

And **Pete Postma** notes, "I am blessed to continue to be on the green side of the

grass. We will celebrate our 60th wedding anniversary in August. We have four grandkids: three graduated from Texas A&M, and the fourth is playing football for Georgia Tech. Life is good."

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

What a great 60th Reunion! First, those who were unable to attend but sent news: **Don Pine** had a traditional trip with the family—children and grandchildren—in northern Minnesota, conflicting with our dates. He and his wife care for 4-year-old granddaughter Hazel Tuesdays through Thursdays; in winter she loves to speed in her sled, and in summer she helps with gardening, especially with watering, and she occasionally hits the plants rather than the sidewalk! **Don** is writing narrative essays, an interesting, challenging, and exciting activity. (You may recall that a prior edition of the *Reporter* included a citation to a memento **Don** wrote as he was closing his medical practice, recalling the many friends the years brought him.) Via Zoom and a meeting of the UVA Medical School alumni, he was pleased to catch up with **Frank Cummings** of Rhode Island (who joined us at Reunion) and **Dave Alberts** of Arizona.

Guy Anderson, in good health, watching his four children and nine grandchildren thrive, and generally enjoying winter in Florida and summer in North Carolina, sends greetings to the class but missed Reunion Weekend because he served as best man at his son's wedding on Beech Mountain.

Having spent 10 days in the Galapagos Islands recently, **Charles Classen** and his entire family (13, including all the grandchildren) hiked, snorkeled, and boated several times a day; learned a lot; and dodged the COVID bullet. But while attending his oldest grandson Harry's high school graduation in Ann Arbor last month, Charles got COVID from his daughter Aimee, who got it from Harry's girlfriend. Interned at home for Reunion Weekend, he's careful not to infect us. He is pleased to note that Harry will be attending the University of Michigan in the fall, where both of his parents are professors. Charles continues to work one day a week and teaches orthopedics to family practice doctors, and he hopes to finally take the train through Canada in late July after two years of postponements as our COVID-dreading northern neighbors did not want Americans crossing the border. He sends warm regards to the Class of 1962!

Now Reunion news: The multifaceted event worked extremely well; while the Class of 2020 had its graduation on the quad (facing Bishop Brownell's statue, in contrast to ours, and with huge television screens assuring that everyone could see the proceedings), we zipped along on golf carts driven by several current undergraduates. The weekend was blessed with great weather, allowing for meals under huge tents with breezes cooling all. The key class dinners featured great lobster pits as well as catered chicken, burgers, and vegan fare, with watermelon, fruit, and strawberry shortcake cups finishing the meals. Good Humor mini-freezers and water stations provided refreshment during the downtimes. The many activities included the Chapel reading of the names of classmates who died in the past five years, lectures and meetings with coaches from the athletic department, updates on current medical breakthroughs, discussions about the future of Hartford and Trinity with Mayor Bronin and President Berger-Sweeney, and music and dancing during the evenings. Of course, the highlight of it all was the informal gathering with members of both our class and 1961, recalling forgotten moments and catching up on life changes. I discovered that Bill Weber '61 and Wally Burinskas '63 were responsible for the blind dates **Bob McNally** and **Al Zakarian** enjoyed, with Bob eventually marrying his! It was good to see **John Norman** and his multitalented wife, Elizabeth; John had spent some time in a rehab facility due to orthopedic issues.

We met in Seabury Hall's Wagner Conference Room to elect officers for the next five years. **Chuck Hoffman**, our interim president, was unanimously elected president for the next five years; **Mike Creighton** was elected class agent; and **Fred Pryor** and **John Densem** were elected co-secretaries. (John had planned to attend Reunion but got as far as Hartford when COVID struck; to avoid passing on the virus, he and his family returned to California, leaving regrets at missing our gathering. John looks forward to receiving news from his classmates as he takes on the role of scribe.)

Doug Anderson then spoke about **Pete Meehan**, our past president, who because of health issues could not attend. Doug thanked **Paul LaRocca** for his service as co-secretary these past years.

Jack Baker, in from California, introduced the idea of an annual Zoom class meeting to stay in touch as the years pass (and Jack insisted that it would not be about fundraising!). By the way, Jack won the award for having traveled the farthest to attend Reunion!

Ian Bennett and **Ted Wagner** (who will be doing medical volunteer work in Poland soon after having been so helpful in central

Africa) then took over the meeting and opened a wide discussion on the effects of technology, medical improvements, personal depression due to COVID isolation, the effects of Zoom on socializing and business, and changing weather patterns and the increasing focus on global warming since we graduated.

The discussion then turned to personal experiences at Trinity and since we graduated. Some classmates brought up experiences with dormmates and professors during their times here; other classmates relived the tensions and laughs about dealing with fathers on getting married. **Rich Francis** regretted that his roommate's casual attitude toward housekeeping denied him a spot to culminate a romantic success. **Ross Hall** spoke about his avocation as a train engineer, probably the only railroad employee with a Ph.D.—in German, no less! Lots of laughs accompanied the narrations!

Let's think about maintaining our bonds for the next five years! Contributions to the *Reporter* come to mind!

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

A special event in the life of our class took place on campus on April 4, 2022, with the dedication of the Class of 1963 Chapel of the Perfect Friendship (the side chapel within the main chapel, off to the north of the main Chapel entrance). It was a grand event held in front of the Friendship Chapel with several college dignitaries and a great turnout of '63ers, as well as a few of our Class of '63 Scholars. We can be very proud that largely as a result of our several million-dollar contribution to the Chapel project, work is underway to repair the landmark's roof.

Highlights of the event included a welcome from the college and remarks on the appreciation of the Class of '63 by President Joanne Berger-Sweeney; a welcome to the Chapel and a prayer for the Class of '63 by the new chaplain, the Rev. Marcus Halley; recognition of the special gift to the Chapel project from classmate **Gary Knisely**; a special prayer of thanksgiving for the Class of '63 by the Rev. Allison Read, an honorary member of our class; the official renaming of the Friendship Chapel by Rev. Halley; Christopher Row, Chapel curator; and the Right Rev. Laura Ahrens, bishop of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut; a beautiful organ postlude by our classmate **Richard Birney-Smith**; and a surprise announcement by the college, given by then-Alumni Relations Director Steve Donovan of a new college award: the Michael A. Schulenberg



Gary Knisely '63 and wife **Jeanie Knigin** hold his certificate of appreciation for his significant gift to the Chapel project.

Friendship Award, consisting of a bench near the Chapel and the annual naming of a member of a reunioning class who exemplifies friendship within their class. The event was livestreamed and recorded so that members of the class, class scholars, and others could watch it remotely. A special class dinner was provided, and we all gathered at Hamlin Hall after the dedication ceremony.

As a bonus, the annual **Charles** and **Patricia McGill** lecture was scheduled for the next day. A fascinating talk was given by Craig Whitlock, staff writer at *The Washington Post*, based on his book *The Afghanistan Papers*. It, too, was followed by a reception and dinner at Hamlin.

Some additional class news follows. **Zach Zachary** joined us on our monthly Zoom chat in May. He retired after many years as a physician. He updated us on a charity he is heavily involved in that provides medical equipment and supplies to Ukraine (he was born in Ukraine and moved to Hartford as a child). The organization is UMANA (the Ukrainian Medical Association of North America). Several of us have donated to it after hearing about it from Zach.

From **Scott Reynolds**: "Peggy and I found another way to stay busy and at the same time help educate our grandchildren in the ways of the stock market. For Christmas, we gave them each a brokerage account and small starter funding. I am their 'unregistered financial adviser.' We have had more fun helping them get launched. Of course, having any fun in these markets is hard to do! One of them bought shares in *The New York Times* because she thought Wordle was

pretty cool. That logic escapes me, but it was an interesting conversation. Peggy and I will be off to the Jersey Shore for July and look forward to a family reunion there.”

From **Jim Tozer**: “Zibby and I had an interesting trip in May. We went with a group of friends on a narrow-gauge train trip across northern Spain that visited several interesting sites, including some important historic religious places. The others in the group were all around 88 years old, so we were the ‘kids.’ After delays getting back to the U.S. due to flight cancellations and COVID protocols, we were barely able to get home for Farran’s (our granddaughter) graduation from Trinity, but we made it.”

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**

David Curry writes to tell us his poem “Choreography” will appear in the September 2022 issue of the online literary journal *The Bluebird Word*.

We would love to hear from our classmates now that most of us are turning 80 to see what actively engages them and what post-COVID plans they have.

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

Alpha Chi Rho brothers (**John Ellwood**, **Tom Garson**, and **Merrill Yavinsky**), a.k.a. the Crow Society, met in April with members of the Phi Kappa Fahey Society, which consists of brothers from Alpha Delta Phi, in Hobe Sound, Florida. It was a mini Trinity reunion. A good time was had by all!

Park Benjamin wrote, “Linda and I are doing well here at our home on Centre Island, Oyster Bay, New York. So far, we escaped COVID by being very careful, taking our shots, and not really traveling. This gave me time for some personal maintenance, including lower back surgery last fall and a total replacement of my right shoulder in April. All good so far. I’m busy with all sorts of volunteer activities, including president of our homeowners’ association, secretary and executive committee member of the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound, editor of our yacht club newsletter, and active as a race officer managing our club’s races. On top of that, Linda and I are trying to keep up with our six children and 14 grandchildren.” (Secretary’s note: That number—14—equals **Merrill Yavinsky**’s total number of grandchildren. Does anyone have more?)

Phil Hopke and Eleanor are happy to report that “our elder grandson, Ben Hopke, received his Eagle Scout award in February.”

Bob Mason and wife Carol took a most educational and fun Portugal Douro River cruise in May. Bob gives credit to Carol for being the driving force to get out of the backyard and finally take the first international travel since retirement in 2010 (an Alaska cruise of 2020 was scrapped by COVID). It is important to add that Duncan Robert Mason was born to son Nathaniel and wife Betsy on April 2, joining brother Griffin Hamilton, 3 in July, and Bryn Vivienne, 19 months. “When we moved to Philly in 2018 from Oregon, Rhys, Nathaniel’s 13-year-old, was our only grandchild. Our move seems to have inspired a growth spurt! Griffin spends his Tuesdays and Thursdays with Carol and me, and they are indeed the two most challenging and rewarding days of the week!”

Gil Winter passed away on December 21, 2021, just shy of his 80th birthday. **Bob Mason** reported that, in his talks with Gil catching up on the past 55 years, Gil related working as a production assistant at CBS for Walter Cronkite during his Trinity “break in service” after his freshman year. Following graduation, he did curriculum development for secondary school students in Harlem. That was later followed, according to Mort Salomon ’67, by working with Freeman Sleeper at LaGuardia Community College. Mort confirmed Gil’s subsequent very successful construction business, mainly interior design and renovation of numerous N.Y.C. restaurants. Gil reported to Bob that he “apprenticed” himself to a cabinetmaker in N.Y.C., who taught him cabinetmaking skills and provided space for him to set up his own shop. One thing led to another, and the business succeeded in the late ’70s and early ’80s. Mort said Gil sold the business in the ’90s and transitioned into an owner’s representative in the construction/renovation business. Mort noted that Gil’s friendly demeanor earned him contacts with many of the “rich and famous,” including several well-known artists in N.Y.C. Mort reported that Gil was a major supporter of the arts. Bob recalled Gil’s omnipresent black overcoat and friendly easygoing manner, a Theta Xi brother always available for a chat. Gil will be missed greatly by many, especially Mort, with whom he stayed in touch over the years, and his other TX brothers. He died too young but lived well and fully.

1966 President: **Randolph M. Lee** • Secretary: **David C. Charlesworth**, david.charlesworth.1966@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **Vacant**

Welcome back, classmates. Our class set a new record for 55th Reunions. It was really

our 56th Reunion. Eight people showed up. Class President **Randy Lee** presided. Witnessing it all and reporting back to me was homecoming veteran **Joe Hourihan**. Before going into that, I want you to know that Joe’s wife, Antoinette, as tough and kind a person you ever want to know, was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in March and underwent surgery, radiation, and chemo. With Joe’s help, she is recovering with great grit. We send our best wishes as they chart a new course.

Now about the Reunion, Joe sends this report: “Eight of our class signed up for our ’55/’56 Reunion. I only made dinner on Friday and Saturday nights. I totally missed **Nick Harris** and **Tom Chappell**. **Dave Trachtenberg** left the Saturday dinner before I got to speak with him and also before his award for class member who traveled the farthest. We did see **Marty Gall** at the joint dinner, and he reported that he is happily retired. That seemed to be the minority status of the classmates who returned. **Jim Shepard** is still going strong; Lesley reported that he has two jobs! And that is matched by our resident professor **Randy Lee**. Randy is thinking of hanging it up after next year, but I do not know if that includes retiring his role as Vin Scully doing the PA announcing at the home football games. That has to be a record of some 50-plus years. Antoinette and I spent most of our time with **Ed** and **Nancy Landes**. They are happily enjoying retirement and will shortly be off for a family safari trip to South Africa and Botswana. Not roughing it—I believe their tent accommodations are five stars. Since the ribbing that Ed took from **Rich Rissel** at our 50th about his lack of passing ability and willingness, Ed resorted to checking the NCAA statistics online. He plugged in ‘Trinity basketball,’ ‘**Ed Landes**,’ and ‘assists,’ but alas it came back ‘no match!’ I am sure it is an oversight. I distinctly remember one pass bouncing off Ed’s knee and ending up in **Jim Belfiore**’s hands for a layup and therefore an assist to Ed!”

Heard from our tough-as-nails Semper Fi Marine classmate **Rich Rissel**. I don’t think there is a square inch of Europe that he hasn’t hiked. He writes, “I had a knee replacement in early March and have been doing the daily exercises required to attempt to make it fully functional. In late May, I tested it on a walking trip to Ireland with a group that has done eight or nine European trips together, all with the same guide. Prior to beginning the trip, I played two rounds of golf at Royal Dublin and the European Club, the latter being a real highlight. We walked the three peninsulas of western Ireland, visited the Aran Islands, and wound up in Ballynahinch Castle. I learned when back home that Brownie Trainer ’67 was with the

same guide in the Dordogne region of France a few weeks later.” Keep hiking, Rich.

Got a brief update from **Scott Sutherland**. “Enjoying Florida weather and playing golf a bunch. All the grands have visited in the last six months and got in golf lessons and a few rounds. About to head to New England for a few months to get out of the heat and see friends. Not ready for international travel this year but have booked for 2023. Terry and I see the Dix brothers regularly as they are right here!” In the small world department, **David Norris** sent this note of coincidence, “On a more pleasant topic, I heard from an old U.S. Trust colleague that **Scott Sutherland** and **Dennis Dix** have emigrated to Delray Dunes, a lovely golf community about 20 miles north of where I am in Boca Raton. If and when COVID lets up its grip on everything, it’s my hope to get them down for a round on the links of Via Mizner in Boca. Not sure they’ve heard about this, but I’m guessing we’ll have a chance either late this year or early next.”

Also had a nice note from **Bob Dunn**. “Presently Bill Morrison ’65, **Walt Vincent**, Bob Camp ’65, and I have been exchanging emails about the Celtics’ run for a championship. At this writing, the Celts are in San Francisco to play Game 5. I hope by the time our classmates read your report, we will have hung number 18 in the TD Garden. **Bill Brachman** was on and off with the Celtics, so that was disappointing. I will be headed back to my annual trip to Boston in August. Meeting my new grandniece, seeing friends and family, sailing and playing golf with my brother Kevin, and going to a Red Sox–Yankees game. It doesn’t get any better.” About the Celtics, maybe next year.

Tim Sniffen chimed in as well. “As Maine opened up from C-19, Luvia and I were finally able to get three of our four knees replaced. So, we had a winter of repair and rehab. We appreciate Zoom, which allowed virtual visits with family, friends, local senior college courses, and even a couple of John Losse’s ’65 online TX gatherings, sharing pleasant memories and current concerns with old friends. Maybe more travel later in 2022.”

I received personal words of encouragement on my cancer journey from **Joe Moore** and **Sandy Evarts**. The sentiments are well appreciated.

Well, that about wraps it up. This missive will arrive while the country is deep into the midterm elections. Hope you enjoy your summer. Until next time, stay well.

1967 President: Charles Kurz II
• Vice President: Alan S. Weinstein • Secretary: James L. O’Connor, james.oconnor.1967@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Alex Levi, James H. Oliver • [f/groups/trinman1967](#)

Classmates, on June 10 and 11, we celebrated our 55th Reunion. Due to COVID, only seven members of the Class of 1967 came to Reunion. But it was an exceptional group of ’67ers: **Charley Kurz, Alan Weinstein, Alex Levi, Rob Boas, Peter Heller, Paul Scheinberg**, and me.

Our Class of 1967 Scholar, Dhiraj Ganji ’23, joined us for the class dinner and presentation of the Trin Man Award. During the dinner, we presented the college with a check for \$3 million as our class gift. **Luke Terry** was chosen as the Trin Man. Luke has contributed in many ways to Trinity. He served as a trustee, took an active role supporting the football and lacrosse teams, and made generous contributions to the college. He was not able to make the trip to Hartford due to a recent surgery, but wife Belinda and son Luke Terry III ’24 accepted the award from **Rob Boas**, the class Elms Society representative.

On Saturday morning there was a memorial service for our classmates who have died since our 50th Reunion. **Alan Weinstein** read each name. The memorial service was led by the Rev. Marcus G. Halley, college chaplain. I found the service particularly moving. Two of my closest Trinity friends, **Peter Milford** and **Nate Rath**, died recently. We were all in Theta Xi. Nate was one of my roommates senior year. After graduation, Peter and I shared an apartment with **Dan Haden** and **Bob Fowler** in New York City. At times it resembled Theta Xi on a particularly raucous Friday night. I will not elaborate.

I hope all of you are well. If you’ve been thinking about contacting a classmate and haven’t gotten around to it, pick up your phone or send that email. Carpe diem. And drop me a line. I always am searching for material for this column.

1968 President: Lawrence Roberts
• Vice President: Paul H. Jones • Secretary: Daniel L. Goldberg, daniel.goldberg.1968.trincoll.edu • Class Agent: Barry Bedrick • Class Ambassadors: Emil Angelica, George Barrows, Richard Coyle, Daniel L. Goldberg, Paul Goldschmidt, Walter Harrison, Bennett Jaffee, Paul H. Jones, Michael Lestz, Christopher McCrudden, Joseph McKeigue, Douglas Morrill, Stephen Peters, Parker Prout, Richard Pullman, Lawrence Roberts

Our 55th Reunion (June 8–11, 2023) is around the corner. It will coincide with Trinity’s bicentennial, so it should be a wonderful weekend. Planning is still underway, so get your suggestions to **Larry Roberts, Paul Jones**, or me. And block your calendars and make your reservations!

You may have noticed in the last *Reporter* that our venerable class agent, **Barry Bedrick**,

had his title changed to class fundraiser. Someone apparently thought that all class agents should be so re-titled! After Barry appropriately advised the powers that be that his role is far more than just raising dough for his alma mater, his proper title has been restored. We are glad to see that bureaucracies can sometimes be nimble. And that Barry has been restored to his rightful title.

Parker Prout has relinquished his role as pastor to two churches in New York and relocated to Litchfield, Connecticut. He has become the newest addition to the Class Ambassadors and will join those reaching out to classmates about Reunion and the Class of ’68 Scholarship Fund.

A subset of TXers enjoyed a week together in late May at an 1840 villa in Tuscany. **George Fosque, Joe McKeigue, Rod Cook** (and husband Charlie Brown), **Ben** (and Mary) **Jaffee, Joe** (and Nicki) **Saginor, Kim** (and Wendy) **Miles**, your secretary (and Donna), and **Ralph Oser**’s widow, Katherine, had a remarkable week of eating, drinking, swimming, bocce, cooking, exploring, and great conversation. The setting and base of operations was a remarkable *podere* that featured 11 bedrooms, five kitchens, a swimming pool, and a bocce court, all set on about 10 acres in the hills of Tuscany. Most of this group, and some others, have been convening annually at some wonderful spot or another, but this was the first foray to a foreign country, and the pent-up travel bug, put on hold by COVID, was evident as we explored the hill towns of Tuscany.

On a sadder note, we mark the passing of our classmate **Jim Stuhlman**. Jim was a history major and a baseball and basketball stalwart when at Trinity. Those interests led to careers of teaching history and coaching various teams at the high-school level. The love of sports led him to being an announcer at football games and a Little League umpire. He and his wife owned and ran the Red Barn Children’s Center in Clinton, Connecticut, for more than 35 years. Another sad passing that reminds us to appreciate each day and to be the kind of person we’d like to be around.

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

Most of us have or will turn 75 in the current year. Here are the responses to my question: What particular recollections came to mind on this threshold anniversary, and how did you celebrate or deny the landmark?

Peter Maxson of Dallas has held three of his milestone birthday parties in the 1930s

hacienda that was his DeGolyer grandparents' home. Peter's grandfather, Everette Lee DeGolyer, received an honorary LL.D. from Trinity in 1947. Peter writes: "I was delighted to have my 21st birthday party at the DeGolyers' house in 1968. By the time of my 50th in 1997, the grounds had become the Dallas Arboretum and the house a historic house museum. Another great party. For decades, I'd assumed my 75th would be there as well. However, reservations were generally needed a year in advance, and with the pandemic, hosting any large gathering this spring seemed imprudent. So, I moped. But the ever-loyal DeGolyer docents called a month beforehand and said, 'We're giving a 75th birthday party for you, and we hope you can be there!' Yippee. The 75th occurred after all, with 80 or so docents and family members."

Dan Battles spent his 75th with his three kids, their spouses, and grandkids and was given a gift of a round of golf at Saratoga National Golf Club, "a place," Dan adds, "that is normally just a little too rich for my blood. I took my golfing buddy, Bernie, with me and had a grand time." Dan said that he played pretty well on the back nine.

Michael Beautyman continues his championship ways in tennis. Michael notes, "For 2021, I was ranked number one in the world rankings and in the USA rankings for 75 and over tennis, in singles and in doubles. I was selected again for the USA team for the world team championships, where the team lost in the finals to Spain." Michael and Holly have finally finished construction of their new home in Lake Worth Beach, Florida.

Larry Whipple insists, "75? Heck, I'm still a young 74!" He and Susan are back in Chicago after moving from Grand Rapids.

Ted Cook (Theodore Failor Cook) retired from William Paterson University in Wayne, New Jersey, on June 30 after 34 years there. He will remain a professor emeritus. As many of you know, Ted goes into retirement alone, since Haruko Taya Cook, his wife of 50 years, passed away in September 2021. Ted has been trying to get to Japan to take her ashes back to her family in Kanazawa, Japan, since last December, when the Japanese government slammed the doors due to the COVID-19 pandemic. While things are beginning to open up, it looks like he will not be able to go until at least the end of July. He will remain in their New York City apartment after he gets back from his delayed mission to Japan. Ted writes, "Friends mean a lot at times like this, and I look forward to hearing from Trinity classmates." He is already thinking ahead to 2024 and our 55th Reunion. (You may recall that Ted FaceTimed into our 50th from London, where he was with Haruko on a Fulbright at the School of

Oriental and African Studies in London's Bloomsbury district, where they first met.)

I am delighted to have **Bob Kehoe P'92**, '95 back in this column after a long silence. Bob reports that at age 75, he is rejoining the Executive Committee of the Trinity College Alumni Association after a gap of several decades. "I am finding that much has changed over the years, especially under the recent duress of COVID, but I hope that I can contribute to revitalizing the committee, rejuvenating the withered area clubs, and even ramping up the alumni use of the Smith House (which, I insist on noting, came to fruition as a project of your secretary while serving as the faculty representative to the committee, which Bob then chaired). We bumped into each other on campus recently, and it was good to catch up." Bob promises to report on the doings of the alumni association over the upcoming years.

