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WINNING WAYS

Victories in sports, research and global connections champion a solid foundation for growth in the next decade

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Reaching New HEIGHTS

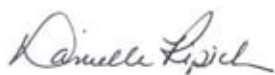
UNE'S WINNING WAYS ARE LEADING
US INTO A NEW ERA OF EXCELLENCE
THAT COMPLEMENTS OUR EDUCATIONAL
ACHIEVEMENTS.

In this issue of *UNE Magazine*, we highlight the many ways UNE is expanding our educational excellence and global footprint in this new decade — from the use of online distance education to reach students across the country, to our expanded study abroad programs, to the complex issues discussed in our new Center for Global Humanities.

I am equally thrilled that our athletics teams are also reaching new heights. Our women's basketball team won The Commonwealth Coast Conference (TCCC) Championship and participated in the 2010 NCAA Division III basketball tournament for the second time since 2001. Last year, our men's team won the TCCC Championship and made it to the NCAA tourney for the first time in its history.

We are also beginning construction of a state-of-the-art synthetic blue turf athletics field on our Biddeford Campus that will be home to our NCAA field hockey and lacrosse teams (and soccer in inclement weather), and our growing intramural sports programs. UNE is the only NCAA Division III institution with a blue turf field, and one of only four in the nation. This new field and our residence hall expansion are two exciting campus additions that will enhance our students' experiences on and off the field.

From our TCCC coaches of the year to our outstanding athlete-scholars, UNE's winning ways are leading us into a new era of excellence (see sidebar) that complements our educational achievements.



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UNE ATHLETICS ACHIEVEMENTS 2009–2010

Fall Season Major Awards and
Winter All-Conference Winners

UNE Women's Basketball Team wins The Commonwealth Coast Conference Championship

Swimmer Lizzie Wareham ('12, Applied Exercise Science)
qualified in 50-yard freestyle for ECAC Championship.

Field Hockey Coach Joan Howard
named TCCC Coach of the Year.

Women's Basketball Coach Anthony Ewing
named TCCC Coach of the Year.

Field Hockey player Taryn Flagg ('10, Occupational Therapy)
named TCCC Athlete of the Year.

Matt Veiga ('11, Applied Exercise Science)
named TCCC Runner of the Year.

Kelley Paradis ('12, Applied Exercise Science) Named
to TCCC Women's Basketball All-Conference First Team

Carrie Bunnell ('11, Applied Exercise Science) Named
to TCCC Women's Basketball All-Conference Second Team

Quentin Thompson ('12, Sport Management) Named
TCCC Co-defensive Player of the Year and Men's Basketball
Third Team All-Conference

Anthony Johnson ('12, Sport Management) Named
TCCC Men's Basketball Third Team All-Conference

TCCC Senior Scholar-Athletes of the Year

Anne Cowles ('Field Hockey, '10, Applied Exercise Science)

Ryan Tarr (Soccer, '10, Medical Biology)

Ali Trafton (Soccer, '10, Applied Exercise Science)

Claire Varner (Volleyball, '10, History and Education)

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Moving Forward in the Next Decade

EXPANDING OUR ACADEMIC FOOTPRINT,
GLOBALLY AND VIRTUALLY



When Professor Anouar Majid invites students, faculty and members of the public to participate in a dialog with guest speakers on subjects of major relevance to the welfare of the global community, his audience extends well beyond the lecture hall in Portland, Maine.

Through the use of web-based technology, people have tuned in from across the nation and around the world (Australia, Canada, Germany, Morocco, Spain, New Zealand, United Kingdom). The programs hosted by UNE's Center for Global Humanities address topics ranging from water, health and society, to inequity in the distribution of wealth and health, and gender, culture and aging.

Opportunities to invite the world into the UNE campus through the use of technology are increasing. In the past year, the Westbrook College of Health Professions

launched the nation's first fully online Master's in Social Work program as an option to the campus-based program. In only its first year, it has attracted students from 32 states and from American Samoa, Canada, England, and Germany.

Online education is not new to UNE but is

becoming an increasingly important part of the education mix, to better serve traditional and non-traditional students. Students of these programs have become an integral part of the University, according to UNE Professor of Education Michael Beaudoin, an expert in distance and online education.

Since the year 2000, the College of Arts & Sciences has offered a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies for education leadership. And the distance education Master's in Education program, initially launched in 1993, has been fully online since 2007 and currently has an enrollment of more than 700 degree candidates. The College of Graduate Studies offers online programs for a Master's of Public Health and a Graduate Certificate in Public Health, and the College of Osteopathic Medicine offers a Master of Science in Medical Education Leadership.

In the coming decade, the virtual classroom will be extended to more students.

"We are examining our learning environment and how we deliver programs to all students, whether they are in a classroom on campus or anywhere in the world," said UNE Provost Jacques Carter. "The use of technology can liberate students, from the fixed point in space and time of a traditional classroom. And advances in technology are making it possible to move from a campus-centric approach to teaching and learning to one where we are as conversant in cyberspace as we have



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By Susan Pierter

been in the physical space of our traditional classrooms and laboratories.”

In addition to inviting the world to our campus through the use of technology, UNE is also planning a major initiative to expand our academic footprint overseas.

“The American model of higher education is exportable and in high demand,” said Carter. “The globalization of the University will enrich the learning experiences for our students. We are exploring with our international partners various opportunities for joint degree programs, research collaborations, faculty and student exchange programs, and student study abroad experiences in countries as distant and different from us as Mexico, Israel and Morocco.”

Twelve years ago, the University began an accredited nursing program in partnership with Israel College. The program continues to attract students as the Israeli Ministry of Health requires all nurses to gain a bachelor's degree as a way to upgrade the health system. More than 2,300 students have graduated from the Nursing Baccalaureate Completion Program in Tel Aviv, Israel, according to Professor Charles Ford who has been with the program for 10 years. ■



**EDUCATION IS THE MOST
POWERFUL WEAPON YOU CAN
USE TO CHANGE THE WORLD.**

– Nelson Mandela

From top, at left: A graduate of UNE's Nursing Baccalaureate Completion Program at Israel College in Tel Aviv celebrates with her family; Bahá'í Gardens in Haifa, Israel; UNE V.P. of Research and Dean of Graduate Studies Timothy Ford with students at Nanjing University; and President Danielle Ripich visits with Moroccan Ambassador to the United States M. Aziz Mekouar, Maine Governor John Baldacci, and Anouar Majid, director of the Center for Global Humanities and associate provost for Global Initiatives.

LOOKING BACK:

A great foundation for student-centered learning

2001

Saco Health Center
(26,950 sq. ft.)

Marine Science Education
and Research Center
(26,000 sq. ft.)

Parker Pavilion/Hersey
Renovations
(28,770 sq. ft.)

2002

Facilities Management Building
(18,000 sq. ft.)

East and West Halls
(97,000 sq. ft.)

2005

Champlain Hall
(64,000 sq. ft.)

2007

Featherman Hall
(42,000 sq. ft.)

2008

Welcome Cottage
(1,745 sq. ft.)

Creative and Fine Arts
(5,120 sq. ft.)

Pickus Center for
Biomedical Research
and Cécile Morgane
Research Laboratories
(20,086 sq. ft.)

George and Barbara
Bush Center
(12,422 sq. ft.)

Peter and Cécile
Morgane Hall
(25,800 sq. ft.)

2009

College of Pharmacy
(48,000 sq. ft.)

2010

Residence Hall
(104,000 sq. ft.)

IN THE LAST DECADE, UNE has almost doubled the physical footprint of its combined campuses, adding 487,716 sq. ft. in facilities – including a new residence hall that will open this fall in Biddeford.

A significant portion of the investment in research facilities has happened in the past two years. In 2008, the 20,086 sq. ft. Pickus Center for Biomedical Research opened on the Biddeford campus. And in 2009, the College of Pharmacy opened on the Portland campus – 12,000 sq. ft. of the facility's total 48,000 sq. ft. is devoted to research. In total, UNE has invested in 32,086 sq. ft. in new research facilities in the past two years.

Investment in research space was also made earlier in the decade at the Marine Science and Research Center, constructed in 2001, and at Decary Hall, Stella Maris Hall and the Harold Alfond Center for Health Sciences.

"We have made these investments with an intentional focus towards the development of premier student-centered learning environments," said Dr. Cynthia Forrest, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students. "Our new spaces emphasize the important balance of the academic, social and personal dimensions of our students' lives as they actively engage with campus and community."

Dr. Forrest added, "Communal study and gathering spaces include the lounge area in the new College of Pharmacy on the Portland Campus and the Windward Cafe in the Bush Center on the Biddeford Campus. The expanded Box Office on the Biddeford Campus as well as similar services on the Portland Campus offer opportunities for all community members to explore the rich cultural resources in Maine."

BREAKING NEW GROUND:

University expands Biddeford Campus to both sides now

By Dick Buhr

UNE has embarked on a \$26 million expansion of the Biddeford Campus with the construction of a new 300-bed residence hall and athletics field across Pool Street in Biddeford.

The Nor'easters are known as Big Blue, and that will be reflected in the new athletics field's blue synthetic turf, one of a kind in the NCAA Division III and one of only four blue turfs in the nation.

The residence hall and athletics field expansion will support UNE's thriving student enrollment and the social and academic benefits of on-campus living for undergraduates.

The suite-style residence hall complex will include a small pond surrounded by a large green, bordered by a quarter-mile running/walking trail. The new artificial turf will extend the hours of playing time four-fold for the campus.

The project, which is expected to employ 245 area construction workers over a 12-month period, is one of the largest construction projects currently under way in the state. It is estimated the materials used in the building will also support an additional 300 other jobs off-campus.

In addition to its economic impact, the project will also preserve 170 acres of important wildlife habitat in perpetuity.

Residence Hall

The new residence hall, scheduled to be completed in time for UNE student occupancy in fall 2010, will be four stories. The accommodations include two types of suites: some with four single bedrooms and others with two single bedrooms and a double.

All the suites will have kitchenettes, living rooms and spacious bathrooms. Each floor will have two study areas, while the ground floor will include a lounge and a fitness area. WiFi will be accessible throughout the building. The new hall will be the fifth suite-style hall built at UNE in the last decade.



Gateway across Route 9



Residence Hall

A Pond with Fountains

The new residence hall is the first of four that will eventually surround the new pond and green. The pond will include two fountains, and the green and pond will be bordered by a quarter-mile running/walking trail. The green will provide space for social activities such as barbecues, as well as intramural and informal recreational sports and activities - a perfect space for a pickup game of Frisbee or touch football. In winter the pond will be turned into an ice skating rink.

"Today's students have high expectations," explains Karen Lucas, dean of enrollment management. "Suite-style residence halls are very attractive to them. Students are excited about living in these brand new accommodations." The additional residence hall will also afford more opportunities to house international students and visiting scholars as well, she said.

The Athletics Field

Director of Athletics Kim Allen is excited about the blue synthetic turf and the spirit it will inspire. "The students are going to love it," she said. "It's going to give us a competitive advantage for home games. The other teams are going to fear coming to the University of New England."

The new turf will be used mostly for stick sports teams, such as the 2009 ECAC Championship women's field hockey team and both the men's and women's lacrosse teams. The turf will be short-bladed to accommodate these sports, but it will cover a full-sized soccer field that can be used by the soccer and other teams when needed, especially during the inclement weather of early spring and late fall.

Not only is the new field going to benefit intercollegiate athletics, the entire student body will benefit because it will also be used for intramural sports, especially in the evenings, utilizing the field's full lighting.

Allen said it also opens up possibilities for community use during down time, as well as more possibilities for sports camps.

Street and Sidewalks

To fully integrate the new complex with the rest of the campus, the University has initiated a series of infrastructure improvements to Pool Street. Working with the Maine Department of Transportation, UNE is constructing a new ground-level gateway under Pool Street to provide a safe walkway for the University community. New lights will be added along the street, sidewalks and throughout the new complex.

Wildlife Habitat Protected

A key part of the University's five-year master plan for the Biddeford Campus is the protection of important natural habit on the University's 580-plus acres of land. Working with the City of Biddeford, the University identified 63 acres on the west side of Pool Street that were the most suitable for development, while also identifying 170 acres of important wildlife habitat.

The 170 acres, which includes 38 vernal pools, will be put under a conservation easement in perpetuity. This conservation easement, along with 20 acres previously conserved, brings the total to 190 acres. This conserved area continues to serve as a natural laboratory for UNE researchers and science and environmental studies classes, as well as benefiting the community as a whole.

Hedley Reynolds Way

In recognition of his many contributions to UNE - including his instrumental role in acquiring the land across Pool Street - the main street into the new section of UNE's campus will be named Hedley Reynolds Way after the University's former president who passed away in September 2009. ■



BARBARA HAZARD
RETIRES AFTER 26 YEARS

By Kathleen Taggersell

FOREVER A CAMPUS CONNECTION

In 1983 the first US cellular telephone network was launched in Chicago, Sally Ride became the first American woman in space, and the TV blockbuster M*A*S*H ended its 251-episode run. That same year, much beloved Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, Barbara Hazard, joined the University of New England as Dean of Students. Dean Hazard retired from the university in December 2009 after serving the UNE community for more than 26 years. She recently shared some of her early memories and proudest moments.

