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Humanities at the heart of the UNE experience

I AM REMINDED OF THE IMPORTANT ROLE THE HUMANITIES PLAY IN THE PROGRESS AND CULTURE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND.



President Danielle N. Ripich, Ph.D.

This past summer, I enjoyed a walk through the Sculpture Garden at the UNE Art Gallery, and heard stories shared by students and faculty returning from academic and service trips around the world (some of which you'll read about in this issue). St. Francis College and Westbrook Junior College all contribute to the legacy of humanities at our institution.

Although the health sciences are a strong and visible part of UNE, a liberal arts education is central to our University mission. UNE undergraduate students receive a broad education that enriches their experiences throughout their lives. Moreover, people with a solid liberal arts education, one that includes the humanities, social sciences, business and economics, and the various disciplines within the biological sciences, make great physicians, educators, social workers, health care providers, and professionals of all sorts.

In the last few years, we have strengthened the humanities at UNE. We have transformed Marcil Hall into a humanities building with a new seminar room; moved the Art department into a

much lovelier space and hired a permanent Chair; restructured our Special Collections in the Library under a Director position to take better advantage of opportunities to share our archives in the Maine Women Writers Collection, the Osteopathic Heritage Collection, the Westbrook College Archives, and the George and Barbara Bush Center materials; and developed theater productions in conjunction with the Biddeford City Theater in order to provide dramatic opportunities for our students.

The University-wide Center for Global Humanities seminar series benefits our College of Arts and Sciences students. Through high-caliber lectures – streamed online and archived for further use – UNE's programs in this field are being recognized, and people are watching lectures live from around the globe. Our 2010-11 seminar series features world-class scholars, such as historians Gordon Wood and William Cronon, as well as our own Beth DeWolfe. I encourage you to attend these events, either online or in person. The CGH calendar is on UNE's website at www.une.edu/cgh/seminars.

The University has developed the post of Associate Provost for Global Initiatives to globalize the academic experience of our students. We expect our students to graduate with a good knowledge of the world's cultural traditions and to function successfully in overseas locations, especially in non-English speaking countries or communities. In addition to the wide range of international and intercultural educational opportunities we offer through our Center for International Education, we are exploring the possibility of offering our academic programs in Morocco, Spain, France and Latin America.

When I am asked how UNE is addressing the challenges around education and the humanities, I respond that we are not merely maintaining our program in the humanities, but are investing and expanding substantially in this important part of the University.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Danielle Ripich".

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UNE Connects with Communities Near and Far

FROM PORTLAND TO HAITI, THE HANDS-ON IMPACT OF UNE STUDENTS, FACULTY AND ALUMNI IS FELT AROUND THE GLOBE

UNE Gulf Research Experience Sets the Stage for Future Study on Impact of Oil Spill

By Kathleen Taggersell

Marine Biology Professor James Sulikowski, Ph.D., had no intention of encountering an oil spill when he brought 14 students in his Biology 421, Physiological Ecology of Fish course, to Ocean Springs, Miss., May 23-31. This is the second consecutive year he has made the trip to the Gulf Coast Research Laboratory (GCRL), affiliated with the University of Southern Mississippi, for an intensive summer lab program. This year the trip came on the heels of the now-infamous BP oil spill, and while it was too early to see the immediate impact of this environmental

disaster in Mississippi, the research they conducted will be a valuable barometer for future study of the health of the species they investigated.

Biology 421 is a UNE spring semester course that includes both a class and a lab component. The lab portion, which takes place at GCRL, enables

students to experience a unique ecosystem and different species than those found in coastal Maine. Some of these species include Gafftop catfish, Hardhead catfish, and white trout, all considered predators; and Atlantic croaker, considered a food species for many fish in the Gulf.

"I like to use this class as a springboard to show students what graduate school might be like, and the kind of research they will conduct," says Sulikowski.

The class provides a real-world view into the work of a marine biologist. Sulikowski explains: "We take students out on a Gulf Coast Research vessel, where they set handlines for sharks and conduct trawl surveys in order to catch the fish they will use in their experiments. Some of these students have never seen a shark, let alone handle one. So the opportunity to draw blood from a five foot blacktip and then tag and release it is quite an experience for them.

Back at the lab, students conduct research experiments where they artificially alter the environment of their fish species. Students then draw blood from their fish species and run experiments on that blood sample to see how each fish copes with environmental change. Students write up their results and present them to the class as a group. "The students work night and day...it is a very intense experience," says Sulikowski.

UNE marine biology graduate student Leigh Engel, who assisted with this year's class, concurs: "It was truly representative of the field. Unlike other 'cookbook' labs, we completed our own test and analysis from beginning to end without any substitutions. We were able to see



and test a wide range of species that only the Gulf would have to offer. The class gained information that may be currently absent or unknown in scientific journals.”

Troubleshooting problems such as finicky instruments, high humidity, and long hours was a daily occurrence. States Engel, “I have never begun a class with such an understanding of the limit of my knowledge. The class gave me a powerful understanding of the seemingly simple existence of fish. I have a completely new sense of respect and curiosity for the marine world.”

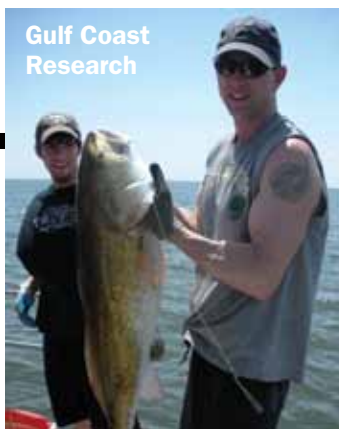
The fish studies included both control and experimental sets. By taking note of initial parameters, then stressing the fish – changing the salinity or the temperature of the water, for example – students saw the physiological changes the fish undertake to adapt to their environment. Not surprisingly, they found that each fish adapts differently to changes in their environment. While Dr. Sulikowski was originally interested in the impacts of global warming, the Gulf oil spill now presents unfortunate new opportunities for research.

Since it has run two consecutive years and studied the same species of fish, Dr. Sulikowski’s class research provides a unique opportunity to conduct future experiments to assess the impact of the Gulf oil spill on these species. “There is no previous physiological data on these fish. The older literature is just anecdotal,” he says.

He is working to secure funding to research the impact of the oil spill on apex predators (otherwise known as sharks), especially with regard to endocrine disruption that would affect mating abilities. Like mammals, sharks pass toxins on through the placenta to offspring, so Dr. Sulikowski’s research can monitor the effects of the oil spill on current and future shark populations.

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– Leigh Engel, Marine Biology Graduate Student



TOP: Fish in the Gulf provided Dr. James Sulikowski and students many opportunities for research; BELOW: You can travel the world and still be close to UNE as two alumni recently discovered. Dr. Deborah Lardner and Dr. Justine Crowley had a similar mission to help earthquake survivors in Haiti and that brought them together, far from home.

Medical school alumni respond to Haiti’s health care needs

By James Gaffney

With more than 2,500 alumni, and nearly 500 current students, it is common for graduates of the College of Osteopathic Medicine to run into others in the New England region. Sometimes chance meetings also happen far outside the region.

Finding a fellow alumna in Haiti may appear to be a far greater stretch, but that’s the circumstance that prompted Deborah Lardner, DO, ’00, to contact her alma mater earlier this year. An assistant professor in the department of emergency medicine at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine of New York Institute of Technology, Dr. Lardner also serves on the faculty of the school’s Center for Global Health. She has extensive experience in urban emergency medicine but has also worked in more rural communities, and went to Haiti following

the January 12 earthquake.

"I had the opportunity to go to Haiti this year and work with some of the earthquake victims," Lardner wrote. "What a surprise to find another UNE graduate in the middle of the rubble. Dr. Justine Crowley, '02, had been there since shortly after the quake and with her specialty of orthopedics, her services were critical."

Dr. Crowley specializes in trauma and fracture care, reconstructive surgery and sports medicine. Shortly after the January earthquake destroyed much of the island, she left her Colorado Springs practice and home to serve the people of Haiti. She has been in the country for most of the year, and is now working with the J/P Haitian Relief Organization, the charitable foundation established by actor, director and humanitarian Sean Penn and philanthropist Diana Jenkins that has treated more than 100,000 people since the initial earthquake.

Other COM alumni have also provided care to the people of Haiti. Kate Lewis, DO, '10, spent time in the country

we could be helpful on going the week of Jon's spring break, so we signed up to go," Lewis wrote. "Jon and I have both travelled extensively in developing countries (providing various humanitarian services) and intend to work in development in some capacity for most or all of our careers. Though Haiti was overwhelming and devastating, it was also a genuine delight for us because of the much-needed reminder of our motivation in medicine."

As part of their return trip, they took a large collection of tents donated by COM students, faculty and staff, and friends and colleagues. "Port au Prince was a city designed for 500,000 inhabitants, but two million were living there when the earthquake hit," said Dr. Lewis. "So many folks don't even have tents (or even) bed sheets and use pieces of plastic stretched over broken tree limbs. Even people who have structurally sound homes are still mostly sleeping outside, afraid of another quake."

Firas Naji, DO, '10, also spent time in Haiti earlier this year as a member of the

everywhere, all soaked in sweat in the 90 degree weather. We were instructed to take the patients outside with the other hundreds of patients waiting to be seen; there wasn't enough room in the tent."

Another alum helped Haiti from offshore. Commander William Wallace, DO '97, was in the waters off Haiti just days after the earthquake as the officer in charge of the U.S. Navy's Fleet Surgical Team EIGHT, and later as advisor for all floating medical assets in Haiti.

Maine-Harvard Prevention Research Center at home at UNE

The Maine-Harvard Prevention Research Center has a new home at UNE's Center for Community and Public Health on the Portland campus.

Since the year 2000, the MHPRC has collaborated with the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to work with local and statewide partners to conduct research, education and training aimed at reducing obesity, improving nutrition and increasing physical activity for children and adults. The Center for Community and Public Health is one of four centers of excellence at UNE and houses all of the university's public health research, training and education programs.

"We will add valuable research

"Though Haiti was overwhelming and devastating, it was also a genuine delight for us because of the much-needed reminder of our motivation in medicine." – Kate Lewis, DO '10

in between finishing her fourth-year elective rotations this past spring. She was joined by (now) third-year student Jon Peters during UNE's spring break. Following commencement for Lewis and part one of the osteopathic boards for Peters, they returned to Haiti for the month of July. They have been working with Partners In Development, a small non-profit organization originating in Ipswich, Mass.

"We liked what we read about their philosophies, and found they had a team

Islamic Medical Association of North America Relief Volunteer Team 5 based at Bojeux Hospital and also with the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne division.

Dr. Naji wrote about arriving near the entrance of the hospital which had been profoundly damaged by the earthquake, and arrived next to tents. "It was a scene I have only seen in pictures depicting hospitals 200 years ago. Two doctors, one nurse, and 14 patients laying on tables or stretchers, bees



Ron Deprez, Director of UNE's Center for Community and Public Health

capacity to the work of the MHPRC and provide an opportunity for students to work on their research and policy projects,” said Dr. Ron Deprez, director of UNE’s Center for Community and Public Health.

Over the next year, the MHPRC will evaluate Maine’s first-in-the-nation law to prohibit junk food advertising in school. It will also expand its current worksite wellness initiative, a collaborative with Harvard-based researchers to develop new obesity research and policy initiatives, and expand a child care center physical activity and nutrition program.

Prevention Research Centers are funded by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and are a network of academic researchers, public health agencies, and community members that conducts applied research in disease prevention and control. There are 37 Prevention Research Centers in the US and the Harvard Prevention Research Center was first funded in 1998 and is the only multi-state PRC.

Helping those most vulnerable

By Susan Pierter

The line started to form outside the Oxford Street Shelter for Men in Portland the evening of April 20 when one of the men asked, “Is it time yet?”

They were eagerly awaiting the start of a health fair organized by two registered nurse students enrolled in the bachelor’s of science completion nursing program at the Westbrook College of Health Professions. Brenda Connell, ‘10 and Liz Williams, ‘10 were inspired by an initial visit to the shelter organized by one of their professors.



ABOVE: Westbrook College of Health Professions graduates Brenda Connell, ‘10 and Liz Williams, ‘10 have engaged others in an interprofessional approach to helping those in need. The Physician Assistant group (below) is among them: PA Program Director George Bottomley, Catherine Marcucci, Matthew Picard and Kristen Hall.

They remember being overwhelmed at the thought prior to their first visit, but once inside realized they had found people who were truly grateful for what they had to offer as health professionals. They knew they could make a difference in the lives of the men being served.

So they expanded the regular group of nursing student volunteers to create an interprofessional health fair last spring with volunteers from other UNE graduate programs – physician assistants, physical therapists and occupational therapists.

When the doors opened, men dispersed among the stations – a table was set up by PA students for vision assessments including retinal screenings and distribution of reading glasses for those who needed them. A sun safety table offered skin checks, and free sunscreen samples since the men, who are homeless, spend a lot of time outdoors.

Nursing students offered blood pressure screenings, foot assessments, and offered information on back mechanics including a session on how to properly fill a back pack, since many of the shelter’s



clients carry their belongings around with them at all times.

PT students evaluated gait control and fit the clients with the appropriate shoes, donated by the Preble Street Resource Center, while OT students checked for sensory and integrative skills. The health fair was “incredibly successful,” according to the shelter’s director, Josh O’Brien.

“When students and faculty of UNE come to the shelter, the effects are felt well beyond the day of their visit.”