Your secretary recently returned from a trip abroad, the first in three years of pandemic. As I endured a tedious 20-hour day of air travel, my thoughts went back to my first transatlantic crossing in June 1963, when I boarded a student ship at age 15 and turned 16 midocean on a five-day voyage. The vessel was the MS *Aurelia*, a former German World War II troop ship that had been taken over by Poland as war reparations and operated commercially as a cheap and slow way to carry one class of passengers from New York to Southampton and Le Havre. The *Aurelia* was small, crowded, and uncomfortable and no one on board didn't think it was a great adventure. I must have been one of the youngest people on board and greenly watched the 18–25-year-old university students. As I pass my 75th birthday in 2022, I think back 60 years to the 15-year-old I was, wince at the memory of my gaffes and bewilderment, and wish I could do it all over again.

Sadly, we acknowledge the passing of **James Jakielo**, who died on October 21, 2021. Jim graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a major in mathematics. Jim was a life-long friend of his teacher Marjorie Butcher, who was the first woman on the Trinity faculty. Jim was at Marjorie's bedside when she died in 2016. Jim lived with wife Michelle in Wethersfield, where he had grown up and attended high school. Jim and Michelle have two daughters and three granddaughters.

1970 President: **John L. Bonee III**
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It was a real pleasure for your secretary to attend the traditional Half-Century Club luncheon on June 10 in the memorable

Washington Room at our dear alma mater. We witnessed the awarding of Trinity's greatest honor, The Eigenbrodt Cup, to two most worthy new members of the Half-Century Club, Tom DiBenedetto '71 and Peter Blum '72. Both have contributed impressively to the benefit of Trinity College, not only financially but also through massive amounts of personal time working and volunteering for the college. In their brief remarks, they noted how much they believe in our liberal arts educational mission, which, as Tom reminded us, helped all of us cope with the vicissitudes of huge changes in the nature of work opportunities and the workplace in general over the past half-century, and, as Peter reminded us, greatly helped us in coping with the unforeseen changes in the demands of family members, especially culturally challenging teenagers!

As I interacted with so many of our friends from the Classes of 1971 and 1972 who had the privilege of a combined Reunion (which we missed because we had to delay our Reunion two times, thereby not having a combined Reunion with the Class of 1971), I thought of how much I enjoyed and missed so many of my friends in the Classes of 1971 and 1972, as I'm sure most of us from 1970 would agree. I especially enjoyed talking and dining with Tom Weiner '71, Norden Gilbert '71, Sumner Smith '72, Richard McCrensky '72, Kevin Sullivan '71, Bill Reynolds '71, Jim Wu '71, and Peter Lawrence '71—all with such meaningful lives and creative careers and all with the retention of humility nevertheless. As soon as they saw me, they asked to be remembered to so many of you in our class that I cannot begin to list everyone, but I am sure you all know who you are and hopefully will get in touch with them at some point.

What a gratifying moment to be among colleagues who actually care about the issues of our times giving us so much concern and angst. When do we get to talk with dear old friends about the demise of the local American newspaper, guardian of our democracy among the small town and state governments all over our huge country, as a result of careless hedge-fund operators who are buying them up, chopping up their equity, and eliminating the dedicated press coverage upon which we have relied all of our lives to ensure the quality of life for our children and generations to come? How can we possibly get our business schools to impart a sense of moral caring that should override the systemic skills so well taught to their graduated capitalist adventurers who all too frequently forget the effect of their efforts at personal and corporate success to the detriment of our culture and degradation of our democratic way of life in the process of mergers and acquisitions?

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On a lighter note, I could not help missing the fabulous cuisine that our spectacular Reunion Committee put together for our unforgettable soirée at the Wadsworth Atheneum with the special help of **Billy Peelle**. Well, let us savor that moment for a while as we hopefully plan our get-together sometime in '23 for the 200th!

1971 President: **David M. Sample** • Vice President: **Robert H. Muller** • Secretary: **Howard Weinberg**, howard.weinberg.1971@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **Vacant**

Our combined Reunion was great, as you probably know by now. Highlights for me were, of course, seeing many friends and sharing past, current, and future memories and thoughts. The participation by so many at the memorial and hearing their names read aloud left me and many others choked up and teary-eyed. Hearing our sisters talk about their pioneering days on campus brought laughter and even greater respect for what they did not only on campus but also afterward. Dancing, a row or a trip to the river by some, seeing Coach Miller laughing and surrounded by his players, and fireworks that rivaled any I've seen were so much fun. Perhaps most important was that we all came in as adolescents, matured, learned, went on, and for the most part prospered and gave back so much to our world in so many ways.

Mike James writes, "The 50th Reunion was as fun and meaningful a gathering as I've experienced in some time, one that I was a bit nervous about beforehand because I hadn't attended a Reunion since graduation. But reconnecting with classmates and friends from the Class of '72 was a weekend that I will not soon forget. My thanks in particular to **Bill Reynolds** and **David Sample** for prodding me to be on the Reunion Committee and to participate in events over the 2½ days. Had they not, I would have missed out on something that has meant more to me than

I might have imagined. And now, the next cause we need to champion is to get the recognition the 7-1 football team deserves as the first NESCAC champion, even though the league wasn't a formal body at that time. But we knew what NESCAC was at that time, even if formal standings hadn't yet been launched. Go Bantams!"

Philip Khoury writes, "Our 50th Reunion was fab. The Reunion Committee led by **David Sample** put its proverbial shoulder to the wheel, and working closely with members of the Class of '72 and with an excellent, dedicated Trinity staff, produced a terrific show we can be proud of. Hangin' and 'updating' with classmates—some returning for the first time in decades—was so much fun, so rewarding. The medicine panel organized by our **Bill Reynolds** and populated by three remarkable Class of '72 medicine men was a great learning experience. And who better than our **Tom DiBenedetto** to receive the coveted Eigenbrodt Cup. Kudos to **Debbie Gwazda**, **Howie Greenblatt**, and **Jim Wu** for coordinating the remarkable yearbook, which is in electronic form and will be coming to us in hard copy before long. The memorial service for our 50-plus deceased classmates was stirring and powerfully participatory. The Revs. **Jon Miller** and **Cliff Cutler** deserve our profound gratitude, as does our new Trinity chaplain, the Rev. Marcus Halley. My only regret is that there weren't more classmates at Reunion. It's true that we were able to engage with a good number of absentees when they participated in the three sessions held in the months leading up to Reunion and that featured outstanding classmates discussing their professions, from medicine to the arts to the sports world. Maybe some of us will cross paths at Trinity football games this fall and even between May 2023 and May 2024, during Trinity's bicentennial celebrations. Stay tuned."

Nigel Back writes, "Now aged 73 . . . well, what has happened in the last 50 plus years since Trinity? Qualified as a chartered accountant in Norwich, England, (not Connecticut) and then worked in Paris, The Hague, back to Paris to join Cargill as a trader. Moved to Geneva before going down to Australia and then back to London. Swept away by (and married) Paris, my wife of 40 years. Moved into financial services regulation, but being a policeman never really suited, moving to insurance before buying and running my own manufacturing business in Norfolk for the last 25 years. We design, manufacture, and market our unique range of animal health products, all made from sustainable plant-derived essential oils. Keeps me busy and out of trouble. So, I wish you all well but cannot make the Reunion I'm afraid."

1972 President: **Peter R. Blum** • Vice President: **William Miller** • Secretary: **John R. "Jack" Nelson**, john.nelson.1972@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Archibald Smith**, **Will Whetzel** • [f/groups/Trinity1972](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Trinity1972)

The Class of 1972 enjoyed an overwhelmingly successful 50th Reunion with plenty of heartfelt reconnecting, sentimental reminiscing, and exuberant partying, thus proving to our eye-rolling spouses that our old friends still like us, our memory synapses are intact, and we can still bring it on the dance floor. The college provided three days of fun, food, and music as well as many interesting events, including a Thursday night dinner for the Classes of '72 and '71 at the Mark Twain House, rowing at the boathouse, a tour of the carillon, and a hike up Avon Mountain. Presentations were offered on a variety of subjects, including one by President Berger-Sweeney and Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin, receptions geared to the LGBTQ, BIPOC, and AA communities, as well as ecumenical Chapel services. Our class contributed excellent presentations by **Burt Adelman** (medicine) and **Bob Ellis** (climate), as well as a celebration organized by **Katherine Mohn Wooters** of the bold first women at Trinity. A particularly moving event was our class's memorial service, remembering the 53 classmates who are no longer with us.

As usual, Outerspace gave a truly energizing performance at the Saturday night dance that got many of us rockin' 'til the wee hours. Believe me, I was impressed at the number of us who can still bring it.

A good number of our class could not make Reunion due to health issues, either of ourselves or a spouse. There are at least 11 I'm aware of, with four last-minute cancellations, so the Thursday before Reunion, we decided to include them via Zoom. The plan was for me to circulate around the Washington Room and point my phone camera at our classmates so they could say hi and so the Zoom participants could see all the bald, partying "grayhairs" behaving badly, as well as Outerspace. That worked out well with 33 joining in, but the best part was the animated conversations among the Zoomers at home while waiting for me to Zoom them in. Thanks, **Bill Morrison**, for your invaluable technical assistance.

The other highlight is the most excellent yearbook put together by **Kristin Emerson**, **David Rosenthal**, **Peter Griesinger**, and **Will Whetzel**. I've read all the entries and have thoroughly enjoyed the candor, humor, and diverse accomplishments of our class's contributors. As we were 50 years ago, we're still a very interesting and varied group of individuals: We have neurosurgeons, architects, and bankers who now write

novels; professors and attorneys who have published poetry; teachers and priests who are lifelong musicians; and a former White House chief administrative officer who is a potter and a retired CTO making beautiful bowls on his lathe. We have three retired headmasters: one who has been a head of school on four continents, another who, until very recently, was chairman of two social service nonprofits, and a third who spearheads development for our class (\$2.4 million-plus Reunion giving). Some retirements! Other accomplished classmates include three Texas residents: a veterans hospital administrator and reformer who also ministered to state prison inmates for 10 years, an M.D./director/CEO and visionary builder of children's neurological medical services, and a high-level government administrator and advocate for children's and underserved populations' health care. Speaking of health care, we also have three Ph.D.s who have made highly significant research contributions to molecular biology/genetics, drug discovery, and genetic-based treatments.

I'm going to mention two classmates I find particularly interesting and absolutely inspiring: **Dean Hamer**, our salutatorian who transitioned from groundbreaking research with the NIH to writing books and making documentaries for PBS on the intersections of genetics and both sexual orientation and religion while weathering the maelstroms generated by both. (See suggested readings below—amazing!) And **Jay Mandt**, a professor of philosophy at Wichita State and certainly a progressive thinker and fighter of the good fight. Rather than being just a cloistered doctor of thinkology, Jay advocated for higher educational excellence for decades and among other activities was “the leading [faculty] spokesman on campus. We pushed through a lot of changes, kicked out some nasty administrators, and saved Kansas Universities from being absorbed by [political or bean counting-influenced entities].” He concludes, “I came to Trinity through a series of accidents that made me an Illinois Scholar. I've been grateful for the opportunity I was given every day since.” Trinity must have done something right. Thanks, Jay and Dean!

While reading our Class of 1972's yearbook bios, I see frequent references to service, volunteering, advocacy, etc. in career positions and nonprofit volunteering and leadership roles. I can't help but correlate our formative experiences while at Trinity, fueled by the dramatic changes in the country around us, with a lifelong determination to combine career accomplishments with making the world a better place. I also see a lot of close families and smiling faces, so our collective histories tell of lives well lived.

If you haven't received a link to our yearbook from the college, your email on file is probably out of date. Please update at <https://mytrinnet.trincoll.edu> or email julie.cloutier@trincoll.edu or me. Thanks again to Theresa, Michelle, Julie, and the whole Trinity staff for managing such a great Reunion Weekend. Great seeing so many of you at Reunion, though I wish I had been able to talk to more of you individually. Thanks to those who worked on the Reunion Committee and to all who have made yearbook or Class Notes contributions. Let's not wait another five (or 50!) years to see one another. Stay tuned!

P.S.: Check out these classmates' recent books: **Bill Miller's** *Steel City: A Story of Pittsburgh*; **Peter Wheelwright's** *The Door-Man and As It Is on Earth* (I've read—excellent). Also, **Dean Hamer's** *The Science of Desire* (1995 NYT Notable Book of the Year) and *The God Gene* (2004), as well as his documentary *Out in the Silence* on YouTube. While you're at it, Google **Jay Mandt**, “Imitation, Economic Insecurity, and Risk Aversion,” a short, insightful, and prescient paper on societal and economic impacts on educational achievement.

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 Class Agent: **Ed Huntley**

Rod “Jake” Jacobsen has returned to Connecticut after almost 50 years in California, Kenya, and Spain. He and wife Susan Hardenbergh decided to retire in Redding, just down the road from where he grew up in Ridgefield. He reports, “We decided that our first grandchild was enough of a reason to move closer to our daughter, Olivia, and husband Jack and to our son, Grady '17, both of whom have become New Englanders. Grandparenting is everything we had heard it was and more! We'll also be that much closer to our best Trinity friends in Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire. An easy trip to our big Class of 1973 Reunion next summer!”

Jay Fagan writes, “I retired as professor emeritus in June 2021 from Temple University. I am continuing to conduct research on low-income fathers and families and was recently named among the top 2 percent of scientists worldwide in a new ranking conducted by Stanford University. I have had the great pleasure of having lunch with Joanne Epps once or twice a year.”

Bert Keating writes, “I continue to practice and teach geriatrics and internal medicine in Bloomfield, Connecticut. Still cannot conceive of separating myself from medicine;

despite the hassles that pervade medical care ‘delivery,’ I still enjoy the privilege of taking care of individual patients, including some Trinity faculty. (I do realize that eventually I must leave the profession, but I want to leave like Kareem Abdul Jabbar left basketball—still good at the game.) My book (*Essential Anatomy of the Doctor-Patient Relationship*) has been well received, and I was pleased to have it chosen as a graduation gift to family medicine residents at Quinnipiac's medical school. Although marketed as a textbook (Nova Science Publishers) and expensive, I will send a copy gratis to any of the M.D.s in the Class of '73 just for contacting me (and promising to make a gift to Trinity in exchange!). Mary Jo (Matel) Keating '74 and I are solidly together, and we often think about Trinity. I particularly wish classmates the fortitude and appreciation of the little things that this time of life requires. On a lighter note, I wonder, as do all Trinity alumni secretly wonder, ‘Who are those guys?’ ‘Those guys’ refer to Jesse and Tucker, of course. Inquiring minds want to know what makes them the way they are. I wonder, testing our college's roots and dedication to open exchange of ideas, could Trinity actually host them in some sort of forum? (Internally, I think that the college community could handle this, but I have doubts about the external world's knee-jerk reactions.)”

“Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. It was here first.”—Mark Twain

1974 Secretary: **Vacant** •
 Class Agent: **Vacant**

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.

1975 President: **Henry E. Bruce Jr.** •
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As you may have heard, **Susie Crimmins** shares the sad news of the passing of **Erik Larsen**. She writes, “Erik was a real sweetheart. He never failed to end a conversation with me without saying, ‘I'll pray for you, Susie, because God knows somebody has to!’”

From **Henry Bruce**: “Just returned to Florida from a visit north golfing with **Rich Huoppi** and two days at the U.S. Open at The Country Club in Brookline. We ran into **Pete** and **Fran Taussig**, longtime members at TCC

Jameson “Jamey” French ’75



DEGREE: B.A. in history; graduate work in history and economic history, University of Edinburgh, Scotland

JOB TITLE: President and CEO Northland Forest Products, Inc., based in Kingston, New Hampshire, and Troy, Virginia

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: My happiest TC memory is that I have been blessed to maintain a fairly wide circle of friends from our class, both men and women in all parts of the country (and world). Those close friendships have enriched my life.

You’re a fourth-generation lumberman. What does this field of work mean to you, and what do you do in your role? Yes, my family has been in the hardwood lumber industry since the late 1800s. It has been a challenge to survive in a natural-resource-based industry that is still in many ways a very old-fashioned one. We have had to innovate to keep operating profitability. Luckily, we have a product that has seen increasing demand around the world because it is from a sustainable and renewable low-risk temperate forest at a time when tropical forest destruction has reduced demand for those products. We have tried to be a leader in certified

wood. I was an early chair of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) U.S. Board of Directors and also a pioneer in heat-treated hardwoods (like tulip poplar) that can be used externally as an alternative to western red cedar. I have been president of the company for 35 years and have handled a large proportion of the export sales until quite recently.

What are the biggest challenges you face? Our biggest challenges at the moment are getting a new generation interested in an old-fashioned industry and figuring out ways to transport our products domestically and overseas. We have been severely impacted by the shortages of trucks and the chaos of the ocean-freight industry. We also face a generation of people who are used to IKEA products (not made from solid wood) and alien to the idea that a solid perhaps expensive piece of furniture or cabinets or flooring might not only be a good investment but also a storer of carbon. Sustainable low-risk American wood—perhaps harvested under a voluntary certification program—can be a low-carbon-footprint alternative.

What do you enjoy most about what you do? I love being able to sell a beautiful, nature-made product and see the end results in artisan-produced furniture and cabinets. Being a family-business owner, I also have had the ability to be fairly flexible with my schedule and therefore had the time to be very involved in my industry associations and the nonprofit sector both locally and nationally. Although my focus always has been land conservation and environmental NGOs (I just finished my term as chair of the Land Trust Alliance and currently chair the American Forest Foundation), I also have served a number of arts and historical groups in New Hampshire, including Strawberry Banke Museum, The Music Hall and the Prescott Park Arts Festival, and our New Hampshire Charitable Foundation and regional Foundation for Seacoast Health. My

environmental activism started before Trinity, when I co-chaired the first Earth Day in 1970 in my hometown. At Trinity, I was a co-chair of Connecticut Zero-Population Growth (ZPG), which at the time was focused on creating dialogue about the impact of the human population on the ecosystem and yes, even then, on our fossil-fuel addiction and the impact of its waste, including carbon on the planet.

How did your time at Trinity prepare you for the work you do? Trinity in the 1970s was way more open to study-abroad options than many of the other Little Ivies. With the support of the history faculty, I was able to attend the University of Edinburgh junior year (as a directly enrolled student) and get full department credit for the outstanding courses I took in British colonial history and economics. That opportunity allowed me to return to Scotland for graduate school and then to work in Liverpool, England, in the timber trade. When I returned to the family business in late 1978, I had learned a global perspective, had developed some customers in Europe that we still have today, and had established a lifelong love for the United Kingdom. The U.K. remains our largest marketplace.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? Of course, everyone loved George Cooper’s English history classes and Dr. Weaver’s course on colonial America, but I was most impacted by Dr. Steele’s course in African history and the impact of European imperialism. Dr. Steele was very supportive of my Edinburgh adventure and encouraged my senior thesis work in the economics behind utopian settlements in New Zealand and Southern Australia.



1975 classmates Rich Huoppi, Peter Taussig, and Henry Bruce meet in June at the 2022 U.S. Open in Brookline, Massachusetts.



Several Bantams enjoy a hockey reunion in February 2022. Front row: Mark Cleary '75, Duffy Shea '77, Sam Gray '78; back row: Tommy Lenahan '78, Jay Fisher '75, Henry Bruce '75, Rudy Montgelas '75, Rich Huoppi '75

and got caught up on various encounters with classmates in the past year. Still waiting for that invite to play TCC, Pete (!). Earlier in 2022, we had a nice hockey reunion in February, and another great time was had by all watching the Bantams beat Bowdoin and Colby. Present were **Mark Cleary, Rich Huoppi, Rudy Montgelas, Jay Fisher**, Tommy Lenahan '78, Sandy Weedon '77, Sam Gray '78, and Duffy Shea '77. The J Bar (formerly Pizza Plus) hosted our pregame and post-game gatherings. We are tentatively planning another reunion during Homecoming this fall as the annual hockey-golf fundraiser is being moved to that weekend in October. Hope to see more of you then."

One of your scribes, **Chris Mooney**, has moved farther south in Florida to Naples near Marco Island for winter base. He was or will be in Idaho in June for a family wedding; Santana, Doobies, Dave Matthews at Bethel in summer; Whistler in September; Ojai in November. If '75ers are near Naples, please check in!

Your other class scribe, **Steve Hirsch**, is just leaving the San Francisco/Sonoma area having celebrated a four-bagger weekend: daughter Lindsay's 40th birthday celebration, all the U.S. cousins and grandchildren together, all of our children and spouses also here to celebrate Father's Day.

We would like to hear more from you. Please drop us a line.

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From the Alumni Office: **Mark Henrickson** continues as professor of social work at Massey University in Auckland, New Zealand. He made good use of COVID lockdown time and recently published *The Origins of Social Care and Social Work* (Policy Press). The book examines the history of social care beginning with the Code of Hammurabi through the present and argues that modern states have uncritically adopted a kind of civic theology in their social welfare policies. He also is lead editor on an international and interdisciplinary collection titled *HIV, Sex and Sexuality in Later Life* (also from Policy Press). This is probably the first book to consider later-life intimacy in the lives of people around the world living with HIV. As traveling restrictions ease around the world, he'd be pleased to hear from anyone passing through the South Pacific.

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Stephen Berkowitz writes, "My news: I look forward to retiring this fall from the congregation in Barcelona. I will be succeeded by a young Barcelona native who is poised to be ordained this October in Berlin and will become the first woman rabbi of Spain. All the best to you, and stay healthy!"

Jim Essey and **Nina Zakin** catch us up. "What's new with our family over the last few years? So much! First, we survived COVID-19—so far. We moved out to our house in East Hampton for much of 2020, feeling that being in a house gave us more room to move around than being in our apartment in N.Y.C. Our daughter, Ali, moved out to stay with us in East Hampton, too. My company, TemPositions, was hit hard. We went from

2,500 employees a week out working to less than 800 as many of our segments (education, hospitality, office) literally shut down with no need for workers. But we pivoted and provided school nurses to the temporary Jacob Javits hospital, food-service workers to meal-delivery programs for the homebound, and teachers to 'enrichment sites' set up, since schools were closed, to take care of the children of front-line workers. We also created an app for students and employees to use before entering a facility to see if they were COVID-19 cleared. Then we convinced the New York State Department of Health to let us run the staffing for their 40-plus mass-vaccination sites around the state and built a coalition of 35 other staffing firms to help. We coordinated the entire process through software we built that allowed the orders to be distributed to the 35 firms, for us to receive candidate submissions, and then aggregate those submissions into schedule sheets distributed to the National Guard at each site daily. We were all working 17-hour days seven days a week at the start to get this project off the ground, but in my 35 years in the staffing business, I can't think of a more worthwhile project. We found temporaries who needed jobs, got staffing firms back in business while their normal clients were closed, and provided over 1.5 million vaccinations. The project is winding down this summer, but we are still involved in numerous other COVID-19 initiatives, including staffing testing sites in N.Y.C. and providing staff for cruise-ship testing around the country. And our base business has recovered somewhat with things slowly returning to normal.

"Outside of the staffing business, after having watched too many HGTV shows, I entered the real estate flipping market by buying and selling a four-bedroom penthouse in Miami and then reinvesting the proceeds (and adding a bit) into a dry-lot house on North Bay Road in Miami Beach. We are developing plans to demolish that house and build a new modern one. Anyone interested in one of the few lots available in a terrific location on North Bay, let me know. We might be convinced to sell it fully permitted and ready for you to construct!

"On the family side, we have a condo in Miami Beach at the 1 Hotel complex where we spend some of the winter. Our daughter spent her first year at Trinity but then transferred to Dartmouth, which was a better fit for her. She worked at Morgan Stanley as an analyst in capital markets, leaving there for a role in strategy at the boutique fitness class aggregator Class Pass. She then went to Kellogg and after graduation joined ABC/Disney working in strategy for their streaming services. (If you have an ABC app on your phone, that's

her product.) She bought a co-op on lower Fifth Avenue in N.Y.C. and is in a yearlong process of renovating it (and it wasn't even a big renovation!). It's hard to believe our 45th Reunion is coming up fairly soon. I look forward to seeing many of you there."

Louis Meyers hopped on to say, "I live in the Green Mountain State of Vermont, where I work as a physician and where I am also a Democratic candidate for Congress."