Hazard came to UNE from the University of Akron, where she was Assistant to the Vice President of Student Services and Director of Student Development from 1979–1983, as well as Title IX Coordinator. “After my interview at UNE, I took a long walk along the river. As I walked around campus, I saw that it was a beautiful place, a place that had potential, where I could really make a difference and help build something.”

At that time, the UNE student population was about 700 students, including the College of Osteopathic Medicine. The Student Affairs staff included just six people and had an operating budget of \$320,000. “One of my first goals was to create a campus culture and environment that were positive and professional. The programs were very demanding, and students needed support, counseling services, and co-curricular programs to provide balance in their lives. But it was small enough to know everybody...some of those students still stay in touch with me today.”

Hazard fondly remembers the mischievousness of the students, from the self-named “Lucky 7,” responsible for a number of light-hearted and spirited pranks like the infamous cookie caper (“We wondered, ‘who are the Lucky 7, and when will they strike next?’”) to



the medical students' tricycle ride down Stella Maris hill as part of an alcohol awareness program. Students were resourceful and creative.

They had to be. There was no student center or athletic facility. Basketball games were played in a gym at the Old Orchard Beach Middle School. The old gym at UNE served as a practice court with a fitness center on the stage. The facility was the location for plays and concerts (would you believe the "Funkadelics?"). Hazard and the senior administration of the time initiated the first major building project to benefit students – the Campus Center, a project that had been on the drawing board since 1966. She stated, "I had an idea of what it should look like. We just had to think of ways to make it happen." Her dream became a reality in December 1988, and the Campus Center became home to the university's growing athletics programs, and the hub of other social and recreation activities.



UNE's Biggest Fan

At left: Dean Hazard was a fixture at UNE athletics events. Top center: Dean Hazard poses with UNE's Nor'easter mascot

Student Affairs circa 1988 (l to r):

Above: Pat Kelley, Martha Masse, Jeri Keane, Barbara Hazard, Karol L'Heureux



Hazard provided leadership in attaining NCAA membership for UNE's intercollegiate varsity athletics program while substantially expanding the recreation/intramural program available to all students. Under her leadership the University greatly expanded its varsity athletics program, including introducing new sports teams and winning its first-ever Commonwealth Coast Conference Championship, in basketball in 2009.

In recognition of her outstanding service to students and to the university community, Hazard was awarded the Kenneally Cup for Distinguished Academic Service in 1990.

One of Hazard's greatest challenges, and successes, was the merger of UNE with Westbrook College in 1996. She merged the student affairs operations of two distinct campuses and built a cohesive team. "There were many important traditions, and we wished to continue them, to build on them. I think we were successful in holding onto the things that really mattered," she said.

Over the years, the university has grown to over 4,000 students, built new residence and academic halls, and launched new programs and colleges. The Student Affairs division, which now includes 86 full-time people and an operating budget of \$6.5 million, comes into contact with most UNE students at some point during their enrollment – student orientation, program development and assessment, housing, athletics and recreation, counseling and career services, student wellness & fitness, and

Commencement.

Hazard co-chaired the President's Task Force on Diversity that set forth a plan to improve the environment for people representing diversity, to increase the enrollment of students of color, the employment of faculty and staff of color, and educational programs for the university community. Subsequently, the Office of Multicultural Affairs was also created to provide orientation, programming, and other support for international and multicultural students.

Among the dean's fondest memories and those which give her the greatest joy are the many individual interactions with students – working with them to transition to college life, address a personal tragedy, resolve an overwhelming problem, or support them in their leadership roles. Some of the biggest successes came from results of disciplinary situations where a willing ear coupled with some "tough love" aided more than a few students to pull their lives together to become the outstanding people they were upon graduation and are now.

At a reception honoring Hazard in December, UNE President Danielle Ripich stated, "Barbara's wisdom, vision and advocacy have been critical assets to UNE over the years. She has a keen sense about students, and a genuine and compassionate spirit. Her leadership and numerous contributions have enhanced our University in so many ways and helped to create the tremendous sense of community that exists here. We will miss her but know that she will forever be a part of the UNE community."

In tribute to her many lasting contributions to the university, the fields directly across the street from the very active UNE Campus Center she helped to create have been dedicated the Barbara J. Hazard Athletics Fields. ■

The InterProfessional Education Collaborative:

PREPARING FUTURE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS TO DELIVER
INTEGRATED CARE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

By Susan Pierter

UNE's broad range of health and health-related clinical disciplines has long provided a unique opportunity to engage practitioners, scholars and researchers across health professions to prepare a future work force for patient-centered care that is competent, compassionate, safe and effective. The InterProfessional Education Collaborative aims to do just that.

"The envisioned outcome of IPEC is not the creation of a new entity, but rather the creation of a new culture for

training health professionals based on core principles including health as a human right and person-centered collaborative health care," said Shelley Cohen Konrad, Ph.D., Associate Professor, and Coordinator of the InterProfessional Education Work Group for the past year.

Hosted by the Westbrook College of Health Professions, the Collaborative will be guided by a group of key faculty and staff leaders from health professions across all of the University's colleges and schools. IPEC will work in concert with participating programs to help UNE



students increase their knowledge for patient and family-centered care and to develop skills for interprofessional team-based responses to patients' needs, patient/provider collaboration and communication, reflexive practice, cultural awareness and health literacy.



The primary goals for IPEC are to:

- Innovate and implement inter-professional health education curriculum and programs.
- Establish interprofessional health research and scholarship, including community-based participatory research focused on community needs.
- Establish collaborative clinical practice sites on or near campus and in conjunction with community partners.

The official launch of the Collaborative will be recognized with a reception at the UNE Art Gallery on the Portland campus on May 13, according to WCHP Associate Dean Clay Graybeal, who will be responsible for administrative oversight and support of IPEC. The reception will be preceded by a faculty development day that will include guest speaker, Scott Reeves, Ph.D., Director of Research at the Centre for Faculty Development at St. Michael's Hospital, an affiliate of the University of Toronto. Dr. Reeves serves as associate editor of the *Journal of Interprofessional Care*, and his research interests include exploring and evaluating processes and outcomes related to interprofessional education and practice. ■

Health and health-related disciplines at UNE:

- Applied Exercise Science
- Athletic Training
- Dental Hygiene
- Dental Medicine (planned)
- Medical Education Leadership
- Nurse Anesthesia
- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy
- Osteopathic Medicine
- Pharmacy
- Physical Therapy
- Physician Assistant
- Psychology
- Public Health
- Social Work

Students learn how to discuss domestic violence with patients and clients

Through the innovative medium of a short play performed by two professional actors, supported by multimedia and the latest research, students of the Westbrook College of Health Professions learned how to address intimate partner violence and sexual assault with their patients and clients.

The play, "Major Medical Breakthrough," was created by Cathy Plourde, Executive Director and Playwright at Add Verb Productions in Portland "as a call to action for the health care sector and its role in detecting and preventing violence in patients' lives."

In Maine in 2008, 19 of the 31 homicides were related to domestic violence. Research suggests that the health care sector is the largest and single most underutilized means of prevention and intervention. "We are still finding that a number of health professionals are not taking the time to ask the questions," said Amy Coha, Clinical Associate Professor at UNE's School of Social Work.

"When you screen for domestic violence and sexual assault, you are taking a major step in terms of homicide prevention."

Add Verb provides "theater for health and wellness education," and frequently collaborates with UNE. The event was held on February 19 at the Eleanor deWolfe Ludcke Auditorium as part of WCHP's annual Interprofessional Ethics Seminar.



Master of Social Work advanced year student Brianne Lovewell, at left, role plays a patient-physician interaction with professional actor, Ian Carlsen of Add Verb Productions.



JAMA publishes research on link between SIDS and serotonin conducted by team that includes UNE Professor David Mokler

By Kathleen Taggersell

In collaboration with researchers at Children's Hospital in Boston, UNE Professor of Pharmacology David Mokler, Ph.D., has played a key role in research that has linked sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS) with low production of serotonin in the brainstem.

The findings, published in the Feb. 3, 2010 issue of *The Journal of the American Medical Association*, may give a concrete approach to identifying babies at risk for SIDS, the leading cause of death for infants between 1 and 12 months old in the United States.

Dr. Mokler, a professor in UNE's College of Osteopathic Medicine, is a

contributing author to the paper. UNE graduate Jill Hoffman, College of Arts and Sciences, class of 2003, is also a contributing author.

SIDS and the Brainstem

SIDS has been linked to the area of the brain called the brainstem. In the brainstem, serotonin helps to regulate some of the body's involuntary actions, such as

breathing, heart rate and blood pressure during sleep. The researchers believe that a low serotonin level impairs the function of the brainstem circuits that regulate these activities, putting a baby at risk for sudden death from stresses such as rebreathing carbon dioxide when sleeping in the face-down position.

Dr. Mokler, who conducts research at the Cécile Morgane Research Laboratories within UNE's Center for Excellence in Neurosciences, is well-known for his research on the serotonin systems of the brain. This research study involved a comparison of brainstem samples from infants dying of SIDS compared to brainstems of infants dying from other, known causes.

Dr. Mokler developed a protocol that measures the level of serotonin in the brainstem tissue in the babies who died of SIDS. Tissue samples from the brainstem were obtained from autopsies and provided by research partners at the San Diego County Medical Examiner's Office in California.

The Results

The results showed that compared with controls, the serotonin levels in the lower brainstem were 26 percent lower in the SIDS cases compared to controls, while the tryptophan hydroxylase (the enzyme that helps make serotonin) levels were 22 percent lower.

Levels of binding to serotonin receptors were also lower by more than 50 percent. The consistency and correlation of these findings with each other reinforce the idea that SIDS in the majority of cases is a disorder of serotonin in the brainstem, the researchers say.

The future goal of this work is to devise a test to identify infants with a serotonin brainstem defect early, and to develop preventive treatments that would correct the serotonin deficiency.

Dr. Mokler states, "This research greatly advances our understanding of this devastating syndrome. This paper verifies and extends these serotonin deficiencies in the brain; from here, the research will move to other areas, such as investigating a possible genetic link to unusually low serotonin levels."

Other risk factors

While this study provides strong evidence for a biological cause of SIDS, it also shows that other risk factors, such as the baby sleeping on its stomach, alcohol consumption by the mother during pregnancy, and exposure to smoking, can increase the risk. Of the SIDS infants in the current study, 95 percent died with at least one risk factor, and 88 percent died with at least two.

Media coverage

The research, when it was published on Feb. 3rd, was covered by more than 60 TV, print and online media outlets around the world, such as *The New York Times*, The Today Show on NBC, Good Morning America on ABC, CNN, *USA Today*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Boston Globe*, *The Washington Post*, *Sydney Morning Herald*, *London Telegraph*, Reuters, *Business Week* and *Science Daily*.

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JAMA article on benefits of satellite data for predicting infectious disease

UNE Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies Timothy Ford, Ph.D., was interviewed in the February 3 issue of *The Journal of the American Medical Association* for his role in an important recent research paper, "Using Satellite Images of Environmental Changes to Predict Infectious Disease Outbreaks." This paper appeared in the September issue of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's *Emerging Infectious Diseases*.

The article in *JAMA*, entitled "Use of Earth-Observing Satellite Data Helps Predict, Prevent Disease Outbreaks," addresses the potential of earth-monitoring satellite data to help public health officials predict and perhaps minimize the effect of infectious disease outbreaks. This information may be used to predict outbreaks of cholera, Ebola virus, hantavirus, and plague, it states.

The February 3 *JAMA* article quotes lead author, Dr. Ford, saying: "We need better surveillance of emerging infectious diseases, and this is one of the most promising techniques." The article adds, "Using satellite data to predict an infectious disease outbreak requires a sophisticated understanding of the ecology of the pathogen, its vector, the susceptibility of the human hosts, and how all these factors interact, explained Ford."

JAMA notes, "Even a few weeks of warning could help target the efforts of public health officials

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to those areas that are at greatest risk and allow them to deliver public health messages that can substantially reduce the burden of disease." For example, Ford noted that "advance warning of a potential cholera outbreak could allow public health officials to stress the importance of basic interventions such as filtering drinking water through sari cloth, which can remove plankton from the water and reduce mortality by 50%."

This *JAMA* article complements two other scholarly pieces recently co-authored by Dr. Ford related to his extensive research on issues concerning water quality and environmental health: "Temporal bacterial diversity associated with metal-contaminated river sediments," which appeared in the journal *Ecotoxicology*, published in February, 2010 (vol 19, number 2), and "Control of waterborne disease in developing countries" in the book *Environmental Microbiology* (Wiley 2009, book chapter). Also, a special edition of the journal *Ecotoxicology* (2009), co-edited by Ford, is focused on the Yangtze River, People's Republic of China.