He said many of the men took the advice of the students and sought further care within the city’s health care services

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– Josh O’Brien, Oxford Street Shelter Director

program for the homeless. One client went to Mercy Hospital where he was diagnosed with an infection that ultimately may have saved his leg.

The shelter is operated by the City of Portland’s Health and Human Services Department and has a capacity of 129 beds each night. The average age of the men served ranges from 41-55 years of age.

“I am so proud of what Brenda and Liz have accomplished,” said Karen Pardue, assistant dean for undergraduate education/associate professor of nursing who has coordinated student volunteer efforts at the shelter since 2007. “Now that they have graduated (Brenda works at Maine Medical Center and Liz at Coastal Women’s Healthcare), they remain engaged in monthly planning meetings to ensure that what they started at the shelter is sustainable.”

A presentation on this interprofessional community service and learning project will be featured October 13 at Noon at the Eleanor DeWolfe Ludcke, ’26 Auditorium on the Portland campus.

Pharmacy event brings peace of mind to the community

By Susan Pierter

The first collaboration between UNE’s College of Pharmacy and the City of Portland’s Public Health Division for a community drug collection was a

Community Drug Collection



Dega Dhalac, a community health outreach worker in the minority health program with the City of Portland works alongside Matt LaCroix, a faculty member at UNE’s College of Pharmacy, counting pills and sorting medications at a successful community collection.

huge success.

Held on June 4 at the College of Pharmacy, the event yielded four 55-gallon drums (220 gallons) of non-controlled/over-the-counter pharmaceuticals; 10 gallons of pressurized products, such as inhalers; and more than 13 gallons of needles and sharps. The controlled substances collected included 19,623.5 pills and patches; 4,132.9 milliliters of liquids; and 475,090 milligrams of creams and gels.

And the collection cleared more than the medicine cabinets in the homes where the drugs were stored. It brought peace of mind to members of the community who participated.

Cathy McQuiston’s husband died a couple of months prior to the event.

“My husband was in hospice care, and he had to have liquid medication, so I had tons of big jars of it,” she told Maine Public Radio reporter, Josie Huang, who covered the event.

She was aware of the hazards when medication is not properly disposed.

“You don’t want to just pour it down the sink because it gets in the water, and

you don’t want to put narcotics just out in the trash because somebody could just pick it up and take it.”

Faculty members in the College of Pharmacy helped City of Portland public health workers sort the medications, which were guarded by members of the city’s police department.

The collection benefited both the environment and personal safety of the participants. Matt LaCroix, an assistant professor at the College of Pharmacy said, “We don’t want you mixing up medications that are no longer prescribed for you with medications that you are currently on, because most people keep all the medication in one place.”

All of the controlled medications collected at the College of Pharmacy were removed from the building by law enforcement officers and incinerated at a “witness” or “controlled” burn, according to Shane Gallagher of the City of Portland’s Public Health Division. Non-controlled medications were picked up at the college by a hazardous waste contractor and then taken to a hazardous waste incineration plant that is certified for pharmaceutical destruction. ■



A Leading Contributor to Maine's Economy

A recent independent economic impact study conducted on behalf of University of New England (UNE) by Planning Decisions, Inc. (PDI), details the university's substantial economic benefit to the state of Maine in 2010. The report was prepared by PDI Chief Economist Chuck Lawton.

UNE'S IMPACT ON MAINE'S ECONOMY TOTALS MORE THAN \$341 MILLION ANNUALLY. IN ADDITION, STUDENTS WHO GRADUATED FROM UNE IN 2010 WHO PLAN TO STAY IN MAINE WILL ADD MORE THAN \$216 MILLION TO THE STATE'S ECONOMY OVER THEIR LIFETIME, BRINGING THE TOTAL IMPACT TO NEARLY \$560 MILLION. THIS "HUMAN CAPITAL" IS AN ANNUAL AND LASTING INVESTMENT IN MAINE'S FUTURE ECONOMY.

Positive Impact Far and Wide

Of the nearly 6,000 students UNE serves, 1,253 live on campus in Biddeford or Portland, while 2,095 commute from surrounding communities. The university now serves more than 1,145 students within and outside Maine through its distance education programs. Collectively, UNE students spend more than \$32 million per year in Maine.

The University employs nearly 1,000 people and has a total operational budget of \$127 million for faculty, staff, educational and research operations.

UNE students are actively engaged in their communities, volunteering more than 10,000 hours of community service each year to more than 150 community agencies, organizations and schools. The commercial value of these services is more than \$1 million each year.

UNE's beautiful 540-acre Biddeford Campus and 41-acre Portland Campus include 43 buildings that are together valued at more than \$100 million. The University spends between \$8 and \$15 million each year maintaining and upgrading its facilities. Moreover, more than 22,000 out-of-state visitors come to UNE each year, and spend over \$8 million in the state.

UNE's total operational, capital, student and visitor spending combined contribute \$180 million in direct sales for Maine businesses and workers. These sales coming from UNE and its non-Maine students filter through to boost Maine's economy, providing over \$68 million in indirect sales to suppliers to UNE and UNE-related businesses and nearly \$93 million in induced sales to Maine businesses selling to Maine households working at UNE and UNE-related businesses. Together these sales amount to \$161 million each year.

The Big Picture

UNE's total sales impact on Maine's economy amounts to \$341 million annually for Maine businesses, supporting 2,600 jobs that provide over \$127 million in income to Maine households.

The PDI report does not quantify UNE's substantial contributions to social services and the humanities in the state. For example, UNE's College of Osteopathic Medicine (COM) is the number-one provider of physicians for the state of Maine. The Maine Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Network, which operates from COM, delivers critical health care education and resources to rural and underserved communities in nine Maine counties.

UNE's Portland Campus is home to both the Art Gallery featuring works of internationally acclaimed artists such as photographer Abelardo Morell, as well as the acclaimed Maine Women Writers Collection, a permanently endowed library special collection of literary, cultural, and social history sources by and about Maine women authors.

UNE's Biddeford Campus is home to the George and Barbara Bush Center and Legacy Collection, which houses material anchoring the Bush legacy in Maine, including memorabilia on loan from the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library at Texas A & M University.

The report reinforces what many have long known about UNE – as an educational, cultural, social and economic enterprise, the University of New England is a thriving institution that changes lives and brings lasting value to its students and the greater community.



Kneka Smith

Alumna champions University's plan for improved access to dental care

By Susan Pierter

A NATIVE OF MAINE, KNEKA SMITH LEFT THE MID COAST AREA AFTER HIGH SCHOOL TO PURSUE A DEGREE AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST. FROM A LARGE AND LOVING HARD-WORKING MAINE FAMILY, SHE WAS THE FIRST TO GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE AND ACHIEVED THIS WITH HONORS AT WEST-BROOK COLLEGE, NOW UNE.

An internship with the Maine Bureau of Health in her final year of undergraduate education exposed her to broader health issues and the impact of oral health on overall health. She spent a brief period in private practice, but then transitioned into dental public health with the state of Maine, and later with the state of Arizona, serving as dental director.

Her public health roles led to work on population-based approaches to oral disease prevention, improving access to health care, and local, state and national health policy issues. She completed a professional master's degree in public health with a focus on health policy and administration at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill.

When she learned that UNE was planning to address the region's impending crisis in dental care access, it hit home. And that's where she headed, leaving behind her position as the inaugural academic dean at A.T. Still University, Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health. She now serves as UNE's Associate Dean of Planning for UNE's College of Dental Medicine.

"We are fortunate that Professor Smith came home to UNE when we needed her most, as a champion for this worthy cause that will positively impact so many people," said UNE President Danielle Ripich. "Her efforts have helped shape the right model of dental education for Maine and get out the message that now is the right time to move ahead with a dental school in order to improve access to care in northern New England."

UNE is planning to build a College of Dental Medicine, and Northeast Delta Dental has contributed the lead gift of \$2.3 million to make this a reality. In addition to this, UNE worked with state Rep. Gary Connor and state Sen. Jonathan Courtney who co-sponsored a bi-partisan bill that was passed by the Maine legislature last spring giving Maine voters the opportunity to support a \$5 million bond referendum in November. If passed the bond funds would provide \$3.5 million for a dental teaching clinic, and \$1.5 million to upgrade community-based health centers throughout the state to increase their capacity to take dental students on clinical rotations.



UNE hosts camp to inspire next generation of dentists

In July, students from high schools throughout Maine participated in a dental careers aspiration camp at UNE's Portland campus. The 17 students had the opportunity to explore several possible careers in dental medicine including dental hygiene, general dentistry and laboratory technician. They experienced these fields by practicing dental techniques with a simulator that mimics a patient, and learned how to read X-rays for diagnosis. The program was sponsored by TD Bank, The Betterment Fund and Bangor Savings Bank, and hosted by UNE and the Maine AHEC Network.

Dental Camp participants shared their thoughts with Portland Press Herald reporter, Kelley Bouchard:

Marcques Houston of Monmouth Academy: "I'm going to be a freshman this fall, so I'm looking into a few careers in the medical field. I like science, and periodontics sounded interesting."

Devin Ward of Greenville, a student at the Maine School of Science and Math: "Dentistry is definitely on my list of careers to consider. Being able to do this now, before I'm stuck in a major, is great. And I would definitely be willing to come back to Maine if dentists are needed here."



All dental bond funds will be awarded on a competitive basis, not earmarked for UNE or any other institution. But as the largest educator of health professionals in the state, UNE is uniquely positioned to open a College of Dental Medicine and the additional funding is critical. The new college is planned for the Portland campus, joining the Westbrook College of Health Professions, and the College of Pharmacy which opened a year ago.

The need for increased access to dental care in Maine is great. According to the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), every county in Maine has one or more designated dental health professional shortage areas. Poor oral health is associated with health conditions such as stroke, heart disease, diabetes and risks for women who are pregnant.

"When I left the state in 1998, I was aware of the significant oral disease burden faced by Maine people as well as the challenges in accessing dental care. The situation is getting worse," said Smith, citing:

- 41% of Maine dentists are 55 years or older, and the American Dental Education Association forecasts that in five years more dentists will be retiring from the workforce than graduating from school.
- Maine has the greatest percentage of elders with complete tooth loss among the New England states.
- The leading reason for emergency department visits among MaineCare and uninsured young adults aged 15-44 was dental disease, accounting for almost 12,000 visits. The average cost for dental care in an emergency department is 10 times that for the same procedures when provided in a clinical setting.

"I am excited to be home, in Maine and at UNE, and to be a part of a long-term investment in the state's health work force while working to improve the health of people who need it most," said Smith. "UNE's plans will not only increase access to dental care by adding 60,000 new patient visits a year to the groups most in need of oral health care, it will educate future dentists to address the long-term oral health needs of the region."

Students of UNE's proposed College of Dental Medicine would be recruited from throughout Maine, and offered resident scholarships to help with tuition. With 40 students per class, thousands of patient hours will be provided by students during their third year practicing in a Portland teaching clinic. During their fourth year they would be placed in community dental clinics throughout the state for extended 6-12 month clinical externships where they would deliver dental care under direct faculty supervision to thousands of patients.

"This model is ideal for Maine because people will be able to access dental services throughout the state, and communities will be more likely to recruit dental school graduates to stay and work in the communities where they participated in long-term clinical externships," said Smith. ■

UNE holds first University-wide commencement ceremony

UNE Commencement 2010 took place on May 22 at the Cumberland County Civic Center in Portland.

This was UNE's first University-wide commencement ceremony, incorporating all five of the University's colleges. UNE awarded 1,172 associate's, bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees at the ceremony.

The 2010 Commencement was also the 175th anniversary of the first graduation of students from Westbrook Seminary, which is part of UNE's rich heritage with roots in Westbrook College (founded in 1831 as Westbrook Seminary), St. Francis College, and the New England College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Harvey V. Fineberg, M.D., Ph.D., president of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies, served as commencement speaker and was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Science Degree at the ceremony.



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US News & World Report recognizes College of Osteopathic Medicine among the best

US News & World Report has released its Best Graduate Schools 2011 ranking of professional graduate school disciplines, including medicine and its various specialties. UNE's College of Osteopathic Medicine was recognized as sixth in the nation for its leadership in primary care training, as well as its rural medicine and geriatrics programs, both earning top-20 honors.

Since its founding in 1978, the College has graduated nearly 2,400 physician alumni. Of all licensed physicians in Maine, more have graduated from UNE's College of Osteopathic Medicine than any other medical school in the world. UNE's commitment to the education of primary care physicians is unmatched by any other medical school in New England, and the *US News & World Report* ranking now places it among the best in the nation.

The overall rankings include 20 accredited schools of osteopathic (DO granting) medicine, as well as 126 accredited allopathic (MD granting)

programs. The rankings are based on expert opinions about program quality and statistical indicators that measure the quality of a school's faculty, research, and students. Highlights of the 2011 graduate school rankings are published in the May print issue of *U.S. News & World Report*.

Primary care resident training: UNE ranked 6th

The College's mission of educating the nation's primary care leaders is reflected in the *US News* rankings, which rank UNE as sixth in the nation for schools that turn out the most graduates entering primary care residency training

programs. These programs include family medicine, general internal medicine and pediatrics. This ranking is borne out by the following statistics:

- 10 percent of all practicing physicians in the state of Maine, and 15 percent of Maine's primary care physician workforce, are COM graduates.
- More than 60 percent of COM graduates practice in a primary care specialty (family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics), where Maine's needs are the greatest.