Cristina Orsi-Lirot is headed north. She writes, "We have purchased a home outside of Hanover, New Hampshire, where our son has his business. Hoping to spend lots of time up there at least during the summers (winters will be less appealing). Still selling real estate in the Darien-to-Greenwich corridor and enjoying my work, clients, and colleagues tremendously. That said, retirement and travel are starting to look enticing."

Randy Pearsall writes, "My wife, Josanne, and I are looking forward to a summer of golden oldies concerts, seeing the Doobie Brothers, Burton Cummings (The Guess Who) and Randy Bachman (The Guess Who, Bachman-Turner Overdrive), and Elton John. It's getting harder to find the original artists who can still play/sing well enough. And last month, we saw a good concert with Jon Pousette-Dart who played in the Pousette-Dart Band at Trinity in the '70s. It's nice to hopefully have COVID sufficiently in the rear-view mirror."

Clay Phillips can be found in the winter 2022 issue. He writes, "I had a one-page Q&A write-up in the winter issue of the *Reporter*. Readers probably learned more than they wanted to know about me, and there's not much to add. I hope you are well."

Randy Schwimmer shares, "I read (then reread) with great interest **Doug Thom's** astonishingly candid reflection of his post-Trinity life. Not your usual parade of retirement, golf, or grandchildren roster. Yet it struck home the way few Class Notes have. How many of us honestly value the essentials the way he appears to? The downs in life do that to you, of course. But in the midst of plenty, it's tough to remember and be thankful for what really matters. Doug, I do recall your participation in the Pipes. After 44 years you're still hitting the right notes."

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This is the year that most of us are signing up for Medicare as we turn 65. Remember

back in 1975 when most of our male classmates were among the first group of men in the United States who didn't have to register for the draft? As of April 1, 1975, registration ended for those born in 1957.

Jim Cropsey recalled going to his local selective service office after his June 4 birthday to see a sign on the door saying, "Office temporarily closed." By August, Jim said, the office was gone. **Ken Crowe** called before his June 26 birthday to ask about signing up and was told, "We don't do that anymore. We'll call you." A piece of history to consider as we all came of age when drafts were televised.

Let's catch up with our classmates. There's lots of movement.

Diane Molleson heard from **Tori Dauphinot**, who wrote, "I wanted to let you know I am living in West Palm Beach (with my husband, Ken Hubbard). My address is 400 North Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33401. I am also still selling high-end jewelry to private clients." Diane returned from hiking Mount Ranier.

Just before deadline, **George Brickley** said he and wife Cindy (Higgins) '80 "welcomed their second granddaughter, Quinn Rose, into this world. Born to George '10 and Maddy of San Francisco, Quinn and her cousin, Lola, are keeping grandpa and nana on their toes." Says George, "We're perfect grandparents ... we're spoiling these two darling girls silly!" Go Bants (past, present, and future)!

Linda Scott retired as director of the University of Massachusetts counseling center and then headed to sea. Linda said, "Since then I have picked up a few psychology gigs. I just returned from four months as the ship psychologist at Semester at Sea (semesteratsea.org). It was an experience living and traveling with 450 college students (including one current Trinity student ... hi, Amina!). I think my time in Elton helped me train for this gig! Hi to all you 1979ers! Be well."

Jim "Randy" Brainerd said the call for submissions led him to get in touch with classmates since he last ran into **Kent Reilly** a few years ago at an NCAA soccer game at Babson College. Jim was the Babson diving coach, and Kent was watching his son play for Trinity. Jim lives near the waters of Buzzards Bay in Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. "The town is a quaint little community on what is termed the South Coast. I enjoy the fact that I can look out across the bay and see Cape Cod and the Elizabeth Islands, but I do not have to go over the bridges or deal with Cape Cod traffic. All the benefits of coastal living without some of the hassles." Jim said the pandemic led him to officially admit, "I was retired as a 'self-unemployed' lawyer and real estate broker. At about the same

time, I also retired from my part-time and far more passionate job as a diving coach after 40-plus years coaching high school teams, 35 years coaching college teams, and 20 years coaching an age-group team, Boston Area Diving (BAD). Last month, the Eastern Massachusetts Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association (EMISCA) inducted me into their Hall of Fame. I believe I am only the second diving coach to be so honored." Jim's the first classmate to plan to be at our next Reunion in 2024 and plans to reconnect with classmates.

Louise Dewar has moved west and launched a new business: "The major change in my life is that my husband and I have moved to Chicago. The main reason for the move is that our only child—daughter Margaret—lives here and had no intention of moving back to New Jersey. She is a middle school science teacher in the public school system and has made a life for herself here. If we wanted to see her more than three times a year, we needed to relocate. Al and I always loved living in/being close to the city, but New York has become so much more expensive and just difficult to get around. My school, The American Boychoir School, closed for lack of funding in the summer of 2017, and it turned out to be impossible for a 60-year-old woman with 20-plus years' experience and a doctorate to get a job, even as a classroom teacher. Took about 18 months to sell the house and half that time to find our perfect condo on the lake (which we could never have afforded in N.Y.C., so it's got that going for it as well), and we moved right in the heat of the first COVID summer. Took forever to get our furniture, both transported and newly purchased, and we ended up living like college students again with folding lawn chairs in the living room and a card table to eat on. But we are entirely moved in with real, adult-like furniture and see Margaret at least twice a week. In order to keep myself busy and intellectually engaged, I created a small genealogical service—ThisIsYourFamily—and have had luck with adult adoptees. My aim is to keep the service affordable and straightforward: 10 hours of research for \$350 with an option to extend. It's fun, keeps me busy, and has given me a chance to meet a lot of people I live around but who have been wearing masks for the past two years. Anyone from the class who is interested can reach me at my email, lhdewar@gmail.com. I also continue to do volunteer work with the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools as an accreditation team visitor. I've had the pleasure of visiting with **Karen Schloss Diaz**, who lives in New Jersey, and the 'book of faces' keeps me in touch with **Kurt Meister**, **Mark Glick**, **Christine McCarthy**, and others as well."

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Cynthia Ballantyne forwarded me an article from the *Global Golf Post* by Scott Michaux about our classmate **Macey Russell**, partner at Choate Hall & Stewart in Boston. Macey is a leader in diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). He was a longtime friend of Lee Elder, a tour professional who won the USGA's Bob Jones Award in 2019, USGA's highest honor. Elder was the first Black player to compete in the Masters in 1975 and Ryder Cup in 1979 and had 16 tour wins. After receiving the award, Elder told Macey, "We have to make golf more diverse." He and Macey had run golf tournaments together to help disadvantaged kids. A few months after the Pebble Beach Open, The Country Club in Brookline, Massachusetts, approached Macey about helping with its DEI and asked what ideas he might have. He said, "At a minimum, you need to have an elite internship program that takes advantage of the fact that the business of golf and players are all going to the U.S. Open. And we need to be able to identify highly talented students and give them an opportunity to participate in an internship program without any barriers to their participation."

Two years later, in November 2021, The Country Club in partnership with the USGA announced the establishment of the Lee Elder Internship, an immersive one-week program that brings 25 diverse youths from underrepresented communities to Brookline during the 2022 U.S. Open. Sadly, Elder died later in November 2021 but was aware of the tournament in his honor. This past June, **Macey Russell** oversaw The Country Club's DEI plan in collaboration with the USGA to host The Lee Elder Internship program at the 2022 U.S. Open. In addition, he was chair of Tee Up Diversity, a fundraiser on June 16, 2022, at The Newbury Boston to support DEI in golf with a focus on supporting students at historically Black colleges and universities interested in the business and game of golf and a grassroots program in urban areas to introduce the game of golf to underrepresented groups. Also in June, Macey received the Black Diamond Award from the Black In-House Counsel Network for his services in finding leading Black talent and helping Black in-house lawyers advance their careers. Congratulations, Macey, and thank you for your leadership.

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From **Jeff Baker**: "Well, it's been a fun year staying in close contact with **Scott Growney**. Scott's daughter, Scottie Rose, just finished her athletic career at UNC, where, as a starting attack woman on the number one lacrosse team in the nation, she completed an undefeated 22–0 season that culminated in an NCAA Division I national title on May 29. I had the great fortune of being Scott's guest at the title game, which was played at Johns Hopkins University. On March 20, Scott was in Boston for the UNC vs. BC game, and I hosted him at my house in Boston. Also in attendance at my house for a modest celebration were **Peter Whalen** and **Richard Kermond**. On game day against BC in Newton, Massachusetts, **Wendy Shoolman** also was there! I then traveled to Baltimore to see Scott's daughter win the NCAA Division I championship, and it was exciting to see and catch up with **Nancy McCulloch**, who was also in attendance!"

Peter Smith writes that he continues to serve, in partnership with his wife, Carol Baschwitz Smith '79, the First Congregational Church in Hanson, Massachusetts, as its senior pastor. Peter is going to take advantage of some sabbatical time to aid Ukraine. "I have been hired to take part in the distribution of essential materials and construction of transitional housing as part of DART, the Disaster Assistance Response Team through the Samaritan's Purse, a Christian relief agency, which has been deploying in three-to-four-week waves since soon after the crisis began. I will be in western North Carolina to train the middle week of June and expect deployment soon after that."

James Shapiro is happy to announce that "after 15 years of bachelorhood, I'm finally getting remarried on July 1."

Hope to hear from those who attended our 40th (yikes!) Reunion! In the meantime, please post your comments on the Trinity Class of 1981 Facebook page.

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So happy to share some highlights from our 40th Reunion and the accompanying class survey. Fifty-plus classmates made the trip



Sarah Carter '81 celebrates Christmas 2021 with granddaughter Lily Alexandra Carter (Trinity '42?) after they received matching Trinity sweatshirts.

back to campus to enjoy Reunion festivities and/or offered updates through the survey.

At this point in our lives, work-life balance is top priority. Some classmates are still fully engaged in careers. Others are retired, and a few are in hybrid mode. **Susan Haff Armstrong** retired from her job at Armstrong Advisory Group and works part time managing their new company, Armstrong Media & Technology in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. **Sandy Frazier Connolly** is humanities curriculum coordinator for Haverford Township and sings in Philomusica Chorale. **Doug Brooks** continues his work as a "boatbuilder, writer, and teacher." **Jocelyn McWhirter** is professor of religious studies at Albion College teaching Bible and Judaism. **Mindy Pickering Halsey** serves on the board of the Park City Community Foundation, chairing an impact committee and working on development. **Jen Zaccara** is head of school at Vermont Academy. **Margaret Evans Cosgrove** continues to sing and enjoys life as parent and grandparent to her growing extended family with husband James: "Between us, we have seven children and five grandchildren, plus two on the way." **Brodie Bain** is a principal at a global architectural firm, Perkins & Will, leading campus planning work for colleges and universities around the country. **Rise Singer** manages an Israel studies center at Brandeis University. **Terry Samdperil Schuster** recently retired from the family industrial yarn business and is totally enjoying retirement. **Jim Dod** is still in private practice of clinical psychology. **Sharon Day** works as an emergency medicine physician in Fairfax, Virginia. **Robin Erlich Pence** is in her "dream job" as lead public relations for the North American Veterinary Community, a global leader in animal health care and host of the world's largest and most prestigious annual veterinary continuing education conference and expo.



Britta Keehn Scott '82, Betsy O'Herron Swindell '82, Sherry Benzel Willard '82, and Annie Martin Pfister '82 gather on the Main Quad on Friday evening of Reunion Weekend 2022.

Lisa Donohue Chizmar works in dermatological medicine and enjoys traveling to N.Y.C. museums. **Vicky Lenkeit Scanlon** recently retired after a 16-year career at Travelers and many more years as a mom of two daughters: "Best decision of my life, getting to watch two souls grow and thrive. Looking forward to this new chapter of life, one never-ending date with my husband of 35 years." **Justin George** works in IT at Prudential and enjoys hiking, camping, being a Boy Scout leader, and oil painting. **Chrisy Masters Jones** loves retirement and is doing a lot of volunteer stuff and serving on the Board of Trustees for The Masters School. She and her husband started a yearlong 6,000-mile motorboat cruise around the Great Loop starting at the Hudson River, through the Erie Canal, Lake Ontario, and on to the Thousand Islands, Mackinaw Island, Lake Michigan, down the Ohio River to Tennessee and Alabama, onto the west coast of Florida, the Keys and then up the eastern coast and back to Jamestown, Rhode Island. **Tony Fischetti** finished a 22nd year teaching history at Brunswick School in Greenwich and coaching golf and basketball. **Steve Madeira** works at a software company called AST Private Company Solutions. **Nancy Netcoh** still dabbles in her graphic design business. **Ellin Carpenter Smith** loves balancing the creative and analytical with her Marketing Roundtable Consultancy and her interior design business. She is launching a blog called *Living a Colorful Life*, a joyful venture in partnership with daughter Diana Rose '19, who is a talented graphic artist and web designer. **Barb Selmo** has returned to creative writing with a

community of writers in Maine, her "fun place." **Chuck Welsh** enjoys managing ACCEL Law Group, traveling, reading, and spending time with family. **Gayle Dugas Alberico** enjoys dancing and takes a tap class with her husband. They have set a goal of hiking all the national parks and have been to 20 so far. **Carl Rapp** still works at Timken Company and Philadelphia Gear and looks forward to more travel. **Scott Cassie** leads the client management team at Fitch Ratings by day and cycles, skis, and golfs after hours.

Random favorite memories of Trinity years: "bringing the goalpost back from Wesleyan after beating them in football in 1980," "tropical parties," "home-run derby at Crescent Street," "engaging and challenging classes with interesting and supportive professors," "climbing the carillon tower to be part of a sunrise concert on May day," "tutoring at the local elementary school," "lots of dancing and really, really formative classes," "singing with Chapel Singers and Concert Choir," "getting up before sunrise and running in the field house," "freshman year in Jones and then the 'sophomore slums,'" "Wednesday dance parties at AD," "watching it snow on the quad," "meeting a cute, kind guy who is still my best friend," "lots of fun, crazy memories with classmates who are now dear friends," "Florida baseball trips," "great times at the Crow House (RIP)," "making friends for life," "our very own Cinestudio," "learning (we) could make it on (our) own," "exposure to new ideas, new cultures" "hanging out and occasionally studying at the libes," "ice cream sundae night at Mather," "brunches in Hartford," "great friends," and "the best four years of my life." More to come in the next update.

A few closing words of wisdom on the topic of our 40th Reunion: Let's stay 40 years young; the best is ahead. Manifest that.

One humbling note about two very surprised classmates. **Matt and Ellin Carpenter Smith** were stunned when **Francesca Borges Gordon**, as a member of the Trinity College Alumni Association Executive Committee, presented them with the Alumni Award for Excellence. Matt, in particular, felt the significance of this honor as he follows in the footsteps of his dad, Dave Smith '52, who received this award on the occasion of his 50th Reunion.

Thanks again to all who responded to our class survey. Hope to hear from more of you. For any who wish to do so, here is the link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/76J7KTK. It just takes a few minutes. Have fun with it.

From the Alumni Office: **Jeremy Morrow** retired in 2020 and is building a retirement house in Volcano, Hawaii.

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Todd Beati writes of a fabulous Memorial Day weekend getting to see son Max graduate from Brown University. The lad built quite a résumé in academics and athletics, which included playing offensive line on the football team. Max will take a well-earned trip to Europe with some friends before heading to New York to start a job in marketing/data analytics. Todd's daughter, Samantha '17, had been working at ESPN but left last year to join Charles River Laboratories. Like a lot of us, Todd wishes to come back in his next life as one of his children.

Joe Tucker's daughter, **Ocie**, graduated from the Waldorf School of Saratoga Springs this spring. She will attend Bryn Mawr College in the fall. Ocie's younger twin brothers, **Noel** and **Linus**, will follow in her footsteps by attending the Waldorf when they finish at Hiland Hall School in Bennington, Vermont.

Applause for **Laura Wilcox Rokoszak**, who has retired after teaching English and theater as well as directing musicals at Northern Highlands Regional High School for 36 years. She gives huge credit to Trinity mentors **Milla Riggio** and **Gerry Moshell** as inspirations. It has been a bittersweet departure as her colleagues gave an amazing send-off with a first-ever retiree "clap out" of the building, preceded by a great party where roasts, toasts, and tributes abounded. As both of her kids are grown and married, **Laura** and husband **John** will regroup while traveling back and forth between homes in Florida and New Jersey before planning their next moves.

Al Strickler recounts a great adventure that his family experienced to Israel and Palestine. Al tells of how enlightening it was to observe and participate in the spiritualism, rituals, and philosophies of Christianity, Judaism, and Islam. He's looking forward to spending the July Fourth weekend with Trinity buddies **Ben Howe**, **John Swain**, **Tim Clark**, and spouses for what I'm sure will be a great reunion on Martha's Vineyard.

Speaking of **Ben Howe**, I received an update from him as well. Ben and wife **Janet** have two grandchildren through daughter **Rachel '15**. They live only six miles from the adoring grandparents, so there's lots of quality time there. Ben's son **Jake '13** works across the pond in London, while his youngest two, **Michael** and **Jamie**, are pursuing careers in Boston. Ben is still going strong

at the helm of the investment banking firm he founded, AGC Partners. The firm actually got a lift from COVID as AGC is now one of the top technology investment banking boutiques in the world. I know firsthand, as Ben helped sell a company I was involved with back in 2015. He has eight Trinity alums on the AGC Partners team, including our witty and deadpan classmate **Tim Clarke**, who is leading the charge to build out AGC's research effort. On the philanthropic front, Ben is in his final year on the board of Excel Academy as its chairman. Excel has four schools, grades 5 through 12, serving 1,400 students in East Boston and Chelsea. *U.S. News and World Report* just ranked the school 16th out of 340 among high schools in Massachusetts and in the top 3 percent in the nation. The school was founded six years ago, and the students, parents, and teachers have worked tirelessly to create educational excellence. Working to help inner-city American children is a passion for Ben, and he will keep this mission alive even after his term is done.

Keith Gallagher and wife Debbie took their grown offspring, ages 24 and 25, to New Orleans for Mardi Gras. They stayed at the historic Hotel Monteleone in the Vieux Carre, took an airboat tour through the swamps and bayous south of the city, and thoroughly enjoyed the festival. Keith continued on to Alabama, where he connected with a buddy from USAF flight school before heading up to the Northeast to see former classmate **Tim Martin** for a day. Keith left corporate America seven years ago and has been opening Wienerschnitzel and Rally restaurants across the Southwest. He is hoping to step back in the not-too-distant future and turn the business over to his kids. But right now, he says, he's having too much fun.

I also had a graduation as my daughter, Kelly Ann, finished this May at Tulane with a degree in chemical engineering and starts a job with Applied Materials in August. We celebrated her accomplishments by taking a two-week family trip to Spain in early June, visiting Madrid, Toledo, Bilbao, San Sebastián, and Barcelona. Kelly Ann minored in Spanish, so she got some good practice and helped us get around. As an added bonus, **Chuck Petridis** flew his family over from their home in Milan to join us in Bilbao. It was a great trip. My son, Brian, completed his freshman year at Texas A&M and is totally indoctrinated. My wife, Ann, and I were just starting to adjust to our empty nester status, but now we have them home for the summer. Don't get me wrong, I love it.

That's all until the next write-up as we count the year down to our 40th Reunion. Can you believe it?

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I changed things up (because I forgot), and rather than sending an email that no one opens, I sent a plea for news on our Class of '84 Facebook group and got a great response! Thanks for rallying, everyone!

Cathy Marona Shrestha said, "I had a great day in N.Y.C. with **Susan Greene** and **Laura Ledbetter** recently. Roamed around Lower Manhattan and had a drink at Fraunces Tavern!" Susan promptly replied, "Don't leave out the Staten Island Ferry ride!"

Liz Lynch Valicenti reported, "After spending my entire life in the Boston area, last September I sold my home, all my furniture, and left my friends and family to move to Carlsbad, California, for a job at Callaway Golf. Who does that at 'our age'? I did, and it's been quite an adventure! I'm always keeping up with the girls from Trinity in our random group texts to celebrate birthdays, kids, and everything else, including **Weezie Kerr Mackey**, **Laney Lynch Makin**, **Lisa Sperry Lynch** (my sister-in-law), **Annie Mathiasen Farquhar**, **Susan Rice Keenan**, and **Suzy Schwartz Symons**. Enjoying the weather here where I can finally play golf all year round!"

Christine Stanson Gould shared, "Jeff and I had a busy year. Our older son, Harry, just graduated from Northeastern and is in Europe before starting work at Accenture in N.Y.C. Our younger son, Graeme, is a junior at Tulane and heading to Koblenz, Germany, for the fall. Though not retired, we decided to head for warmer weather and moved to St. Petersburg, Florida, last summer. We're quickly getting acclimated to the heat. Our guest room is open to all visitors!"

Lorraine Saunders White sent this update: "Our twin sons graduated high school. Henry is off to Bucknell in the fall, and Will is off to Ohio Wesleyan to be a DIII lax goalie. Our daughter, Maddie, is a rising senior at Bowdoin on the lax team. She spent her first semester junior year in Copenhagen and had the time of her life. She's doing an internship this summer at Credit Suisse. I just celebrated 25 years at United Healthcare, and my husband, Hank, continues to work hard with his site architecture firm. Here we come, empty nesters!"

Susan Lawrence Lebow wrote with exciting news: "My husband and I are heading to Houston tomorrow for our son's wedding this weekend! The first of our kids to get married." (Reminder: this was written in June!)

Debby Vinnick Tesler said, "Still practicing pediatrics in White Plains, New York, and

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enjoying empty nesting with my husband. Our youngest—twins Lucas and Zach—finally celebrated their 2020 commencement from Brown recently. They both live and work in San Francisco near their older brother, Jake. We visit our boys often and are lucky my college roomie and dear friend Beth Tudor is living nearby and keeping an eye on them. Wishing my classmates happy milestone birthdays this year!"

Alison Limpitlaw Light saw that news and responded, "Debby, my son Ian was also in the class of 2020. It was a wonderful commencement for them! My older son lives in SF and graduated in 2015 from Brown. Small world!"

Laura Darby McNally finished her 32nd year at Middlesex as an athletic trainer, teacher, and coach. She says, "Missing some Trin folks, didn't get my kids to attend, but sending my students to be Bantams!"

Martha Belcher wrote: "I've lived in Berkeley, California, for 30 years. My work has been mostly entrepreneurial and mission driven, i.e., founded Sungevity, a global solar company. Most recently, I joined a fast-growing climate foundation in Boston as chief of staff. I'm also building a house in Martha's Vineyard so will be spending more time amongst many of you! I have a marvelous 20-year-old son who lives in Southern California."

Steve Klots shared, "I finished my 28th year at South Kent School. I still love school chaplaincy, but I also have been doing quite a bit of work for the Episcopal Church in Connecticut as co-chair of the Commission on Ministry. I'm also looking forward to my annual trip to New Hampshire at the end of July when I lead the service at St. Andrew's-by-the-Sea in Rye Beach—and see you and Steve (and hopefully **Chris Melo**). I was happy to get over to campus a few times this year—for Lessons and Carols at Christmas, for a hockey game (there were four South Kent alumni on the Trinity team this past

year), and then for a track meet. No more running for me—the knees have had enough, but I enjoy getting out for walks and hikes in the hills of beautiful western Connecticut.”

Well, **Steve Klots**, looks like you need a great low-impact workout to give your knees a break! Why don't you come to Row House Lovejoy Wharf in Boston and take a rowing class with us? Actually, as we all turn 60, there are probably more than a few knees that would benefit! **Steve Tall** and I have officially taken ownership and are having a blast sharing our passion for rowing and this new, music-driven, low-impact, high-intensity workout that is appropriate for all ages and sizes. Believe it or not, the purchase of the studio came complete with a wooden Trinity College oar! We have our sights set on opening more studios in the coming years, so we're taking our empty nesting into high gear. Our oldest, Christopher, lives in our in-law apartment, so it's only a mostly empty nest, I guess. Our son Sam lives in L.A. and just got engaged, so we're looking forward to a cross-country trip next summer. Our daughter, Emily, will have delivered our first grandbaby by the time you read this, and our youngest, Charlie, who toured over the past year as the drummer for the artist Frances Forever, has relocated to N.Y.C. with no job in hand to see if he can make a living. The jury is still out! Till next time ...