NSF grant delivers hands-on learning for K-12 students

In 2009, UNE received a \$2.87 million grant from the National Science Foundation, which enabled graduate fellows to be placed in regional K–12 schools to introduce science students to hands-on research. Officially titled, “The Interactions of Biology, Chemistry and Physics at the Land-Ocean Interface: A Systemic PARTnership Aimed at Connecting University and School,” the project is referred to as SPARTACUS.

Jay Williams, a UNE graduate student in the Marine Science program, has worked this academic year at Bonny Eagle High School in Standish, Maine, providing in-class and outdoor learning experiences. She visited teacher Amy Hubbard's biology classes once a week to design lessons that integrate place-based and inquiry education with content. In January, the Honors Biology Class from Bonny Eagle spent the day at UNE's Marine Science Center, meeting with researchers, visiting the wet labs, and touring the Marine Animal Rehabilitation Center.

Students learned about careers in the sciences and reflected on the skills they have been practicing all semester in scientific writing and research. The trip was a highlight for the students, who had an opportunity to enthusiastically interact with researchers and experience UNE's outstanding facilities.

Sharing research experiences and learnings

Students and faculty of the College of Osteopathic Medicine in January explored research conducted by colleagues and classmates during “Research Theme Week.” Throughout the week, the College's New England Research Club organized a series of events that showcased the investigations and findings conducted by students, faculty and professionals from other institutions who work with the students as research mentors. Several visiting researchers gave lunchtime presentations on work in fields ranging from diagnostic imaging, to public health, to immunotoxicology. COM and other UNE faculty highlighted their research projects as well. The Research Symposium Student Poster Session offered an opportunity to take a closer look and engage in discussions about the projects, including: on-campus investigations examining human subjects' responses to humidified air stimulation of the cornea, research designed to give medical learners a nuanced appreciation of their patients' experiences and assumptions made in patient care, research in the clinical setting that examined the efficacy of novel interventions to lab-based experiments that elucidated the behavior of individual cell-types implicated in disease processes, and phenomenological querying of the nature of pain to documentation of the socio-economic factors that affect maternal-child health.



Pulitzer Prize-winning author Chris Hedges visits UNE

THE CENTER FOR GLOBAL HUMANITIES welcomed the Pulitzer Prize-winning author Chris Hedges, former Middle East bureau chief of *The New York Times*, as a guest lecturer on February 18. Hedges

spoke to a packed auditorium about his theme, “Empire of Illusion.” Hedges said, “A culture that cannot distinguish between reality and illusion dies. And we are dying now. We will either wake from our state of induced childishness, one where trivia and gossip pass for news and information, one where our goal is not justice but an elusive and unattainable happiness, to confront the stark limitations before us, or we will continue our headlong retreat into fantasy.” Hedges served as a foreign correspondent for nearly two decades for *The New York Times*, *The Dallas Morning News*, *The Christian Science Monitor* and *National Public Radio*. He was a member of the team that won the 2002 Pulitzer Prize for Explanatory Reporting for *The New York Times* coverage of global terrorism, and he received the 2002 Amnesty International Global Award for Human Rights Journalism.

Ford Awarded Concurrent Professorship at Nanjing University

UNE Vice President for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies, Timothy Ford, Ph.D., was conferred a concurrent professorship at Nanjing University, one of the oldest and most prestigious universities in China.

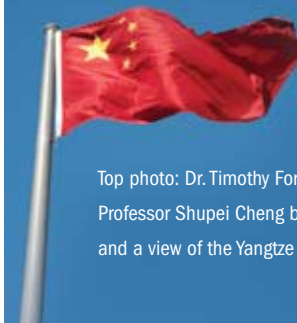
The honor was presented by NJU Vice President Dr. Yi Pan in a ceremony held at NJU's Gulou Campus, situated in the heart of Nanjing City, the capital of Jiangsu Province in the lower Yangtze River drainage basin. Ford presented three lectures on NJU's two major campuses during his visit last fall on the topics "Burden of Waterborne Disease," "Monitoring, Surveillance & Risk Assessment," and "Control of Waterborne Disease."

Ford has had a longstanding partnership with NJU. The concurrent professorship was awarded in recognition of Ford's contributions to the university, and to encourage continued collaboration on environmental health sciences development. Ford was academic chair of the International Workshop on Environmental Health and Pollution Control, held at NJU in 2006, 2008 and 2009.

In addition, Ford was a co-author with NJU Professor Shupeí Cheng, director of NJU's Institute for Environmental Health, on three articles appearing in a special edition of the journal *Ecotoxicology* that focused on the Yangtze River (Cheng S, Ford TE (Eds). Special Issue on Source Water Risk Control. *Ecotoxicology* 2009; Vol 18).

Remarking on his concurrent professorship, Ford states, "I was deeply honored to receive the concurrent professorship from Nanjing University. This honor will help us to build a strong partnership between UNE and Nanjing University and also allow us to work together in building research and training programs that begin to address major environmental health challenges from pollution of the Yangtze River. I have been delighted by the hospitality shown to me at Nanjing University and extremely impressed by the scholarship of both faculty and students. I look forward to many years of close and productive collaboration."

As an official faculty member of NJU, Ford has a closer research partnership with his colleagues to address such issues as Yangtze River pollution, drinking water security, and attracting international funding. The partnership also presents many opportunities for faculty and student exchange between both



Top photo: Dr. Timothy Ford (center) with Dr. Zhang and Professor Shupeí Cheng by the QinHuai River in Nanjing; and a view of the Yangtze River from Lion Mountain.

UNE and Nanjing University. Cheng will visit UNE in July to discuss: topics for the next International Workshop on Environmental Health and Pollution Control; collaborations on environmental health risks from the use of the Yangtze River as a source of drinking water; publication opportunities; and a developing collaboration between UNE, Nanjing University and the University of Hong Kong.

Professor Cheng will be accompanied by his wife, Yunzhong Shi, an English Associate Professor of Chinese Traditional Medicine at Nanjing University of Chinese Medicine. Professor Cheng and Associate Professor Shi's visit will be an opportunity to explore additional collaborations in many areas of shared interest, including watershed research, public health, literature and medicine.



UNE medical mission

FOURTEEN UNE STUDENTS IN THE MEDLIFE CLUB traveled to Cusco, Peru over the January 2010 break, delivering basic health care services and medicine to those in need. UNE's MEDLIFE club president Megan Hawkes organized the trip, which was her third medical mission – she participated in a UNE medical mission to Ghana in August 2009. The students lived in a hostel in Cusco during their stay January 6-14.

MEDLIFE is a non-profit organization whose mission is to help families achieve greater freedom from the constraints of poverty, empowering them to live healthier lives. The students work under the supervision of a MEDLIFE medical supervisor.

Steven Byrd, a Spanish/Portuguese assistant professor in UNE's English and Language Studies department, traveled with the students as a translator and faculty advisor. When he was asked to accompany the students, he said his interest was driven by "...The students' desire to provide health care in an impoverished country – to practice something they're learning about."

Prior to their travels, the students met to discuss plans and expectations. Trisha Mason, director of UNE's Center for International Education, also met with the group for a two-hour orientation, where they discussed cultural and logistical matters. The students provided basic health care services to hundreds of grateful residents in this beautiful yet remote region.

The MEDLIFE group leader in Peru, Alberto Paredes, said the UNE students were a "grupo fuerte" ('strong group') that has worked hard in a very poor region of South America. They have braved long, difficult rides through the Andes, dealt with difficult walks at very high altitudes, and have learned to work in a language and culture they do not understand."

The group posted a blog detailing their mission at <http://unecusco.wordpress.com>. In it, Byrd wrote, "The Peruvian MEDLIFE doctors, brothers Elvio and Benjamín Gamarra, highlighted that the UNE students were very interested, helpful, and eager to learn during this mission in Yaurisque. They learned about the kinds of diseases that were common in this region of Peru, and how to look for and treat those diseases." Elvio stressed that the most important aspect the students demonstrated was interest in learning about these diseases and procedures: "todo empieza con el interés" ('everything is born out of interest'), referring to the students' eagerness to listen and learn from the doctors.

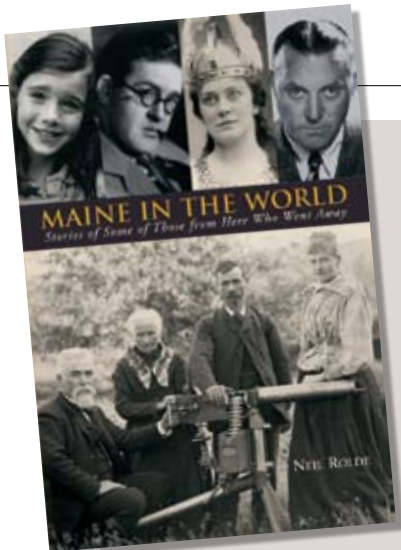
From a blog post by UNE student volunteer Chelsea Smith

"By the time we arrived in Cusco, we were all pretty exhausted from traveling for over 24 hrs but our day was far from over. Not really knowing what to expect, this being my first medical mission, I had excitement and nervousness pumping through my body. I was in complete and total awe.

It was pouring like cats and dogs outside, the roads were flooded, water was spilling over the curbs and onto the sidewalks and the people of Cusco weren't even phased in the least. The roads and streets were packed with cars and people going about their business just like if it had been a nice sunny afternoon. If this was Maine or even my hometown in New York, there would have been flash flood warnings and people going frantic, definitely not driving around, let alone walking the streets unless absolutely necessary.

But, then again, for the people of Cusco this was a typical day. It would rain for a few hours, the streets would flood and then the rain would stop and the water would disappear.... Most of these people hadn't seen a doctor in years, if ever; the only chance they get to is when medical brigades like ours come into their town or other nearby villages...they are so grateful to get what very little we have to give to them...."





Former trustee tells stories of Mainers who left their mark



Former UNE Trustee and noted author and historian Neil Rolde signed autographs for his new book at a recent visit to UNE's Biddeford campus. *Maine in the World: Stories of Some of Those from Here Who Went Away* includes stories about the famous such as poets Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Pulitzer Prize winner Edna St. Vincent Millay and Hollywood movie director John Ford, to the lesser known such as Sir William Phips – the wilderness shepherd boy who went to sea, found a Spanish treasure and was knighted by the King of England.

UNE names new vice president for student affairs



DR. CYNTHIA FORREST WAS NAMED vice president for student affairs and dean of students in January, assuming the role held by Barbara Hazard for 26 years before her retirement this past December.

Previously, she was the CEO of a higher education consulting firm, Cynthia Smith Forrest & Associates, Inc. She has also served as a faculty member at Bay Path and Lasell Colleges.

Dr. Forrest has more than 30 years of higher education administrative experience. She served as dean of student services from 1982 to 2003 at Framingham State College in Framingham, Mass. Prior to that, she was the director of resident student development and special services from 1974 to 1982 at the University of South Carolina.

She received her B.A. in elementary education and her M.Ed. in counselor education: student personnel services from the University of South Carolina. She earned another M.Ed. in administration, planning and social policy and then continued on for her Ed.D. in administration, planning and social policy, both degrees from Harvard University.

In addition, Dr. Forrest has served in numerous leadership roles in the higher education community including the National Association of Student Personnel Services, the American College Personnel Association and the American Council on Education's Office of Women Leaders in Higher Education National Network Board.

UNE recognizes city official for pandemic planning support

On Feb. 3, UNE presented a plaque to Michael Radke, the City of Portland's cities readiness initiative program coordinator, for his dedicated service as a member of the University's team in the successful development and implementation of policies and processes for emergency preparedness related to the H1N1 pandemic. UNE hosted immunization clinics for students, faculty, staff and their families followed by immunizations for the public at UNE's University Health Care clinics in Portland and Saco.

In the photo with Radke are representatives of UNE's Pandemic Planning Committee, from left to right: Norma Charette, Committee Chair Denise Bisailon and Elisabeth Haase.





GPACU: Left to right are: Dr. Joseph Lee, President of St. Joseph's College; Mr. James Baker, now former President of Maine College of Art; GPACU Chair Dr. Danielle Ripich, President of University of New England; Dr. Selma Botman, President of University of Southern Maine; Dr. Christopher Quinn, President of Andover College; and Dr. James Ortiz, President of Southern Maine Community College.

GPACU Meets at UNE College of Pharmacy

The Greater Portland Alliance of Colleges and Universities (GPACU) held a reception February 8 at UNE's College of Pharmacy on the Portland Campus. Established in 1993, GPACU is a non-profit consortium of six Southern Maine institutions of higher education. Though very different in size and mission, these six schools have embraced the Alliance as a means to enrich learning opportunities for students and faculty, expand intercollegiate cooperation, and enhance the cultural and educational quality of life in Southern Maine. Through important programs such as cross-registration, shared library borrowing, student health services and faculty grants, GPACU benefits students, faculty and staff and improves the effectiveness and efficiency of its participating schools.



JOINING THE GOVERNOR AT THE SIGNING ARE left to right: Vance Wormwood, CRNA, president of the Maine Association of Nurse Anesthetists; David Hessert, CRNA, president, Nurse Anesthesia of Maine; UNE Graduate Mary Moore, CRNA; UNE MSNA Student Derek Poulson; Susan DeCarlo-Piccirillo, CRNA, DNP; and UNE graduate Kendall Shaler, CRNA.