For the *US News* specialty rankings, medical school deans and senior faculty selected the best programs using peer assessment surveys. Two UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine programs made the top-20 list:

Specialty rankings:

Rural Medicine: UNE ranked 17th

The substantial shortage of primary care physicians nationwide is more significant in underserved areas and among vulnerable populations. Through a partnership with the Maine Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Network, headquartered on the UNE campus, COM reinforces its commitment to rural primary care in Maine by requiring clinical training for students in rural and underserved areas. Consequently, many graduates choose to remain in rural areas after graduation, as recognized in the *US News* ranking. Moreover:

- 25 percent of physicians practicing in Maine's rural areas are COM graduates.
- 17 percent of COM graduates are practicing in medically underserved areas of New England.



Specialty rankings:

Geriatrics: UNE ranked 20th

In the Best Medical Schools specialty ranking for geriatrics, UNE's College of Osteopathic Medicine Geriatric Medicine program was ranked 20th nationwide. Its innovative curriculum includes the nationally recognized "Learning by Living" program, which places medical students in area nursing homes to live the lives of a resident; and U-ExCEL, a fitness program that was recently awarded the Maine Governor's Council on Physical Activity 2010 Maine Fitness Award in the Special Populations Category.

The survey data also showed that COM students bear some of the highest debt in the nation. Dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Senior Vice President for Health Affairs Marc B. Hahn, D.O., announced a strategic plan for the College of Osteopathic Medicine in January 2010 which includes a plan to address student debt through planned strategic growth in class size and an increase in mission-specific activities.

Dr. Hahn stated, "The College of Osteopathic Medicine's Patient-First Curriculum focuses on creating outstanding physicians who are health care leaders that advance primary care and community health. I am pleased by the *US News & World Report* rankings and our peer recognition, which demonstrate not only the effectiveness of COM's mission with regard to primary care education, but also our leadership in rural practice and geriatric medicine."



COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

Medical School appoints Associate Dean of Academic Affairs

THE COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE WELCOMED PETER

BRIAN DANE, DO, in the spring as the associate dean of academic affairs, a new position at the College.

Dr. Dane joined UNE from Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine where he was associate dean for pre-doctoral education, associate professor for the department of family medicine, and a staff physician for the Express Care Service. Dr. Dane received a bachelor of science from the University of Notre Dame and a doctor of osteopathic medicine from Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

"The position of associate dean for academic affairs was created to enhance the undergraduate medical education curriculum," said Marc Hahn, DO, senior vice president for Health Affairs and dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine. "This position is critical for overseeing the incorporation of the ever expanding volume of medical knowledge, as well as the incorporation of the lat-

est technologies and techniques in education content delivery."

Dr. Hahn added, "The UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine is fortunate to have an individual of Dr. Dane's caliber join us."

Dr. Dane has a distinguished list of awards, including the 2009 Clinical Preceptor of the Year award from Ohio University. In his new position, he is responsible for the academic program for years 1-4 in the medical school.

Dr. Dane is certified by both the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine and the American Board of Emergency Medicine. He joined the faculty of Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1979 and became increasingly involved in medical education while maintaining the full-time practice of emergency medicine. In 1993, he was appointed assistant dean for curriculum. In 2004, he was appointed associate dean for pre-doctoral education and assumed responsibility for overseeing the entire four-year medical education program for the College.

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– Marc B. Hahn, DO



Top: The Hiratas pose for a photo on the steps of Hersey Hall while visiting the Portland campus on May 10. Below: A native of Tokyo, Riokichi Ito (middle row, far right) was a member of the Westbrook Seminary Class of 1901. The photograph can be found on page 20 of the book, *Westbrook College Campus*, by Joyce K. Bibber.

Connections to UNE span generations and continents

On May 10, UNE's Portland campus hosted the grandson of alumnus, Riokichi Ito – a member of the Class of 1901 at Westbrook Seminary, now UNE's Portland campus.

Bobby Gray, reference and instruction librarian for the Josephine S. Abplanalp Library, organized the visit with Takuo Hirata and his wife of Japan. Among the guests who attended were: Westbrook Junior College alumna Joyce Bibber, a former assistant dean of students and author of *The Westbrook College Campus*; and former Westbrook College faculty member, Jaqueline Field, author of *American Silk*.

During the visit, Mr. Hirata said his grandfather's family had sent him to attend school in the United States to gain experience in the silk industry. He attended Wesleyan Academy in Wilbraham, Mass., before attending the Westbrook Seminary. After graduation, he worked in the silk industry in New York before returning to Japan and the family business.

Mr. Hirata brought many photos of his grandfather that will be kept on file in the library on the Portland campus.

UNE ART GALLERY



Brigitte Keller, *Early Morning*

Featured in the current exhibition at the UNE Art Gallery, *The Architecture of Environmental Landscapes, Within and Without*

The Architecture of Environmental Landscapes, Within & Without

ON EXHIBITION THROUGH DECEMBER 19, 2010

The Architecture of Environmental Landscapes deals with landscapes close to home and far away, showing both the health of the planet and some of the challenges we face.

Participating artists include: Aaron Stephan, Beverly Hallam, Melita Westerlund, Mark Emerson, Anthony Muench, Brigitte Keller, Christopher Becker, Leila Cherkaoui, Stephen Burt, Denise Froehlich, Lois Weingarten, Mimi Gregoire-Carpenter, Joe Delaney, Murad Sayen, as well as photographs documenting the work by UNE Environmental Studies faculty including Owen Grumbling, Pam Morgan, Bethany Woodworth, Rick Peterson, Michelle Steen-Adams, Mark Adams and Noah Perlut.

The Ninth Annual Sculpture Garden is also on exhibition through October 31. It features works by 30 artists and spreads from the area in and around the Gallery itself to spaces in the Portland Campus Quadrangle

Changing lives through global citizenship

By Kathleen Taggersell

UNE History Professor Paul Burlin, Ph.D., who has lived and taught in Brazil, accompanied students on an extraordinary service-learning course May 23–June 1, Global Citizenship (CIT 400), that included classes at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte.

Students learned about the history of Brazil and were introduced to the Portuguese language. They also volunteered in poverty-stricken neighborhoods and traveled to the beautiful seaside town of Ponta Negra.

“This Citizenship course, involving as it did, eight days of service learning in the northeast of Brazil, was one of the most rewarding experiences of my 20 years of teaching at UNE,” said Burlin. “The students worked hard in the equatorial sun, mostly painting houses in poor neighborhoods. They loved their interaction with Brazilians, and most of them want to go back next year when I do this again.”

Dr. Burlin added, “After 15 years of involvement with Brazil, and teaching at two Brazilian universities, the opportunity to take students to a place I have come to love, and to work in poverty stricken neighborhoods there, was personally quite fulfilling. But what made the experience even more rewarding was to see the students engage with people from a much different culture, to come to see the value in learning another language, and to appreciate the fact that most of us who live in the United States have quite privileged lives. On leaving, I told the students that I not only enjoyed the time with them, but was honored to be with them.”

Students agreed. Michael Nataupsky, an English major in the Class of 2011, shared, “My time in Brazil was extraordinary...Not only did we have the opportunity to assist people who were living in extreme circumstances of poverty, but we were submerged into a culture that I personally fell in love with.”

He added, “I’m also an English major at UNE, and when I was considering attending the trip to Brazil I wasn’t entirely sure how it would connect to my overall education... Upon my



The service-learning trip to Brazil was an affirming and life-changing experience for UNE students and the people and communities they touched.

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arrival in Brazil, and throughout the duration of the time I spent there, I discovered that English wasn’t the only language I had passion for – I found myself falling in love with Portuguese.”

Says Nataupsky, “Brazil changed my life — it allowed me to develop a passion for a second language, gave me motivation to pursue teaching English in another country, and resulted in experiences and memories that I will never forget.”

Paul D. Merrill Business Ethics Lecture



The state of Maine was fortunate to have as its adopted son, Matthew Simmons of North Haven, Maine, who passed away in August. The UNE community had the opportunity to meet the internationally known energy expert in April when he served as speaker at the third annual Paul D. Merrill Business Ethics Lecture on the Portland Campus. He was photographed at the event (far left) with Ethan Merrill, UNE Trustee Sandi Goolden, and former Governor Angus King. Simmons was co-founder of the Ocean Energy Institute in Rockland. His book, *Twilight in the Desert: The Coming Saudi Oil Shock and the World Economy*, is listed on the *Wall Street Journal's* best-seller list.

Politics keep UNE professor out front



WHEN IT WAS ANNOUNCED ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2008 that Bristol Palin was pregnant, her mother was governor of Alaska and the newly-announced running mate to presidential candidate John McCain. It was one of many situations when inevitably the roles of family and politics come into play in the political arena. And that's when a television reporter from WMTW TV 8 in Portland called on UNE Associate Professor Brian Duff to comment. Since then, the UC-Berkley grad has been at home in the hotbed of political commentary. He was called upon many times in the past primary season for his political insights related to campaign messaging, particularly for the very crowded gubernatorial race. Maine Public Radio, *Portland Press Herald*, *Bangor Daily News*, and New Hampshire publications including the *Portsmouth Herald* and *Foster's Daily Democrat* quoted him often.



"My first book explores the way ideas about parenthood have influenced the development of the concept of citizenship in modern democracies."

He is the author of *The Parent as Citizen*, forthcoming from the University of Minnesota Press. He has also published research on feminist theory, voting, and the politics of race and ethnicity. "My first book explores the way ideas about parenthood have influenced the development of the concept of citizenship in modern democracies," said Professor Duff. "I continue to do research regarding ideas about family and parenthood in American politics. I do this through the critical examination of public policy, engagements with political theory, and the examination of public opinion data about ideas how parenthood and children affect political attitudes and behavior. I also have an ongoing project examining new ways to understand who votes and who does not in America."



Governor Baldacci, Kelley Duffy, Erik Steele, Marilyn Gugliucci

U-ExCEL recognized with 2010 Maine Fitness Award

A UNIQUE PROGRAM of the College of Osteopathic Medicine's Geriatric Medicine Department has been awarded the Maine Governor's Council on Physical Activity 2010 Maine Fitness Award in the Special Populations Category.

Called U-ExCEL, for UNE-Exercise & Conditioning for Easier Living, the program was designed and implemented by Marilyn R. Gugliucci, Ph.D., U-ExCEL program director, and Kelley J. Duffy, MS, senior fitness specialist, who conducts all U-ExCEL programming. Both participated in the ceremony held April 27 at the State House in the Hall of Flags.

Emcee of the ceremony was Erik Steele, DO, of Eastern Maine Medical Center, co-chair with Joan Benoit Samuelson, for the Maine Governor's Council on Physical Activity. Governor Baldacci and Dr. Steele presented the award for COM's U-ExCEL Program for older adults. Dr. Steele is a COM alumnus.

U-ExCEL is a functional fitness program that promotes the broad spectrum of health for older adults living in the community, in nursing homes, assisted living settings, or in independent housing on life care campuses. U-ExCEL encompasses individual's health and fitness goals, along with current medical diagnoses to improve or maintain function through the provision of functional fitness techniques, including strength, balance, endurance and nutrition. U-ExCEL's motto is: "ANY-ONE willing to exercise can." UNE student research, scholarship and training are also advanced at U-ExCEL sites.

Libyan UN ambassador visits UNE for Featherman Humanities Lecture

Abdurrahman Mohamed Shalgham, Libyan ambassador to the United Nations, delivered the 2010 Featherman Humanities Lecture April 19 on the Biddeford Campus addressing, "The Arab World and the Challenges of the 21st Century." A prominent statesman and author, Ambassador Shalgham addressed some of social, political, economic, and educational challenges facing the Arab world in this new century.

He has served in a number of appointments that include secretary of the General People's Committee for Foreign Liaison and International Cooperation, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Joint Libyan-Italian Company; member of Cultural Innovation Committee; and member of the Libyan Arabic Language Academy. From 1998-2000, he was secretary of foreign affairs at the Secretariat of the General People's Congress.

He also has an extensive journalism background, including his position as editor of Al-FAJR-AL-JADID newspaper and as director general of Libya's News Agency for two years. From 1981-1983 he was the Libyan minister of information. Ambassador Shalgham has authored numerous articles and papers on political, cultural and literary topics, and has published an anthology of poems, ASRAR ("Secrets").



UNE faculty and students participate in the third Ghana Health Mission

In March 2010, UNE faculty and students participated in the third Ghana Health Mission, a partnership that began in 2008. On this mission, the interdisciplinary team had the opportunity to meet Ghanaian diplomat Kofi Annan at Elmina Castle in Elmina, Ghana where he was filming a documentary. Annan and the United Nations were the co-recipients of the 2001 Nobel Peace Prize.

In the photo, from left to right are: Dr Andrew Tenenbaum (UHC/COM), Dr Anita Sarro (Ghana Health Mission), Mike Wells (Nursing), Dr Jennifer Morton (WCHP), Mr. Kofi Annan, Dr Ron Deprez (CCPH, MPH) Dr Emily Dornblaser (COP), Jennifer Stenberg (nursing), Kira Keough (OT), Alicia Pointer (COM/MPH), Jennifer Enman (COM/MPH), Francis Osae (community health worker-Ghana Health Mission), Jessica Taylor (PA, '09). Missing from the photo is Dr. Leda McKenry of Ghana Health Mission.



OneMaine Health Collaborative selects UNE for study

THREE OF THE LARGEST HEALTH SYSTEMS in Maine have joined forces to conduct a statewide study to better understand community health needs.