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Hello, everyone. Back in June, **Ann Lazarus-Barnes** marked her sixth year as chief people officer of Lionbridge, a translation company of 6,000 people in more than 28 countries. “We create, transform, test, and train more content than anyone in the world. Now that the pandemic is receding, I will be back on the road visiting some of our offices in China, Poland, Ireland, India, and elsewhere,” she wrote. When not on the road, she works happily from rural New Hampshire in an old farmhouse, built in 1750, with her husband, a bulldog, and a good internet connection. Over the last year, her family re-celebrated a wedding that took place during COVID restrictions, announced the engagement of their youngest child, and received news of the arrival this fall of her first grandchild! In addition to fundraising for Trinity for the Class of 1985 (let's lean in for the bicentennial, friends!), she's been working with various groups of alumnae, including classmates

Prudie Horne and **Sue Pasioka**, on ensuring the equal treatment of Trinity women under Title IX. She pointed out, “Trinity produced a video regarding Title IX, featuring our own Class of 1985 star athlete and all-around great person, **Karen Rodgers Williams**.” Finally, she acknowledged her own Bantam recruiting is not quite as robust as it was, in part because “I am getting too old to answer questions that are relevant to potential Bantams. What is the internet speed in dorm rooms? No idea and no clue.” Ann also shared that **Este Stifel** is retired but continues to fill her days with hiking, kayaking, snowshoeing, camping, swimming, and basically enjoying, in Este's words, “an epic outdoors fest.”

COVID prompted a major move for **Karen Refalvy Lejeal** last July. She and her husband sold their house in Boulder and moved to their place in Vail full time. “We had always talked about moving full time to our home in the mountains. We thought we would have to wait until retirement, but when Jim started working from home, he realized he most likely never had to go to an office again,” she wrote. “Lots of skiing, whitewater kayaking, and hiking, plus a trip to Paris originally planned for May 2020.”

Annette Boelhouwer said she had the pleasure in March of going to the Amalfi Coast with sister Elise '87 to see her daughter, who was studying in Sorrento. “Not quite the same as doing it in 1984 with **Caroline Coco**, **Daphne Vandenhoeck Byrne**, **Sue Granger Tyler**, **Chris Hogan**, etc.” In the first week of June, she went to a dude ranch in Colorado with her sister and nieces, a place **Caroline Carney** had recommended.

It is always a pleasure to read how Trinity remains the glue in our lives—new adventures infused with old memories, travel tips from classmates, ongoing service to our alma mater so that future generations will benefit from a fine education and lifelong friendships—and so much more. I will continue to pester and pry for such news.

From the Alumni Office: **Franca DeRosa** was named an honoree in *Hartford Business Journal's* “2022 Top 25 Women in Business,” which was published in April. DeRosa's profile notes that she is a partner at Brown Rudnick, where her practice “encompasses all aspects of energy and environmental law, including counseling and assistance relating to compliance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations.”

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Greetings! I hope everyone enjoyed their spring and summer. It has been busy at Trinity!

This past June, Trinity held the first post-COVID Reunion, and it was a blast. While I was not able to connect with everyone from '86 in attendance, it was great to spend Friday evening of Reunion Weekend on the quad catching up with **Karin Bennett Micheletti**, **Ben Rhodes**, **Christine Pastore Rhodes**, **Susan Khantzian Wall '87**, **Rob Cohen**, and **Leslie Pennington**. It also was nice to see **Molly Schnorr-Dunne**, **Mei-wa Cheng**, and **Tom Bailey**. The college took the opportunity to have a delayed graduation ceremony for the Class of 2020 on the quad on Saturday. **Will Thomas** and **Heather Moody Thomas** were on campus to see daughter Sarah finally get the chance to celebrate her graduation. It was great to see my son Ben '20 walk as well!

Gates Garrity-Rokous was not able to make it to campus, but he writes, “My wife, Beth, and I are still living in Columbus, Ohio, and I'm still loving my job at OSU. Someday we'll be moving back to the East Coast to be closer to our three sons, two of whom are working in the N.Y.C. area, and the third is a college student in Massachusetts. If anyone is ever in Columbus, please let us know!”

Feel free to pass along any news you want to share.

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For the first time in more than 30 years, I am updating you with news of the Class of 1987. I am happy to be back as your faithful secretary and look forward to hearing your news and updates!

Bill Manger was the first classmate to reply to my last-minute request for Class Notes. He recently ran for village trustee in Southampton, New York, a position he held from 1997–2001. As he had done 25 years ago, Bill successfully unseated an incumbent.

Gregory Mark Hill wrote: “It was great to see everyone at the 2022 Trinity Reunion! Quick download update for me is now back firmly in the USA after a decade-plus-long Asia region world tour of building and advising businesses and families locally (South Korea, China, Hong Kong, India, and Thailand) and prior thereto, back from Silicon Valley (Menlo Park/Palo Alto, San Jose, San Francisco) to New York City and then finally landed in the farmlands and horse lands of northwestern New Jersey, almost touching Pennsylvania (pre-pandemic). Now taking all those experiences and have been sharing them at various schools



Members of the Class of 1986 come together for a Reunion 2022 group photo.



Christine Pastore Rhodes '86, Benjamin Rhodes '86, Susan Khantzian Wall '87, Paul Ferrucci '86, Karin Bennett Micheletti '86, Leslie Pennington '86, Rob Cohen '86, and Aileen Doherty '86 gather at Reunion 2022.

and organizations.” Greg created a Trinity College Track Sportsmanship Award 25 years ago that continues to be awarded annually to “the top ‘not necessarily athletically gifted’ team member yet one who inspires the teammates with character on and off the competitive field, is a good academic student, and cheers on their team members both on and off the New England track fields as well!” Greg was MVP during his senior year at Trinity “but truly cherished my teammates who were not able to contribute points for wins but won the hearts and minds of the team every day while at Trinity College!”

From Houston, **Geoff Simpson** wrote: “After 16 years as a boarding school chaplain in Virginia and the U.K. and seven years as a parish associate in Pennsylvania, I accepted a call as associate rector and school chaplain at Saint Thomas’ Episcopal Church and School in Houston. Two days into the 2017 academic year, the school and church were flooded by Hurricane Harvey and have just recently completed a major rebuilding and restoration project. I am a preacher by day to preschoolers through adults and a singer/songwriter by night to anyone who will listen. I have recorded dozens of original

songs and settings of psalms and hymns, which are available online. Since moving to Houston, I have had the pleasure of getting together with Maya Cameron Houston ’91 and Stephan Mason ’88, among other local Trinity folks.”

Stuart Ferguson is co-proprietor of Shakespeare and Company Bookseller in his hometown of Highlands, North Carolina, named after the famous bookstore in Paris because his business partner, Katherine Willoughby, used to live and work at that one.

Michele Amendola noted that her “kids each moved to Boston during the height of the pandemic, making it super easy to visit and poke around. I was sad to miss Reunion but hope to make the next one.”

In 2021, **Debbie Liang-Fenton** started the nonprofit Cheeseboards 4 Change, which focuses on raising funds for food insecurity alleviation programs in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area; CB4C’s cheeseboards use locally sourced and humanely produced cheeses and charcuterie. Take a look at—and follow—her delectable cheeseboards on Instagram at @cheeseboards4change. Better yet, order one if you are in the D.C. area. Debbie also has made a career change and is a professional photographer; one of her clients is Sloans & Kenyon Auctioneers and Appraisers, where your faithful secretary is communications director.

Themis Klarides is running for U.S. Senate, hoping to challenge incumbent Richard Blumenthal. She has received the endorsement of the Connecticut GOP, as was reported in *The Hartford Courant* in March.

This past June, 35 members of the Class of 1987 traveled to Hartford to celebrate our 35th Reunion in conjunction with the Class of 1986, joining 24 other Reunion classes ’neath the elms. It was a historic event that coincided with the postponed 2020 Commencement.

Congratulations to newly elected Class President **Douglas Kim** and Vice President **Cathy Young**, and special thanks to outgoing class officers **Lisa Cadette Detwiler** (president), **Douglas Kim** (vice president), and **Mike Donovan** (secretary) for their recent five years of service to our class and Trinity!

Class President **Douglas Kim** sent a nice note: “The older we get, the more obvious it is that life unfolds in chapters. Some of these chapters are full of unforgettable lessons, a few missteps, and, if you’re lucky, some endearing friendships. Our college years come to mind. (It’s a long book with all kinds of unexpected plot twists.) Perhaps you thought the ink had dried on that chapter about your college years, but as your new class president, I’m here to tell you it’s a longer chapter than you realized. It’s longer,

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and, today, it's come full circle. The story of the Class of 1987 is now in the very capable hands of that same person who was our very first class secretary—**Ellen Garrity**. And rest assured that like God, Santa Claus, and Facebook, Ellen is watching us all.”

With that flattering endorsement, I must sign off. I look forward to hearing from you!

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Happy summer to all! Hope this note finds you well.

Exciting new developments for our class president, **Dede DePatie Consoli**. First, congratulations to Dede and husband Vic '87 on daughter Grace's graduation from Trinity in May. Three generations of DePatie grads; that's exciting! And second, Dede has been tapped as vice chair of the Trinity Fund through June 2025. Dede's commitment to fundraising and to the college will be such a strong asset to the fund team. Dede says, “We are going to bring the fund under the bigger umbrella of the comprehensive campaign that will raise money to rebuild Ferris Athletic Center, repair the Chapel, increase financial aid, and work on deferred maintenance of the college. All fundraising will work together toward an improved Trinity.” Keep an eye out for outreach from Dede and the fund team. Let's all do our part to help make it a successful campaign.

I, too, had my daughter Mara's graduation from the college in June. Mara and the Class of 2020 were finally able to have an in-person ceremony 'neath the elms. What a wonderful weekend it was after a two-year wait. The campus looked beautiful; the weather was spectacular. The college hosted great events for the students: the alumni clambake, post-ceremony luncheon, fireworks, and a gala downtown, among others. And in

true form, the class celebrated themselves at outdoor gatherings along Vernon Street and the Crescent Street Town Houses. It was fun for the graduates to be welcomed back on Reunion Weekend. There they stood as graduates with alumni from many generations supporting and applauding them! Now, they know what it's like to return to campus. Great to see classmates **Don** and **Becky Jelsma Freytag**, who were there for their graduating daughter, Lily. Also saw **Tara Tracey Taylor**, who was there for her graduating daughter, Lauren. Fun to share laughs in our old haunts. Three other classmates had sons in the Class of 2020: **Scott Butera**, son Chris; **Bryant McBride**, son Jake; and **Jim O'Loughlin**, son Nicholas. Congratulations to all!

Speaking of returning to campus, I can hardly believe it will be time next June for us to gather again for our 35th Reunion! Time really does fly the older we get. Next year also is the bicentennial of the college, and it will be filled with celebratory events to mark the occasion. What better time to come back to campus to celebrate for an all-school Reunion next summer? Stay tuned in the coming months for information on all the happenings. I hope to see all of you on the quad next summer!

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Many of you reported the passing of classmate **Gina Letellier**, and I received this thoughtful memorial from **Sean Dougherty**:
“**Gina Letellier** (1967–2022) made a difference in the world even though her time in it was far too short. Her own decade-plus-long battle with cancer was preceded by years focused on the care of her mother in her own health struggle, but Gina's time at Trinity presaged all of that. At Trinity, she always made time for others and was the core of an intimate, connected friend group that to her was more like family. Gina's family meant everything to her, and she generously shared them with us, inviting her friends for food and fellowship. Dinners, parties—her family welcomed us in. Before long, they were family to us as well.

“I recall fondly our time with Gina as staff of the *Tripod*, where Gina succeeded as sports editor at a time when that position was presumed male by many. She loved that work, the camaraderie, almost as much as her beloved Red Sox. And Gina loved to laugh, her with equal parts acerbic and silly. More than anything, she loved making a difference. She took her responsibility to

herself and her family seriously as a scholar, engaging with the material of her courses and her professors. She knew she was at Trinity to learn, to grow, and to prepare herself for a life of responsibility. That discipline, paired with passion, compassion, and an unwavering moral compass, was integral to the success of her family law practice and her tenure as Agawam town councillor.

“Through all this, her family remained paramount, as she welcomed her son, Matthew, into hers. Being a single mother was a challenge at times, but she embraced it willingly and raised him well. Ever her pride and her focus, Gina loved Matthew more than life. And Gina loved life, until the very end. She will be missed.”

Doug Macdonald has been appointed to serve on the Trinity College Board of Fellows Executive Committee. This board was established in 1845 and is one of the oldest institutional advisory boards in service to Trinity. Congratulations, Doug!

Scott Sherman writes: “My family has been living in Wilbraham, Massachusetts, for the past 12 years. For 11.5 of those years, I have been working at Western New England University in the Office of Information Technology. Additionally, I have served as adjunct professor of mathematics there, while serving as a faculty adviser to the Pharmacy Christian Fellowship and a helper to the undergraduate Christian group and conducting Sunday services for Protestant Christian believers. I am currently pursuing a Ph.D. in theology and apologetics from Liberty University in Virginia.” Scott also reported that his family is doing well, but it's been a tough six months with the passing of a dear friend, his father, and most recently, Gina. “She was part of the students I hung out with, and I have many joyful memories of social events and mealtime conversations.” He added that his faith is giving him strength through the difficulties.

Steve Harrod also wrote. “I am doing well in Copenhagen. I have many projects underway and a growing student population at the Technical University of Denmark, which also means job security! My work continues to give me many opportunities to travel. We purchased a house in 2020, the best evidence that we plan to stay. I continue my passion for railways and am now the *formand* (president) of the regional railway museum. COVID is essentially finished here, and summer is already *i gang*. We are going to Venice and Croatia for summer vacation. Best wishes to all of you and crossing fingers that we can meet in 2024.”

In an email thread between husband-and-wife team **Rob Cummings** and **Ciorsdan Conran** and me, Rob wrote, “I am continuing work as head of technology for a start-up

virtual events company founded during COVID lockdowns. We're also pivoting into hybrid events bringing together the best of both worlds. As a side gig, I am also race director for four large local annual trail running events in Westchester County." Ciorsdan added that she is in her sixth year of working for their town as its planning board administrator and enjoys that every day is different. "There's never a dull moment in local government." Their three boys are doing well, and the oldest recently moved closer to home, so we're excited we can all get together more often these days. She continued, "Rob and I are fortunate that we see Trinity friends fairly often, including **Victoria Arthaud, Emily Blumenfeld, Katie Sherr Blaque, Jennifer Kehl, Samantha Koster, Matt Maginniss, and Liz Osterhus**. We hope all classmates are doing well and look forward to when our paths cross again."

Jay Flemma checked in, too. "I'll be off to the U.S. Open in Boston in June (my 17th consecutive) and then my second Open Championship (British Open) in July. My golf game is hideous after enduring three invasive kidney stone operations to remove a stone that was almost as large as . . . wait for it . . . a golf ball. Then two days later I got hospitalized with Lyme disease." Jay also reported the more positive news that his weekly radio show, the *Jay Flemma Sports Report*, is on iHeartRadio.

I (your secretary, **Andrew Walker**) had an absolute blast catching up with **Jennifer Weissman** and **Michelle Monti** recently on a Zoom call. It had been decades since I'd last spoken to Jen, but it was as though no time at all had passed. She recently started a new job as the director of marketing and communications at the American Repertory Theater. Michelle, a communications consultant, recently presented to the Trinity Entrepreneurial Network on "Using Media Effectively to Promote Your Business," a recording that you can catch via her LinkedIn page. Michelle provided invaluable advice to me on the website and social media presence of a nonprofit I'm involved with called Eleven+ (www.eleven-plus.org). Thanks again, Michelle!

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From **Grant Washburn**: "I'm still in the San Francisco Bay Area chasing big waves and aquatic film projects. I regularly communicate with classmates **Nick "Tony Calzone" Formisano** and **JP Marra**, who grew up to

become a Yankees ball boy! I am frequently plagued by requests for Pong lessons from world sailor **Tim Britton** and **Boyce Bugliari**, who is still in L.A. modeling flannel for The Gap. If anyone is out west and wants to catch a wave or visit the shark petting zoo, please look me up!"

From **Paul Diaz** and **Ana Carvajal**: "We are enjoying empty nesting in Great Falls, Virginia. Our eldest daughter is pursuing a graduate degree at Columbia University, our middle daughter will complete her undergrad at the University of Toronto this year, and our son is looking forward to his second year at Northeastern University. Paul has been with Public Interest Registry for over 10 years." When they aren't adding to their combined 50-plus countries visited, Ana is busy with her photo-organizing business and tries to see **Gabin Rubin, Beka Jeanette Farrar, and Vanessa Vogelsberg Ragaglia** more often.

From **A.J. Kohlhepp**: "After 20-plus years at a New England boarding school, we are headed south! I will be teaching English and coaching squash at Boys' Latin in Baltimore. With lots of family in Virginia and our kids in N.Y.C. (one is a chef-in-training, and the other a senior at NYU), we are thrilled to have split the geographic difference. We are excited to explore all that Charm City has to offer."

From **Greg Johnson**: "I started a new job in November as a compliance consultant at Chenery Compliance, and the office is a seven-minute drive in heavy traffic. Oldest daughter Lindsay is off the payroll and working in Virginia Beach for Booz Allen as a project coordinator. Middle daughter is a senior at James Madison studying elementary education and playing for the club lacrosse program. Little Gretzky (a.k.a. Mikey) is going to be 16 and driving in October. He is a sophomore and has aspirations of playing lacrosse goalie in college."

From **Stewart Manger**: "I have a new book coming out this September, *Romancing the Home* (Rizzoli). It is a coffee-table book on my interior design projects."

Ed Troiano and wife Nancy lead a charmed life on the coast of Rhode Island. Ed continues to make the world a safer place, at home in New England and in places including Minneapolis, where he recently visited with **Jeff Proulx**. Both Troiano boys are attending Trinity. Connor is a senior pre-health major planning on attending veterinary school. He is president of Kappa Sigma, which occupies most of his spare time. Jason is a sophomore engineering major. He plays club and intramural soccer and plans to rush his brother's fraternity in the fall.

Mike Cavanaugh and Robin Halpern Cavanaugh '91 live outside Boston, and Mike goes to New York regularly as part of his role

in investor relations. Two Cavanaugh boys are attending Trinity. Charlie and Aidan are seniors; Aidan is a political science major, and Charlie is an economics major. Both have played on the rugby team since freshman year and joined AD in their sophomore year.

Nick Formisano has been living in Atlanta for more than 20 years with his wife and sons. Older son Will is a senior at Georgia Tech majoring in mechanical engineering. Younger son Wright is a sophomore at Alabama. Nick enjoys his business, which uses his legal background while not practicing law. He is in fairly regular touch with **Boyce Bugliari, Tim Britton, Grant Washburn, and JP Marra**, among others.

Peter Denious and Katie Everitt Denious '91 hosted a Bantam Summer Reception at their home in Wilton, Connecticut. The big news is that Peter and Katie's youngest daughter, Grace, will be joining the Class of '26! **Malcolm Miller, John Greenspan, and Jim Murphy** also attended. Chris "CJ" Johnson '92 represented the Johnson clan (brother **Greg Johnson** and father Bob '60).

From **Jim Murphy**: "I live in Darien, Connecticut, with my wife and two young adult children. My son is a professional cook, working long hours and loving it! My daughter will be a freshman at Michigan. She is walking the 510-mile Camino de Santiago in Spain, which is an incredible journey. I help run Bernstein Private Wealth Management in Connecticut and New York and am having more fun than ever doing so!"

Ray Hannan, Neil Walsh, Jeff Proulx, Paul Diaz, Ed Troiano, and Jim Murphy got together for their annual Super Bowl weekend trip, this year in North Captiva Island, Florida. This group has gathered to watch the Super Bowl each year since freshman year, with the one exception being 2021 (due to COVID travel restrictions). Even then, those who could make it enjoyed a COVID-friendly hybrid visit via Zoom and in person in Jim's driveway. The tradition continues!

Alexis Brashich Morledge reports she and her family are happy, healthy, and busy! "My older son, Louis, graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in May 2020 but recently/finally celebrated this milestone in person and is a second-year litigation paralegal at Cravath. My younger son, Sasha, is a rising (premed) senior at Penn. Both boys have graduate school in their future, so the fun continues! I retired as a director of admissions and am busier than ever volunteering and spending time in my husband's medical practice in N.Y.C. Hope everyone is well, and look forward to our next Reunion."

Jen van Campen reports: "After 30 years in community development, I recently left my job to attend an accelerated bachelor's degree in nursing. I'll be done next fall. My

twin sons are at college, so it was time for a change. Living in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and grateful for all the lefty vibes it offers. I recently saw **Cara Matthews** and Sandra Sydlo Ward '91, who attended my recent wedding to my longtime sweetheart, Paul."

Alana Jeydel reports: "I started a new job last fall as a professor of political science at Fresno City College. From 2007–18, I was a professor at American River College in Sacramento, but we moved east for a year and then back west. When we returned, I worked in campaign ethics for the State of California, managing education programs at the Fair Political Practices Commission, but I missed teaching. . . . My daughter graduated from Sacramento Waldorf School and is headed to Wellesley College. When I move her out, I am going to catch up with **Beth Lincoln Kelley** and her family. And hopefully a few other Boston-based Trinity folks."

Brooke Raymond reports: "I started a new job as senior research analyst at the New York Law Institute, the oldest circulating law library in New York City. I am also finalizing fundraising to build The Raymond Library in Cambodia with Room to Read."

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From the Alumni Office: **Russ Kauff** reports: "Having moved to Colorado for work at Aspen Snowmass right as the pandemic hit has definitely had some silver linings, last winter especially. Any time I get to ski with Alex '90 and Elyse Paidas is a major highlight, and getting to hang out with proud (and nervous) ski-race mom **Mona Gibson** was super cool (go Dietz!). No question, however, that getting to show off Aspen Highlands to my sister, **Amanda Jacobson '94**, and her amazing family was a once-in-a-lifetime treat . . . until they come back! I'm definitely looking forward to more Bantams rolling through this coming ski season."

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A nice update from **Joe Porto**: "We watched our daughter Alexis graduate from Trinity with honors on Sunday, May 22. It was warm, but it was a great day."

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Hope everyone is having a great spring. **Deb Povinelli** writes, "We have a great crew of Trinity alum offspring headed to Boston College, including our son, Reid; Steph and **John Donohue's** son Sam; Sam '95 and **Amanda Kennedy's** son Jimmy; and **Benna Lynch Rondini's** daughter, Lauren! Should be some fun tailgating this fall!"

Scott Saperston writes, "The Saperstons are on the verge of empty nesting with our youngest, Rose, headed off to the University of Michigan in the fall."

We also had a great spring, including a great night in New Jersey celebrating **Keil Merrick's** 50th birthday. **Steve Lari**, **Michael Robinson**, **Ash Altschuler**, **Peter Lease**, **Dan Herbert**, and **Rob** and **Nicole '96 Weber** attended.

Melissa Bernene Almeida and **Michelle Falbo Fernando** caught up twice at Noble and Greenough this spring, where **Jack Almeida '26** and **Lucas Fernando** met up when St.



Dan Herbert '94, **Peter Lease '94**, and **Sanji Fernando '94** get together at Mountain Ridge Country Club in West Caldwell, New Jersey.

George's faced Nobles in lacrosse in the regular season and the playoffs. Jack's a senior and headed to Trinity to play lacrosse for the Bants next spring. Sadly, **Michelle** writes, "There is no news, please stop with your ridiculous Class Notes."

Peter Lease and I played in the member-guest tournament at Mountain Ridge Country Club as guests of **Dan Herbert**. Peter reminds to "be right one time," and we were. Our fourth, **Keil Merrick**, had to cancel as his sons **Oliver** and **Charlie** had a lacrosse play-off game for Ridgewood (N.J.) High School.