Governor Recognizes Profession of Nurse Anesthetists

Governor John Baldacci signed a proclamation to include Maine in celebrating National Nurse Anesthetists the week of January 25. Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists provide one-on-one care to their patients before, during and after operations by delivering quality anesthesia services for surgical and obstetrical procedures combined with a personal concern for the health and welfare of the individual. This fall, UNE's Master of Science in Nurse Anesthesia program will celebrate the graduation of its 25th class.

UNE Welcomes New Alpha Chi Honor Society Members

UNE's chapter of Alpha Chi welcomed 45 new members at a formal ceremony held on February 5 in the Eleanor deWolfe Ludcke Auditorium on the Portland Campus. The Alpha Chi National College Honor Society membership recognizes the highest 10 percent of the junior and senior classes. More than 200 friends and family of these UNE honorees joined the celebration.





Doctors for Maine's Future SCHOLARSHIPS UPDATE

UNE IS MAKING A CONCERTED EFFORT

to increase scholarship support for students in the College of Osteopathic Medicine. Last year, UNE helped lobby for and the state of Maine passed legislation establishing the Doctors for Maine's Future scholarship program. The program is currently providing four students from Maine with \$25,000 scholarships. Next year, it is anticipated that eight more Maine students will be added. Half of the scholarships are being supported by the state while the other half are being provided by UNE's generous donors.

In addition, UNE President Danielle Ripich has announced an additional challenge to benefit scholarships — **The President's Challenge** will match all donations supporting scholarships for COM students, up to \$250,000. Both of these efforts are part of Dean Marc Hahn's plan, announced at the Dean's Address on January 27 to provide \$1,000,000 in scholarship support to COM students. Dean Hahn sees scholarship support as an integral part of obtaining the best and brightest students to be a part of the medical school's incoming classes, and thus moving toward his goal of obtaining top ratings for the college in the coming years.

For more information on how you can make a difference by supporting scholarships for students at UNE's College of Osteopathic Medicine, please contact Harley Knowles, Vice President for Institutional Advancement at hknowles1@une.edu or (207) 221-4378.

Davis Educational Foundation provides grant for writing integration project

DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE WRITING AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS is perhaps the most commonly accepted goal of higher education, yet national studies have shown that only a small percentage of college students graduate with the writing skills necessary for career growth.

The capacity to write effectively is a major component in learning to think with clarity and to analyze complex problems, or "critical thinking." Employers often identify the ability to write effectively as one of the most significant skills they seek in the workforce.

With a generous \$100,000 two-year grant from the Davis Educational Foundation, the University of New England will fully integrate and enhance writing instruction into the undergraduate core curriculum.

UNE's Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences Arthur Goldstein, Ph.D., has outlined a new and integrated model to increase the efficacy of writing instruction, working with a team of core faculty across six academic departments. This team is now prepared to implement a comprehensive plan that will take place over two years with the Davis Educational Foundation support.

The grant will enable UNE to hire a recognized expert in the teaching of writing and rhetoric and to lead faculty in a comprehensive effort to integrate effective writing instruction into the core curriculum.



Health care and education help drive Maine economy

UNE PRESIDENT DANIELLE RIPICH

addressed the economic impact of higher education in the state of Maine as keynote speaker in March at the Portland Regional Chamber's "Eggs & Issues" event – a monthly breakfast series that spotlights current topics of interest.

Addressing the substantial economic and societal benefits of higher education, Dr. Ripich shared her personal insights and experience as the leader of the number-one educator of Maine's health care work force.

The challenge of access to care in Maine's rural areas, as well as meeting the demand for health professionals in the nation's oldest state, were also discussed: "In 2020, more than 1 in 5 Mainers will be 65 or older. This means we'll need more people providing more care," she said.

Dr. Ripich added, "Health care and education are two important economic drivers in Maine. Health care is one of Maine's largest industries, employing over 100,000 people in 2009 and accounting for nearly 20 percent of employment and wages. Health care will account for one of every three new jobs in Maine over the next decade. It's big business."

Citing the importance and success of collaboration in the state, Dr. Ripich stated, "UNE's College of Pharmacy demonstrates that investment on the part of the university, community and the state can be a shared success." This college is expected to have an economic impact of more than \$100 million when it is fully enrolled in three years, and was



awarded the 2009 Economic Achievement Award by the City of Portland last November in recognition of the economic vitality it brings to the region.

Dr. Ripich also said Maine is benefitting from UNE's growth in its health care-related programs. She said the university has a current estimated \$440 million annual economic impact on Maine's economy. The school has 3,000 non-Maine residents enrolled, and 21,000 visitors to the two campuses each year who generate \$6 million in spending for Maine businesses such as hotels, restaurants, retailers and others.

Dr. Ripich noted that a study done by economist Chuck Lawton of Planning Decisions Inc. in South Portland shows one graduating UNE class of 125 physicians, 100 pharmacists and 40 dentists would generate a lifetime earnings in Maine of \$439 million, assuming that 66 percent of the class stays in Maine, which is the current average for graduating physicians.

High schoolers explore college academics this summer

In July, UNE will host high school juniors and seniors on the Biddeford campus who want to get a taste of college academics through a new curriculum that explores the coastal Maine ecology, applied math, history, neuroscience or writing.

Students will have the opportunity to experience an exceptional waterfront location, outstanding faculty and nationally recognized programs and earn three college credits while living on campus or commuting from home.

"These programs offer high school students the opportunity to work intensively with our exceptional faculty in a discipline that interests them," said Art Goldstein, Ph.D., dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "Our hope is that these intensive programs will provide a spark – an academic curiosity and excitement – that will last long after these young people return to their homes. We also believe the program will allow the students to make new friends, enjoy our beautiful coastal campus and get a real taste of college academics."



To watch a video of the speech, visit www.une.edu/president

College of Osteopathic Medicine Dean Hahn shares vision in University address

THE DEAN OF THE COLLEGE of Osteopathic Medicine and vice president for health affairs, Marc Hahn, DO, presented his “Dean’s Address and Vision” January 27 to more than 100 UNE faculty, students and invited guests at the Alford Center for Health Sciences.

Citing Dr. Hahn’s creative vision and leadership, President Danielle Ripich introduced him stating, “I cannot think of a better person to lead our college.”

Hahn served as the senior vice president for health affairs for the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth and the dean of the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine prior to joining UNE last September.

He discussed the vital role that Maine’s only medical school plays in the region, from its establishment 30 years ago with just 32 students to its status as the number-one provider of physicians for the state today. “The quality of health care in the state and the region is being shaped by the strategic planning at UNE,” he said.

He shared bold one-year and five-year plans for the college that call for expanded student enrollment, a \$1 million

scholarship program, strengthened investment in faculty, staff and research, and establishment of another UNE College of Osteopathic Medicine in either the U.S. or abroad. “We have a model that works, and we have an obligation to grow — logical growth that makes sense for the university, the community, and the states we serve.

Hahn discussed changes to the curriculum that include expanding use of the latest technology, such as hands-on simulation, and interdisciplinary training among all UNE health care professionals.

He also stressed the benefits of the uniqueness of the osteopathic approach and the advantages of being a small university with a world-class faculty who can work together and share knowledge among disciplines.

As Maine’s only medical school, and the largest provider of primary care physicians for the state, Hahn stated, “...we fill a very important void in this region and the state...to get to the next level we need the commitment of everyone in this room, and in our community.”

CONNECTED: A Student Profile



As a member of the College of Osteopathic Medicine’s Class of 2011, **Yoon Cohen** was placed in her Community Health Rotation by the Maine AHEC Network, which

helps alleviate health work force shortages in Maine’s rural areas.

During her rotation, she had the opportunity to work with UNECOM alumnus Dr. Jeffrey Michaud at St. Mary’s Hospital in Lewiston.

“When I was assigned to Lewiston, I thought I would not experience true rural medicine. However, I quickly realized that Maine cities draw a significant number of patients from outlying rural areas,” said Cohen, a native of South Korea who plans to stay in Maine to practice medicine after graduation.

“Working with Dr. Michaud, I worked with whole families from infants to the elderly and learned the special needs of each group. I also learned how our osteopathic education can play an important role in patient care.”

Cohen said she is impressed with her fellow UNECOM classmates because they are very supportive of each other and have an attitude of, “What can I do for you?” that will translate well in their future careers as physicians.





Celebrating Women

ON DISPLAY AT THE UNE ART GALLERY THROUGH MAY 20

The UNE Art Gallery on the Portland campus celebrated International Women's Day on March 8 by hosting artist Paola Gianturco. Her exhibit is on display through May 20.

"Celebrating Women" is an exhibition of vibrant color photographs focused upon six festivals around the world that honor women's lives. Until Gianturco undertook this photographic assignment, no one had documented these parades, parties, feasts, ceremonies and competitions.

- In Swaziland 25,000 virgins dance to honor the Queen Mother.
- Polish girls float wreaths of wildflowers on the river.
- Moroccan Berber divorcées invite shepherds to marry them.
- Brazilians celebrate the slave women who fought for abolition.
- Swedish girls sing as they serve their parents breakfast in bed.
- Hindus in India pray to the warrior manifestation of the Mother God.

This exhibition has traveled to the International Museum of Women in San Francisco, the Field Museum in Chicago, St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana and at the UNESCO International Headquarters, Paris.

Medical Students Make House a Home for Portland Family

Twelve students from the College of Osteopathic Medicine put down the books for one Saturday in December and picked up paintbrushes and rollers for a great cause, helping Habitat for Humanity in Greater Portland prepare a home for a deserving Maine family that was planning to move in the next day. The home is located at the organization's Demarest Street development of four eco-friendly homes in Portland.



Left to right in the back row are: Tyler O'Sullivan, MSI, Tyler Martin, MSII, JM McGaugh, MSI, Liz Coviello, MSII, Aaron Slaiby, MSII, Jenica Harmon, MSII, a Habitat home-owner volunteer and a Habitat staff member. In the front row, left to right are: Lauren Cataldo, MSII, Daniela Robinson, MSII, Catie Renzi, MSII, Corrie Anderson, MSII, Megan Gersmscheid, MSII and Thu Nguyen, MSII.

Preparing Future Physicians to Meet the Needs of the Aging Population

THE UNECOM Student Chapter of the American Geriatric Society hosted Geriatrics Theme Week for an examination of treatment techniques, issues and challenges specific to the geriatric patient population.

TREATMENT OF THE GERIATRIC POPULATION

requires a special approach. This was addressed through a number of workshops for UNECOM students early this year.

Mary Yee, D.O. '05, presented a hands-on workshop on applying OMM techniques, which can be quite beneficial for geriatric patients. Jerry H. Gurwitz, M.D., who holds the Dr. John Meyers Professorship in Primary Care Medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical School, and serves as the Chief of the Division of Geriatric Medicine in the Department of Medicine at the same institution presented, "We Have Met the Aging and They Are Us." Gurwitz drew upon his years of clinical experience caring for older adults and his research on medication safety for aging patients to discuss the explosion of the older adult population and the special issues physicians will see in the not-so-distant future.

UNECOM recognized Gurwitz with the Humanism in Aging Leadership Award for his extraordinary dedication to the needs of older adults, including the provision

of exemplary clinical care and ground breaking-research. The award is jointly administered by UNECOM and the Arnold P. Gold Foundation and recognizes the work of nationally known mentors in aging.

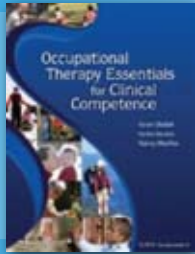
The week also featured the first in a series of health care reform lectures sponsored by the COM Student Government Association. During this session, two experts spoke on health care policy and its impact on the aging population: Larry Gross, executive director of Southern Maine Agency on Aging, a Scarborough-based non-profit organization that serves one-third of Maine's elder population; and Leo Delicata, staff attorney and public policy advocate with Legal Services for the Elderly, an organization that provides legal services to Maine's socially and economically needy elderly aged 60 and over.

Rounding out the week were second-year medical student presentations on the aging-related research they conducted during the summer of 2001. Xin Li spent the summer at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital and shared her work to develop an exercise test for mobility-limited older

adults based on habitual gait speed.

Katie Harmony shared her experience at Massachusetts General Hospital where she spent the summer attending palliative care family meetings in the intensive care unit. Katie Dodd discussed the systematic review she conducted at the University of Massachusetts Medical School based on the exclusion of older adults and women from recent clinical trials of acute coronary syndromes.

Second-year students Vicki Johnson, Dave Ladley and Kristen Murphy also shared their experiences from participating in the Learning by Living program this past summer. They each spent two weeks at different sites where they were "admitted" into nursing homes to live the life of an elder resident. The program was conceived and administered by Marilyn Gugliucci, Ph.D., director of Geriatric Education and Research at UNECOM and president of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education and has received national recognition in publications, including *The New York Times*.