Working together under a partnership called the OneMaine Health Collaborative, the partnership brings together Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems (EMHS), MaineGeneral Health and MaineHealth, which together serve all of Maine's 16 counties.

Earlier this year the OneMaine Health Collaborative announced a competitive request for proposals to find a consultant to conduct a comprehensive community health needs assessment. University of New England's Center for Community and Public Health (CCPH) with a team including the Muskie School at the University of Southern Maine and Market Decisions, a local survey firm, were selected. The assessment is led by Ron Deprez, director of UNE's Center for Community and Public Health, and David Hartley of the Muskie School.

Deborah Deatruck, vice president of community health for MaineHealth, chaired the selection committee for the consultants and stated,

"We are fortunate that OneMaine's collaboration provides us with top-notch experts throughout Maine who are passionate about this project." — Deborah Deatruck

"Health consultants at the University of New England and the Muskie School developed an excellent plan to include a full range of data collection, analysis and dissemination. We are fortunate that OneMaine's collaboration provides us with top-notch experts throughout Maine who are passionate about this project."

Jerry Whalen, vice president for business development at EMHS said, "The 2010 statewide health needs assessment will provide more information as health systems, community, and public health agencies work together to improve health status of all Maine residents."

UNE has conduct a telephone survey to assess health status as well as perception and use of health care services with 6,400 randomly selected households throughout Maine.

UNE hosts Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence

UNE HAS BEEN AWARDED A FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE GRANT, enabling it to host Helida Oyieke, Ph.D., as a visiting professor of environmental studies and marine botany for the 2010–2011 academic year.

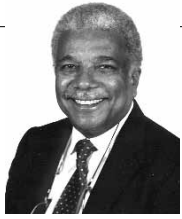
Dr. Oyieke is currently director of research and scientific affairs at the National Museums of Kenya and also teaches part-time at the University of Nairobi. She holds a Ph.D. in aquatic botany, a M.Sc. in plant physiology and biochemistry, and a B.Ed. in zoology and botany, all from the University of Nairobi.

Her research and professional career encompasses a wide variety of activities in both her areas of specialization, as well as with numerous international and governmental organizations involved in biodiversity conservation and global environmental policy.

She also has vast experience in directing research programs within Kenya and has consulted for numerous environmental and community-based non-governmental organizations, both within Kenya and abroad.

While at UNE, she will teach two courses: Tropical Marine Littoral Plant Communities and Women in Environment and Development in Africa.

She will also serve as advisor to the UNE Center for International Education, help develop a new minor in African Studies, give several public lectures, engage in community outreach to schools and other local organizations, and carry out research for her professional development in collaboration with scientists at UNE, the Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve, and the Gulf of Maine Research Institute.



Political theorist discusses question of post-racial age

ALI A. MAZRUI, D. PHIL., world acclaimed political thinker and theorist, gave a presentation at UNE in Biddeford last spring entitled, “From Othello to Obama: Is This the Dawn of a Post-Racial Age?”

Ali Abdullatif Ahmida, Ph.D., professor and chair of the Department of Political Science, introduced Ali A. Mazrui as “not only a prolific writer, but an original thinker.” This was Mazrui’s second visit to UNE. He was the first Featherman Fund lecturer in 1998.

Mazrui greeted his audience, saying, “I am delighted to be back on your distinguished campus to discuss issues of race and issues of culture, and to ask – can there be such a thing as a post-racial society?” He added, “The big question is whether we are headed for a world that is not only post-racial, but post-racism, and the prejudice that comes along with it.”

Mazrui said that “during the time of Shakespeare, religion was a much bigger cause of conflict within societies than skin color.” He used a discussion of Shakespeare’s Othello as “tragic hero” to show that “racial prejudice seemed far less developed than cultural prejudice.”

He added, “The Obama phenomenon poses new challenges – such as whether at the global level, we are returning to a Shakespearean scale of values,” adding “it is too early to reach a definitive conclusion.”

“In this second decade of the 21st century, it is not the color line, but the culture line, that is creating a sense of injustice across different areas of values.”

Dr. Mazrui is the Albert Schweitzer Professor in the Humanities and director of the Institute of Global Cultural Studies at Binghamton University, State University of New York. Originally from Kenya, he is revered as one of the world’s top 100 public intellectuals.

Upon completing his doctorate at Oxford University in England, Dr. Mazrui joined the faculty of Makerere University (Kampala, Uganda), where he served as head of the Department of Political Science and dean of the faculty of social sciences until 1973.

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In 1974, he joined the faculty of the University of Michigan as professor and later as the director of the Center for Afro-American and African Studies (1978-1981). In 1989, he was

appointed to the faculty of Binghamton University, State University of New York, as the Albert Schweitzer Professor in the Humanities and the director of the Institute of Global Cultural Studies (IGCS).

Dr. Mazrui also holds three concurrent faculty appointments as Albert Luthuli Professor-at-Large in the Humanities and Development Studies at the University of Jos in Nigeria, Andrew D. White Professor-at-Large Emeritus and senior scholar in Africana Studies at Cornell University and Chancellor, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Nairobi, Kenya.

In addition to his academic appointments, Dr. Mazrui has also served as president of the African Studies Association (USA) and as vice president of the International Political Science Association and has lectured on five continents. Mazrui has also served as special advisor to the World Bank and also on the Board of the American Muslim Council, Washington, D.C.

His research interests include African politics, international political culture, political Islam and North-South relations. He is author or co-author of more than 20 books. He has also published hundreds of articles in major scholastic journals and for public media. In addition to his written work, Mazrui was also the creator of the much acclaimed and widely discussed television series *The Africans: A Triple Heritage*, which was jointly produced by the BBC and PBS.



Internationally recognized scholar honored with Ludcke Chair

The 2010-2011 Ludcke Chair of Liberal Arts and Sciences has been awarded to Professor Ali Abdullatif Ahmida, Ph.D.

The Ludcke Chair, funded by a generous bequest from the estate of Eleanor Ludcke (Westbrook College class of 1926), is presented annually to a tenured member of the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences in recognition of their outstanding academic accomplishments.

The Ludcke Chair recipient receives a stipend in support of his or her development as a teacher and scholar and gives a public lecture in early December, followed by a reception.

The chair holder must have attained the ideal of the “teacher/scholar,” a dedicated educator and productive researcher who has given generously of his time to UNE over a significant period. Professor Ahmida is the chair of the Political Science Department and an internationally recognized scholar of North African history and politics.

Professor Ahmida was born in Libya and educated at Cairo University in Egypt and the University of Washington in Seattle. His specialty is political theory, comparative politics, and historical sociology of power, agency and anti-colonial resistance in North Africa, especially modern Libya.

He has published major articles in *Critique*, *Arab Future*, and *International Journal of Islamic and Arabic Studies*.

He is also the author of *The Making of Modern Libya: State Formation, Colonialization and Resistance* (State of New York University Press, 1994). The book has been translated into Arabic and was published in a second edition by the Center of Arab Unity Studies (1998, Beirut, Lebanon).

His 2005 book, *Forgotten Voices: Power and Agency in Colonial and Postcolonial Libya* (Routledge Press) was also translated and issued in Italian and most recently in 2009 in Arabic by the Center of Arab Unity Studies, Beirut.

Professor Ahmida is the editor of *Beyond Colonialism and Nationalism in the Maghrib: History, Culture and Politics* (Palgrave, 2000). He has also recently published *Bridges Across the Sahara: Social, Economic and Cultural Impact of the Trans-Sahara Trade during the 19th and 20th Centuries* (Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2009); and *Post-Orientalism: Critical Reviews in North African Social and Cultural History* (published in Arabic by the Center of Arab Unity Studies, Beirut, Lebanon 2009)

He has lectured in a variety of U.S., Canadian, European and African universities and colleges, and has contributed several book reviews, articles and chapters to books on the African state, identity and alienation, class and state formation in modern Libya.

Professor Ahmida has received many academic grants and awards, including a Social Science Research Council National Grant Award, the Shahade Award, and the 2003 Kenneally Cup Award for distinguished academic service at the University of New England. Professor Ahmida is the third recipient of the Ludcke Chair. Elizabeth De Wolfe, professor of History, was awarded the first Ludcke Chair in 2008-2009. Stephan Zeeman, professor of Marine Science, held the Ludcke Chair in 2009-2010.



Modern Libya

Ali Abdullatif Ahmida, Ph.D., professor and chair of the Political Science Department, provides a provocative study analyzing the social, cultural, and historical roots of modern Libya in the second edition of his book, *The Making of Modern Libya: State Formation, Colonization, and Resistance, Second Edition* (State University of New York Press). *The Making of Modern Libya* is a thorough examination of the social, cultural, and historical background of modern Libya.



Last will and testament

Cathrine Frank, Ph.D., associate professor of English, explores how the legal bequest of property through the will also reveals the transmission of cultural values. An individual's last will and testament reveals much about a person's sense of self and place in the world. *Law, Literature, and the Transmission of Culture in England, 1837-1925* is published by Ashgate Press.



Who's on first?

Josh Pahigian, adjunct faculty member, teaches writing in the Department of English and Language Studies. In his latest book, *The Seventh Inning Stretch: Baseball's Most Essential and Inane Debates*, he addresses questions including: who was the best hitting pitcher of all-time? Author of seven books on baseball, he covers a wide range of categories pondered during pauses in the game, happy hours at the bar, and commercial breaks at home.

FOOTNOTES:

Leading text on aging

Marilyn Gugliucci, Ph.D., Director of Geriatrics Education and Research in the COM Department of Geriatric Medicine wrote a foreword for a leading text book on aging. The citation is: Haber, David (2010) *Health Promotion and Aging: Practical Applications for Health Professionals*; Fifth Edition, Springer Publishing, New York.

Oral health of populations

Kneka Smith, M.P.H., Associate Dean for Planning, coauthored a chapter in a new textbook, *Concepts in Dental Public Health*, 2nd edition by Jill Mason, published by Lippincott Williams & Wilkins (Feb 2010). The comprehensive text was written specifically for dental hygienists and dental hygiene students. It covers concepts, issues, techniques, and methods related to dental public health and focuses on the assessment of factors that affect the oral health of populations, the development of policy in response to a population's needs, and the active promotion of oral health.

Anne Cowles Awarded TCCC Woman of the Year

By Curt Smyth

Cowles served as a tri-captain for Big Blue in 2009. She was a three-time academic all-conference selection and a member of the Chi Alpha Sigma national student-athlete honor society.

RECENT UNE GRADUATE ANNE COWLES '10 OF FRANCONIA, NEW


HAMPSHIRE was chosen The Commonwealth Coast Conference Woman of the Year. The TCCC Senior Woman Administrators Group selected Cowles from a pool of nominees who had distinguished themselves throughout their collegiate careers in the areas of academic achievement, athletics excellence, service and leadership.

Cowles was a four-year field hockey player for the Nor'easters. She was awarded a bachelor's of science degree in applied exercise science on May 22. The 2009 TCCC Senior Scholar-Athlete of the Year in field hockey, she was also a first team all-conference selection. Over her four-year career, Cowles started all 66 of the team's games, including 19 this past season when she helped lead UNE to a 16-3 record and the Nor'easters' first ECAC Championship in any sport.

Cowles served as a tri-captain for Big Blue in 2009. She was a three-time academic all-conference selection and a member of the Chi Alpha Sigma national student-athlete honor society. Her extensive leadership and community service experience includes being president of the Maine chapter of Alpha Chi and serving as a tutor.

"We are obviously very proud of Anne and all that she accomplished here," said UNE Director of Athletics Kim Allen. "Her success in the classroom, on the playing field, and her presence in the community is nothing short of remarkable. Anne is an amazing person, and it is truly fitting she has been recognized as the TCCC Woman of the Year."

Looking back, Cowles is humbled and honored to be recognized by the TCCC, as well as thankful for the support she has had at UNE.



"I am so proud, not just for myself, but for UNE. I was able to achieve this award because of the opportunities that UNE presented to me. I wouldn't have excelled in the classroom if it wasn't for the passionate professors and mentors I had over the years. I wouldn't have been successful on the field if it wasn't for the amazing coaching, athletics support system, and teammates. I wouldn't have been able to participate in the numerous community and volunteer projects if it wasn't for UNE's community awareness and giving the opportunities for participation."

— Anne Cowles, '10

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Place for Matt Veiga '11 at the TCCC Men's Cross Country Championship, leading to Veiga's selection as TCCC Runner of the Year.



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Events swimmer Lizzie Wareham '12 competed in the ECAC Championship. Wareham was the lone NCAA Division III competitor in each of those three events.



4

Times men's lacrosse player Tyler Thomas '13 garnered TCCC Rookie of the Week accolades, including the first three weeks of the season. Thomas earned TCCC Rookie of the Year honors.

8

Improvement in the number of wins for the women's lacrosse team from 2009 (4) to 2010 (12). The Nor'easters' eight-win improvement was the greatest for any NCAA Division III team in the country for the 2010 season.

23

Victories for the women's basketball team on its way to the TCCC championship. Those 23 wins are a school single-season record.

25

Wins for the softball team, marking the fourth consecutive season the Nor'easters eclipsed the 20-win plateau.

51

UNE student-athletes who qualified for the TCCC academic all-conference team. The next highest number in the TCCC was 41.

124

Total points for Taryn Flagg '10 during her three-year field hockey playing career - a record for the program.



1997

Prior to 2009, the year the last time the men's soccer team attained double-digits in victories in a season.