It was great seeing **Graham Schelter** this spring at the U.S. Open, where he was a volunteer marshal on the 18th hole. The open was hosted at The Country Club, where **Graham** is a member; he got to see **Michael Robinson** and **Carter McNabb** as well as many other Trinity alums.

Tom Corderman reports he's taking the summer off to pursue a chance to play



Jack Almeida '26, **Melissa Bernene Almeida '94**, **Michelle Falbo Fernando '94**, and **Lucas Fernando** meet at Noble and Greenough School for a lacrosse game.

backup guitar and vocals for Entrain this summer on Martha's Vineyard. **Mark and Janet Kastrud** caught a show earlier this spring in Oak Bluffs; they had no idea Tom was such an accomplished musician, but we're even more shocked that Entrain was still touring as a band. Sammy "Homestyle" Holmstock is no longer with the band; maybe Tom can pick up the washboard before the end of the summer.

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Jon Massey and I are incredibly excited that our middle daughter, Lauren, will be a member of Trinity's Class of 2026! Our oldest will be starting her senior year at Middlebury, so we are looking forward to attending the Trinity vs. Middlebury football game this fall and trying not to act like we're choosing sides. Megan, our 10-year-old, will have our undivided attention as her sisters head off to college.

Looking forward to hearing more from the Class of 1995 in the next issue. Until next time!

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1998 President: Levi D. Litman • Vice President: Ryan D. Burch • Secretary: Jessica Lockhart Vincent, jessica.vincent.1998@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Levi D. Litman, Jim Rodrigues, Jessica Lockhart Vincent, Geoffrey Zampello

Tina Rideout shared a funny run-in she had with a fellow classmate earlier this year.



New Class of 1997 officers: Tanya Jones, Courtney Zwirn, and Ray Jones

Tina said, "I'm writing to report I saw **Kirsten Tulchin Francis** in the National Air and Space Museum during a spring break trip to Washington, D.C. I didn't see her in person but in statue form—she was featured in the IF/THEN exhibit. I spotted her as we were leaving. I did a triple take and exclaimed to my family, 'I know her!' Just want to wish my fellow B.M.E. grad a huge congrats. So cool."

I got to say a quick hello to **Katie Pilcher Knowles** when I was in Vermont recently. She is well and hasn't changed a bit since our time 'neath the elms. I also am very happy to report that after 20 years in the Navy and Navy Reserves, my husband, Zander Vincent '00, has retired from the military. His civilian job is for the Air Force, but at least the threat of deployment is over. I keep busy with various volunteer positions. I am an executive board member of the Parents Association at my daughter's school, and I recently became a class agent for Trinity as well, helping with communications about various giving campaigns.

That's all for this issue of the *Reporter*. I would like to remind everyone that our 25th Reunion is coming up next spring, and since it coincides with the 200th birthday of the school, it is sure to be quite a celebration! Keep an eye out for further details. In the meantime, if you have any news you would like to share with our classmates, email me at any time at jessicalvincent@yahoo.com.

From the Alumni Office: **Thomas W. Hazlett** has been elevated to partner at the national law firm of Ballard Spahr. Based in Philadelphia, he focuses on commercial disputes, antitrust, intellectual property, and breach of fiduciary duty claims, and his

clients include leading companies in the life sciences and financial services sectors.

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

Hello and happy summer! Today is Friday, July 1, and I am submitting my notes just ahead of the upcoming Fourth of July weekend. I am happy to see things getting back to "somewhat normal!" and most of all to see so many travel stories and photos from friends on social media. I was so grateful to be able to return to Greece last month for an amazing 10-day adventure with my husband, Mike, my mother, and one of my cousins and his family. I studied abroad in Athens junior year, and Greece has ever since been my favorite place on earth! I am half Greek on my mother's side, and it truly feels like a place I am meant to be, a connection I have not felt to any other place I have traveled, and, no doubt, a big reason why I keep going back! I hope all of you have the chance to spend some time in a place you feel connected to this summer, too. I'm pretty sure we are all in need of an escape in one way or another.

It was fun to hear from **Carolyn Stone Berndt**, who wrote, "We went to Reunion Weekend this year, and **Christie Walsh Rishworth** and I had our own little Class of '99 reunion. We were each there for our husband's Reunions (Corey Rishworth '97–25th and Luke Berndt '01–20th)." As it turns out, the Class of 2000 missed their Reunion altogether due to COVID in 2020, but the Class of 2001 was invited to join this year,



Christie Walsh Rishworth '99 and Carolyn Stone Berndt '99 enjoy each other's company while husbands Corey Rishworth '97 and Luke Berndt '01 celebrate their Reunions.

hence putting Carolyn and Christie back on campus at Trin this summer! Folks, shameless plug here: *please* plan to join us at the next Reunion in 2024! It truly is a situation of “the more the merrier,” and you never know when the chance to revisit old stomping grounds and old friends may disappear. See you at the 25th Reunion in 2024!

It was great to connect with one of my faves this past week: **Brian Hazelton!** Of course, during our convos, I made him share some news for the *Reporter!* Hey, what can I say? It's no easy task to keep the updates flowing these days, so I take every (again shameless) chance I get! You're welcome. Brian, wife Mariana, and children Lucia and Matteo live in Great Barrington, Massachusetts. From Brian: “We landed in Great Barrington back in '08. In 2011, I started a small remodeling company that has grown into a 15-person family-run business. Wood to Stone's focus is on remodels of pre-1900 homes and new sustainable construction. We also collaborate with the local schools and youth organizations to encourage the trades and teach the upcoming generation. This keeps me pretty busy, but I still make time for Spanish immersion trips for the kids, volunteering with sports and the school's drama department, and remodeling my own 1880 home. Hoping to get together with **Adam King, Jason Gabriele, Kevin Fay, and Ron DeVizia** in early 2023. We have seen each other every two to three years, just delayed by COVID, and it's time!” No doubt that will be an epic reunion! I am looking forward to catching up in person with Brian and his family this fall in Boston.

Those are the good words of your fellow classmates this time around. Until next time,

best wishes for continued good health and happiness to you and yours. Alyssa

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Since we had our 20th (plus 1) Reunion, your secretary opted to interview some of the attendees. Apologies to those whom I missed! It was great seeing everyone and meeting spouses and children. Looking forward to doing it again in four years!

Each person was asked: 1) What are you up to these days? 2) Where are you living? 3) What is your favorite thing about Reunion so far? 4) What do you miss most about college? Here are the responses:

Jeffrey Coleman: 1) I am doing consulting for diversity, equity, and inclusion. I do trainings and workshops, and I'm actually a scholarly practitioner in that field. I published an article in the *Metropolitan Universities* journal (MUJ) on how cultural competency activities impact students' success at metropolitan universities. 2) Atlanta. 3) The fact that we can literally have an all-day-long party and not have to go anywhere. 4) Last night we sat right out here on the quad until about 1:30 in the morning, and **Micky Chambers** ordered Campus Pizza and had them deliver it to the quad.

Luke Berndt: 1) I work at Microsoft doing something sort of fun. We are connecting satellites to the data centers so you can download things right from space to the cloud. 2) Washington, D.C. 3) You're in walking distance to everything, and everyone's all around so you sort of bump into people. It's like living in a small town. And the kids are having a good time. 4) The quad. Lots of room to play and lots of room for activities.

Leah Wonski: 1) I'm a teacher. Just switched careers and am now a first-grade teacher. The kids are amazing. The benefit to changing careers very late in life is I'm doing exactly what I want to do. I love them. 2) Manhattan, in Harlem. I used to live 10 blocks from **Kate Shearer**, but she moved. 3) Getting to see my college roommates. 4) Getting to see my friends on a regular basis and always being with them.

Mara Keith: 1) Nurse practitioner in women's health. I have two daughters who are 11

and 8. 2) San Diego, like our old crew days! 3) Seeing my old friends. I hadn't seen **Kate Shearer** or **Leah Wonski** in almost eight years. 4) Getting to live with your best friends and not having to worry about things. No kids. No job.

Jenny Benjamin: 1) High school social worker and the director of social and emotional learning. 2) Brooklyn, where I've lived since we graduated college. Currently in Marine Park. 3) Seeing everybody! I text with people and see what they are doing on Facebook, but it's so nice to hear people's voices. 4) Not early morning swim practice, though I still love to work out and I'm up earlier now to do so. I miss being able to sit in Mather and being able to let dinner go for as long as you want it to go, knowing in the back of your mind that you have stuff to do but ignoring it and it not being the end of the world. Now when we've got stuff to do, you have to get it done. That's adulthood.

Matt Schiller: 1) An attorney doing commercial real estate law. I started my own firm with a few other partners in January 2020. We are doing well and having fun doing it. 2) Manalapan, New Jersey. 3) Reconnecting with everybody. Telling my kids lots of horror stories and fun stories about everything that we did and them not believing me about half of it. 4) Everybody hanging out in the dining hall and being able to eat what we want to eat and not having to worry about weight or health or anything else along those lines and being able to go and have a leisurely dinner or breakfast and no time constraints.

Joe Palladino: 1) I work in procurement for Eversource, which is the regional energy provider for Connecticut, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. 2) West Hartford. 3) Seeing everyone. 4) Mario Kart and playing it with **Andy Copleman**.

Shana Grannan Russell: 1) Associate director of college counseling at Westminster School. Before that, I was lived and worked internationally in Taiwan, South Korea, and the United Arab Emirates. 2) Thirty minutes away from Trinity in Simsbury, Connecticut. 3) Seeing old friends. 4) The ability to do nothing and enjoy the ride and to have no responsibilities other than getting a little bit of work done.

Ethan Kravitz: 1) Raising two young gentlemen and living a great life. 2) West Hartford. 3) Not skipping a beat. Hanging out with people whom I know better than most and being able to be myself and remembering how lucky we have it. 4) The people.

Russell Fugett: 1) I'm the chief encouragement officer of Jumla Network. We are a strategic consultancy and knowledge network focused on diversity and inclusion. I'm also the founding executive director of Endowment Commons. We are raising our

organizational endowment to help close the racial wealth gap in America by investing in a diverse portfolio of funds and then taking the proceeds and investing in nonprofit programs that are doing the work on the ground to close the racial wealth gap in America. 2) Near Annapolis, Maryland. 3) Seeing friends. It's all about the people for me. The campus is beautiful, the weather has been perfect, and it's always good to be back here beneath the elms. 4) Sleeping in! I have two children who wake me up early.

2002 Secretary: **Ellen Zarchin**, ellen.zarchin.2002@trincoll.edu
 • Class Agents: **Shakira Ramos Crespo**, **Dave Kayiatos**, **Nhung My Thi Lam**, **Ellen Zarchin**
 Hello! Greetings and salutations from Larchmont, New York! I am thrilled to be writing the Class Notes for our class again. The last time I wrote them (2002–07), many of us didn't have Facebook (est. 2004) and none of us had Instagram (est. 2010). Much has changed in our lives since those years, but so much has remained the same.

It was wonderful to see so many 2002 classmates on campus in June. Thank you to everyone who played a part in making our 20th Reunion a success! The Long Walk and the quad still look breathtakingly beautiful. How lucky were we to live there for four years? The dorm rooms look significantly smaller than I remembered. **Joanna Sandman**, **Julia Hurley Hill**, and I checked out a Cook quad, and I'm amazed that four girls lived in that tiny space for a year. Reunion Weekend was so fun. A few highlights included: **Shakira Ramos Crespo** received acknowledgment for all her efforts planning our Reunion. **Congrats!** **Andy Robinson** put together a very fun and creative scavenger hunt around campus. Its start became the Saturday afternoon gathering spot for 2002 alums. **Kristin Hagan**, **Katie Brooks Bennett**, **Samira Shamoon**, and **Lauren DiChiara** are excellent spontaneous hosts! Trinity's thoughtful use of golf carts to transport alums around campus was a game changer. The trek to The Tap was significantly faster! Can you imagine if we had those back then? Our Reunion displayed that the wonderful bonds of friendship—which were established pre-cell phone and before our IM statuses notified all of our whereabouts on campus (mine was usually second-floor library above the overhang!)—have endured. I highly encourage you all to mark your calendars for June 2027. Let's make our 25th Reunion the biggest and best yet for our awesome class. Now for some class news . . .

Set your DVR! **Jeanette Bonner** will star in HBO Max's reboot of *Pretty Little Liars* in a recurring role set to premiere on July 28. Jeanette writes that she can't reveal much, but "I have a small but integral role to the

murder plot." Congratulations! Jeanette also keeps busy producing several award-winning short films and series, doing her podcast, and working on various productions as a COVID compliance officer during the pandemic.

Patrick Roman and I live in Larchmont with our three children: Luke, 11, Eliza, 9, and Anna, 8, and our standard poodle, Dakota. Our lives are similar to what I imagine life is like for many of you, too: work, kids' activities, and a lot of laundry! We are running around for lacrosse tournaments (just spent the weekend in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania) and are transitioning into regatta season. We are headed to Cascade Locks, Oregon, for Opti Nationals for Luke in July. I'm excited as I've never explored the Pacific Northwest, and then we are all over the East Coast in August (Newport, Rhode Island, and Surf City, New Jersey, to name two locales).

I'd like to end this Class Notes by acknowledging that we have lost a number of classmate friends since we graduated. I'm not going to list names for fear of missing one or two, but I would like to take a moment to say how lucky we are to have celebrated our 20th Reunion together and that there truly is **no time to waste** in living your life to the fullest. All the best, Ellen

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From the Alumni Office: **Benjamin Swig** writes, "I was a former leader of the Trinity College Emergency Response Team (TCERT) from 2001–04 before it was shuttered a few years later. I went on to found a mobile urgent care start-up in 2016. I'm now director of strategic development for Acadian Health, the second largest ambulance service in the country, leading its in-home acute care division." Swig was quoted in an Acadian press release from April 2022: "Health plans and provider groups are shifting toward supporting a virtual-first model, but when it is not enough, the last mile of care can now be supported by a well-equipped provider who has

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the ability to complete the last mile of care in the home, with highly skilled and trained providers, or if the assessment determines, by way of medical transport to an appropriate facility. Through this triage approach, we have seen the 'acute care at home' trend increasing significantly."

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](https://www.facebook.com/groups/trinitycollegeclassof2005)

From the Alumni Office: **Jamie Calabrese Brätt** has been promoted to community development business line leader and vice president at Connecticut civil and environmental engineering firm Fuss & O'Neill.

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Mackenzie Reilly '09

What do you do as a perfumer? A perfumer is an artist who creates the fragrance for perfume, candles, and beauty products like shampoo. As a fine-fragrance perfumer, I mostly work in high-end perfume and occasionally luxury candles or beauty products. My job is to create the liquid inside the bottle, or, as it's known in the industry, the "juice." I work with fashion brands to translate their aesthetic into a beautiful scent by designing a fragrance formula, which is usually a mixture of 30–120 natural and synthetic ingredients measured in extremely precise quantities. The craft of perfumery is like a mix of art, architecture, chemistry, mixology, botany, and storytelling.

What path did you take to this position?

My path to perfumery was not typical in that I didn't study chemistry like most of my colleagues, which is the industry standard and status quo. Instead, I used my college years to study the anthropology of scent and how it shaped the cultures, religions, and language development of various African tribes. I loved the stories of ancient Egypt, of incense, the spice routes, and the idea that the passing of time could be marked and measured by the scents of the seasons. I was enamored by the scents I discovered in nature, food, and travel and the olfactory memories of past experiences. My love of culture, botany, and anthropology shaped that focus for me and continues to influence my creative process.

What do you enjoy most about your work? I love the process of creating in such an abstract field and that with each client I get to dive into a new universe as part of my research and development process. I also love nature and am fortunate to be able to spend time in the growing fields, studying plants and flowers and learning about the best ways to extract their fragrance for use in perfumery. Much like a good chef knows exactly where he sources

his ingredients, I take pride in knowing the source of my raw materials and understanding the impact of the terroir on their molecular composition, similar to the expertise of a vintner in the craft of making wine. My career has taken me all over the world, from harvesting narcissus in the mountains of France, to visiting patchouli fields in Indonesia while I was living in Singapore, to studying the world's best quality of frankincense coming from Oman. Being a perfumer is truly a magical job and a labor of love, which gives me so much appreciation for the beauty that surrounds us on this earth.

What are your biggest challenges? The fragrance industry is highly competitive and can be very political. I've had to fight hard to achieve success, both as a woman and as an American in a male- and French-dominated field. Even getting inside the world of perfume is extremely difficult, as it is notoriously secretive and opaque. It also can be a struggle to work with creative personalities and celebrities who may not be experts in fragrance but have strong ideas on what they want to execute. It's also quite challenging to navigate the conversation about "natural" versus "synthetic" when the typical consumer is not properly educated on the science and rationale behind the use of such materials but is getting a lot of information from the media or on the internet, which may be incomplete or uninformed.

How did your time at Trinity prepare you for your career? Trinity nurtured my interests and allowed me to explore what fascinated me. A true liberal arts school, Trinity taught us how to think creatively and to be analytical and resourceful and encouraged us to be curious, lifelong learners. I studied abroad in Paris and Rome, where I created independent studies around fragrance. My professors were extremely supportive of my unusual and rather specific interest in perfume and allowed me to explore it while



DEGREE: B.A. in international studies: African studies with a minor in French

JOB TITLE: Fine-fragrance perfumer in New York and Paris

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: Simply too many to count, but they would most definitely include the lifelong friends I made and the beautiful campus we enjoyed during those memorable, formative years.

getting course credit. This really laid the foundation for me to enter the professional world of perfumery.

Did you have a professor who was particularly influential? I had so many wonderful professors at Trinity, but my adviser, Leslie Desmangles, stands out for his support of my senior thesis. He was so open-minded about my topic ("The Spiritual and Osmological Role of Scent in Disparate Religions and African Cultures") and encouraged me while I pursued this esoteric and specific subject.

The Class of '08 has some exciting announcements to share!

First, **Hana Herz** and R. Alex Herz '06 welcomed baby Ellis Young on March 17, 2022. His older sister, Hadley, has been having a blast exchanging snail mail with Landon Siegel, son of **Vanessa Lee** and husband Aaron Siegel.

Mark Natri and wife Caitlin welcomed their first child into the world, Thomas Andrew Natri, on May 4, 2022, weighing 8 pounds and 12 ounces. Mark and his family continue to live in Fairfield, Connecticut. Mark works for Merrill Lynch Wealth Management.

Congratulations are in order for **Allie Echeverria**, who was awarded the Georgia State University Department of Nutrition 2021–22 Sara M. Hunt Clinical Excellence Award. This award is given to a Nutrition Coordinated Program student who has displayed outstanding performance in the clinical setting. Allie was recognized at the Lewis College Honors Day and inducted into the Alpha Eta national honor society for the allied health professions.

Additionally, Carver Diserens '09 produced a great short, *The Little Prince(ss)*, which is available on Disney+; queue it up!

Finally, **Liz Dreier** recently caught up with **Alison Magoon** at a road race in Redding, Connecticut, a week after Liz ran the 2022 Boston Marathon! The two had fun chatting about running, their kids, and their days rowing at Trinity.

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Hi, all. A few weeks ago, I stopped at Trinity for a spell on my way back home. It's looking quite lovely 'neath the elms these days! Here is the latest and greatest from some of our classmates:

Becky Loeb and Daniel Roth were married on April 30, 2022, in Charlotte, Vermont. Congratulations to the happy couple!

Alexandra Taylor and husband Ryan Crapser welcomed their first son, Douglas Weston, in March of this year. They still live



Becky Loeb '10 and **Daniel Roth** were married on April 30, 2022, in Charlotte, Vermont.

in Los Angeles and would love to connect with more Angeleno alumni soon!

Meg Ryan recently transitioned roles after seven seasons with the San Francisco 49ers to become head of marketing for Elevate Sports Ventures, a sports and entertainment consulting firm working with 175 global clients.

On June 11, **Lindsey Beggan** was married in Tuscany, Italy. In attendance were **Meg Ryan**, **Emilie Wiggan**, **Erin Mulvey Bascom**, **Emma Santangelo**, and **Abbie Stoeckle Tedeschi**. There may have been a reenactment of some dance moves from our Trinity days. Beforehand, Meg paid a visit to the Trinity College Rome Campus, and the city is still as beautiful as ever.

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Two notes from the Alumni Office: **Anton Reuben** and **Shyenne Medina '14** were married on May 2, 2022, in Negril, Jamaica.

Cassandra Merolla writes that she moved to Westchester, New York, with husband **Jamie '10** in 2018, and they're excitedly expecting their first child this summer. Cassandra writes that she has fallen in love with Westchester so much that she abandoned her corporate career at LinkedIn and is now a licensed real estate agent selling homes on the Sound Shore of Westchester.



Anton Reuben '11 and Shyenne Medina '14 were married on May 2, 2022, in Negril, Jamaica. Fellow Bantams joined in their celebration.

She writes, "Please reach out if you're looking in Westchester or even beyond as I am part of the Compass national network of agents with plenty of wonderful colleagues to which I'd be happy to refer you for your real estate needs."

2012 President: John Michael Mason • Vice President: Andrew J. Koris • Secretary: Mary Kate Morr, mary.morr.2012@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: James J. Armillay, John Michael Mason, Charles McConnell, Mary Kate Morr, Nicole Lustig Pasternak, Alberto Roldan, Michael Schlesinger, Kathryn T. Van Sickle, Lily Pepper Sommer, William A. Yale • [f/groups/trincoll2012](https://www.facebook.com/groups/trincoll2012)

The Class of 2012 celebrated our 10th Reunion in early June! 2012 alum traveled from across the country and around the world to reconnect on the quad, meet one another's partners and babies, check out all the new buildings on campus, and enjoy a beautiful weekend back in Hartford. We elected a new class president, **John Michael Mason**, and reelected **Andrew Koris** as vice president and me as class secretary, all of whom will serve until our 15th Reunion in 2027.

2013 President: Joshua H. Altschuler • Vice President: Marguerite E. De Chaumont Quitry • Secretary: Andrew C. Weiss, andrew.weiss.2013@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: Lauren Aber, Perin Adams, Caroline Brewster, Kevin Clark, Malcolm X. Evans, Emily Howe Gianis, David Hill, Megan

Ingersoll, Matt Mainuli, Michael Mazur, Ryan McGuirl, Chris Novick, Alexander Raffol, James Thaler, Dobromir Trifonov

The Class of 2013 is excited to share a number of personal and professional accomplishments over the past few months. Congrats to **Phoebe Massey** and **TJ Cholnoky** on their wedding. They tied the knot in June 2022 in Nantucket among Trinity alumni. Congrats also to **Alex Stroud**, who got married in June 2022. **Chris** and **Allegra Novick** welcomed their first daughter, Alessia Donna Jane Novick, in December.

Juan Hernandez writes that he and wife Rose Rodriguez '15 welcomed daughter Alejandra Sofia on May 4, 2021. A little over a year later, on May 31, 2022, they welcomed second daughter Emilia Isabella. All are healthy and thriving. Juan recently graduated from his doctoral program in higher education, where he wrote a dissertation that focused on the experiences of cabinet-level administrators of color in higher education and their experiences with mentoring. Finally, Juan recently began his tenure as assistant vice president for diversity, equity, inclusion and Title IX at Goucher College in Baltimore, where he and Rose have lived for the past few years.

From the Alumni Office: The Reverend **Elizabeth L. Preysner** was ordained to the priesthood in the Episcopal Church on February 26, 2022. She serves as associate chaplain at St. Andrew's School in Middletown, Delaware.

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

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

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

From the Alumni Office: **Taniqua Huguley M'17** was named an honoree in *Hartford Business Journal's* "2022 Top 25 Women in Business," which was published in April. Huguley's profile notes that she founded her company, TKH Global Consulting, "after receiving her bachelor's degree in sociology and master's in public policy from Trinity College and conducting research in Trinidad as a U.S. Fulbright scholar."

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](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Trinity2016)

Abbey Lake and fellow Trinity soccer player Alex Harvey '14 are engaged and planning their wedding for June 2023.

Kate Edelson '18 organized NAMI Walks' first in-person Walk for Mental Health in Miami in May. More than 1,000 people showed up, and the organization raised \$235,000. You can find more information about NAMI Walks at www.namiwalks.org.