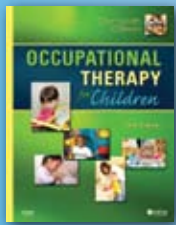


OT clinical practice textbook

Nancy MacRae, associate professor in the Department of Occupational Therapy, is co-editor of a new text, *Occupational Therapy Essentials for Clinical Competence*, which links occupational therapy accreditation standards with current practice. MacRae is also one of the 44 contributors to the book, which she says has been a collaborative endeavor with many of her UNE colleagues.

Hawaiian forest birds

Bethany L. Woodworth, visiting assistant professor of environmental studies, is co-editor and contributing author to *Conservation Biology of Hawaiian Forest Birds: Implications for Island Avifauna*, published by Yale University Press in November 2009. Among the topics covered are trends in bird populations, environmental and genetic factors limiting population size, avian diseases, predators, and competing alien bird species. Included are color plates by award-winning local photographer Jack Jeffrey.

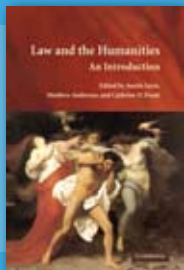


OT for children

Jane O'Brien, associate professor, co-edited the premier textbook used in pediatric occupational therapy practice. The 6th edition of *Occupational Therapy for Children* is published by Mosby Year-Book. Dr. O'Brien also co-authored a chapter in the text with Harriet Williams, Ph.D., of the University of South Carolina, entitled, "Application of Motor Control/Motor Learning to Practice." Her colleague Kathryn Loukas, associate professor, co-authored a chapter with Louise Dunn of the University of Utah, entitled "Instrumental Activities of Daily Living and Community Participation."

The term "Islamism"

Anouar Majid, director of the Center for Global Humanities, has an essay "Naming Terror" in the book, *Islamism: Contested Perspectives on Political Islam*, edited by Richard C. Martin and Abbas Barzegar and published by Stanford University Press. The book attempts to shed light on the uses and misuses of the term "Islamism."



Law and the Humanities

Matthew Anderson and Cathrine Frank, assistant professors, Department of English and Language Studies, co-edited the publication *Law and the Humanities – An Introduction* (Cambridge UP), a book they have co-edited with Austin Sarat of Amherst College.

Gerontology for health care professionals

Regula Robnett, director of the OT Department along with Nancy MacRae, OT faculty, David Sandmire, Biology faculty and Sue Stableford, director of the Health Literacy Institute, contributed chapters to the recently published 2nd edition of the textbook entitled *Gerontology for the Health Care Professional* (2010, published by Jones and Bartlett). Dr. Robnett also served as co-editor of the textbook. Dr. Robnett's chapters are: "The Cognitive and Psychological Changes Associated with Aging," "Functional Performance in Later Life: Basic Sensory, Perceptual, and Physical Changes Associated with Aging," "Living Options and the Continuum of Care," and "Health Care Providers Working with Older Adults." Ms. MacRae's chapter is "Sexuality and Aging." Dr. Sandmire's chapter is "The Physiology and Pathology of Aging." Ms. Stableford's chapter is "The Last Word: Health Literacy and Clear Health Communication."



Ushering in an Era of Excellence

By Curt Smyth



As is consistent with the mission of the Athletics Department, the Nor'easters continue to strive for excellence while creating an atmosphere that fosters tradition and builds a sense of pride.

LED BY TCCC COACH OF THE YEAR

ANTHONY EWING, the Nor'easters women's basketball team earned home wins over Roger Williams, Salve Regina and Regis to capture the Nor'easters' first trip to the NCAA Division III National Championship since 2001. The title put an exclamation point on a season that saw Big Blue win a UNE-record 23 games and defeat traditional powers USM, Bates and Brandeis.

The tandem of Kelley Paradis '12 and Margo Russell '12 helped fuel UNE's run to the conference title. Paradis, a guard from Newport, Maine, tallied a game-high 19 points in the TCCC Championship. She was selected first team all-conference after the regular season. Russell, a forward from Madison, Maine, offered a stellar performance during the conference tournament, averaging double figures in both scoring

and rebounding while making all 19 of her free throw attempts. Russell scored 17 points and grabbed 15 rebounds in the finale versus Regis when the Nor'easters led from the opening tip to the final buzzer.

"This year we've just validated all the hard work and we've taken that step of becoming conference champions," said Coach Ewing after the title game win. "I think everybody worked really hard for it and we took steps toward it last year, as far as learning how to win and believing that we're good enough to do it."

The championship won by the women's basketball team extends a recent run of success enjoyed by UNE's Athletics teams. One year ago, the men's basketball team garnered its first TCCC Championship to earn a bid to the NCAA National Championship. And this past fall, the field hockey team won the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) New England Championship.

Success has not been limited to the court and field, though. The fall sports season saw four different student-athletes earn TCCC Senior Scholar-Athlete of the Year awards in their respective sport, and many of UNE's teams have engaged in community service projects to give back to the community.



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DECADE IN REVIEW

When the ball dropped in Times Square to bring 2009 to a close, it was also quitting time for the opening decade of the new century. So much had happened in a mere 10 years. The terms Twitter, iPhone and Facebook are now part of nearly everyone's vernacular. American Idol, Survivor and Grey's Anatomy reign on TV. And sadly, the events of Sept. 11, 2001 had changed our world forever.

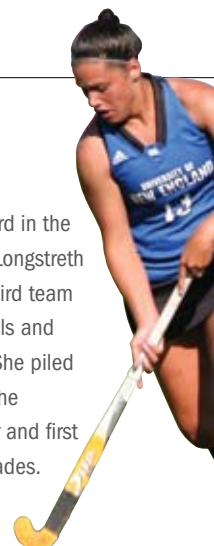
That 10-year span saw the UNE Nor'easters storm into the decade and close it with a flurry. Here is a look back at one observer's 10 most compelling stories of the decade.

By Curt Smyth



Field hockey player Taryn Flagg chosen third team all-America (2009)

After shattering nearly every career and single-season record in the program's record book, Taryn Flagg '10 was recognized by Longstreth and the National Field Hockey Coaches Association as a third team all-American. Flagg finished her brilliant career with 51 goals and 22 assists, good for 124 total points – all school records. She piled up a school-record 24 goals in 2009 en route to earning The Commonwealth Coast Conference (TCCC) Player of the Year and first team all-Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) accolades.



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Four fall student-athletes selected TCCC Senior Scholar-Athletes of the Year (2009)

In a span of just a few days this past October, four fall sport student-athletes were recognized as TCCC Senior Scholar-Athlete of the Year in their respective sport. Anne Cowles (field hockey), Ryan Tarr (men's soccer), Ali Trafton (women's soccer) and Claire Varner (volleyball) were each honored as the gold standard for the term "student-athlete."

8

UNE announces plans to construct synthetic turf field (2009)

As the athletics program has grown by leaps-and-bounds, so has the need for additional space and an upgrade to facilities. Some of those needs will become a reality in the near future when construction of a synthetic turf field commences. The Nor'easters will be one of the few athletics programs in the nation – and the only NCAA Division III institution – sporting blue synthetic turf. The fully-lit facility will be a competition field for field hockey and lacrosse, as well as soccer during inclement weather. It will also provide the student body space for intramural activities in the evening.

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Field hockey team captures UNE's first ECAC Championship (2009)

A scoring attack that ranked UNE 17th in the nation. A program-record 16 wins. The Nor'easters' first ECAC Championship in any sport. Any way you look at it, the 2009 field hockey season was one to remember. After going 13-2 during the regular season and drawing an opening-round bye in the TCCC Tournament, the Nor'easters were upset by Nichols in the semifinal round. Joan Howard's squad made the most of the ECAC bid it earned, storming thru the bracket to walk away with the title. Few in attendance will ever forget the epic 3-2 overtime victory over Plymouth State in the championship tilt.



6

UNE brings back men's ice hockey after a 25-year hiatus (2007)

The University expanded its varsity sport offerings from 13 to 14 with the addition of a men's ice hockey team, bringing back a program that enjoyed a great deal of success in the late 1970's when UNE was known as St. Francis College. Under the direction of Brad Holt, the Nor'easters competed at a pre-varsity level for the 2007-08 and 2008-09 seasons before earning membership into the ECAC East, one of the nation's premier NCAA Division III leagues.

5

Women's soccer captures a conference championship (2000)

In just its second year as a member of the Commonwealth Coast Conference, the women's soccer team was better than all the others in the CCC. Under the direction of Doug Biggs, the Nor'easters posted a 10-1-1 regular-season conference mark and outscored their opponent 10-1 during the CCC Championship to win the program's first conference title since becoming an NCAA Division III member.

4

Cutting down the nets (2001)

Talk about a Cinderella story. After earning a number six seed in the conference tournament by virtue of an 8-4 regular-season record, the women's basketball team won three consecutive playoff games on the road to come away with a CCC title. Perhaps even more impressive than the three road wins was the fashion in which it was done – UNE came away victorious by an average of 13 points, including a 77-60 win over Gordon in the championship game.

3

Slugging their way to a title (2000)

Back-to-back victories over Endicott in the championship round of the CCC Championship gave the softball team the athletics program's first conference title since becoming a full-fledged member of the NCAA in 1999. David Labbe's Nor'easters boasted a vaunted offense that averaged nearly nine runs a game as they pounded their way to a 26-10 record. Included in those 26 wins was a 14-game winning streak, as well as a win over St. Joseph's of Long Island in the opening round of the NCAA Championship – a victory that still stands today as UNE's lone win in any sport in the NCAA Championship.

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UNE recognized by the NCAA and USA Today (2003)

UNE's academic excellence shone thru in 2003 when the University was honored by the NCAA and *USA Today* for having the highest student-athlete graduation rate in the nation. Former president Sandra Featherman, Ph.D and student-athlete Emily Willoughby traveled to McLean, Va. to accept the prestigious honor at the NCAA's 2003 Academic Achievement Awards.



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Creating a buzz while taking home a championship (2009)

A Campus Center record crowd of 1,093 supported the Nor'easters as they won the men's basketball program's first-ever The Commonwealth Coast Conference championship when the Nor'easters took down Colby-Sawyer, 90-79. During the regular season, Jason Mulligan's crew reeled off 19 consecutive wins at one point on their way to racking up 24 wins – a turnaround of 19 wins in a span of two seasons. Buoyed by their faithful following at home, the Nor'easters averaged 372 fans per home contest, including more than 2,400 in attendance at three home playoff contests.



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1937

Elizabeth Soule Peterson writes, "I like to think that my education at Westbrook was a vibrant part of my continuing life experience. As I unbelievably enter the 90 'gang'. Library- although not medical still is of interest. Cape Elizabeth Historic Preservation Society and the Cape Elizabeth Garden Club I am still involved in. My four children and my grandchildren's lives are rewarding parts of my life and lifestyle."

1940

Barbara Farr Pearson's daughter, Jane, writes, "I am writing on behalf of my mother. She moved to the Maine Veteran's Home in February this year due to progressive dementia of the Alzheimer's type. I regret she will not be able to attend the Reunion. She always enjoyed renewing relationships with classmates."

1945

Helene Livingston Bond is still recovering from a newly replaced hip.

Katharine Fenn Bruce writes, "My husband, Bill, and I spend six months here in Florida and six months on Cape Cod. In June we will celebrate our sixty-third wedding anniversary. We have four children and one grandchild. She is teaching English in Busan, Korea and her mother is about to begin teaching English teachers in the United Arab Republic. Our very best to everyone at Westbrook."

Marjorie Bell Dearth writes, "The 'Johnson House' gals were in shock to learn of the death of **Marilyn Arnold Higley** on April 16, 2009. She had been very active with skiing and water aerobics and died of liver cancer only four weeks after her diagnosis."

Priscilla Smith Scheiner writes, "I have heard from a number of other 'Lodge' classmates, who all say, 'have a good year', and I wish the same to all of you. Hope to see you in June at our 65th grand reunion!"

Edith Fettingter Williams and her family still make their annual pilgrimage to Maine and enjoy the beach for a month in late September after the "tourists" leave.

Gloria Carter Winslow writes, "We are still between Amelia Island and New Hampshire, age says we must choose. We are healthy except usual aches and pains, active in exercising, playing bridge and local arts in Elderhostel."

1946

Jean Hight Childs writes, "I'm learning more than I ever imagined about the trials of growing older. Many friends and relatives are affected and I don't want to lose them too soon. On the other hand, my first great grandchild was born in May and he is a darling. His mother is on the staff at the Westbrook campus. I have been taking some courses (for seniors) including singing in a chorus where we perform for other students and at senior housing facilities. Mr. Neily would have approved."

Hope Harder Covault writes, "We continue to enjoy the theatre Organ Society concerts, this year we attended the musical 'Oklahoma'. We also entertained our adult Sunday school class for a potluck dinner and program. I enjoy the weekly Child Evangelism Teachers' training class, and teaching Bible and missionary stories in Kindergarten and Pre-K in Children's Church on Sundays. We celebrated our 48th wedding anniversary on September 30th by driving to Long Beach to meet our friends from Chicago before they embarked on a 31-day South Pacific voyage. We have known them for over 15 years having previously cruised together. Karl is 101 and Flora is 91! Afterwards, we enjoyed dessert aboard the Queen Mary, which is the ship I sailed on to Europe for the first time in 1954!" (Editors note: Hope wrote that Dick went to heaven on December 17th, 2009 after this note was sent. Our sympathy goes out to Hope and her family).