REUNION CORNER

Westbrook College Reunion 2010 was celebrated June 11-13.

More than 135 alumni from the classes of 0's and 5's reunited on the Portland Campus. The Class of 1960 had a wonderful turnout with some alumnae returning for the first time – and the occasion was their 50th reunion! They were also the Reunion class that gave the greatest amount to the annual fund. Another first was a Board of Directors Ambassadors reception held at Parker Pavilion on Friday evening for former members of the Westbrook College Board. Classes from 1945 through 1999 were represented at the well attended event. Westbrook College of Health Professions Dean David Ward updated those attending the Alumni Buffet Dinner on Friday night on what's going on at the Portland Campus. Saturday's events included the annual Alumni Meeting and Awards Presentation, a tour of the College of Pharmacy on the Portland Campus followed by a tour of the Biddeford Campus where a rare summer rain event did not dampen spirits! President Danielle Ripich delivered remarks to the alumnae attending the Traditional Maine Lobster Bake held Saturday night at the Eleanor de Wolfe Ludcke '26 Auditorium.





Westbrook College Alumni Association Board of Director Alumni Awards

*Pictured in photo at left (from left to right):
Barbara Haas, Ann Butterworth, '77, '81,
Alice M. Savage '55, M.D., Ph.D.*

Tower Award for Alumni Achievement
Ann Butterworth, '77, '81

Heloise E. Withee Alumni Service Award
Alice M. Savage '55, M.D., Ph.D.

Honorary Alumna Award
Barbara Haas



Tower Award for Alumni Achievement, Ann Butterworth said:

"I was given a wonderful education at Westbrook College — and I have incredible memories of — and all we alums share this — the Westbrook Experience. One thing that has tickled me throughout my service at UNE is the rock steady longevity of this Westbrook experience — it still exists — students I meet STILL talk about this pervasive feeling of support and nurturing. As a woman in business I dare say it is not always easy, but the guidance I was given here has helped me immeasurably. Respect for others, diligence, hard work, strong performance — and good manners always win out when trying to prove oneself."



CLASS NOTES



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Please limit submissions to 75 words or less. Submissions may be edited for length and clarity.

1937

Nancy Noyes Olds-Coady writes, "I have just returned from a 15-day Rhine and Mosel Rivers trip via Grand Circle Tours. Those people surely know how to treat the "elderly" souls like me. The food was superb and weather ghastly - cold, like 53 or so and damp which compounded the problem! Germany is like that, I'm told, in April-May months; but it was wonderful to be out on the rivers and see the marvelous scenery, wine plantings up the sides of the river but everywhere! How do they manage to harvest on those slopes I can't even guess. The highlight of the trip was a visit to a private home in a village....we were invited to have tea by natives who volunteered to have six of us at a time. What an education....this young woman had three small children and worked as a pastry chef. Her husband rebuilt an old house (by himself, she said) - about three rooms wide and four floors. She was a little, round lady with lots of energy (she needed it!) Her cooking talent was shown in the most delectable cake with four layers, at least 1000 calories a bite. Their house was a museum of collections for all kinds of things, it defied description, really. A swing in the dining room was used by the little girl with great glee....the mom just smiled as she swung over the table!! We each brought with us a small present...we weren't allowed to give her money. I slept for three days when I got home. I'm just not built for over-night flights. You see, our flight was just when the Icelandic volcano was busy.

1940

Shirley White Babb wrote, "Once the snow arrives, I don't go far."

Marjorie Cheny Minor has attained her 90th birthday and her husband, his 88th. Life is good and they are still in their own home.

Dottie Ilsley Remick had a blizzard and some coastal flooding, but she's holding her own.

Connie Smith Zullo writes "for the dearth of news at this publishing, I take full responsibility. My family was suddenly a victim of health problems, so they took precedence. All are nearly settled now. I am okay and will not be so negligent again.

1942

Nancy Wiswall Erne is healthy and happy and busy; still driving to Cape Cod and to visit her daughter in Waterville, Maine. She has 4 grandchildren, but unfortunately three of them and her daughter live in Sacramento, CA.; they have 6 great-grandchildren among them but she only gets out there once a year and they grow so fast! She keeps busy on 4 Boards, paints and square dances. Her son lives with her so she does have company.

Joan Fowler Hughes writes "Always so glad to get the news of our remaining college friends. The picture of the four gals at the 65th reunion surfaced recently and they looked so good. A sight for sore eyes.

Time marches on for Dick and me. We will be celebrating our 56th wedding anniversary in June and have planned a cruise home from Rome in October visiting many ports that we haven't had an opportunity to explore before. Our youngest daughter lost her husband in October after 29 years of marriage and our oldest daughter's husband had a stroke at an early age two years ago, sad to say. We are in reasonably good health for our ages, thank goodness. Eagerly awaiting news of others."

Belle Maxwell writes that she was in Maine in September and dropped by for a visit. "I am still in my home in this beautiful place, playing golf and enjoying my family who are all here in the environs and won't leave so I do reap the benefits of all the great grands! I am grateful."

Jean Morgan is still living in an apartment house for senior citizens. She writes "I'm still able to get around on my own two feet and drive my car. There are many activities here to keep me busy - one of my favorites is playing horseshoes in a mixed group of men and old gals! I regret that I haven't been able to get up to my home state of Maine for many years. I enjoy reading about my old classmates in the magazine. I don't enjoy having to give up playing golf; I live here beside a PGA used golf course in Wakefield, NC!

Maxine Schellinger Smith I was a "day student" and graduated 68 years ago. Since I am able to come to Maine, I plan to stay two months this summer. I return home (FL) to pack for my WAVES convention in Norfolk, VA. I keep busy volunteering at my church as well as playing Mah Jongg and cards. After a cold Florida

winter, I'm hoping for 80 degree weather in Maine!

1944

Mildred Hamilton writes that she's now retired and enjoying her 4 great-grandchildren. She's also very proud of her granddaughter - UNE alum **Kelsey Hamilton '09**, who is now in graduate school at Antioch University in Keene, NH.

Marilyn Hall writes "I was on Antique Road Show with my Brewster Chair 1683. In October my daughter Holly Hoag and I went to Greece; in April we went to Savannah, GA to escape from a very harsh winter in Colorado. The 1899 B & B opened in May with my daughter, Angelee and friend, Barbara, running it."

1946

Cynthia Hamilton writes "nothing much is going on up in Niskayuna other than the usual aches and pains of old age. I've lost many old friends this year but feel blessed that I can still play tennis and golf. My family is just great - the 3 grandchildren are really into all sorts of activities and seem to travel all over the world, which seems normal for the kids of today. I send my best regards to my old Westbrook friends, especially **Lois Wanececk Thomas '46**."

1947

Barbara K. Granger writes "still working!! Selling real estate in Central MA. I only attended one year; does anyone remember me?"

1948

Pauline D. Lorfano Pauline writes that she has "two paintings selected for the American Society of Marine Artists East Region Exhibit: "Blue Water -Still Water" - traveling to Biggs Museum, Dover, DE from March 5 to June 20, Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, Hagerstown, MD July 24 - September 12, and Naval

& Military Museum in Buffalo, NY from September 26 - October 31.

1949

Carol Jaffe writes, "I'm still working on my National Ranking in tennis in the 80's - am still in the middle of the pack."

1950

Dianne M. Maxwell writes, "I'm leading the happy and rather busy retired life, having retired from teaching gifted education in 1994. I enjoyed three years of tutoring home schooled gifted students. All my students continue to prosper in life; a teacher's true reward. My best wishes to all my classmates; do some committee work, read a lot, do handwork and enjoy frequent bridge games."

1951

Barbara J. Hill - at 79, life has been pretty good to Barbara. Lots of trips, cruises, planes - Europe, Australia, west coast and east coast. Her permanent address is in Florida and she summers in Pocasset, MA. Her vocabulary has expanded to include carpal tunnel, spinal stenosis, and peripheral neuropathy but she does exercise when she can.

Ruth Mears Mott writes that during a recent trip to FL, she had a mini reunion with **Meg Bragdon Shoemaker** and **Nancy Howe Cousins**. They had a grand time talking about their days at Westbrook and "where's this one and that one." Her plan is for another trip to Orlando in December. Is anyone else near there who wants to join?

Anne Laird O'Rourke writes June 2011 will be here before we realize it! It is our 60th reunion of what was a most memorable and meaningful time in our lives. Make plans and save the date!

Margaret Bragdon Shoemaker is still living in Florida but still misses the North and the SNOW!! All kids are doing fine but are too far away!! Margaret is pleased about the new College of Pharmacy located on

the Westbrook Campus. "I understand the building is beautiful."

1954

Sally Caton Culler has had a busy '09 and '10 as well. Last August they sold their home in Hingham and moved permanently to Green Valley, AZ. They've been wintering there for 6 years and are happy to be there year round now. The place is small and they're remodeling the complete house so you can imagine the mess as remodeling proceeds! She and husband, Steve, keep very busy; he as president of his woodshop and she as president of her line dancing group. They both play golf and are active in Kiwanis. They aren't doing much traveling until the remodel is complete. They celebrate their 50th in December and all four of their children will be joining them to celebrate. If any of you are out this way, please give them a call!

1955

Judith Johnson Rumery's granddaughter, Ashton, is completing her 1st year in the Inaugural class in the College of Pharmacy - she loves it and is doing well. All the family are very proud of her. Judith is missing reunion this year because with luck (volcanic ash), she and her husband will be flying to Brussels to see their son and his family and attend a granddaughter's high school graduation! Judith sends best wishes to all her classmates!

Carol Dunbar Martin is sorry she's unable to attend the 2010 reunion! She writes that the only thing new in her life is a new great-grandson, Domon Cassidy, born March 15. She sends all her best to her classmates.

1957

Delores Gantnier Willard writes, "I bought a copy of the book "Westbrook College Campus" at the bookstore and was very surprised to find my photograph in the dormitory section. I showed it to my ten year old grandson Holden Willard and his only comment was, 'Grammie, I really would like to be in a book myself someday.' Not exactly the comment I had hoped for or

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expected as I thought he would at least say I looked young.”



Delores Gantnier Willard's grandson Holden Willard

1960

Cynthia Janis Northgraves writes that she's still working at Wellesley College – Dept of Political Science. She works 4 days a week and has summer off, so why not? Her husband, Bill, is retired, sort of. They have 7 grandchildren who are the joys of their lives! The oldest one is going off to college and the youngest is just a year old, “If I retired, I'd spend all my time with them.” They still enjoy their haven – a cottage at Coffee Pond in Sebago Lakes region, their health is good so life is good!

1963

Carol MacLaughlin Combes is still working. However, her husband Ed retired. Carol's son, wife and family are doing well. A group of 9 WJC '63 graduates have met for lunch after Rock and Roll Exhibit – at Maine Bean, Joe's Boat House, Perkins Cove, Kennebunkport, Ken's Place, Good Table and Cole Road Care. She and Ed traveled with our RV to Iowa and Tennessee this year. They also attended races at NHMS and Lebanon Valley. Carol started her 27th Dale Carnegie Class as a Coaching Assistant.

Merrie Cronk Grak became a grandmother once again. Ty was born this past March. His sister, Allison has a fantastic time “playing” with him. Merrie also helps her daughter, Diane, with babysitting both children a couple days a week while Diane is working. In September, she and another friend flew to Orlando and enjoyed a few days at Disney World.

Gail Huag Lovelace is living in very cold Colorado. She writes, “I am preparing for

more snow soon. I just became a grandmother for the first time. My son, Peter, and his wife had a baby boy “Tommie” on 10/15/09. I was able to visit them in California in November for a week and enjoyed every minute of the visit. He, of course, is adorable. I feel very blessed. I am still working at Wells Fargo Bank as Lead Teller and enjoy my 20-hour per week job. My husband, Chuck, is still repairing pianos with his childhood friend, Larry.

Nancy McDowell Nichols writes, “Jeff and I drove to Maine with our two fathers – one age 89 and one 91 – sitting in the back seat listening to 40's music on satellite radio! It was a real honor to take them back to their home state. Spent a few weeks at our camp at Big Lake with daughter, Karen, and two grandchildren. It was a chilly and gloomy few weeks weather-wise but those Bahamian kids are tough – in the water for hours on end! We have bought kayaks and are enjoying the lakes of North Georgis and North Carolina with our son, Scott and life partner, Mark. My job with Vanity Fair left Georgia for Kentucky – home of new owners, Fruit of the Loom. I loved the job and it allowed great flexibility but I guess this is a sign of the times. I still do fit modeling (bras) for two other companies, so the “tata's” are still employed! During the Christmas season I visited with my dad in Ormond Beach, FL and then went to Nassau to see my daughter and grandchildren. Spent the Christmas holidays with Scott, Mary and father-in-law in FL.

Sharon Pellegrini Mertz wrote that she's “still trying to become the oldest working “Brookie” I know as I am still working part-time for the same neurosurgeon for now forty years! I can still find the desk each morning but working the computer has become a challenge over the years – slow, steady progress! Still have my yearly and sometimes more often, visit with my “Brookie” crew, the latest being a memorable weekend in N.H. in October for fall foliage and lots of laughs and fun! Still married to the same first husband thankfully (as you can see, I don't like change). Still have the same children and one granddaughter who are absolutely wonderful and still brilliant. My life has been a great combination of “stills” and that makes me one happy lady!