On May 7, **Meghan Keleher** graduated with Sedona Georgescu '17 and Nicholas Recka '17 from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business.

Allie Cocco graduated this May with an M.P.H. and M.B.A. from UNC Chapel Hill. She will be starting her career in health care.

Rob Klein and **Becca Levy**, who met during synthesis week freshman year and co-captained the ski team, got engaged during their belated 5th Reunion at Trinity this past June. They stayed close after graduation, but it wasn't until Rob moved back from Germany in 2018 that they realized love had been in front of them all along. The happy couple



Meghan Keleher '16 celebrates with **Sedona Georgescu '17** and **Nicholas Recka '17** after all three graduated from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business.

sends a huge thank you to **Emily Meehan**, Maureen Grabowski, and Michelle Deluse for their help in coordinating the surprise and securing Dangremond Commons for the celebration. The magic of their weekend and the wonderful people who helped make it happen are emblematic of Trinity's importance to its students' lives past and present.

2017 President: **Ryan Miller** • Vice President: **Sebastien Broustra** • Secretary: **Alexandra Chalfin** (alexandra.chalfin.2017@trincoll.edu) • Class Agents: **Jake Bennett**, **Alec Buffamonte**, **Nicholas DiBenedetto**, **Katelyn Elinoff**, **Daniel A. Garcia**, **Andrew Hatch**, **Kelvin Kaari**, **Clio Kammerer**, **Clare Knowlton**, **Kaitlin Lewis**, **Julianna Maisano**, **Ryan Miller**, **Andrea Nicholson**, **Kiley Nygren**, **Sean Orlando**, **Nick Ricka**, **Jennifer Tran** • [f/groups/Trinity2017](https://www.facebook.com/groups/Trinity2017)

Cionna Rosenthal is a third-year veterinary student at Cornell University and is spending her summer in Iowa completing research on cattle with the USDA at the National Animal Disease Center.

Sophie Long works in Cambridge, Massachusetts, as a math teacher at a charter school. She recently was promoted to department chair in addition to her teaching responsibilities.

Maggie Curlin is a second-year physician's assistant student in Miami and recently adopted a puppy with fiancé Michael.

Joy Kim is working as an attorney for Legal Aid in New York City after graduating from NYU Law in 2020.

Briana Casey moved back to Boston after living in L.A. and recently started working for Grubhub as an operations engineer.

Samantha Esposito works at MadHive as



Rob Klein '16, right, proposes to **Becca Levy '16** during Reunion Weekend 2022.

a product manager. She and **Jack Stanton** recently moved in together in Brooklyn, New York.

Nick Recka spent his summer hiking the southern section of the Appalachian Trail, traversing more than 1,000 miles from Georgia to his home state of Maryland. Nick and **Sedona Georgescu** also graduated from Duke's Fuqua School of Business in May 2022.

Lizzy Foley is a third-year medical student at Tulane University.

Ali Chalfin is a fourth-year doctoral student in school-clinical child psychology at Ferkauf Graduate School of Psychology in the Bronx, New York.

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

Esme Douglas received an M.S. in nursing from Columbia University in May 2022 and was accepted into a doctoral program to earn a doctor of nursing practice with a specialty in psychiatry and mental health.

Lilla Kis Markel earned an M.D. from the University of South Florida in May 2022 and will start her OB/GYN residency there soon. She and Byron Markel were married on May 27, 2022, in Budapest, Hungary, surrounded

Raneem Sharaf '18

What does your work entail? I am responsible for leading high-profile jobs, handling all of the equipment and crew, and being Halliburton's representative to the customer.

How did you get into this field? After graduation, I applied to hundreds of jobs and did a paid internship at Halliburton in Egypt (my home country). I started in a different department but then ended up in the department I felt most passionate about.

What do you enjoy most about your work? I have always enjoyed working with hydraulics in mechanics, and the whole coiled-tubing unit (equipment) I am working with is powered hydraulically. I also enjoy breaking the stereotypes here in Egypt as the petroleum industry is dominated by males. This challenge is basically a double-faced coin, both a blessing and an extremely tough challenge that I have to overcome every day.

Would you tell us more about the challenges you face? I am the first female coiled-tubing operations supervisor in Egypt and the Middle East, and my biggest challenges are acceptance as a female among hundreds of males and gaining the respect I deserve without the need to prove more than once how competent I am. At the end of the day, I am a 25-year-old female leading a crew of 20 males who are older and have worked in my field longer than I have. This also means having to deal with people from backgrounds very different from mine. However, I have always loved challenges, and it is one of the things that I love about my job.

Your brother Mohamed '24 is a Trinity student, and he also plays squash for the Bantams. What does it mean to you that he followed in your footsteps at college? Honestly, it means the world to me. I visited him last February, and seeing him at Trinity made me super emotional and proud. Being an international

“Being an international student at Trinity College and a part of its squash team is a one-in-a-lifetime experience.”

student at Trinity College and a part of its squash team is a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and I am super happy that Mohamed gets the chance to enjoy it.

How did Trinity prepare you for what you do now? I was a part of the women's squash team at Trinity, and during my four years, the team represented 13 nationalities. Having teammates with extremely different backgrounds around me taught me a lot and made me learn how to accept people, treat them with respect, and sometimes lead them, as I learned during my senior year as a captain.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? “Biomechanics.” I got to mix my two favorite things—mechanics and squash—in my final project in that course, and I loved it. I made an experiment to measure the amount of power needed in every squash shot, and it worked! It also was one of my last projects at Trinity, so I had a lot of emotions going into it.

Was there a professor at Trinity who was particularly influential? Professor Randy Lee. Although he is a psych professor, he also was our sports psychologist for the team. Honestly, I wouldn't have survived my four years without him. He was inspiring, supportive, and always there when I needed him. Shout-out to you, Randy!



DEGREE: B.S. in engineering with a concentration in mechanical engineering

JOB TITLE: Associate technical professional and coiled-tubing operations supervisor with Halliburton Overseas (international petroleum services company)

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: Definitely with no hesitation, my first semester at Trinity. We were playing a [squash] match against Penn, and my match was the final one, as I think we were 4-4 and my match was the tiebreaker. I was down 2-0 and came back to win the match, and we won 5-4. This was the match that actually described my experience at Trinity College. Always get up after you get knocked out, and always look at the finish line and not the distractions around it.

by many fellow Bantams, including **Anne Hay, Chloe White, Sarah Duffy, Claudia Garrote, Jenn Martin**, and **Emily Claytor**, who was a bridesmaid.

2019 Secretary: **William J. Duggan III**, william.duggan.2019@trincoll.edu • Class Agents: **Rachel Brigham, Sam Buck, Alex Gnassi, 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: **Samantha Feenstra, Anna Kate Luddy, Elizabeth McCauley, Morgan McKeown**

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

The class has been quiet this spring . . . too quiet! I hope some of you will write for the next edition of the *Reporter* to share your successes in the workplace, in graduate school, and in life. I know there are many, and I do hope you will consider keeping your classmates abreast of major developments in your life. It is one way, among many, that we can stick together as a class.

In my other life as one of your class agents, I am pleased to share with you some figures about our end-of-fiscal-year giving as a class. As of mid-June, our class had 44 donors, with gifts and pledges to the Trinity College Fund totaling \$1,361, and had 9 percent participation. Mind you, that numerical figure does not total many gifts to athletics, Greek life organizations, and other restricted giving in the past year. If you did not give, I hope you will consider giving this year. A few things to say about giving: first, you do not need to give \$20, or even \$10, to have an impact. Every dollar counts. Second, alumni participation plays a major role in rankings. Your gift of just a few dollars and its effect on our class participation rate can have a very meaningful impact. I would be remiss if I did not mention that just because you cannot give today does not mean you cannot give in the future, so please stay on Trinity's email lists. In any event, the embrace of many of you in the spirit of giving has had an impact, and those who have participated deserve our gratitude.

In other news, Trinity resumed its summer receptions in major metropolitan areas and seaside communes across the country. They

were—as always—pleasant affairs. For many young alumni in municipalities, many Trinity clubs resumed their “Welcome to the City” events after several years off due to the pandemic. Many are planning events (some with young alumni in mind), so keep an eye out for announcements.

Finally, for those of you wondering how to stay involved at Trinity, I wish to call to your attention a few additional opportunities: first, find your local area club and volunteer! Clubs exist in Boston, Hartford, Fairfield County, New York, Washington, D.C., and southwest Florida on the East Coast and in Los Angeles on the West Coast. Stay tuned for information about more clubs being revived across the country! You can take leadership positions as a volunteer with your local area club and help to plan events in your area.

Second, consider becoming a class agent. **Jessica Jones** answered the call this year (and a few of you received emails from me). The work is not strenuous, but the opportunities to support Trinity and engage with your fellow classmates are numerous. As always, I am happy to answer questions about the role.

Finally (and keep this in mind over the next year): the college will be celebrating its bicentennial in 2023. I am serving on the Liberal Arts Subcommittee and can attest that plans are in the works for exciting events on campus and in cities across the country. There will be opportunities for you to get involved by attending events and perhaps planning them with your local area clubs.

From your class secretary: **Brendan W. Clark** concluded his first year at William & Mary Law School in May. He spent the summer as a summer associate at Rose Kallor, LLP, an employment and labor defense litigation firm, working between offices in Hartford, Connecticut, and New York. Brendan had a white paper on juror compensation published by the National Center for State Courts in May. He has continued his work with the Trinity College Alumni Association, which held its first in-person meeting in several years in April. At that meeting, TCAA members had a marvelous Friday evening dinner with student-athletes in Hamlin Hall, reconnecting and learning about current affairs on campus. Brendan is preparing to resume his legal studies in the fall.

From the Alumni Office: **Jessica Jones** assumed the role of class agent for the Class of 2021 alongside **Brendan W. Clark**.

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

From the Alumni Office: **William Tanamli**, who majored in interdisciplinary computing with psychology, has relocated to Atlanta to start a position as a business analyst with

Cognizant. He would like to connect with Trinity alumni in the Atlanta area.

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

IDP Secretary: **Shahzad Keith Joseph IDP'19**, shahzad.joseph@trincoll.edu • Class Agent: **Robert F. Peltier IDP'91**

From the Alumni Office: **Mimi Patterson Mead IDP'94** writes, “I recently attended a book signing for Jennifer Regan-Lefebvre, then associate professor of history at Trinity. She gave a short talk about her latest book, *Imperial Wine: How the British Empire Made Wine's New World*, which gives ‘a bold, rigorous history of the colonial roots of the global wine industry.’ Several years ago, I enjoyed taking a course offered to Trinity alumni by Jennifer and have followed her successful academic career ever since.”

Master's

Co-Secretary: **Crisanne Colgan M'74**, crisanne.colgan.1974@trincoll.edu • Co-Secretary: **Christopher McBride M'93**, christopher.mcbride.1993@trincoll.edu

Greetings from your scribe, **Crisanne Colgan M'74**! I am enjoying serving as co-secretary for our Class Notes. This is my first issue, and I want to thank those who shared updates. Congratulations to all!

Many of you asked about opportunities for engagement with our alma mater. I encourage you to visit www.trincoll.edu/AlumniAndFamilies for information. A few examples: 1) Join and participate in your area alumni association's programs. 2) Sign up for the Bantam Career Network (BCN), a networking platform for more than 3,250 students and alumni. You can connect to other alumni to build your career path or connect with students and alumni to offer expertise. 3) Feel free to email me for more suggestions.

As for personal news, I (**Crisanne Colgan**) was appointed to the Executive Committee of the Board of Fellows. I am truly honored to support Trinity through this important leadership position, having recently completed a three-year term on the Board of Fellows.

Stephen McGrath M'76 recently presented an online lecture: “The Twenties: A Decade of Revolution and Reaction” offered by the Avon (CT) Free Public Library. Stephen explained, “The 1920s was a decade of paradox: a revolution in manners and morals that touched everywhere in America and a conservative reaction evident in the rise of the Ku Klux Klan, the Scopes and Sacco and Vanzetti Trials, and the supremacy of the corporation. In these ways, the '20s were

Justin Anderson M'13



DEGREES: B.A. in English, University of Mary Washington; M.A. in English, Trinity College; Ed.D. ABD in higher education leadership, Frostburg State University

JOB TITLE: Head women's and men's swim coach and lecturer, University of Mary Washington

FAVORITE TRINITY MEMORY: My favorite memories at Trinity were the times I got to spend working with the then-head swim coach, Kristen Noone. Kristen was and is an amazing mentor, co-worker, and friend. She taught me how to do things the right way, with class and dignity. She's someone I will always respect and admire, and she's someone I still turn to for advice and guidance. I will always be grateful for her and the opportunities she gave me at Trinity.

What do you do in your position? I coach both of our women's and men's Division III varsity swim teams and recruit for both programs. I also am a full-time faculty member within the Department of Athletics, Health, and Physical Education, and I teach courses within our sports management minor.

What do you enjoy most about your work? I really enjoy helping young women and men reach their goals; fulfill their potential, both in the pool and in the classroom; and work toward their professional goals.

You've been involved with the Paralympics. What have you done, and what has that experience meant to you?

I have been incredibly fortunate to be involved with U.S. Paralympic Swimming since 2015. I got involved with Paralympic Swimming by pure chance. I had an athlete who is a little person/dwarf named Zach Shattuck knock on my office door when I was coaching at Frostburg State University. Zach asked if I could give him any tips on swimming as he had never swum before and wanted to compete in the Dwarf Athletic Association of America National Games that summer. I told him if he really wanted to learn, he should join our team, and we would teach him how to swim. The rest is history. Zach went on to break more than 30 Paralympic American records, and he earned a spot on Team USA for the Tokyo Paralympic Games. After working with Zach, I recruited and coached three other para swimmers on my college teams.

My work with Zach and those other athletes opened doors for me to get to travel and coach for Team USA all across the world. I've had the opportunity to coach meets for Team USA in England, Denmark, Singapore, and Australia. I also had the honor of serving as the head coach for Team USA at the Parapan American Games in Lima, Peru, in 2019 and as an assistant coach at the Tokyo Paralympic Games in 2021. These

opportunities have exposed me to an incredible part of the sport of swimming that I could not have ever dreamed about. My experience working with U.S. Paralympic Swimming has become one of the most meaningful, interesting, and challenging parts of my coaching career. It has given me an opportunity to rethink the best ways to teach and strategize in the sport and to continue to learn and grow as a coach.

How did the graduate work you did at Trinity prepare you for what you do now? I always felt that being able to communicate and articulate my thoughts effectively was one of the best things my graduate work did for me.

My coursework helped me to become a better writer and communicator and a more effective thinker, analyzer, and problem solver. I use all of those skills on a daily basis in my work as both a coach and an educator.

What was the most memorable course you took at Trinity? "Electric English."

I took this course with my favorite professor, Beverly Wall, and it was my favorite mostly because Dr. Wall made everything interesting and exciting. Learning was always first and foremost fun in her classes; it never felt like work or something to stress over. This class in particular showed me that writing and storytelling did not have to be boring or stale, that it could be interactive, engaging, and multimedia in form. I connected with Dr. Wall as we were both native Virginians, and she had a true love for helping her students. She showed me kindness and mentorship and was someone who offered support and caring when my mom was diagnosed with breast cancer during my first year of graduate work.

remarkably like our own times.” Stephen recently retired from Central Connecticut State University (2000–20), where he taught American history and European revolutions. Last year, Stephen’s book on the history of the First Congregational Church of Woodbury, co-authored with Sara K. Griswold, received an award from the Connecticut League of History Organizations. Stephen added, “I do morning prayer and sermon one Sunday a month at Trinity Episcopal Church in Milton.”

Rick Walker M’91 is writing “a nature-centered and possibly spiritual book titled: *Ways of Knowing Too Much, or Too Little in the Race between Education and Catastrophe*. It could be an OER Open Access textbook for college students who want to learn more about research and rhetoric, as well as build their philosophy of epistemology.” Rick has been tracking the world of education since 1983 when “A Nation at Risk” was published. Rick also is in the process of hopefully building an academic relationship with the Yale Forum on Religion and Ecology and Yale School of the Environment, notably professors John Grim and Mary Evelyn Tucker.

Christopher LaRoche M’93 celebrated 20 years of teaching at Northeastern University. Chris also retired from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in February 2022 after 11 years. Chris’s M.A. in history had a focus and thesis on modern Irish history; his revised master’s thesis is housed within the Trinity College Dublin Library.

Paul Gagnon M’01 is Trinity’s new alumni career consultant. Working remotely on a part-time basis, Paul conducts virtual coaching sessions for alumni. He facilitates conversations on career exploration/changes, workforce reentry, job-search strategies, career materials, interviewing, resignation/negotiation, graduate school planning, and navigating career transitions. Paul has worked in strategic planning, financial research/analysis, new business development, mergers and acquisitions, and product marketing with three Fortune 500 international agribusiness, food, beverage, and agri-genetics organizations. Paul also started and managed his own management consulting firm for executives of government agencies and small businesses. He designed curricula for and taught courses in entrepreneurship, business, and management; counseled students on career management; helped launch Wesleyan University’s Social Entrepreneurship Center; and served as interim associate dean of the School of Business at Central Connecticut State University. Paul recently retired from the University of Connecticut as a career counselor in the M.S. in business analytics and project management program and from

the Center for Career Development, where he served students and alumni in the College of Agriculture, Health and Natural Resources; the School of Nursing; and the School of Pharmacy. Book an alumni coaching session with Paul at www.trincoll.joinhandshake.com/login.

Chad C. Betz M’08 reached a new milestone: the publication of his second book, *The Second Mouse Gets the Cheese: Avoid the Traps and Get Your Reward*.

Denise T. Best M’10 wrote, “I received my M.A. in American studies and retired from Trinity within a year of each other. I was offered employment with the former Christian Activities Council, currently known as the Center for Leadership and Justice. That invitation led me to what I refer to as my ‘retirement career.’ I began working in community organizing and development for two additional nonprofits and served on several local, city, and state boards, commissions, committees, and task forces. I am leaning toward a second retirement, this one from public life. I am president and CEO of the Voices of Women of Color, a social justice firm in Hartford. I remain vice president of the board for Community First School, and I serve on the boards of Journey Writers; Upper Albany Neighborhood Revitalization (UANRZ), for which I was chair for 10 years; the Upper Albany Neighborhood Collaborative; and Upper Albany Development (UADI). Just for fun, I am writing a novel and co-hosting a weekly talk show, *The Matrix*, Thursday evenings from 6:00–7:00, with my daughter, Neiima, co-producer of the internet radio platform primal4k.com. Using my childhood nickname, I also host a smooth jazz radio show, *Sunday Serenade*, with DJ Dede, on Sunday mornings from 10:00 until noon. Join me!”

Amanda Daddona M’15 shared that she is a new mom! She had a baby girl on May 16 at Hartford Hospital. They are doing well. Baby’s name is Cassandra Sharon Noella Campbell Daddona. Amanda also has been promoted to senior associate registrar at Wesleyan University and will start her new role once she returns from maternity leave.

Class Notes Guidelines

We want to be sure that all information included in *The Trinity Reporter* is accurate, so we’re asking for everyone’s help. When sharing Class Notes information with your class secretary or directly with the college, please follow the guidelines below.

- Avoid sharing hearsay, that is, news that one alum might tell you about another alum or news that you’ve learned from social media.
- Keep in mind that health information is sensitive. Avoid sharing health information about others, and only share health information about yourself if you’re OK with it being published.
- Avoid including information about engagements or pregnancies; it’s better to report marriages and births.
- For weddings, please include who, when, and where information.

Remember that we reserve the right to edit submissions for clarity, length, grammar, and appropriateness of content.

For **PHOTOS**, we accept only **HIGH-RESOLUTION** wedding and Class Notes photos (generally with a file size of at least 1 MB); low-resolution photos, while fine for websites, will not reproduce well in the magazine. For Class Notes photos, we ask that no more than one photo is submitted per person per issue and that the photo includes at least one Bantam. We can’t promise that we’ll be able to publish all that we receive, but we’ll do our best. We reserve the right to decide what is published based on available space, photo quality, and photo content. We invite you to email photos and complete caption information (who, what, when, and where) to your class secretary or to sonya.adams@trincoll.edu.

IN MEMORY

1944 C. Jarvis Harriman, 99, of Tucson, Arizona, died on December 26, 2021.

Harriman graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. He was a member of Psi Upsilon. Harriman went on to serve in the U.S. Army during World War II before working for the Moral Re-Armament (MRA) and later for Up with People and the Tucson Festival Society. He also wrote two books.

Harriman was predeceased by wife Nancy.

1944, M.S. 1950, M.A. 1966

Laurence H. Roberts, 99, of Windsor, Vermont, died on November 25, 2021.

Roberts earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and played soccer for four years. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army before continuing his education at Pennsylvania State University, where he studied electrical engineering, and at Trinity, where he earned two master's degrees, an M.S. in physics and an M.A. in educational studies. Roberts spent his career teaching mathematics and physics, first at the Woodstock Country School and then at Holderness School.

Roberts is survived by his children, Hannah Artuso, Storm Roberts, and Mark Roberts; four grandchildren; and brother Douglas Roberts. He was predeceased by his first wife, Mary; his second wife, Priscilla; and his brother, Arba Roberts.

1945, M.A. 1950 Anthony F.

Chiodo, 99, of New Milford, Connecticut, died on January 15, 2022.

Chiodo earned a B.S. from Trinity, where he was a member of the Newman Club. He later returned to Trinity to earn an M.A. Chiodo worked as a guidance counselor at Ridgefield High School.

Chiodo is survived by his children, Mary, Anthony (Wendy), John (Joan), Louisa (Andrew), and William (Deborah); 12 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and sister-in-law Phyllis. He was predeceased by his wife, Mary, and siblings Philomena, Joanna, and John.

1948, M.A. 1951 Joseph J. Natalie, 97, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, died on October 18, 2021.

After entering Trinity, Natalie was drafted into the U.S. Navy and served for three years. He returned to complete a B.S. in physical sciences and later an M.A. in educational studies. Natalie taught math at Hartford Public High School for more than 30 years.

Natalie is survived by siblings Helen, Grace, Dolores, and John (Barbara). He was predeceased by siblings Mary, Ann, Elizabeth, Dom, and Charles.

1950 Joseph A. Durbas, 95, of Exeter, New Hampshire, died on August 19, 2021.

Durbas earned a B.S. in mathematics before serving in the Army Air Corps in the Philippines. He spent his entire career as an accountant for General Electric.

Durbas is survived by wife Dorothy and daughter Diane. He was predeceased by brother Walter.

1950 Elliott M. Krackhardt, 94, of Liverpool, New York, died on September 27, 2021.

Krackhardt studied at Trinity before graduating from Worcester Polytechnic Institute as an electrical engineer. He went on to work as a design engineer for General Electric for 36 years.

Krackhardt is survived by his wife of 35 years, Shirley; daughters Debra Krackhardt and Diane FitzGibbons;

stepchildren James Moore (Andrea), Julie Ausbrooks (Mark), and Joyce Moore (Erik); two grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren; one great-grandson; six step-great-grandchildren; sister Marguerite Krackhardt; sisters-in-law Barbara Krackhardt and Janet Williams; and brother-in-law Richard Bean (Linda). He was predeceased by son Peter and siblings Russell Krackhardt and Ruth Clark.

1950 Paul R. Marte Sr., 94, of Block Island, Rhode Island, died on December 20, 2021.

Marte served in the U.S. Navy during World War II before attending Trinity, where he earned a B.S. in biology and was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha. He went on to earn a J.D. from Boston University. He worked at his private practice from 1955 until his retirement in the late 1990s.

Marte is survived by his wife of 61 years, Sally; children Paul (Matthew Alland), Peter (Rochelle), and Susan (Bryan Sweet); and two grandchildren. He was predeceased by sister Marjorie.