Loisjean Luchini Fenoglio writes, "Pete and I are living at Croasdaile Retirement Village. Pete retired from Georgia Tech. Research Institute and we moved to be near our daughter. We have two grandchildren, Bryn and John. Life is easy here."

Mary Hubbard Hasty writes, "I was widowed in 2006 but my husband and I had 6 children, having lost a twin boy. We have 13 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren (the last 2 being identical twin girls born this past September). I am now living with my daughter and son-in-law in Fitchburg, MA having sold our home in Maine to my oldest daughter and son-in-law. I feel truly blessed! A special hi to all my classmates!"

Barbara Bailey Stearns writes, “My husband, Wayne Stearns- passed away this winter, we had 59 wonderful years together. I plan to stay in Florida, as I have many friends here. Our second great granddaughter was born this past spring, they live in Rochester, NY, so I miss out on seeing them. Pictures and telephone keep me up to date.”

Inez Horton Stoddard writes, “Always look forward to reading the news of classmates. We’ve had good news and sad news. In July, our granddaughter from Arizona and her brother, our grandson from Ohio came to visit. It was short but wonderful time spent together. In October our daughter was in a bad accident, she was in and out of the ICU. Finally near the end of December she had the neck brace removed. Then came the news of the death of Harold Leighton. His wife, **Marjorie Fogg Leighton** was a classmate. We were friends forever. As for us, we’re not getting any younger, but keep busy.”

1947

Maida Shaw Horovitz writes, “My golf has improved–won 2 tournaments with my scramble team. My daughter wrote a book about me–“The Center of the Universe” by Nancy Bachrach. My son, Dr. Len Horovitz, still performs twice a year in Carnegie Hall and recently played in Steinway Hall in “Doctors Perform at Steinway Hall.” My younger daughter has just written her 6th book on Art Therapy. She is the head of Art Therapy at Nazareth College and they awarded her a Chair–a significant honor. I am doing well and doing a lot of knitting, making some things to donate to Bethesda Hospital.”

Pauline Beck Ingold writes, “Even though I’m late in returning this, I decided you may want to share this with the “girls” at your next gathering. How I wish I were close enough to join you! I have such fond memories of our days together at “Westbrook.” Ever since Fred’s accident in March 2006 our traveling days (distance-wise) has been difficult and limited. Fred walks with a cane and I serve as his PLP (public leaning post–smile). Fortunately I am well and in good health as caregiver and my days are full. This past year (2009) Fred and I managed to continue singing with our church choir and in December participated in presenting the

cantata ‘The Promise of Light.’ Blessings on you.”

Elizabeth Winslow Johnson writes, “Well, gang, your “Faithful Four” **Bettie Brown Leonard, Pat Melcher Lockwood, Fern Wilson Orr** and I will be gathering for lunch next week. Other than that I have no news: haven’t been on any cruises: haven’t taken any trips further than 3 hours; haven’t any new grandchildren or great grandchildren; no weddings or engagements in my immediate family; however, I am grateful for all my blessings. Oh, hey!!! I won \$100 in my granddaughter Stacy, the “Gridiron Goddess’s” football pool. Am enjoying membership in the Portland Chapter of the Maine Genealogical Society, the Woman’s Woodfords Club, the Woman’s Literary Union, the DAR, the Riverside South Golf Course and an exercise class. This is the last year of my term on the Alumni Board and I will miss it. **Rusty Going Jackman ‘48** and I have the task of designing a memorabilia area in the new Goddard Hall. Has everyone got their copy of Westbrook College Campus by Joyce Bibber? It’s really a wonderful compilation of historical facts with many photographs. Until the next issue...”

Bettie Brown Leonard writes, “My year has been quiet for the most part. The “big” item was Laurie (my daughter) and Samantha (my granddaughter) and I driving to the Midwest. Laurie and I shared driving–she did mornings and I took afternoons so she could nap. First stop was the Canadian side of Niagara Falls. My last visit there was ten years ago with my ten-year-old grandson. The place has expanded and changed so much I hardly recognized it. Spent 3 days there and headed for Canton, Ohio to visit dear friends from the 1950s–our husbands were both in the Air Force and stationed in Montgomery, AL. Though Bond is gone, I still visit Jean and Jim when I’m going through Ohio. Next to Muncie, IN to spend a week with my sister-in-law. Had a marvelous time traveling around visiting friends and family in other places. Our trip back included three days in Pittsburgh with another friend and all her children and their families. I loved it, but it was good to get home. Next year will be my usual trip to the Canadian Maritimes–that, I try to do every other year–Joyce, my sister-in-law will come from Indiana –my friend, Carol will come from Penn. and in June we’re off for a week. Of all the places

I have traveled–at home and abroad–I just love those Islands in Canada the best of all. If any of you want to write back to any of us or to the class as a whole, you can send news to the Alumni Office and they will include your message in the next edition of *University of New England*. If you are here in early June, contact the Office and come to the Saturday picnic of Reunion Weekend, we’d love to see you and you’d love our beautiful campus.”

Clare Powers MacLean writes, “I am happily living in CT with my first love. We reunited at my 75th Birthday. My husband passed away. I have four grandchildren, Georgia 28 (marketing five fingers), Charlie 21 (Junior at Wheaton), Emily 12 and Katie 8. My niece Phoebe Horne HA ‘99 worked at the dental school for four years and was “Employee of the Year” several years ago. I loved Westbrook Junior College and have happy memories.”

Patricia Melcher Lockwood writes, “Last June 2, 3 & 4 of 2009, **Norma Wakely Cowan** and I went on a trip to Nantucket Island with a bus full of women through The Woman’s Literary Union - Venture Club. We stayed in Hyannis for two nights, visited the Heritage Plantation in Sandwich. We had a tour of antique cars, a Museum of Folk Art, a Military Museum, and had a ride on a restored Carousel. The next day we took a cruise over to Nantucket Island where we had a narrated bus tour of the island with time for lunch and shopping before taking the ferry back. The third day we had a bus tour of Hyannis with a stop at the JFK Memorial, and lunch at the historic Daniel Webster Inn in Sandwich on our return trip home. Norma and I met at Westbrook College and graduated in the same class of 1947. We have been close friends ever since. Our birthdays and the same month, only two days apart.”

Fern Wilson Orr writes, “There isn’t much to report since Jack passed away in August. It was so comforting to see **Liz Johnson** and **Pat Lockwood** at the funeral. I have not taken any trips this year but am so glad I have the memories of trips with him to visit my relatives in Canada over many years and then trips to England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland in the past few years. It has been so lonely without him. My children, John and Betsy, have kept me busy locally. We did spend Thanksgiving in Massachusetts with

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Jack's nephew and his family, which we have done for many years. In November Pat Lockwood invited me to a delightful presentation by the Portland Symphony Orchestra and members of the Portland Ballet Company. Following the concert we stopped for pizza and Moxie (yes, Moxie!!) before heading home. Needless to say, we had a wonderful time and I am so pleased my dear friend invited me to go with her. Betsy saw how much I enjoyed this so she arranged for us to attend the Portland Stage presentation of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" in December. It was a wonderful mother and daughter evening and it was so nostalgic to see a stage enactment of a story I had read to my children to many years ago! On January 10th, Betsy and I went to a small family reunion organized by my late sister and brother-in-law's children. This was a very sentimental gathering and I'll always treasure the memory of seeing them and exchanging stories of growing up with my sister and their mother, Edna, and remembering all the adventures we had as children, followed by stories as young parents and her four children and my two children. Memories are so comforting at this time of life."

Beatrice Cram Webster writes, "We had a nice Thanksgiving: two families in town had, for three years, Thanksgiving together and had invited Jacki (my daughter) and Bob (my son-in-law) and me to join them. This year there were 36 of us--so I rented the Town Grange Hall and we all brought something and had a wonderful meal--turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, sweet potato casserole, broccoli casserole, cranberry relishes and oodles of desserts. The three of us had a nice Christmas (white, also). A very cold snap there and still white!!"

1948

Janice Tate Anderson writes, "My husband died last February with a coronary. Past months have been putting the pieces back together. We had been married for 58 1/2 years. With the help of my son, two daughters and seven grandchildren we are making good progress."

Helen Bernstein Cook writes, "We have lived here in Florida year round for the past ten years (20 as snow birds, 30 all together), after 45 years in Cambridge and Quincy, MA. We celebrated 60 years

of marriage last June 5th and have three daughters and seven grandchildren. Our daughter Marcia lives in Ottawa, Ontario Canada. Laurie lives in Chestnut Hill, MA and Susan live in Newton, MA. Five of the grandchildren have graduated college. Two, are still in college. Two of our grandchildren are engaged. They all live in Chicago, San Francisco, Ottawa and Newton, MA. We have had cancer, too! We keep going, had three TAGS furniture stores in Massachusetts, Quincy, Braintree and Cambridge. We gave up our business 25 years ago because of having cancer at the same time. Two years ago I also had breast cancer for the 2nd time. We are still bowling, golfing and traveling. We've had our share of health problems, like the rest of us. We have done volunteer work in the Israeli Defense Forces three times in Israel. We have traveled there eight times all together and to Europe 12 times when we were younger. About 20 years ago we formed The Mass Lupus Foundation with Dr. Peter S. of Brigham and Women's and the late Henrietta Aladjem, author of "The Sun is my Enemy" and other books. I also served on the Board of Quincy City Hospital H.C.A. plus many other organizations, together with my darling husband. He too, was very active in Quincy and the Cambridge Business Men's Association. We see **Marilyn Wolfe Stephenson** who lives in Boca Raton, FL. We lost our dear friend **Jean Gordon Jonas** she lived in Delray Beach, FL. I speak with **Selma Buyer Porter**. She lives in Springfield, NJ. In fact, she and Allen were here last winter."

Lesley Jubinville Crouse writes, "Happy New Year to all. I am well and happy and hope this greeting will find you and yours to be the same. May we all have what it takes to endure what the year will bring and looking forward to better days ahead for all the world."

Barbara Fox Dixon writes, "I have arthritic knees and a hearing aid. Jim has a knee replacement and pace-maker. So much for the 80's. Keep busy volunteering and singing in groups. Miss Marion Haines Small, Anne Clark DeLuca and Marjorie Wass Prodo all whom have died. Hello to all others."



From l-r, Barbara Fox Dixon, grandson Patrick, son David, granddaughter Jessica, daughter Suzanne and husband Jim on a cruise that went to Iceland and Greenland.

Martha Gilson writes, "I have a grand nephew who is a rising star chef in the Boston area. Another is in his first year in college. I managed to spend Thanksgiving with my nephew and his family in Maryland. My social life has been limited since I was hospitalized and in rehab for 5 weeks in the spring (for triple infections). My progress has been slow but steady. On a sad note, my brother died in April following 2 strokes in 2007. Wishing everyone a healthy New Year."

Lillian Meyer Haning writes, "I'm an active retiree with no major health problems. I love gardening on my California half-acre and watching the birds at our local Baylands. I visit my 3 children and 4 grandchildren and travel elsewhere pretty regularly too. A good life!"

Anne LaMontagne Hull writes, "Lee and I just celebrated our 48th wedding anniversary in November. We've had a busy year. I had my left hip replaced in April. I had 3 surgeries on my right hip so I couldn't wait to get the left one done, as it is my good one. We did a couple of cruises - Baltic into Russia - and flying to Canada and coming by ship down the east coast. **Midi Greene Clark '48** and her husband met us in Newport, R.I. and we had a great visit. Still play a lot of bridge and see a lot of doctors. Does anyone have news of **Tina Goulette Murphy**? She was my roommate and the last I heard she was in assisted living but my xmas card was returned."

Alice "Rusty" Going Jackman writes, "Greetings and Happy New Year to you all. I hope the New Year has started off on a positive note for you. I hope if any of you get to Maine this summer you will drop by Westbrook Campus and see all the changes. I would love to see any of you or talk to you. Any questions, thoughts or

ideas are welcome. I was so pleased to see our class come in second in Annual Fund giving. Keep up the good work to keep the class of 1948 on top!"

Thelma Hubbard Libby writes, "February required knee surgery, PT has been my haunt in 2009. A cold Maine summer did not deter from family/friends reunions and my annual Wind Jammer trip along the coast. In AZ, I continue quilting, church, community volunteering. The recent UNE Magazine class notes from **Joyce Pray Borkowski** reminds me, "The world is a stage. The class of 1948 and others, now stand in the shadows. We hear the applause, smile and move on to create greater things that other might receives the credit". "We do good"! Bless you all!"

Marcia Stanley Milne writes, "Old song comes to mind, "We're here because we're here..." etc. ad inf...Have dealt with 3 cancers between various losses but still enjoy what's left to do. Had a lovely trip to Nantucket this past fall, perfect weather and place to enjoy. Best wishes to all from us!"