Pam Perkins writes “When I was contemplating my 65th birthday, I thought about

what I could do that was fun, challenging, exciting, off-the-wall crazy and prove that the old 65 is the new 50! So I signed up for a 30-day bicycle trip with Woman tours. Leaving Portland, OR on Aug. 1, 2009, we biked east along the Columbia River to Washington state, down into Idaho, back across central Oregon to the coast and back to Portland! This 1,432-mile loop included approximately 59,000 cumulative feet of climbing. Pam Best summed it up as follows: Rode my bike for a month in some of the most beautiful and challenging landscape in our country. Traveled with a group of strong, smart, kind, funny and awesome women. Learned that I'm stronger both physically and mentally than I thought possible. Experienced again the power of the monde, valued the time riding along when I could be inside my head for hours. Listened to my body, slowed down, hopped in the support vehicle and told myself it wasn't a bad thing. Appreciated that I achieved something that most couldn't or wouldn't think of doing. Made new friends, missed my husband and friends more than I imagined.”

Priscilla Wells Schell wrote “Greetings from North Georgia. All is well here. My activities are primarily gardening – yes, year round. I'm active in the Master Gardeners and am currently President of the Garden Club of Ellijay, which I enjoy. With our climate, we can dig in the dirt ten months a year. We have wonderful projects/activities and I've been doing some grant writing as well with success. Nine years ago, my husband and I built our home on a small lake and are now completing a room-size addition – retirement keeps us busy! I have two grown sons and only two grandchildren who are 7-yr-old twins. My husband and I do travel some when we feel like it – that's the joy of retirement. Life is good!

Emily (Tudi) Adams Watkins did a great deal of traveling this year to include Ft. Benning, GA for grandson, Brandon's basic training graduation; Knoxville, TN to attend grandson, Kirby's ROTC military ball; Henderson, TN for granddaughter, Kaydee's 3rd birthday; Jefferson City, TN for grandson, Kirby's college graduation; Henderson, TN again to attend grandson, CJ's kindergarten graduation; Washington, DC for touring, and Seattle, WA for grandson, Kirby's commissioning as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army. They also visited

her Aunt on Orcas Island (Puget Sound), went to Missouri for reunions and finally, celebrated Christmas with 3 sons and their families in 3 different places! The big news is the birth of their greatgrandson, Emmer-son Cash Watkins on December 3rd!

Beth Wells writes “I am thinking about re-tiring or cutting back in 2010. I don’t know how I will do as a woman of leisure! I am glad that Westbrook got its name back!

Susan Garfield Zimmy wrote that all is well and not much has changed since the last publication except that she’s a year older. “I’m back in Florida for the winter and not a moment too soon. Weather on Cape Cod has been cold and nasty. I’ve been playing golf and enjoying life. Ran a 5K race this past summer for ovarian cancer and did very well – out of 584, I came in 211! We raised over \$70,000 without any large sponsors. Looking forward to doing better next year. If anyone summers on the Cape, let me know – I’d love to catch up with my former classmates!

1966

Diana Bowen writes, “in the year 2000, after living in Portland for 27 years, I left to start my life again. I joined the people at H.O.M.E., Inc, where I found my dream job as a crafts person in stitchery – doing clothing repair and creating quilts for sale in the craft store. After 6 yrs I had to retire because of a fall with damage to my right arm. I still enjoy my connection with **Lucy Poulin** and the people at H.O.M.E., Inc while living with my two cats in a small apartment in Bucksport.

Linda Zavalick writes, “Hello to all my classmates who may or may not remember me! I guess life is busy for all of us these days; the world and times in which we live. My husband and I will celebrate of 41st wedding anniversary this July. We moved to Holliston, MA from Connecticut over 3 years ago to be closer to our daughters and granddaughters who live nearby. I work part-time at Milford National Bank and Trust Co. If any alum live in the area and are customers of the bank, please don’t hesitate to introduce yourself! I sit in the lobby and greet customers and answer the phone. I am still running and competing in

local and out of state races. After running four marathons (two Bostons included), I focus on ½ marathons (13.1 mi.) down to 5K’s (3.1 mi) races. It is the challenge to compete with women my own age. I have run the Beach to Beacon 10K for the past 6-7 years, this year included. I am thus able to get my “Maine fix”, run in the beauty of the state and visit Portland as well. I hope that all is well with everyone.”

1968

Rep. Bernard L.A. Ayotte writes, “I’m completing my second term in the Maine House of Representatives.”

1969

Lynne Gardner Bradford has been retired for 3 years now and she and her husband, Rusty, bought a home in Venice, FL where they reside Jan-March. They have 6 grandchildren ages 7, 3, twins aged 2 ½ and twins aged 1 ½. Lynne’s mother, who is 87 years old, continues to live on Mount Desert Island. Lynne enjoyed last year’s reunion and seeing her roommates and other classmates. Thanks for writing, Lynne!

Judith Freedman Caplan wrote that she and husband, Barry, made their third trip to Israel in February 09 and had an amazing time. She met a UNE professor (Ford) in Tel Aviv who teaches in the nursing school – small world! Judith was diagnosed with breast cancer in 09, endured two surgeries and radiation treatments, and was able to enjoy a small vacation in the Berkshires with Barry in late summer. They continue their fundraising efforts for the Jimmy Fund and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and participate in the annual Boston Marathon route walk. Anyone wishing to contact Judith may do so at jfbdc@aol.com.

Lois-Ann Wentworth Holmes has been married to husband, Ralph, for 28 years. They have one daughter, Rebecca, who is married and works for the Social Security Administration, and a son, David, who also is married and works for the Bangor Fire Department. Lois-Ann has one grandchild, Amara, who will be 3 in July. Lois-Ann works during the tax season and volunteers as a nurse with the American Red

Cross; she enjoys camping, geocaching and traveling. She celebrated her 60th birthday with a trip to Alaska. Anyone visiting the Bangor area is asked to get in touch with her (ralphh@maine.edu)

Susan Libby writes “As for me, I am fully recovered from my six year bout with severe atrial fibrillation and two cardiac ablation procedures. I am finally off all medications and am feeling almost “normal”! What an ordeal! I just got back from a restful vacation to Palm Springs and had a wonderful time. My best to you all.”

Bonnie Sullivan Millett writes “George and I are coming up on our 4th anniversary and life is GOOD.”

Karen Whitmarsh Nelson and **Marie Gilbert Mills** celebrated turning 60 by taking a trip together to Paris in September 09. In addition to touring the sights of Paris, side trips included Versailles and Burgundy. They shopped, picnicked and experienced wonderful food and cruised the Seine. Oh yes, they even had time for an Opera!

Mary-Elizabeth Copeland Russell is living in Oviedo, FL and says she is enjoying not having to deal with ice and snow! She and her husband travel to Rockport, ME every July. Their daughter, Amy and family, live in-state so they get to enjoy their 2 yr old granddaughter, Katie. Mary-Elizabeth is a weekly volunteer at The Master’s Academy library and the University Club of Winter Park. She is also involved in Bible study fellowship and, along with her husband, sings in their church choir. Mary-Elizabeth is in contact with classmates **Sue Tyler Schneider**, **Cindy Gray Pidacks** and **Linda Campbell**.

1970

Bill Grillo writes “For the past three years, I’ve been with Cassidy Turley as the Senior Managing Director of Property Management; I’ve worked in commercial real estate for over 35 years. I’ve lived in Arlington, VA since graduation. In addition, in anticipation of retirement, I’m nearly finished renovating a 1797 log house in Shenandoah Valley. The project has been fun and a learning experience! I’m looking forward to attending Home Coming (Alumni Weekend) – where have the 40 years gone?”

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Fred Scheithe writes “I am in my 39th year of teaching 6th grade. My wife, Jeanne, is in her 33rd year of teaching 6th grade also. We have taught in the same building together all that time! In June, we will retire together. I have been coaching middle school basketball for 28 years, girls varsity basketball and volleyball for 24 years and 17 years as assistant varsity coach for high school softball. I will continue all my coaching after retirement. We have been married for 27 years and celebrate our anniversary each October in Ogunquit, Maine.”

1973

Jean Manning McNamara writes that she’s still teaching fifth grade at the Barnstable Horace Mann Charter School. Her first child’s getting married so they’re all heading out to San Francisco in July for Brendan and Erin’s wedding! The children are all grown up – Caitlin is 33, Eamon is 31, Brendan is 29, and Liam is 27.

1974

Raymond Dettore, Jr. writes, “I retired from the full time practice of law in the Spring of 2006. While I still occasionally take a case, I spend most of my time traveling and participating in social, fraternal and civic organizations. I still live in Providence, Rhode Island and can be contacted by phone.”

Sandra (Sandy) Sawtell Herbert writes “I can’t believe it has been one year since our 35th reunion at Westbrook college. I want to thank everyone who attended, including the the women that were at the cocktail party on Friday night: **Diane Iannucci Richards, Paula Bibber Tefft, Margaret Swanson Schleiff** and **Anne Harrington** were also at the reunion but not in the picture. It was great to catch up with everyone and to reminisce about the fun times we had. I hope we can have an even bigger turnout at our 40th!!! I am continuing as reunion chair so would appreciate any change of e-mail or home addresses so I can contact our classmates in the future. My email address is ggherbert@comcast.net. I am still working as a dental hygienist in Exeter, NH and continue to enjoy my work even after being in this of-

fice for almost 28 years. My husband Greg and I continue to be very active and busy. Our daughter Shauna, 28 lives in Belmont, MA and son, Brett, 25 is in Manhattan. Life is good and I wish all my classmates the best!”

Laura Bedersky Lurie writes that she’s “enjoying life in Williston, VT working full time as a dental hygienist and front desk receptionist. Jeff is busy at Burlington Air Traffic Control Center. Sam is 27 now and busy with 2 full time careers. Shaina, now 21, is graduating of the University of Hartford (5/16/10) and hopes to go to grad school. Off time is busy with gardening, exercise, horses and Mah Jongg.”

Mitchell Wood writes that he’s owned and operated the Aquarius and Americana motels in Old Orchard Beach for the past 10 years. Presently, he resides in the summer months at the Aquarius motel. If you’re in the area, he’d love for you to stop by!

1975

Marc Raboin who majored in History and Economics and **Regina (Jeanne) Fisher Raboin ‘77**, have been married 32 years. “We have three children, Audrey (26), Clinical Psychology, Tufts University 2007 and Master’s candidate in Child Development at Tufts; **Meredith Raboin** (23), Education and Teacher Certification, University of New England, 2009 and Daniel Raboin (18), soon-to-be a freshman at University of New England. So in our family, 3 are graduates of SFC/UNE and one is beginning his UNE Experience! Daniel will also be one of UNE’s Cross Country team. Marc currently works in retail in Leominster, MA and Jeanne is a Science Librarian at Tufts University.”

1976

Sue McKeough says “Hi to class of 1976 St. Francis College. Looking to reconnect with many of you. I can’t believe how much St. Francis means to me after all these years. To all fellow St. Francis graduates peace and love...May St. Francis always be in our hearts.”

1978

Mary Beth Brazel Frey writes, “Jason and I continue to be very busy between work and getting ready to send our oldest, Josh, off to college. He’s going to Springfield College for their PT. program. This summer we will be busy looking at other schools for Ryan, who graduates high school next year; busy but lots of fun!”

Kathy Bascom-Rich writes, “Hello everyone! I hope the year 2010 is a good one for all. As for Jon and I, we have relocated back to New Hampshire and currently live in my parent’s house where I grew up. This house was built by my great grandparents. We are readjusting to the New England weather after being in Texas for 10 yrs... how quickly we get spoiled! We are closer to family, my mom and sisters and Jon’s dad and daughter, and old friends, too. This seems more important at this time in my life. I work part-time at CVS as a pharmacy tech, and am re-thinking my gift baskets business and whether to go forward with it or not. We will celebrate our 20th wedding anniversary in July and are looking forward to my 35th HS reunion! If you ever get to Portland, take a tour of the campus, so many positive changes, so much to see! Best wishes to everyone!”

1979

Dianne Smallidge Chadbourne will soon begin her 3rd year of teaching at the Forsyth School of Dental Hygiene in Boston. She writes, “I travel to Boston from Maine every day (you have to be a little crazy to do this), but it is worth it as I thoroughly enjoy working with my students, who are just beginning their clinical work. Last year I got to pin Aubrey Beaudoin, the daughter of my WC roommate, **Paula Weinert Cutter ‘79** who was a student in the Forsyth program. It was a thrill and I’m happy to say she is as capable as her mother with her dental hygiene skills! **Tracy Thompson McGonagle ‘78** just joined the clinical faculty here and we are having great fun working together. My children, Amy and Alex are now 18 and 15 respectively, and my husband, Jim (now Mr. Mom) and I still reside in Wells, Maine and recently celebrated our 26th wedding anniversary. Where does the time go?”

Jeanna B. Tudor writes, “Hi everyone! I just celebrated my 30th work anniversary with Blue Cross. I live in beautiful Scarborough, Maine with my two teenagers, Michael and Lauren. Life is good and will only get better!”

1980

Karen Paquet Binette is working as a Dental Hygienist in the Biddeford/Saco area. Karen has a son, Craig who is 22 and a daughter, Carrie who is 24. Craig is working in the Electrical and Construction fields. Carrie is a Graphic Designer and is in her 3rd season as a New England Patriot Cheerleader. Carrie recently went to Afghanistan with the Patriot Cheerleaders to perform and to support the troops.