1950 John S. Robottom, 96, of Richardson, Texas, died on January 6, 2022.

Robottom earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and the band. He went on to earn an LL.B. from the University of Connecticut School of Law. Robottom served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during World War II and in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. He later served as general counsel for what would become the University of Texas at Dallas and retired as assistant dean of engineering at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Robottom is survived by his wife of 45 years, Mary; children Elizabeth Haase (Curtis), Jeremy Veach (Jim), John, Anderson (Dawna), and Sarah Reading (Bill); stepchildren Maria Koenig and Jim Cimarolli; four grandchildren; two great-grandsons; and sister Cynthia

Allin (Bob). He was predeceased by his first wife, Mary Jane; daughter-in-law Jenny Robottom; and brother Dale Robottom (Phyllis).

1950 Paul L. Thomas, 92, of Dallas, died on October 10, 2021.

Thomas earned a B.A. in music from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, the Trinity Pipes, and the Glee Club. He went on to earn a B.A. in music, an M.M. from Yale University, and a D.M.A. from the University of North Texas. Thomas served as the organist and choirmaster at Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church for nearly four decades and continued to serve churches in his retirement. The dedicated alumnus was a member of Trinity's Elms Society.

Thomas is survived by his son, Craig. He was predeceased by his wife, Joyce.

1951 Warner W. Behley, 91, of Matthews, North Carolina, died on July 14, 2021.

Behley earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and to serve in the U.S. Army. Behley worked in finance for manufacturers including R.J. Reynolds and Hanes; he retired as chief financial officer for Haggblunds Denison.

Behley is survived by his daughters, Lauryn Behley, Marcia Rodda (Mark), and Kara Reynolds (Mark), and two granddaughters. He was predeceased by his wife of 58 years, Shirley.

1951 Ronald E. Griggs, 92, of Berlin, Connecticut, died on January 5, 2022.

Griggs attended Trinity, where he played football and ran track, before serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He went on to work for Southern New England Telephone for 40 years, retiring in 1995 as a plant analyst. The dedicated alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Griggs is survived by his sister, Judith Nimro. He was predeceased by wife Lucille and siblings Roy Griggs, Elizabeth Spring, and Carol Thomas.

1951 Ned K. Kulp, 94, of Whitehouse Station, New Jersey, died on December 26, 2021.

Kulp served in the U.S. Merchant Marine before coming to Trinity, where he earned a B.S. in physical sciences. He was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, The Chapel Singers, and the Glee Club and worked at WRTC. Kulp went on to serve in the U.S. Coast Guard during the Korean War and later the Coast Guard Reserve. He worked for the family business, Perfect Foods, and then as a manufacturer's representative for his own firm, Ned Kulp Co. & Associates.

Kulp is survived by his children, Rod, Eric, Mark, and Wendy, and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Suzanne, and his brothers, George Kulp and Henry Kulp.

1952 Norman E. "Skip" Corwin Jr., 91, of East Greenwich, Rhode Island, died on September 27, 2021.

Corwin earned a B.S. in physical sciences from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and the Trinity Pipes. He served in the U.S. Air Force for several years before embarking on a 33-year career as a pilot with Eastern Airlines.

Corwin is survived by his children, Dawn Seward (Marc) and Scott Corwin (Kim); stepchildren Lynn Rockwell (Nate), Cate Veazey, and Barbara DeWall (Scott); 15 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Nancy, and his second wife, Carol.

1952 James R. Foster, 91, of Highland Park, Illinois, died on January 13, 2022.

Foster earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and the Jesters. He went on to earn a J.D. from Yale Law School. Foster worked as a trial attorney before serving as an officer and

director of L.B. Foster Company, a family steel business. He also founded and served as CEO of Travel Professionals Inc. The dedicated alumnus was a recipient of Trinity's 150th Anniversary Award.

Foster is survived by his wife of 69 years, Lynn; children Kim Foster (Tony Petracca), Craig Foster (Terri), and Kyle Weinstein (Leo); five grandchildren; and sister Gail Gordon (Roy).

1952 Edward H. "Ned" Kirschbaum Jr., 92, of Lake Oswego, Oregon, died on January 18, 2022.

Kirschbaum earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He went on to earn a master's in architecture from Harvard University. Kirschbaum worked for the architecture and structural engineering firm of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill.

Kirschbaum is survived by children Edward Kirschbaum III, Richard Kirschbaum, Carol Druse, Susan Barrett, and Charles Kirschbaum; 13 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by wife Marcie and son Peter.

1953 Robert M. Handy, 90, of Gilbert, Arizona, died on December 5, 2021.

Handy graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.S. in engineering. He was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, served as president of the Engineering Club, and worked at WRTC. Handy went on to earn an M.S. and Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Northwestern University and to work for Westinghouse and Motorola. In 1984, he earned a J.D. from Arizona State University and embarked on a second career as a patent attorney.

Handy is survived by his wife of 66 years, Bernice; children Mary Holst (Shane), Robert (TaRee), and David (Shauna); nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

1953 Felix L. Sambogna, 89, of Fort Walton Beach, Florida, died on September 24, 2021.

Sambogna earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Newman Club. He went on to serve 29 years in the U.S. Air Force and then worked for 17 years at the Oklahoma State University Field Office on Eglin Air Force Base.

Sambogna is survived by his children, Michael Sambogna (Ron Watterson), Nancy Shoultz (Michael), Patricia Hardiman (Michael), and Felix Sambogna Jr. (Karen); eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

1954 Theodore T. Tansi, 90, of Bonita Springs, Florida, died on March 7, 2022.

Tansi earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. His work life included time at IBM, CG, and Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance.

Tansi is survived by his former wife, Sydney; children William Tansi (Joan), Robert Tansi, Anna Tansi, and Thomas Tansi (Meredith); and five grandchildren. He was predeceased by sisters Tina, Marcella "Skippy," and Adelaide.

1955 Bouldin G. "Bo" Burbank Jr., 88, died on January 14, 2022.

Burbank earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the swimming, tennis, and fencing teams. He went on to earn a master's degree in mathematics from Syracuse University and to study architecture at the Harvard Graduate School of Design. Burbank was a high school teacher for nearly four decades, starting at Tabor Academy and later at Mercersburg Academy, where he spent most of his career and from which he retired.

Burbank is survived by his wife of 63 years, Eloise; children Bradford Burbank (Kristina Dunford), Charlotte Fiorentino '84 (Benny), Douglas Burbank '85 (Roberta Crump-Moody), Tim Burbank '87 (Louise Lalli), Amy Kelaher (Christopher),

and Sarah Burbank '99; and 11 grandchildren.

1955 Richard M. Leach, 88, of New London, New Hampshire, died on September 16, 2021.

Leach earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon and worked at WRTC. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, Leach spent 25 years with First National Bank of Boston.

Leach is survived by his second wife, Cornelia "Nell"; their children, Elizabeth Bert, Malcolm Leach, Virginia Townsend, Nathaniel Leach, Tim Wheelock, Coco Birmingham, and Dix Wheelock; and 12 grandchildren.

1955 Ronald E. Moss, 88, of Westfield, New Jersey, died on February 5, 2022.

Moss earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, The Chapel Singers, the Trinity Pipes, and the Glee Club. He worked as a singer before embarking on a 42-year career in advertising with *The New York Times*. While at the *Times*, Moss earned an M.B.A. from Baruch College of the City University of New York.

Moss is survived by his wife of 62 years, Evelyn; children Ron (Mary), Lynda Rubin, and Stefanie (David Faris); and seven grandchildren.

1956 Gordon S. Bates, 87, of Cromwell, Connecticut, died on January 20, 2022.

Bates graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Trinity with a B.S. in physical sciences. He took part in fencing and served as co-captain during his senior year. Bates went on to earn an M.Div. from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and an M.S.T. from Hartford Seminary before serving churches in Pennsylvania and Connecticut. He then served for 17 years as executive director of the Connecticut Prison Association before returning to work in the ministry. Bates authored *The Connecticut Prison Association and the Search for Reformatory Justice*.

Bates is survived by his wife, Wanda; daughters Cynthia (Jonathan Russell), Susan (Andrew Schlotterbeck), Karen '90 (Bryan Pritchett), and Linda (Shawn Kelly); and six grandchildren. He was predeceased by his sister, Barbara Innis.

1956 Ralph F. Bowles, 89, of Ithaca, New York, died on February 14, 2022.

Bowles attended Trinity before studying mechanical engineering at Cornell University. He went on to work for decades at NCR Engineering before operating his own machine shop.

Bowles is survived by his second wife, Deanna Bowles; children David Bowles (Carol), Karl Bowles (Jeanine Thomson), and Karen Bowles; stepson Erik Bakko (Amanda Faust); and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife, Lucretia, and brother Kenneth Bowles.

1956 Lee S. Hammersley, 88, of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, died on September 6, 2021.

Hammersley attended Trinity before graduating from the University of Connecticut. He spent his career in insurance at USF&G.

Hammersley is survived by his wife of nearly 60 years, Myrna; children Clarke Hammersley, Susan McGuire, and Cindy Hammersley; and seven grandchildren. He was predeceased by brother William "Chips" Hammersley.

1956 Thomas W. Lawrence, 87, of Westbrook, Connecticut, died on October 23, 2021.

Lawrence earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the Newman Club. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, he worked for Southern New England Telephone Company. Lawrence later spent time in real estate and home building, including his own custom home-building company.

Lawrence is survived by his wife of 58 years, Gail; children Mark Lawrence (Narissa), Nancy English (Michael), and Gary Lawrence (Judith); and five grandchildren.

1956 Harry Mancoll, 87, of Cranston, Rhode Island, died on February 17, 2022.

Mancoll attended Trinity before earning a B.A. from the University of Vermont. He worked for five decades as an optometrist in Hartford, Connecticut.

Mancoll is survived by his wife of 32 years, Terrie; children Deborah Casey, John Mancoll (Joanna), Susan Albert (Brett), and Matthew Mancoll (Robin); stepchildren Michael Feldman (Rachel) and Tina "TJ" Feldman; 12 grandchildren; and siblings Tovia Ann Siegel, Isadora Safner, and William Mancoll, his twin.

1956 Donald J. Scott, 87, of Naples, Florida, died on November 15, 2021.

Scott earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and the swimming team. He went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force. After working as a pilot for Pan American, he had a 35-year career as a financial adviser. Scott retired as co-partner of Moran Wealth Management, a firm he founded with his second wife. The dedicated alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Scott is survived by his wife, Gale; daughters Alicia Wholley (Paul) and Andrew Radulovic; four granddaughters; and brother Gordon Scott. He was predeceased by his first wife, Susan Breck.

1957 Philip W. Almquist, 87, of Austin, Texas, died on October 19, 2021.

Almquist earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Sigma Nu and the soccer team and took part in Air Force ROTC. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from the University of Connecticut. Almquist spent his career in the analytical and scientific instrument industry.

Almquist is survived by his wife, Valerie, and children Frederick, Timothy, and Alexandra.

1957 David B. Beers II, 86, of Lewes, Delaware, died on April 3, 2022.

Beers earned a B.A. in classics and modern languages from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Psi and the fencing and tennis teams. He went on to the University of California, Berkeley, where he earned an M.A. in Latin and an LL.B. Beers worked as an attorney with Washington, D.C., law firms, including Shea & Gardner, which later became part of the firm that is now Goodwin Law. He also was a part-time classics lecturer at the George Washington University. Beers later served as chancellor to four presiding bishops of the Episcopal Church. The dedicated alumnus was honored with Trinity's Alumni Medal for Excellence in 1977.

Beers is survived by his wife, Margaret; children David III '77, Paul '80, Anthony, James, and Alexandra '88; son-in-law David Shenk; daughters-in-law Carol Beers and Marian Beers; nine grandchildren; one great-grandson; and sister Mary Jane Cooper (William).

1957 John M. "Jack" Darcey, 85, of West Hartford, Connecticut, died on January 8, 2022.

Darcey earned a B.A. in Spanish from Trinity, where he was a member of the Debating Club, the Jesters, and the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*. He went on to earn an M.A. in education from Johns Hopkins University and completed work on a Ph.D. at New York University. After teaching languages in Baltimore, he returned to Connecticut in 1958 to join the faculty at Conard High School and served as the supervisor of the Foreign Language Department in the West Hartford Public Schools. Darcey later taught at the University of Connecticut. The loyal Trinity alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Darcey is survived by many friends, including Sergio Vega, his companion and caregiver.

1957 Donald S. Taylor, 87, of Dawsonville, Georgia, died on January 15, 2022.

Taylor earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, the football team, and the Glee Club. He also served in the U.S. Marine Corps. Taylor worked as an industrial engineer for UPS for more than three decades. The dedicated alumnus was a member of the Elms Society.

Taylor is survived by his wife of 61 years, Priscilla; sons Braden Taylor (Colleen), Keith Taylor (Kimberly), and Curtis Taylor (Erin); eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and sister Lucille Blasko. He was predeceased by siblings Elinor "Ellie" Maynes and Merrill Taylor.

1957 Nelson H. White Jr., 85, of Vernon, Connecticut, died on December 1, 2021.

White earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club. He went on to earn a master's degree in computer science from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. White worked as a computer systems specialist at Pratt & Whitney, taught computer science at RPI, and worked for Travelers Insurance, from which he retired after 25 years.

White is survived by his wife of 64 years, Patricia; son Keith White; siblings Kenneth White and Patricia McDonough; and sister-in-law Gail Wnuk. He was predeceased by siblings Donald White, Robert White, and Sandra White.

1958 Alan H. Lapidus, 85, of Naples, Maine, died on October 15, 2021.

Lapidus studied at Trinity before joining the U.S. Army. He later graduated from Columbia University's School of Architecture. Lapidus was known for designing several large hotels and casinos,

including the Crowne Plaza Times Square Manhattan and Caesars Palace in Las Vegas.

Lapidus is survived by his wife, Caroline Worthington; son Adam Lapidus; and four grandchildren.

1958 Richard L. Pickering, 85, of Belfast, Maine, died on January 30, 2022.

Pickering earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon. He went on to serve in the U.S. Army and to earn teaching credentials at Salem State University. Pickering taught, coached, and lived at Rectory School and then Lawrence Academy before moving on to Tom's of Maine and to owning various shops in Maine.

Pickering is survived by his children, Tina (Matt), Richard (Meg), and Nathan (Deb), and 10 grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 57 years, Jane.

1959 Roger W. Dorwart, 85, of Middlebury, Vermont, died on November 19, 2021.

Dorwart earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity and a B.S. in civil engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in the 3-2 engineering program. He worked as an engineer for a year before earning an M.S. in civil engineering from Rensselaer. Dorwart taught civil engineering at the University of Vermont and in 1964 co-founded Knight Consulting Engineers, where he eventually served as president and from which he retired in 1998.

Dorwart is survived by his wife of 56 years, Elita; sons Jon (Betsy Ward) and Rich (Veronica Valle); four grandchildren; and sister-in-law Silvia (Ed Dauenheimer).

1959 Howard E. "Hap" Fitts, 84, of South Windsor, Connecticut, died on January 20, 2022.

Fitts earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and the staff of the *Ivy*. He also worked at WRTC. Fitts worked at Travelers for more than five

decades, retiring as second vice president.

Fitts is survived by his wife of more than 60 years, Suzanne; daughters Janet Brown (Donovan) and Alison Bond (John); and four grandchildren.

1959 Dong Kingman Jr., 85, of New York City, died on February 4, 2022.

At Trinity, Kingman was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He went on to study at Harvard and Boston Universities. Kingman worked in communications, including more than 25 years with Marsh McLennan, from which he retired in 1999 as director of corporate communications.

Kingman is survived by his wife, Elaine, and children Melissa and Jonathan.

1959 André L. LaRochelle, 84, of Burlington, Connecticut, died on January 26, 2022.

LaRochelle earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Newman Club. He went on to work for Travelers and to serve in the U.S. Air Force. LaRochelle then earned an M.S.W. from Louisiana State University School of Social Work and was employed in that field before heading to Florida to work at the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute. He also earned an M.B.A. from Florida Institute of Technology. LaRochelle later served as executive director of a retirement home and as a clinical social worker at Hartford Hospital's Institute of Living.

LaRochelle is survived by his wife of 35 years, Barbara; daughter Lauren (Budge Cutrera); one grandson; and sister Rhea (Anthony Lettiere).

1959, HON. 2015 Jon A. Reynolds, 84, of Bethesda, Maryland, died on April 16, 2022.

Reynolds earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho, the Engineering Club, and the track team. He was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Air Force through Trinity's ROTC program and

served during the Cold War and the Vietnam War. In 1965, Reynolds was shot down and captured; he endured more than seven years as a prisoner of war. After his repatriation in 1973, he earned a master's and Ph.D. from Duke University and taught history at the U.S. Air Force Academy before joining the Defense Intelligence Agency. The decorated veteran retired in 1990 as a brigadier general. Reynolds then worked at Raytheon as vice president for its International Technology Programs. The dedicated alumnus received many honors from Trinity, including an Alumni Achievement Award in 1973, the 175th Anniversary Award in 1999, and an honorary doctorate in 2015. He also was a member of the Elms Society.

Reynolds is survived by his wife of 47 years, Emilee; children Elizabeth Peltz (Christopher) and Andrew Reynolds (Emily); and one granddaughter.

1959 William J. Schreiner, 83, of Ashburn, Virginia, died on February 13, 2022.

Schreiner earned a B.S. in mathematics from Trinity, where he played football. He went on to hold managerial and executive positions with insurance companies Mutual Life of New York and Colonial Penn. Schreiner then worked as an actuary for the American Council of Life Insurers until his retirement.

Schreiner is survived by his wife, Pat; children Carrie Ceresi, Leslie Beaulieu (Richard), and Amy Bouman (Scott); stepchildren Julie Bourgeois (Marc), Steven McClelland (Michelle), and Kimberly Van Pelt (Jason); five grandchildren; and eight step-grandchildren.

1960 Daniel J. Holland, 83, of Orange, Connecticut, died on March 9, 2022.

After studying at Trinity, Holland went into the family tack business in Shelton, Connecticut, and spent many years selling fasteners.

Holland is survived by his wife of 61 years, Liv; children

Dan Holland (Roberta), Lisa Holland (Mark Coppolella), and Eric Holland (Kris DePalma); three grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and brother David Holland (Susan).

1960 David A. Rutherford, 82, of Brooksville, Florida, died on February 12, 2022.

Rutherford earned a B.A. from Trinity, where he served as president of Delta Phi and manager of the track team. He also worked at WRTC. Rutherford went on to work for Voice of America and to serve in the U.S. Navy Supply Corps Reserve before holding positions with Associated General Contractors and the U.S. Labor Department.

Rutherford is survived by his brother, Gordon (Annella). He was predeceased by his wife, Joan, and friend Paula "Pat" Margulis.

1960 Charles M. "Chuck" Ward, 84, of Allegany, New York, died on November 22, 2021.

Ward, who attended Trinity, served in the U.S. Marine Corps before breaking into journalism. He spent much of his career at the *Olean (NY) Times Herald*, where he served as managing editor and later retired as publisher.

Ward is survived by his first wife, Donna, and their daughters, Barbara Siciliano (Dan), Kathleen "Katie" Ward, and Tiffany Brairton (Terry); sons Sean Ward (Molly Shea) and Shane Ward; and four grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife, Kathi, and brothers Hamilton Ward IV, Marsh Ward, and Wallace Ward.

1961 Hugh W. Ewart Jr., 82, of Shelton, Washington, died on November 11, 2021.

Ewart earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Chi Rho and the basketball and tennis teams. The Illinois Scholar went on to earn a Ph.D. in chemistry from Yale University. Ewart worked in the research lab of ITT Rayonier and later directed research at Tree Top apple juice company and the Northwest

Horticultural Council. The loyal alumnus was a member of Trinity's Elms Society.

Ewart is survived by his wife, Joanna; children Mandy and Hugh; and four grandchildren.

1961, M.S. 1963 Gordon A.

Pomeroy, 82, of Latham, New York, died on February 11, 2022.

Pomeroy earned a B.S. in chemistry from Trinity, where he ran cross country and track. He stayed at the college to earn an M.S. in chemistry. Pomeroy then went to Providence College, where he earned a Ph.D. in chemistry. He worked in private industry before moving to York Technical College, from which he retired.

Pomeroy is survived by his wife of 37 years, Phyllis; children Dawn, Laurie, and Steven (Andrea); stepchildren Theresa and Thomas; and sister Phyllis. He was predeceased by son Kevin and brother Bill.

1961 Gilbert A. Yule, 83, of Franconia, New Hampshire, died on February 3, 2022.

Yule attended Trinity, where he played freshman football and baseball, before earning a B.A. from West Chester State College. He spent the next 28 years working as a teacher, coach, and administrator at three boarding schools, Forman and Rumsey Hall in Connecticut and Knox in Louisiana.

1962 John S. "Shel" Gittins,

81, of North Brookfield, Massachusetts, died on October 22, 2021.

Gittins earned a B.S. in psychology from Trinity, where he was a member of Alpha Delta Phi and played football. He went on to earn an M.A. in psychology from Clark University. Gittins also served in the U.S. Army. He worked as an assistant professor at Assumption College and in computer software development before launching his full-time career as an artist. His paintings may be found in museums including the National Museum in Prague and the Flint Institute of Arts.

Gittins is survived by his wife of 55 years, Julie; son Chris (Stacy); two grandchildren; and sister-in-law Jayne Howard.

1962 Peter S. Reinthaler, 83, of Houston, died on March 28, 2022.

Reinthaler earned a B.A. in mathematics from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club, the Glee Club, The Chapel Singers, and the band. He went on to own an insurance agency in the Houston area.

Reinthaler is survived by his daughter, Allison; stepchildren Denise and Christopher; and sister Joan. He was predeceased by son John.

1962 F. Peter Williams Jr., 81, of Indianapolis, died on November 2, 2021.

Williams earned a B.A. in history, philosophy, and religion from Trinity, where he was a member of Q.E.D. and ran cross country. He was trained as a community organizer and worked for several entities in the Chicago area, including the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation.

Williams is survived by his wife, Mollie; sons Eric (Cynthia) and Mark (Catrin); and two grandsons.

1963 Paul R. Milus Jr., 81, of Scottsdale, Arizona, died on February 3, 2022.

Milus earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Psi Upsilon. He went on to study at the University of Washington. Milus spent his career in finance, real estate, and consulting.

Milus is survived by his wife, Nancy; sons Brooks, David (Jenniffer), and Drew; stepdaughters Robin Lewis, Beth Middleton, and Bonnie Middleton; and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by sister Mary Yoh and daughter-in-law Lori Milus.

1964 Robert A. Feinschreiber, 77, of Plantation, Florida, died on October 27, 2020.

Feinschreiber earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity,

where he was a member of the staff of *The Trinity Tripod* and the fencing team. He went on to simultaneously earn an M.B.A. from Columbia Business School and a law degree from Yale University. Feinschreiber later earned an LL.M. in taxation from New York University. He worked as an attorney for more than five decades and wrote hundreds of articles and several books on tax law.

Feinschreiber is survived by his wife of more than 35 years, Margaret; children Steven Feinschreiber and Kathryn Hagedorn; and three grandchildren.

1964 John L. Westney Jr., 79, of Atlanta, died on November 10, 2021.

Westney earned a B.A. in history and philosophy from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi, the Glee Club, The Chapel Singers, and the Jesters and worked at WRTC. He also served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam. Westney worked as a real estate attorney for Prudential for more than 20 years.

Westney is survived by his wife, Lucy; sons John III (Jacquie) and Andrew (Mari); four grandsons; and stepmother Elma. He was predeceased by his first wife, Mary Ann.

1965 Albert H. Crane III, 79, of Mount Vernon, New York, died on October 13, 2021.

Crane earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Phi Kappa Psi, the staff of *The Trinity Tripod*, and the varsity tennis team. He also worked at WRTC. Crane went on to earn an M.S. in communications from Syracuse University and an M.B.A. from The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He began his career in television media at CBS and later started his own companies, ExtraNet and Crane Media Sales.

Crane is survived by his wife, Mary Ella; children Beth (Jonathan) and Albert (Jen); two grandchildren; and sister Carole (Tom).