Dawn Wells Simpson writes, "Two thousand and nine has been a relatively good year for me. I have two new great-granddaughters born this summer bringing my total of grandchildren to 13 and great-grandchildren to 14! With one daughter living next door and the other under my own roof, I am able to see many of both grand and great-grand children often. This is a blessing. It's also a blessing that my hearing aids are removable! I am still living with my daughter, Karen and her husband, Duane in the small town of Hewitt, MN where I continue to remain active in our local Lioness club, the United Methodist Women and am serving on the board of our local historical society."

Miriam Lamb Warwick writes, "This year 2009 passed quickly. Our second great grandson arrived August 1st, he is adorable. Our numbers keep increasing- family is a blessing. I continue to be treasurer of our mobile home park, which keeps me busy. Since our traveling days are over, there is nothing exciting. However we are happy with our current life and staying well."

1949

Dorothy Garniss Anderson was at Reunion. She says she feels young on the

inside and continued to enjoy downhill and x-country skiing last winter along with daily walks with her dog.

Norma Howard Bennett "Pidge" has many interests including tennis. Norma was an active contributor to the Reunion planning this year. She has a son in Utah, ski patrol and EMS and a daughter in Maine also a skier and scuba diver instructor.

Jean Day Birch writes she is doing well. She remains in the family home in North Berwick, ME with children and grandchildren nearby; some of the grands were graduating on reunion weekend so she wasn't able to join.

Beverly Young Brisson spends half the year in Ft Myers, FL and the rest in Maine. She and Sunny see each other a lot. Bev loves to play golf - has family in TX and CT and grands who graduated from Bowdoin and Trinity and a granddaughter who entered UNE in the fall!

Ann Caspar is in a retirement community in Wolfeboro Falls, NH and is on the mend from breast cancer and doing well. She keeps busy with many activities including P.E.O., Newcomers Club, Garden Club, and the Historical Society.

Janet Goss Conti and John are NC Tar Heels and love living in the mountains of Hendersonville. Son John is with a law firm and lives in Long Beach so they enjoy Christmas there. John plays golf and Jan keeps busy working with agencies to help people in financial crises.

Dorothy Lonsbrough Dahlgren and Bo live in Sun City Center, FL. Dottie keeps busy with golf and her painting. She and Bo celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary in April '09. They have 2 daughters and a son in Kentucky and 1 son in Queensbury, NY; 5 grandchildren and a one-year old great granddaughter.

Prudy Weaver Dickey usually returns to Maine for the summer from Venice FL but wasn't able to return in time for Reunion this year. She has fond memories of the 55th in 2004.

Marcia Whidden Donald and John winter in Longboat Key FL and were planning to return to Lake Bluff, IL. Their daughter and family live in Dallas with their 3 children.

Family love to visit in the summer when Marcia and John are in northern Wisconsin.

Elaine Brown Downs sent regrets about not attending Reunion due to grandchildren graduation conflicts.

Beverly Holgate Dugan and Martin were at Reunion. They are well and have wonderful family all in RI. Two grandsons have wandered off to Austin TX and NYC. Another grandson is in the Navy and has been accepted into the SEALS program but life is good with 1 yr old great-grand living nearby. Bev writes, "I was among those fortunate who attended out 60th Reunion. It was just wonderful to see classmates and to be treated so royally by staff. If you haven't been to a Reunion, you must plan to go. You will be pleased."

Alice Smith Fife came to reunion from NY and brought her daughter Margie Newcomer with her. Margie joined right in the celebration!

Cleo Nichols George is happy in her new condo in Seal Beach, CA. Her son Peter and family are nearby. Peter performs on many cruise ships as John Lennon in all Beatle music. Cleo celebrated her 80th in Las Vegas seeing Circle de Soleil "Love", more Beatle music.

Jane Lewis Gleason is well and active. Her oldest daughter is in Austin TX now having received her MA in Religious Studies from the Episcopal Seminary of the SW last May. Jane and her family flew down to help her celebrate the date coincided with Jane's 80th and it sounds like the celebration took on a life of its own. Jane's youngest daughter lives in Chapel Hill, NC and it is a wonderful stopover for Jane in April when she returns from Marco Is., FL. Jane has a grandson who graduated from Bates last year and started a PHD program at John's Hopkins in Sept. Another grandson works for the San Antonio Missions AAA baseball team. Two others grands are recent college grads, a Simmons nurse and a Northeastern music major. Jane still summers on Kezar Lake in Maine and would welcome any Brookies anytime!!

Peggy Smith Goode writes, "I continue to work as a Social Worker and Bereavement Coordinator for our local Hospice Program. My grandchildren ages 16-4 are wonderful (aren't they all) and great fun to be with. I

have recently completed an 8 yr term on the Westbrook Board of Directors. It was a wonderful experience meeting and working with alums from other classes - different ages and different experiences but all involved because of our love for Westbrook. It has been exciting to see the changes and continuing growth of our campus following the merger. It was also wonderful to see so many of you at Reunion. I'm hoping that some of the Reunion photos will be included in this edition of UNE Magazine. There are also many photos on line: UNE.edu. Scroll down to Alumni & Friends - Reunion 2009. Before closing, sadly, I must report that another of our classmates has died. **Barbara Lawry Tucker** died May 11, 2009. Barbara was my Westbrook roommate for two years, 1st year in Hersey and 2nd year in Whitman. Barbara's husband Bob died about 10 years ago. She was a longtime resident of Wakefield and retired from the American Mutual Insurance Co of Wakefield as an underwriter. Following Bob's death, Barbara downsized and moved to a condo in North Andover to be closer to her children. She leaves 4 children and spouses. Dr. Randall Tucker, Ellen Tucker, Amy Sargent and Sarah Paine and 8 grandchildren. **Barbara Black Frank** passed away on September 22, 2009. Barbara also lived in Whitman House with us during our senior year. Barbara and her husband had been living in New York City for several years. Barbara's husband died in February '09.

Barbara Libbey Goodof regretted missing reunion. She was returning to Maine from Naples, FL in July and staying until September, hoping to attend her Deering HS Reunion right after Labor Day.

Marjorie Gaskell Goodwin is still in Farmington, ME. Marge and **Carolyn Mitchell Gage** drove down to reunion together. Carolyn's husband, Fred, made and donated our very own WJC notepads for reunion.

Norma Sorli Gormley has settled into a new condo in Burlington, MA after selling the old homestead in Carlisle. It was a big downsizing move but she is adjusting. She spends her summers in Hillsboro, NH.

Patricia Whittemore Hamblen was planning to attend reunion but an injured knee from a recent fall prevented the best-laid plans. Pat writes that she is fine now and will spend the winter in Essex, VT with her daughter.

Sunny Meserve Harmon writes that after a rough year of medical problems for her and her family, life is taking a turn for the better. Sunny's granddaughter Brynne has been given a clean bill of health and is doing well after almost a year of treatment for lymphoma. Sunny herself is also doing better following her surgery and treatment for breast cancer. Sunny had a stroke in the summer and fell and broke her collarbone. Yet despite all this, Sunny writes positively that she's feeling much better and thinks she's in the home stretch. Sunny says she knows she's lucky to have the husband she has; "He's been taking care of me like my own private doctor." Sunny sends love and blessings to all.

Mary Ann Crisp Harris wrote that she is doing well but with a sick husband, wasn't able to get away to attend reunion this time.

Phyllis Galanto Hawkes came to reunion and brought **Norma and Charlotte Donahue Weaver** with her. Phyllis is working part time with Alzheimer's Services of Cape Cod and the Islands. She has 4 grandsons. In 2008 she and her daughter had a grand trip to Ireland. Phyllis is also a guide with a program at the Natural History Museum in Brewster exploring the tiny sea creatures in the shallow bay waters.

Caroline Chapman Hills' husband Lance had lost his battle with cancer and passed away in July. She writes that her classmates, friends and family have all been supportive and caring and have kept her going. She thanks them all. Carly is remaining in her home in Charleston, SC. Her oldest daughter and family live close by and provide lots of support. Carly has also started back volunteering 2 days a week at the local hospital and she finds that has been a lifesaver. The weddings of her two oldest grandsons this year to 2 lovely young women have also lifted her spirits.

Renee Simpson Isserlis and hubby celebrated their 59th anniversary on May 30th with their 5 children and 11 grands. A family wedding in NY prevented her from coming to reunion.

Carol Evans Jaffe lost her husband to Alzheimer's last year. He was a well-known Dr. and they were very active in the seniors "75" tennis world. Carol writes that now she is now trying to get a decent senior National tennis ranking in the 80's for herself!!

Elaine McFarland Johnson continues to volunteer at the High School (32 yrs), takes bread to Project Feed (Food Pantry) is involved in church activities and enjoys her 7 grandchildren and attending their activities. Elaine also worked on the Reunion Committee even though she wasn't able to attend this past year.

Nora Harrington Johnson lives in Pomfret, CT and continues to be active in taking care of two Morgan horses. Would have liked to come to reunion but couldn't find anyone to care for the horses!

Natalie Jenckes Lefemine is now in Centerville MA and glad to be near her children. Medical problems have caused her to slow down a bit and she and her husband rarely travel off of Cape Cod.

Julia Bean Lundwall missed reunion due to a family graduation on reunion weekend. Judy writes she is well and says, "life moves on and my memories of WJC linger."

Jane Sharon McClelland and Don are well and celebrated 55 yrs in April '09-have 3 children and 6 grands. They live in La Quinta CA but visit New England often and get together with Bell girls: **Gladys Peck, Dottie Garniss, Ann Kingsbury, Bif Holgate, Cinny Jones** and **Alice Chefalo**. At home they keep busy volunteering at church and the local museum.

Dorothy Hussey Milliken wrote that she has 5 children all living nearby in Maine. She is very proud of her grandson serving in Afghanistan as a SEAL, the #1 elite team.

Eleanor Smokey Manning Morrell has 4 children, 6 grands and 2 great-grands. She keeps busy volunteering at Mid Coast Hospital in Brunswick, ME and with church activities. She continues her involvement with Westbrook and UNE. She was Chair of the President's Gala on the UNE campus in Biddeford last spring and also active on the 60th reunion planning. She and Dick had a wonderful trip to Russia last fall. They continue to summer on the Isle of Springs in Boothbay Harbor in the old family place. They are very proud of their grandkids in college in Merrimac, BU and BC.

Constance Wood Murray was in the process of moving at Reunion time so wasn't able to make it.

Irene Nanos Notis wrote that she enjoys her winters in Sun City FL where there are many things to do. She had hoped to come to reunion.

Mary Vibert Pendleton still manages her famous ice cream stand on Ferry Rd in Saco and June is the busy time of opening for the season.

Alice Chefalo Perkins lost her husband in '04. She is now retired and enjoys volunteering for Winchester Hospital. She has 1 grandson and 3 granddaughters. Is still in her home, which they built in 1955.

Marilyn Henderson Richey and John live in a retirement complex in Naples FL and have family nearby. Granddaughter is to be married in May 2010; also has 5 sons living in FL and CT. John's grandson and wife live in rural ME, built their own home and love to visit "Pop" in FL. Marilyn sees Bev and Jane in FL in the winter.

Josephine Varney Robbins is still working at the Portsmouth NH Hospital and also very active in Kittery, ME. Her two sons are doctors.

Judith Keegan Sturgeon and husband have moved into a condo after selling the Sebago Lake house. They enjoy their new place and no longer feel the need to go to FL in the winter. They have been married 59 yrs and enjoy their 3 children and their busy lives. Judy had knee and hip replacements but enjoys Bridge and many activities. Judy was very active in planning the 60th reunion.

Betty Mayo Ten Eyck and Don celebrated their 27th anniversary. They live on Cape Cod having retired from business in Reno, NV They share 13 grandchildren and 3 great grands, all spread over the USA. They had planned to come to Reunion for the first time but Betty ran into a health problem that prevented travel. Betty writes she is doing better now.

Jo Anne Vaughan Thomas lost her husband Bob in June '08, then had two knee replacements in the fall so not a good year for her but she keeps active w/many high school friends and Bridge. Jo was also active on the 60th reunion planning committee.

Cynthia Jones Webb writes that she and Webby moved to Wisconsin last winter and

are still trying to sell house in Tuftonboro, NH. They returned to NH for the summer and ran into all kinds of problems with their health and house repair including a new roof and sunroom. Cinny said that the roofers left all tools and never came back. They have 3 grandsons: Tim is Accounts Manager for Maxim Health Care staffing. Mac is a student at St. Olaf College in Minnesota majoring in chemistry and math. Tyson is an Outdoor Adventure Guide and recently returned from a trip to Galapagos Islands; then on to Utah City to teach rock climbing, ski patrol and demolition for avalanche control.

Jean Sargent Williams wrote regrets that she was unable to attend reunion. "As you know, I lost Dave about a year and a half ago and life certainly is different but I am learning to cope with the good life I have. Thank goodness for family and friends. I will be returning to NH in August to stay with my son in Manchester and Eaton and visiting friends in Maine. Have 7 great grandchildren in the NH area so I have a lot to look forward to. I will be staying here in Oro Valley, AZ as it is really home now. I remember those cold winters all too well."