Jim Thomas, class of '80 wrote: “wife, Tari is an elementary school principal; three daughters all grown up (18, 21, 24 yrs old). I'm on a year leave of absence; after 25 years as a high school math teacher, I'm working as a general contractor. Heading to Haiti for month of March to help out.”

1981

Karen Mingo Gorman recently traveled to Africa for two weeks. It was an experience of a lifetime as she traveled through Namibia and Cape Town. Her niece is a Junior at Bowdoin College and was studying in Windhoek, Namibia last semester.

1982

Nancy Crocker writes, “I'm glad to announce I will be a grandmother again! My oldest son, Jason, and his wife, Heather are going to have another baby. Their son turned one in March and in July they will have their second!”

1983

Jeffrey Mikutis, D.O., writes “I practice pediatric orthopedic surgery at Dayton Children's Hospital (Dayton, Ohio), with an emphasis on pediatric sports medicine and trauma. We have two children, a son Joshua who just graduated from Haverford

College in Philadelphia and will be teaching at a charter school in Boston, and a daughter Amanda who is a sophomore in high school. My wife formerly taught college but currently works part time. We all enjoy travel to the islands and Europe, and are planning for a Mediterranean cruise this summer. I look forward to seeing my classmates at a future reunion.”

1984

Dave Dornfeld, D.O., writes that he has been in family practice in Middletown, New Jersey for 23 years, specializing in preventive family medicine, OMT, hyperbaric therapies, Autism Spectrum Disorders, IV nutritional and Chelation therapies (www.osteodocs.com). “I was recently invited by the International Hyperbaric Association to present clinical results in hyperbaric medicine in San Diego at the ACAM conference. I have been invited again for a similar presentation for the Hyperbaric Workshop in Las Vegas in November.”

Jeffrey Glassheim, D.O., writes “I have been renewed for another one-year term as director of Allergy-Asthma Services at Children Hospital of Wisconsin - Fox Valley satellite in Neenah. I also earned and was honored with a faculty appointment in the Department of Pediatrics at the Medical College of Wisconsin. My daughter Elyssa will be a senior at. She raised more than \$5,000 for Special Olympics this past February with a “polar plunge” into Lake Winnebago. Brrrr but bravo! We will likely initiate college visitations this summer. Brenna had her Bat Mitzvah this past May and is on the basketball team. Saying so long to classmate/cardiologist Neil Freund, D.O., who incredibly appeared in Oshkosh in autumn of 2007, just two years after I did, unrelated and unbeknownst to either of us! He is moving on with his family to a practice in Des Moines, Iowa.”

Col. Barry Sheridan, D.O. retired from U.S. Army after 22 years of service. Currently working as Chief of Warriors in Transition Service at Brooke Army Medical Center, Ft. Sam Houston, San Antonio, TX., as well as physician in the Emergency Department. Barry and Donna have decided to retire in San Antonio, as all the kids would not leave Texas! Kaitlin, age 18, will attend Texas Christian University next fall. Lukas,

age 20, plays football for Trinity University in San Antonio. Zachary attends UTSA in San Antonio, and Barry Jr. works for Pocket Communications in Research and Development.

1985

Thomas Raimondo, D.O., is one of four COM alumni selected as one of Rhode Island's Top Doctors by Rhode Island Monthly Magazine this past May. He was recognized for his practice with pulmonary diseases.

1986

Timothy Connelly, D.O., is one of four COM alumni selected as one of Rhode Island's Top Doctors by Rhode Island Monthly Magazine this past May. He was recognized for his practice in anesthesiology.

1987

Mark Andreozzi, D.O., is one of four COM alumni selected as one of Rhode Island's Top Doctors by Rhode Island Monthly Magazine this past May. He was recognized for his practice in otolaryngology.

Jacquelyn Blackstone, D.O. and **James Owens, D.O.**, write that they are both practicing at Maine Medical Center: Jacquelyn in maternal fetal medicine and James in emergency medicine.

Robert Shepherd, D.O., writes that he was appointed medical director at Henry Heywood Hospital's Center for Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine. He is also an attending physician in emergency medicine at both Heywood Hospital and Athol Memorial Hospital, both in north central Massachusetts.

Ken Simone, D.O., writes “I am happy to announce the release of my latest book “Hospitalist Recruitment and Retention” this past January. Kids are grown (one in college and one graduating high school next year) and am keeping busy with both my private practice and hospitalist practice management consultation company, though I still have time for travel with family and friends.”

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1988

Mark R. Henschke, D.O., Pharm.D. has been recently recognized for a national "Patients' Choice" Award for the 2nd year in a row. The honor reflects the differences he has made in patients' lives through the exceptionally high praise granted to him by his patients. Every month, more than 40,000 patients across the U.S. provide online feedback about their experiences with their doctors. Over the course of 2009, these reviews have totaled hundreds of thousands of patient opinions. He received the "On-Time Physician" award based on various components such as bedside manner, doctor-patient face time, degree of follow-up, courtesy of the office staff, promptness and overall opinions. Less than 3% of the nation's 720,000 active physicians were accorded this honor by their patients in 2009. The "On-Time Physician" Award is part of the "Patients Choice" award where patients rate and vote for their favorite doctors.

1989

Steven Fern, D.O., writes "Ellen and I have been married for seventeen years. Austin is 13 and Madison is 11. Meredith, my stepdaughter, is 25, a hairstylist, and loves it. Work is busy and life is fun." He practices gastroenterology in Saint Louis.

Eileen Florin Mueseler, D.O., writes "By God's grace and provision, I opened up a family medicine solo practice in Greensburg, Pennsylvania in April 2009." She also provides oversight to The Healing Rooms of Greater Greensburg, a healing prayer ministry. "But my husband Michael and two sons, Sean and Stephen, are my greatest joys."

Sarah Prescott, D.O., writes "I left Augusta Family Physicians in March after 15 years to become the medical director of the Maine General Medical Center's Specialty Center Anticoagulation Clinics in Augusta and Waterville." She resides in Winthrop, Maine.

Randal Wojciehoski, D.O., writes "I am celebrating my 20th year at Ministry-St. Michael's Hospital Emergency Department in Stevens Point, Wisconsin. I also have a medical legal consulting practice focusing

on worker's compensation, personal injury, and medical malpractice. My wife, Michele, is a 4th grade teacher. Kasia will be a sophomore and Jozef will be a senior at Pacelli High School this fall. Both children are active in varsity sports including volleyball, track, football, basketball and golf."

1992

Judith B. Maloney, MSW writes, "I've taken up creative writing. At the NASW, Maine, annual conference I presented a workshop entitled "Write Now." I was included in a Reck House Press anthology published in 10/2009 entitled, "Words on Wednesday Night." It started with an essay in the New York Times "Lives" column, "Cookies and Birdseed", about aging and loss. I continue to work in public schools and in private practice as a clinical social worker."

1993

Allan Kuong, D.O., writes "I am currently working as an emergency medicine physician at Emerson Hospital in Concord, Massachusetts, and part-time as an EMS helicopter flight physician in Michigan."

Melissa Rogers Racine writes "I am currently working three days a week for Dr. Corse in Danville. The children are getting so big ~ my oldest is 12 and then I have an 8 yr. old and my youngest will head off to kindergarten in the fall. A special hello to Tracy, Tami and Sherry."

1994

Louise Butler, D.O., writes "I am finally a full partner in my family practice in Mountville, Pennsylvania, and trying to juggle being a hockey/skate mom/wife with our three kids, Emily (age 12), Pierce (age 9) and Sarah (age 6). It's never a dull moment. Sadly, my mom passed away of metastatic breast cancer in January of this year. She agreed with me that my experience at UNECOM was outstanding!"

John Carbon D.O., wrote that he recently gave two presentations at the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society's annual meeting in Groton. As a psychiatrist, his

topics were about physical medicine and rehabilitation. He practices at Northwest Physical Medicine, in Torrington. He and wife Mary Beth Hanley, D.O. '95, have three boys, now 11, 10 and 8 years old.

Paul Capobianco, D.O., writes that his practice was featured on a News12 Long Island television segment discussing the benefits of not suppressing a childhood fever in routine illness situations. He continues to practice holistic osteopathic medicine utilizing osteopathy, classical homeopathy, nutritional supplementation, detoxification, bioidentical hormones and regular medical therapies. He says that UNECOM prepared him well for modern patient care.

Fred Fenton, D.O., writes that he has been married 13 years to Andrea and has three children – Jacob (13), Ethan (11) and Alexis (4 ½ years old). He practices emergency medicine at Bachus Hospital in Norwich, Connecticut.

John J. Kazalski, D.O., writes of his practice The Pain Management Center of Midcoast, Maine, in Wiscasset (www.pain-mgtmidcoast.com). He is board certified in anesthesiology and pain management.

Roy Meland, D.O., writes of his induction as a Fellow of the American College of Neuropsychiatrists last year. He practices at Michigan State University in Lansing.

Laura Mouracade-Koser, D.O., writes "I am lecturing for Certified Medical Educators. I live in New York City and practice with Retina & Diabetes Eye Care Associates in Staten Island, and have been married to Dr. Mark Koser since 1999." She invites classmates to say hello on her Facebook page.

Kneka Smith, '94, '95 returned to Maine in the fall of 2009 to join the faculty at UNE in the position of Associate Dean for Planning. She was formerly the inaugural Associate Dean for Education at A.T. Still University, Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health in Mesa, Arizona. Kneka is excited to be in Maine working on a dental school for northern New England. She and her children, Gianna (age 4) and Zade (age 3) live in Portland.

1995

Ann Marie Gallagher writes "I am currently a Certified Registered Nurse Infusionist working at Hematology – Oncology Specialists of Cape Cod thanks in no small part to a great education received at UNE."

Mary Beth Hanley D.O., writes that she had to cease working as an anesthesiologist, after nine years, due to health reasons, secondary to MRSA. She is now entering her last year of training as a family physician at Kent County Hospital in Warwick, Rhode Island. She and husband **John Carbon, D.O. '94**, have three boys, now 11, 10 and 8 years old.

David Neckritz, D.O., writes "I have recently taken on the role of chairman of the emergency department at Coney Island Hospital in Brooklyn, New York."

1998

Daniel Gaiser is nearing 10 years of work at Maine Medical Center's Partial Hospital Program, doing work which is rewarding in helping those in acute psychiatric crisis work towards stabilization. He also works in the emergency room and teaches a weekly class at Broadway Crossing (Portland's crisis stabilization unit) and leads occasional workshops in the area. He writes, "The School of Social Work gave me both a solid and progressive preparation and appetite for this challenging and rewarding work."

Rhonda Pickrell, writes that she's "living in D.C. – home with my children, ages 3 & 6."

1999

Amy Allara's poems and book reviews have appeared in LIT, Denver Quarterly, The New Review of Literature, 26: a journal of poetry and poetics, First Intensity, Sycamore Review, and others. In 2005 she received her MFA in Writing from Otis College of Art and Design in Los Angeles. Amy currently lives and works in Pennsylvania and Los Angeles. Her first book of poems titled *Variation* is forthcoming in 2010.

James Andrews, D.O., writes "I am currently living in Kentucky with my beautiful wife, Elaine, and three children. I never expected to live in Kentucky, however the military brought me here and I chose to stay. I still love Maine and wish the best to all COM alumni." He practices psychiatry and child psychiatry at Ireland Army Hospital at Fort Knox.

Kathy Boyette-Watson's social work career has included her present position as Clinical Coordinator for a Professional Parent Program offered through local CSB in Virginia after completing several years in Social Service agencies acquiring CPS, Prevention, Foster Care, Adoptive services. Her passion is animal-assisted therapies utilizing my therapy dog, Tanner, in the field to work with traumatized children. She is currently pursuing her LCSW 2010 and plans to return to Maine with her husband, John Watson, now that her daughter is a young adult.

Stanislaw Chorzepa, DO is practicing solo internal medicine practice since 2003. Since graduating in '99, he and his wife, Nina, have had two more daughters (Natalia & Katrina) so now have 4 children total. Oldest, Adrianna, will be attending college in September as a nursing/pre-med major.



Emily LaDuque Kraus '99 and husband Thomas Kraus

Emily LaDuque Kraus married Thomas Kraus of Pittsburgh, PA on August 29, 2009. The wedding ceremony and reception took place at Ventosa Vineyards in Geneva, NY. The couple met while in graduate school at the University of Rochester and now live and work in Northern Virginia.

2000

Adam Lauer, D.O., writes "I was elected UNECOM Alumni Association president last October, and in November I was

honored by the American Osteopathic Association as Top Five Finalist for AOA Mentor of the Year Award and now reside permanently in the AOA Mentor Hall of Fame. I was especially privileged to administer the Osteopathic Oath to the newest graduating class of 2010."

Gerald Maloney, D.O., will be starting in COM's Master of Science in Medical Education Leadership (MMEL) program this fall. He practices emergency medicine and medical toxicology at University Hospitals of Cleveland

Glenn Richard, D.O., writes that he is a TeleRadiologist for Imaging on Call. He recently completed his obligation to the U.S. Navy, where he trained in Bethesda, Maryland, and served in Okinawa, Japan, and on the island of Guam. He now lives in Baltimore with his wife and two children.

2001

Michael Vest, D.O., writes that he is married to Marianne San Antonio, D.O. '05. He completed his service in U.S. Army medical corps in 2008 including 15 months in Ramadi, Iraq. Since then they have lived in Connecticut where he is a pulmonary and critical care medicine fellow and Marianne is a pediatric behavior and development fellow, both at Yale University.