1965 James S. Hiatt, 76, of Exeter Township, Pennsylvania, died on December 8, 2021.

Hiatt earned a B.A. in music from Trinity, where he was a member of the Glee Club and the Concert Choir. He went on to earn an M.A. and Ph.D. from Indiana University. Hiatt began his teaching career at SUNY Fredonia and then taught for three decades at James Madison University.

Hiatt is survived by his wife, Rebecca Ross, and cousin James Smith. He was predeceased by sister Deborah Hiatt.

1965 Gilbert P. Winter, 79, of Brooklyn, New York, died on December 21, 2021.

Winter earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi and played squash. His career included time in the construction industry, working as a cabinet maker and later owning his own construction firm.

Winter is survived by brother Roger Winter (Mary).

1966 William L. Severns, 77, of Spearfish, South Dakota, died on October 13, 2021.

Severns earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of the Brownell Club and the Jesters and worked at WRTC. The Illinois Scholar went on to earn a J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School. Severns worked as a private attorney and then as a city attorney before being appointed a magistrate judge.

Severns is survived by his wife of more than 40 years, Linda; daughters Karie Kinney and Kathryn (Erik Simonyak); six grandchildren; and brother-in-law Larry (Ruthie Weiers). He was predeceased by son Michael Severns and brother Roger Severns Jr.

1967 Josias J. Cromwell II, 76, of Cockeysville, Maryland, died on February 19, 2022.

Cromwell earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of the Newman Club and the staff of the *Ivy* and

worked at WRTC. He later served in the U.S. Army Reserves and earned an M.B.A. from Cornell University. Cromwell went on to a 35-year career at Mercantile-Safe Deposit & Trust, where he rose to senior vice president of marketing.

Cromwell is survived by life partner Mary Lou Kupfer and brother Christopher Cromwell.

1967 Thomas N. DePew Jr.,

76, of St. Louis, died on November 13, 2021.

DePew earned a B.A. in fine arts from Trinity, where he served as arts editor of the *Trinity Review* and ran track. He was an artist whose work was shown in St. Louis and New York City, as well as throughout Florida.

DePew is survived by brother Jeffrey DePew.

1967 Peter L. Milford, 76, of Blandford, Massachusetts, died on March 7, 2022.

Milford earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi. He worked briefly in publishing before a long career as a carpenter and builder with his own business, specializing in the restoration of older houses and barns.

Milford is survived by his wife of nearly 40 years, Katy Haight, and brother-in-law David Haight '67. He was predeceased by brother John. His father-in-law, Wilson Haight '37, also was a Trinity alumnus.

1968 Ralph C. Oser, 75, of Arlington, Virginia, died on January 26, 2022.

Oser earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Theta Xi. He went on to earn a J.D. from Vanderbilt University and an M.B.A. from the George Washington University. Oser worked in the Office of the General Counsel at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and then as an attorney for the Department of Energy, from which he retired in 2013. He also served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. The dedicated

alumnus was a member of his Reunion Committee.

Oser is survived by his wife of 52 years, Katherine; children Rebecca and Nathaniel Oser; and three grandchildren. He was predeceased by brothers Mark Raclin and David Oser.

1969 Peter F. Gable, 73, of Durham, North Carolina, died on November 12, 2021.

Gable earned a B.A. in modern languages from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Phi and played squash and tennis. He owned and operated three service stations in North Carolina for more than two decades before he switched careers and became pastor of Raleigh's Victory Baptist Church, a position he held for 23 years.

Gable is survived by his wife of 51 years, Carolyn "Pixi"; children Pete (Cherie) and Jen (Brian); four grandchildren; and siblings Virginia Vitty, Linda Carmine, and Charles "Jay" Gable III (Ruth).

1969 James G. Jakielo, 75, of Wethersfield, Connecticut, died on October 21, 2021.

Jakielo graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in mathematics. He was a member of the Brownell Club. After serving in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, Jakielo spent more than 20 years as an actuary with Travelers Insurance. He then moved on to work for nearly three decades for the State of Connecticut Department of Insurance.

Jakielo is survived by his wife, Michelle; daughters Cheryl Jakielo (Ryan Dean) and Lori LaMay (Jason); and three granddaughters.

1972 Albert L. Floyd, 72, of East Windsor, Connecticut, died on December 28, 2021.

Floyd earned a B.S. in engineering from Trinity, where he served as captain of the basketball team. He went on to earn an M.B.A. from Western New England College while working in the aerospace industry at Hamilton Standard, a

division of United Technologies Corporation (UTC). Floyd continued his career at UTC's Pratt & Whitney.

Floyd is survived by his wife, Sharon; children Gregory Floyd (Amy), Ronald Floyd, and Kimberly Floyd (Carlos Ruiz); seven grandchildren; mother Arrie Floyd; and brother Louis Floyd. He was predeceased by siblings Annie Jo Floyd, James Floyd, and Howard Floyd.

1972 John W. Kirshon, 71, of Port Chester, New York, died on October 2, 2021.

Kirshon earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He went on to a career as a journalist, with more than 30 years of experience with organizations including *The New York Times* and CBS. Kirshon also served as executive editor of *Chronicle of the 20th Century*, editor-in-chief of *Chronicle of America*, and author of *An American Century*.

Kirshon is survived by sister Kathy Davis (Jim).

1977 Jeffrey S. Feinberg, 66, of Summit, New Jersey, died on April 21, 2022.

Feinberg studied at Trinity before earning a J.D. from St. John's University School of Law. He worked as a general counsel and chief legal officer for 3DL Financial Group.

Feinberg is survived by his wife, Michelle Adler; children Hannah Feinberg '24 and Sophie Feinberg; and siblings Richard Feinberg and Lynn Bakiars.

1978 Katharine Koch Willens, 65, of Sebastopol, California, died on January 19, 2022.

Willens earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where she was a member of the Trinity Pipes. She went on to earn an M.A. in English from Sonoma State University and an M.Div. from San Francisco Theological Seminary. Willens worked as a Waldorf teacher and then as a hospital chaplain. She also was a singer-songwriter who recorded under the name Kate

Magdalena.

Willens is survived by family and friends.

1980 Paul S. Rasmussen, 63, of Lawrenceville, Georgia, died on October 24, 2021.

Rasmussen earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity, where he ran cross country and track. He began his career at Management Science America and started work on an M.B.A. at Georgia State University. Rasmussen then worked for Equifax and later the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, from which he retired after 26 years.

Rasmussen is survived by his wife of 36 years, Melissa Olsen-Rasmussen; daughters Rebecca Rasmussen and Sarah Rasmussen-Hage (Peter); and siblings Craig Rasmussen and Jane Christopher (Thomas). He was predeceased by sister Gail Rasmussen.

1983 Mary L. Goodman, 60, of Brooklyn, New York, died on January 14, 2022.

Goodman earned a B.A. in history from Trinity, where she performed in many theater productions. Her work life included time in circulation departments at New York publications and in retail advertising.

Goodman is survived by her daughter, Clarissa Sauter '21, and her sister, Lisa.

1984 Lori Kirkpatrick, 60, of Hartford, Connecticut, died on December 29, 2021.

Kirkpatrick earned a B.A. in philosophy from Trinity and an M.B.A. from the University of Iowa.

Kirkpatrick is survived by her longtime companion, Nino Jordan, and brothers Steve Kirkpatrick (Brenda) and Tom Kirkpatrick (Djuana).

1986 Kathryn J. Gallant, 57, of Rochester, New York, died on December 18, 2021.

Gallant earned a B.A. in American studies from Trinity, where she was a member of The Chapel Singers. She went

on to work in radio and later marketing before becoming a health care researcher. Gallant served as U.S. CEO of Cello Health Insight.

Gallant is survived by her husband of 12 years, Peter Roberts.

1989 Gina M. Letellier, 55, of Agawam, Massachusetts, died on May 9, 2022.

Letellier earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where she was a member of the Newman Club and the softball and crew teams. She also served as editor-in-chief of *The Trinity Tripod*. Letellier went on to earn a J.D. from Western New England School of Law. She worked as an attorney and served as an Agawam city councilor.

Letellier is survived by her son, Matthew Letellier; father W. Terry Letellier; and sister Christina Letellier.

1991 Dylan K. Remley, 52, of Sudbury, Massachusetts, died on October 25, 2021.

Remley graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in history. He was a member of Psi Upsilon and the crew team. Remley went on to earn a J.D. from New York University Law School and to work as a corporate attorney in New York and Connecticut before serving in an executive management role at Global Partners LP.

Remley is survived by his wife, Melissa '91; children Matter, Sabrina, Alex, and Kellen; mother Alana Remley; brothers Allen (Dana), Micah (Katie), and Evan (Elaine); and sister-in-law Giselle Landers (Sean).

1993 Annemarie E. Garrahy, 50, of Rocky Hill, Connecticut, died on November 30, 2021.

Garrahy earned a B.A. in political science from Trinity, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. She also played soccer and served as captain of the rugby team. Her work experience included time with the Sierra Club, an internet tech start-up, and an engineering firm.

Garrahy is survived by her

siblings, Kate Garrahy, Edward Garrahy Jr. (Kathleen), and Patrick Garrahy (Melissa). She was predeceased by brother-in-law Mike Wilcox.

2002 Alison H. Hadden, 41, of Boulder, Colorado, died on January 29, 2022.

Hadden earned a B.A. in English from Trinity, where she played basketball. She went on to work in executive leadership roles for companies including Mindbody and Glassdoor. After a terminal illness diagnosis, she created the No Time to Waste project, using it, motivational speaking, and social media to share her research and insights about life.

Hadden is survived by her partner, Kate Ligler; parents Frank and Kathy Hadden; and sister Kerri.

2006 Matthew C. Mitchell, 37, of Mashpee, Massachusetts, died on April 2, 2022.

Mitchell earned a B.A. in English and classical civilization from Trinity, where he was a member of the Classics Club and worked in the Watkinson Library. He went on to earn an M.S. from Simmons College. Mitchell worked in management for Stop & Shop.

Mitchell is survived by two sisters.

2007 Charles W. "Chuck" Criss, 36, of Mount Kisco, New York, died in February 2022.

Criss earned a B.A. in music from Trinity, where he was a member of the Samba Ensemble and the Jazz Band and worked at WRTC. He continued in music as a singer and songwriter and was a member of the indie-rock band Freelance Whales.

Criss is survived by his partner, three children, former wife Lucy Hollis '06, mother Cerina Criss, and brother Darren Criss.

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1983 Roger W. O'Connell Jr., 63, of Glastonbury, Connecticut, died on February 2, 2022.

O'Connell earned a B.A. in economics from Trinity and later an M.H.S. from Quinnipiac University to become a physician assistant (PA). He worked as a PA for nearly 25 years, including time at Saint Francis Hospital and Community Health Centers.

O'Connell is survived by his wife, Dana; children Kevin and Sara; and brother Paul.

1990 Michael L. Hanlon, 84, of Enfield, Connecticut, died on December 3, 2021.

Hanlon earned a B.A. in psychology from Trinity. He worked in several fields, including accounting and education.

Hanlon is survived by his wife of 63 years, Shirley; children Michele Zukowski (Kevin), Tim (Carole), Denise Agramonte (Tom), and Yvonne Matthews (Greg); 12 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and sister Anita Lopertz.

1996 Michael J. Camilleri, 49, of Cromwell, Connecticut, died on January 13, 2022.

Camilleri earned a B.A. in sociology from Trinity, where he took part in the Student Government Association. He went on to earn a J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law. Camilleri began his career as a commercial real estate attorney at Brown Rudnick. He later served as global ethics and compliance officer at Pratt & Whitney.

Camilleri is survived by his wife, Terri; daughters Megan and Jessica; siblings Steven Camilleri '96 and Janet Camilleri; parents Joseph and Patricia Camilleri; father-in-law Peter; sister-in-law and brother-in-law Kim and Rob; and sister-in-law Amy. He was predeceased by daughter Elizabeth Ann.

MASTER'S

1968 Loretta M. Teevan, 87, of Bristol, Connecticut, died on January 24, 2022.

Teevan earned a B.A. in Latin from Saint Joseph College before teaching the language at Bristol High School. She went on to earn an M.A. in Latin from Trinity and to complete coursework at Central Connecticut State College for certification to teach French and Italian. Teevan's teaching career spanned 45 years.

Teevan is survived by many cousins and their families.

1973 Franklin G. Brown Jr., 75, of Staten Island, New York, died on November 4, 2020.

Brown earned a B.A. from Hobart College. While teaching at Kingswood-Oxford School, he earned an M.A. in educational studies from Trinity. In 1983, he was named headmaster at Canterbury School in Fort Myers, Florida. Brown also led schools in New York, Texas, and California.

Brown is survived by his wife of 53 years, Mary; daughters Jennifer Kelly, Kimberly Robinson (Jason), and Meredith Calkins (Buzz); eight grandchildren; and siblings Steve Brown (Lin), Trevor Brown (Margaret), and Wendy Lincoln (Tom).

HONORARY DOCTORATES

2015 Jon A. Reynolds '59; please see page 73.

FORMER FACULTY

Richard B. "Dick" Crawford, professor of biology, emeritus, 89, of Somesville, Maine, died on June 27, 2022.

Crawford earned an A.B. from Kalamazoo College and a Ph.D. from the University of Rochester. Hired at Trinity at the rank of associate professor in 1967, he was granted tenure in 1970 and promoted to full professor in 1974. He continued to serve as a valued member of the Trinity faculty until his retirement in 1998.

Crawford is survived by his wife of 68 years, Betty; children Kate Crawford St. Denis '82 (Tony), Christine

In Memory Guidelines

We will not announce the death of a community member without first confirming with a previously published obituary or direct notification from a relative. Also, those who passed away more than two years prior to the date of publication will be listed in Death Notices, along with those for whom we do not have enough information for a longer obituary.

Bowman (Stephen), Kevin Crawford (Eileen), and Nancy Crawford (Scott Champney); four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; sister Barbara Cross (Bob); and sister-in-law Barbara Crawford. He was predeceased by his brother, Lewis Crawford.

Alta Lash, 75, of Hartford, died on June 16, 2022.

Lash, a former director of the Trinity Center for Neighborhoods and a visiting lecturer, earned bachelor's and master's degrees at St. Joseph College. As Sister Mary Jerome, a graduate of the Sisters of Mercy Convent, she served on the faculty of South Catholic High School. Lash later taught at the University of Connecticut and at Trinity; at the latter from 1995 to 2017, she taught "Organizing by Neighborhood," first in the Sociology Department and then in the Urban Studies Program, and she supervised students in internships and independent studies. While she never held an elected position, she was active as a community organizer for more than 40 years, serving as president of Hartford Areas Rally Together (HART) and founding United Connecticut Action for Neighborhoods (UCAN), for which she served as executive director, and United Seniors in Action.

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1946 Robert Loomis
1950 Francis Mullane
1951 Robert Bishop
1951 John Burbank
1951 Richard Chesbrough
1951 Richard Shelly
1953 Charles G. Burt
1953 Romilly Humphries
1954 Bruce Shaw
1955 Samuel Dachs
1956 George Whitaker
1956 Hugh A. Zimmerman
1957 Bruce R. Baker
1957 William E. Learnard
1959 Robert Perce Jr.
1960 James S. Pogorzelski
1961 John Michael Cramer
1961 Peter Kemble
1969 Keith Hinch
1971 Joel H. Houston
1972 Candee Treadway
1974 Robert Fratini
1975 Sheila Cureton
1979 Paul Sloane
1981 Eng Seng Loh
1987 Arturo M. Valldejuly
M.S. 1963 Francis Byrne
M.A. 1977 Alan MacMillan
M.A. 2002 Carolyn Green Blouin
M.A. 2002 Donald Fenton

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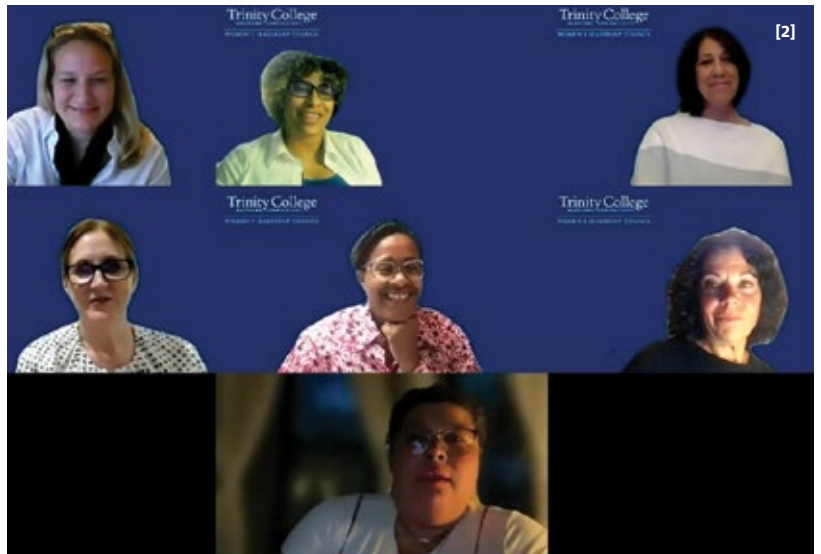
[1] GETTING BACK TO BUSINESS: INVESTING IN HARTFORD AND CONNECTICUT WITH SHAWN WOODEN '91, PETER DENIOUS '90, P'26, AND JULIE GIONFRIDDO '96, M'05; MODERATED BY MATT SMITH '82, P'19

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[2] WOMEN & WORK: THE CONVERSATION CONTINUES WITH ANNETTE FERNANDEZ '96, BETH GALVIN '88, LISA IANNONE '86, MONICA NOVOMISLE '97, MICHELE SAUNDERS '84, AND JOY WRIGHT '95; MODERATED BY YAREL SILVERIO MARSHALL '96

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[3] FROM SEED ROUND TO SERIES A: A ROUNDTABLE CONVERSATION WITH IAN CONNETT, ESQ. '07, AND PAUL MORICO, ESQ. '87

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[5] PRESIDENTIAL RECEPTION

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Tanisha Rufus P'23, Jackie Bishop '91, Kenneth Hughes P'22, and Kinnard Hughes '22

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Molly Girzadas '26, Kathleen Girzadas P'26, and Richard Curry P'23

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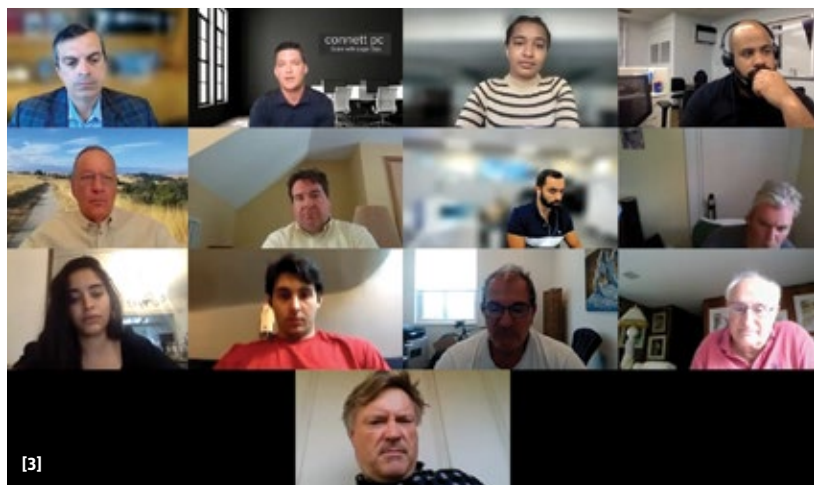
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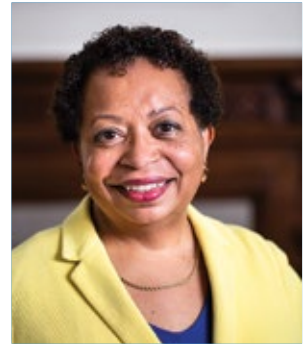
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Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney



Refining educational goals in the 21st century

We recently had the distinct pleasure of welcoming the Class of 2026. As it is every year, when the newest class matriculates at Trinity College, they join ready to cultivate their curiosity and to choose a path, sometimes circuitous, that will lead them for the next four years and beyond. This path may be straight and conventional, but more likely it will be unconventional and unique. It might involve an internship made possible by a generous alum or scientific research inspired by a fundamental question asked in a humanities classroom. It might involve two majors and a minor or vice versa. In any case, part of the benefit of a small liberal arts college is that if the drive to try a new course of study is there, then faculty and staff will work with the student to make it happen. This is the kind of entrepreneurial spirit for which Trinity is known.

As a college president, I have no greater calling than to ensure that students—faculty, too—have the tools to be successful inside and outside the classroom in a dynamically changing world. After they receive the core of our liberal arts education—one that promotes intellectual inquiry and a foundation of analytical skills—what more might we provide our students to ensure they thrive in this ever-changing world? What destinations will our students seek as they grow intellectually, socially, physically, and spiritually? What new destinations might come into focus for them by way of a Trinity education?

Trinity has been guided by a set of established principles—teach what is relevant and enduring—for almost 200 years, with details that have evolved over time for the better. By now, you're well aware that the college's bicentennial is fast approaching, officially arriving in 2023. In fact, I have been humbled by the excitement and show of support for the occasion. A bicentennial is a prodigious milestone that affords us an opportunity to take pride in our long history and to set aspirations for our shared future.

Just last year, we introduced Trinity Plus, our new curriculum for the future. The "Plus" reflects the countless opportunities for applied and experiential real-world learning experiences while maintaining the strength of Trinity's core liberal arts education. As part of the new curriculum, we provide the time to experience opportunities for individualized study, research, and learning, as well as the space to examine a more expansive definition of wellness that acknowledges the importance of personal, societal, and community well-being.

On the heels of our new curriculum, last spring our faculty articulated our new learning goals. Many might call this a North

Star, and given the evolution of our curriculum, it is invaluable to have a set of educational objectives to ground future programs and to create a baseline understanding of how a Trinity education changes lives. Giving students a way to think and talk about what they have learned makes it easier for them to put their knowledge into practice. Our learning goals are as follows.

AS A RESULT OF A TRINITY EDUCATION, OUR GOAL IS FOR EVERY STUDENT TO:

- Acquire a broad base of knowledge and perspectives, across multiple disciplines and fields, cultivating curiosity and commitment as lifelong learners;
- Achieve depth of knowledge in at least one field, developing the ability to work both independently and collaboratively;
- Develop strong analytical and critical thinking skills, including the capacity to read complex texts and to use and interpret data, both quantitative and qualitative;
- Become effective communicators, learning to write, listen, and convey ideas clearly, persuasively, and creatively to multiple audiences and across various contexts, languages, and media;
- Understand the rich diversity of human experiences, appreciating the urgent problems facing society while becoming attuned to both local and global contexts as ethical citizens;
- Gain experiences that connect knowledge with practice, both inside and outside of the classroom;
- Obtain the tools to maintain personal well-being, contribute positively to a heterogenous community, and live a healthy, balanced life.

As we knock on the door of celebrating our third century, Trinity's redeveloped learning goals convey a shared vision to which all students who successfully complete a Trinity education can aspire. I believe a Trinity education is greater than the sum of its parts, achieved through coursework, programs, internships, community service, deep personal relationships, and much more. I find that clearly articulating our learning goals provides value by clarifying what we are trying to accomplish and framing the activities we undertake to achieve them.

For our students, these goals are a reference as they progress through their Trinity education as great thinkers and determined doers. As our students embark on a life of learning, we hope our education allows them to become their own best teachers, and that they, eventually as alumni, find the destinations they seek in life. ■



“For me, this is the start of a lasting tradition of giving to Trinity.”




As a student at Trinity College, **Pearl Rourke '21** forged a path of engagement and leadership on campus. As one of Trinity's newest alums, she sees no reason to change course. Pearl is an active member of the Women's Leadership Council and a member of the Trinity Club of Hartford's Executive Committee. She is also continuing her parents' legacy as alumni donors by joining the Long Walk Societies. “I had a wonderful experience at Trinity and was inspired to make a leadership gift so that others can have an extraordinary opportunity,” she shared. “I see my gift having a positive impact to empower the next generation of Trinity students.”

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