2002

Keith Goulet, D.O., '96, COM '02, and **Hilary Goulet '01 MPT '02**, wrote that they welcomed their second child, Will, in March of last year and have a four year old, Lauren. Keith is completing a fellowship in pulmonary/critical care this summer and the entire family will be moving to Annapolis, Maryland. After some time off, Hilary will go back to work part-time at an inpatient rehabilitation facility.

Kate Drummond Zimmerman, D.O. writes of her husband Robert Zimmerman, and the birth of Gweneth Wells Zimmerman a year ago this past April.

2003

Jason Cohen, D.O., writes "After finishing my service in the Army, I am completing a fellowship in surgical critical care at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. We celebrated the birth of our third child, Isaac. I will now be joining the faculty practice at Albany Medical Center as both an emergency physician and an intensivist."

Holly Couture, D.O., writes "I work at an outpatient family practice, ABQ Health Partners, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, joining the practice in March. I am looking forward to hearing what my classmates are up to."

Laura Hancock, '97, DO '03 and her family are currently residing in Rye, New Hampshire. She and Chad welcomed the addition of their second daughter, Elizabeth Lane, on November 15, 2009, who joins older sister Ashleigh Grace. Laura is an outpatient and consulting psychiatrist at Psychiatric Associates of York Hospital in York, Maine and conducts forensic psychiatry evaluations for the Department of Health and Human Services.

Eric Schneider, D.O., writes that he and his wife, Therese, welcomed their second child, Cara Noelle, in April. The family is in Fairbanks, Alaska, where he is finishing a four year stint in the Army, which included 14 months in Baghdad, Iraq. They are looking forward to a summer together before starting a new job in autumn.

Taylor J. Legare Smith '03, '04 writes, "I got married in September 2009! Working full-time in Auburn, Maine."

Captain Christine D. Yanish, USAR, M.N.A. retired from the United States Army Reserve after 8 years of service. Christine served on active duty during Operation Iraqi Freedom, at Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio Texas.

2004

Amanda Demetri Lewis, D.O., writes "I will be completing my women's imaging fellowship at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston and will be moving to Maine this summer to work as a breast care radiologist at York Hospital."

Claudia Wheeler, D.O. is one of four COM alumni selected as one of Rhode Island's Top Doctors by Rhode Island Monthly Magazine this past May. She was recognized for his practice in physical medicine and rehabilitation

2005

Kelley Harmon, D.O., and **Nathan Harmon, D.O.**, write that Kelley is currently practicing at Maine Dartmouth Family Medicine Residency Program in Augusta and Fairfield as residency faculty and co-director of pre-doctoral education for medical students from UNECOM, Dartmouth, UVM and other medical schools. Nathan completed a geriatric fellowship at Maine Dartmouth Family Medicine Residency Program in 2009, and has worked as residency faculty since. He will start a new position as a hospitalist for MaineGeneral Medical Center in Augusta this summer. They live in Monmouth and have two sons, Luke (age 3) and Jake (age 16 months).

Alison Hastings, D.O., writes that she completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Connecticut last June. "I just wanted to write a quick note and say that I really value the UNE experience that brought me to this point of my life. I can actually recall my interview with Dean Kelley and how wonderful I felt the first time I went to the campus." She currently practices in North Adams, Massachusetts, and "working with a great group here in the Berkshires."

Katie Demaree Lincoln, D.O., and **Matthew Lincoln, D.O. '06**, write they "continue to live happily ever after in San Antonio." Katie is a family medicine attending in private practice and works very hard to provide primary care to an underserved population. Matthew, who is a captain in the U.S. Army, just finished a year as an attending chief of the internal medicine residents at Brooke Army Medical Center. He has accepted a fellowship in gastroenterology at BAMC. "We are looking forward to a summer vacation to Italy. If any COM alum or students are in San Antonio, please contact us for a homemade meal."

Travis Anthony Mastroianni, D.O., writes, "After graduating from diagnostic radiology residency at Botsford Hospital in Farming-

ton Hills, Michigan, I will complete a cross-sectional imaging fellowship at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, New Hampshire. With my wife Erin and three children, Alannah, Nathan and Marielle, we will then be moving to Buffalo to begin my career in radiology at Southtowns Radiology Associates."

Marianne San Antonio, D.O. writes that she is married to Michael Vest, D.O. '01. They have lived in Connecticut since Michael completed his service in U.S. Army medical corps in 2008. Marianne is a pediatric behavior and development fellow, and Michael is a pulmonary and critical care medicine fellow, both at Yale University.

Heather Sharkey, D.O., writes that she is "getting married to Jason Weymouth on July 20." She is in her first year of practice at Martin's Point Healthcare in Brunswick, Maine, focusing on family medicine and osteopathic manipulative medicine.

2006

Tim Abbott, D.O., writes "I will finish my anesthesia residency at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, Massachusetts in June; I was the chief resident there. I will be starting my new position this summer at Cooley Dickinson Hospital. I have three children now, Oliver (9), Simon (6), and Jena (3)."

Justin Bussone, D.O., writes that he has been practicing as a hospitalist at Mid Coast Hospital in Brunswick, Maine, following the completion of his residency at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center.

2007

Michael Akerley, D.O., and his wife, Annie Clasen, stopped by campus in late May as part of their vacation to Maine. They have been married just under a year. He practices aerospace medicine as a captain in the U.S. Air Force, stationed at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyoming. When finished with his military obligation, he will complete an anesthesiology residency at Penn State University.

Ashley d'Entremont writes, "I just returned from a year at the University of Kent in Canterbury, England, where I studied for my Masters in Visual Anthropology."

Deborah Shilowski Derderian, D.O., writes "I will be joining TriCounty Internal Medicine in Mendon, Massachusetts in December." She is completing her internal medicine residency at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Amy (Siewko) Francis, D.O. writes she is "excited to be finishing residency. I will be starting with a primary care group in Peabody, Massachusetts in January 2011. My husband, son and I are very excited, too, as we are expecting baby number two in October."



Karin Iuzzolino-Paquin

Karin Iuzzolino-Paquin is currently the Assistant Curator of Exhibits at the University of Georgia Marine Extension Service Aquarium and was asked by the NOAA Gray's Reef office to assist with the acoustic fish tagging surgeries and fishing efforts aboard the Research Vessel the Nancy Foster and the Research Vessel the Joe Ferguson for a second year in a row. "I spent 2 weeks from May 17 – 28, 2010 assisting with both the fishing efforts aboard the R/V Joe Ferguson and the husbandry of the research fish aboard the NOAA ship the "R/V Nancy Foster" at Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary about 50 miles offshore southeast of Savannah. You can learn more about the "Nancy Foster" by visiting <http://graysreef.noaa.gov/>. While working with the research expedition, I carried out tasks such as venting and externally tagging scamp grouper, gag grouper, and red snapper caught by long-line fishing. I then assisted Greg McFall (NOAA Gray's Reef) by surgically implanting acoustic tags which will allow scientists to track individuals throughout the year. Finally they monitored their recoveries

after surgery until they were cleared to be re-released within a period of 24-72 hours. If you would like to see the work that was accomplished during the 2010 Gray's Reef Research Expedition please visit <http://graysreef.noaa.gov/>."

2008

Chloe Adams will be attending the Cell and Molecular Biology Ph.D. program at University of Vermont, beginning in autumn of this year!

Jennifer Savino, D.O., writes that she will be chief resident in Geisinger's emergency medicine residency program. She presented a research poster on Use of Video Lectures in Resident Education at the Pennsylvania American College of Emergency Physicians conference this past April, and again at the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine this June.

2009

Maureen DeCamp, D.O., writes "I'm just finishing up my intern year at Mount Sinai Medical Center in Miami Beach. My news is that I got married last September to my high school sweetheart and first love, Jason Sauvage. He's a retired Orlando police officer who is now back in school to pursue a career in law and history. I have decided to pursue a fellowship in geriatrics and my first choice program will bring me back to Maine. I've decided to return to Maine after I complete my training, to stay for good. I've always thought I'd practice in my home state of Florida but I've been converted.

Renee Lefebvre continues her education at the Clark F. Miller School of Radiologic Technology; Central Maine Medical Center, Lewiston, Maine

Martha Gilman, D.O., writes "I'm finishing my internship in Southampton, New York (Long Island) where I focused on NMM where my manipulation skills improved significantly. I had some wonderful patient encounters, but didn't feel it would be fulfilling for me. So, I'm taking some time to digest this past year and spend time with my good friend Barb in Chapel Hill. I plan to apply in Bangor where I will re-do

internship and complete my residency training as a family practice D.O. who does OMT of course!!

Captain Chris Renaud, D.O., writes "I would like to announce the birth of our second child, Theodore on 22 Jan 2010, 8 lbs 15 oz. I will be moving on from my U.S. Army transitional internship at Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas, to begin a residency in anesthesiology at Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, this summer. I am missing Maine terribly.

Brandon Weik is working for Sea & Reef Aquaculture as the Hatchery Manager at the University of Maine's Center for Cooperative Aquaculture Research in Franklin, ME. See the article in UMaine Today at www.umaine.edu/magazine/past-issues/spring-2010/online-april-2010/online-exclusives/3/

2010

Dante Levan, D.O., writes "I am going on to orthopedic surgery residency in New York City at SUNY Downstate, a large level one trauma center primarily in Brooklyn with several rotations around the city."

Captain Paul Lucha Jr., D.O., M.S., writes "I'm currently deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Kandahar Afghanistan as the department head of surgery in the NATO Role 3 Multinational Medical Unit. I plan to return to the Naval Medical Center in Portsmouth, Virginia, as the chairman of the department of surgery and then retire from the Navy in July 2011. Two manuscripts have been submitted for publication this spring and I've gotten two IRB research protocols approved and one IACUC research protocol approved. I was awarded the "Commander's Grant" funding for my research into resident education."

IN MEMORIAM

ALUMNI

1928

Helen Dudley Hutchinson
Westbrook Junior College
April 24, 2010

1940

Esther F. Bickford
Westbrook Junior College
April 1, 2010

1941

Ruth DeVenne Cuming
Westbrook Junior College
Trustee Emerita
June 28, 2010

Ruth Timson Good

Westbrook Junior College
January 1, 2010

Grace Libby Palmer

Westbrook Junior College
January 20, 2010

Mary Anderson Williams

Westbrook Junior College
March 30, 2010

1942

Helena Hodson Bracken
Westbrook Junior College
July 2, 2010

Dorothy Meserve Neithercut

Westbrook Junior College
June 20, 2009

1943

Lucille Lurier Grossman
Westbrook Junior College
May 17, 2008

1944

Mary Dearborn Jordan
Westbrook Junior College
July 4, 2010

Barbara Higgins Comis

Westbrook Junior College
June 9, 2010

1947

Gertrude Williams Anderson
Westbrook Junior College
June 25, 2010

Mary Pierce Hill

Westbrook Junior College
March 18, 2010

Arlene Tucker Thompson

Westbrook Junior College
July 11, 2010

1948

Elizabeth Brigham Kirwin
Westbrook Junior College
July 10, 2009

Barbara Manson Vamvakias

Westbrook Junior College
April 7, 2010

1949

Eleanor Bagley Billings
Westbrook Junior College
March 14, 2010

Frances Lerman Waxler

Westbrook Junior College
March 14, 2010

Barbara Ankeles White

Westbrook Junior College
June 13, 2010

1950

Mary Cushing Barker
Westbrook Junior College
May 2, 2010

Beverly Grace Bulkley

Westbrook Junior College
July 12, 2010

Barbara Lord Freeman West-
brook Junior College
March 31, 2010

1951

Evelyn Marie Welch
Westbrook Junior College
March 25, 2010

1953

**Maxine Christenson Hender-
son**
Westbrook Junior College
October 17, 2009

1958

Nancy Abbott Hampson
Westbrook Junior College
November 20, 2009

1960

Joanna Hayes Crenney
Westbrook Junior College
March 25, 2010

1961

Kaye Learned Elliott
Westbrook Junior College
May 31, 2010

1972

Jacques Millette
St. Francis College
June 9, 2010

1980

Joel T. McMurray
St. Francis College
February 9, 2010

2007

**Christopher O'Connor,
D.O.** UNECOM
April 4, 2010

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Former Faculty/Staff
July 17, 2010

John W. Fisher

June 28, 2009

Philip H. Palamountain

Former Faculty/Staff
December 25, 2009

Jack Spiegel

Former Board of Advisors
Member
April 24, 2010

Ernest R. Therrien

Former Faculty/Staff,
Former Acting President
of St. Francis College
June 2, 2010

John W. L. White

Former Board of Advisors
Member
April 16, 2010

Delpha Jean Yuhas

Former Faculty/Staff
May 11, 2010



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- Quality athletic programs serve 285 student-athletes;
- We have 35 medical student organizations;
- Interdisciplinary collaboration projects are offered between the health science programs.

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"You all deserve more than a simple thank you. I am so grateful and honored for this scholarship award, as it will help me and my family a significant amount. Helping others is an important aspect of my life and it means so much to me when others are willing to help as well. Thank you again and I look forward to someday contributing back to the scholarship fund and helping other students like myself."

--Heidi Jones, '11, majoring in applied exercise science, pre-physical therapy, shown above with UNE's Director of Alumni Advancement Amy Nadzo Haile at the annual Undergraduate Awards ceremony on April 20.



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History for American Environmental Politics in the
21st Century*

NOV 29 | Robert J. Allison
Boston and New England: Culture and Economy

DEC 13 | David Lenson
Psychotropic Drugs: The Future

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