Maryon Bilodeay Zilbersher writes that she and Bill are holding up relatively well and aside from their yearly stay on Block Island, RI they live a quiet country life in Woodbury CT. They are grateful that all 3 children are gainfully employed. Daughter (Dr. Anne Sherwood) is Medical Director for the Pacific Northwest region for a company dealing with Multiple Myeloma. Son Brad is an estate planner with J P Morgan Smith Barney in NYC and the father of their two grandsons. Son Curtis, their youngest, is a Vice-President at the Princeton Review in Boston.

1950

Beverly Grace Bulkley writes, "Just a note to send best wishes to all. So try to return to Westbrook for our reunion. I'm looking into a couple "ideas" for activities (of a sort!). Over the holidays try to connect your housemates and friends for our reunion June 11-13th 2010 on campus."

1953

Muriel Thompson Nado writes, "I am still traveling to Maine for the summers. Two grandchildren graduated from Northeast-

ern and Wentworth. Two more are going to college in 2 and 4 years. My oldest daughter is a Medical Illustrator and Computer Instructor. My second daughter is a designer of unique bags (Good Sacks-Catherine Wittliff). My son is an Engineer at General Dynamics. I golf in two leagues and volunteer."

1955

Patricia Sarrau Charlton lives in Wolfeboro, NH. She says "Hi" to all, and states that she is living a very full life of sports, music and art, after getting a degree in PT in 1958. She would love to get some "hits" on her website, which is edelweiss-decor.com. She included a business card, which states she deals in glass Christmas ornaments, furniture, wine glasses and accessories. She would love to hear from fellow classmates or have a visit from anyone passing through Wolfeboro.

Jean Earley Cohen is living in St. Louis near her daughter, son-in-law and two grandsons. Son John lives in Indianapolis and daughter Stephanie and her husband live in Atlanta. They both flew in to share Thanksgiving with her. She is very thankful that her son-in-law John has fully recovered from brain surgery last April, and wrote, "Who says that prayer doesn't work?" She would love to hear from fellow classmates.

Sylvia Horsfall Gibson recently took a two-week cruise to the Caribbean, and had a wonderful time. She will be having her fourth grandchild in March to add to two little girls and a 15-year old boy. She states that her health has been fairly good, and she is still bowling and doing church work, which keeps her very busy. She sends her love to all. Sylvia and **Ann Houghton Hunt** date back to 5th or 6th grade in Manchester, NH.

Jean Farnham Henshaw had a rather quiet year. She and Bob had to cancel their Panama Canal cruise in 2009 due to medical problems and hospitalizations. She noted that Bob's memory challenges continue, and he is no longer able to write or drive. Getting old isn't for sissies is it? The good news is they will be spending two months in Naples, FL in the winter of 2010 to escape the chill at home. She keeps up with all her activities and gardening. She received a "Best in Show" award in horticulture for her big Elsa Spath Clematis.

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tis specimen, and in another flower show she received "Best in Show" in the Floral Design Division.

Ann Houghton Hunt writes, "Mal and I spent some time in NH in August visiting my brothers. While there, we drove up to Camden, ME and spent two nights with **Judy Campbell Pinney**. What a lovely time we had. She showed us Camden and the surrounding area and fed us a delicious lobster dinner. Judy stays busy with her church and visiting her children in Portland. What a lovely spot she lives in. It was our first trip to Camden, and it lived up to all its hype. On the way back to NH, we stopped in Portland and met my old roomie, **Virginia Richards Andrew** for dinner down at the waterfront. I got lost finding the main drag as the city certainly has changed since our college days. Virginia lives near Portland, still works in the area, and has taken up kayaking. It was great to see them both. I continue to care for my husband, who is a 3 ½ year stroke survivor. We don't let that get us down, and manage to have an active life still. Our big event this coming year will be our son Jeff's first wedding at age 47. He finally found the perfect mate, and we are thrilled for both of them. They will be married here in Williamsburg in June. That means I will not be at the reunion this year, but I do hope we get a good turnout from our class. The college goes to a lot of work to welcome us back, so let's give them great support. I lost a lot of your e-mail addresses when my computer crashed, so as soon as you finish reading this, go to your computer and send me your e-mail. I know that Lizzy also wants an updated list, and I can forward them to her. My address is huntslanding@cox.net. Thank you!"

Harriet Sturtevant Laverdiere wrote from Madison, ME that she has a first great grandchild, born in May. She is hoping to attend our reunion in June of 2010, and announced that her granddaughter, Brit-tany, will be attending Westbrook in the fall of 2010 to study dental hygiene.

Carol Dunbar Martin is still doing vision and hearing screening for a school district. She spent about six weeks visiting her daughter in NH this past summer and took a couple of day trips to York Beach and Plymouth, MA while there. Her son, Mark, is now working for Southwest Airlines out of Denver, CO.

Joan Mahoney Miles and Ann Houghton Hunt visited by phone recently. She and John are still enjoying life in the Northern Neck of VA. She continues teaching water aerobics to her friends and neighbors, is playing some golf, and they will spend two months this winter at The Villages in Florida. Mal and **Ann Houghton Hunt** plan to be there for a week, and they hope to hook up while there.

Lizzy Lester Poole writes, "Here's what keeps us busy - master gardener volunteering, Grandmothers for Peace, citizen activist organizations. Woodchuck, deer, wild turkey and coyotes ran through ME yard and ate our vegetables. Iguanas here in FL keep garden clean too. I look forward to a fresh New Year, hoping the economy will begin to heal. Granddaughter Bailey is a freshman at Roger Williams University."

Sabra Harriman Smith updated her life this past year from #1 to 6. She made Silver Life Master in duplicate bridge; she still plays golf; she had a second episode of atrial flutter, due to, she thinks, over medication of thyroid medicine; she still loves reading and moving her shrubs around to catch the most sun; she has been summoned for jury duty in January 2010; and she and Bill will spend February at Siesta Key, FL.

1959

Melissa Ewell Hall writes, "I truly missed not going to the 50th reunion, maybe my health will be better then my arthritis and pinched nerve in my lower back. I don't do much traveling. I volunteer as secretary at a local food pantry Tuesday and Thursday for four hours each day. I look forward to that. Everyone here is doing well."

1960

Donna Allen writes, "This has not been a happy year for my family. My mother passed away late March of 2009 at her home on Belfield St. Portland, ME near Deering High School. I will travel each week between both houses in MA & ME, until I know where to land. At the end of 2005 I retired from Delta Airlines with 40 years of service to take care of my Mom. Sure hope 2010 will be brighter, looking forward to our 50th in June."

Joyce Doherty Bergholtz writes, "I'm planning to come to the reunion in June, hope-

fully we will see many classmates. Pete and I have 4 children and 10 grandchildren. We are very fortunate that they are nearby us in Rockport- one lives in Hingham, another in Wakefield-Hamilton- & Wenham. Looking forward to the spring reunion!"

Susan Hefler Brady writes, "We have only been traveling when necessary and 2-3 Holidays. We have been very busy, especially Philip. He is the manager at the welcome center for the Chamber of Commerce for Deer Isle and Stonington. He is also active in his church, Mason's, Eastern Star, American Legion. If you live in Maine, we all know that we went from spring to fall at the end of July! So far we are hanging in as is all the people and neighbors we know. The first 2 weeks of October found Phil on the couch with Cellulites in his right leg. He has since recovered. Our class is getting excited about our 50th Reunion. We have been working on it since July!"

Carol Fredriksen '60, '87 writes, "Highlight of 2009 was a month long trip across the USA to visit National Parks and Monuments. The USA is beautiful and I feel blessed to be able to see so much. Plans for 2010 include Spain, Portugal, Morocco and Alaska. I look forward to seeing many of you at our 50th reunion celebration."

Sheila Taylor Jones writes, "The Reunion Committee has met 5 times and have come up with some great ideas for our 50th Reunion. We have decided on a theme, great favors, decorations, displays, etc. If you have ideas, would like to be on the Committee, call classmates in your area, or come set up our meeting room before Reunion Weekend, please call Sheila at (603) 539-4071. Don't forget to gather together your "Westbrook stuff" for the History Collection. You can send it to the Office of Alumni Advancement and they will hold it for the Reunion."

Joyce Bowden Leiker writes, "I am still working with children with Autism, doing sign language with the children in a high school setting."

Nancy Pray Malvesta writes, "We are now retired and living in our beautiful 1810 Cape. Life is great and we now have time to do all those activities. Our children are now adults- married- and producing 4 grandsons and one granddaughter to make her noise heard in March. Look forward to seeing you all in June."

Nancy Holmes Powers writes, "This year 2009 has been another fun and healthy year. Regular activities include hospital volunteering, D.A.R. and church. We were also fortunate to have three trips. In June we went on a cruise with four neighbors. The cruise made stops in San Francisco, Vancouver BC, and Seattle. In July we had a vacation at Sea Ranch with our daughter Pam and our grand daughters Lauren and Julia. In September I flew to Bismark, ND to spend a week with my brother Steve. We sailed on his boat the Godspeed. I hope to see you at the reunion in June 2010."

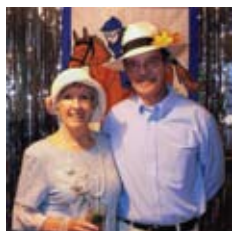
Margaret Gibson Read writes, "Sold our business- The Jared Coffin House, a 60 room inn located here in Nantucket in 2004. Happily retired- both doing volunteer work and keeping busy. Daughter, Amanda, married in September to a wonderful man from Vienna, Austria. Son, Christopher, is a paramedic and firefighter with the South Yarmouth, MA Fire Department. All is well with the Read Family."

Carol Vaughan Reams writes, "I have been busy in 2009 with my 5 grandchildren. Loved my 2 trips to Houston to celebrate my daughter's sons' birthdays. I watch my son's youngest daughter weekly and do lots of activities with the other 2. Love every minute with them. Made many trips visiting my mom in Florida who is going to celebrate her 100th birthday on 6/13/10 !! I am so sad that I won't be at the reunion but you will be in my thoughts. I will miss seeing everyone but have a blast Give my best to all. Eat some lobster for me. Playing lots of bridge, singing in the choir, social chairman of our patio homes, ushering, working a Macy's, etc. Life is grand."

Joyce Crane Richardson writes, "I have really enjoyed reconnecting with **Priscilla Morrison McGarry** and I'm pleased that my oldest granddaughter has applied to UNE in the Physical Therapy program. I'm looking forward to reunion in June."

Susan Wordell Santini writes, "We are happy to say it has been a wonderful year for us. We continue to enjoy excellent health and stay busy with our good friends and multiple activities here at Lake of the Pines. We are very grateful for all we have. We had some fun trips this year with friends within CA, at Tahoe and in NV as well as Acapulco. We also were surprised

with an invitation from our friends to join them at a timeshare in Maui so we are leaving December 31 for 4 days in Oahu and 7 in Maui. Aren't we lucky?! I did get to VA to see my Mom in April, she was 95 in August! I will be Co-Captain for our 18er ladies gold group this coming year following in the position of Captain in 2011. We have 80+ ladies in our group. We still volunteer with Unity Church, and enjoy great music and entertainment with season tickets to our excellent symphony and community concerts. I am serving on the Covenants Committee here and am back on Channel 7 (Lake of Pines/Nevada County TV program) anchoring the news show about once a month along with playing canasta, bunco and meeting with our book club. Robert hikes once a week and often leads hikes, still plays tennis and enjoys the garden club. What a life, eh? We hope you are all doing well and would so enjoy hearing from you."



Susan and Robert Santini in May of 2009 at the Kentucky Derby party at Lake of the Pines.

1961

Patricia Rudokas Lampe writes, "We visited Ireland in June, both North and South. Our two best friends joined us for a very special and fun trip. We enjoyed all the many pubs, Guinness, Irish music and Irish coffee! My daughter, Kathleen, has been in Northern Italy for three years as a designer for high fashion ski wear- north of Venice. The other daughter, Jennifer, is in Seattle and works for SEED as a patent law assistant. Tom remains very busy in his patent law firm in Concord. I'm retired from the wine world and now I just drink the stuff."

1962

Amity Peirce Allen is really enjoying her retirement. She's too busy with lunches and her efforts with the Christian Women's Club and the Cape Henry Women's Club to miss working. Having substituted for a while when she first retired, she has found her true calling in being fully retired!

Barbara Wood Bretas writes that it's amazing how the years just seem to fly by. She traveled to Fairbanks, AK, last July and over Thanksgiving to be with her daughter and two young grandkids. She reports that the temps the end of November were 30 degrees below zero! Far too cold for her comfort. She also travels from her home in Florida to New York City every few months to spend a weekend with her son and grandkids.

Madeline Frustaci Coppinger writes, "My sincerest thanks to all the folks who took the time to write or e-mail me a few lines. It was wonderful to hear from you. Stay well!"

Pat Hunter Bowden Fialkosky was married in May and has been doing a bit of traveling with her new hubby. They spent two weeks in sunny California just after Thanksgiving. Patty and **Madeline Frustaci Coppinger** share an interest in being "Red Hat" ladies and serving as "Queen Mum" of their respective chapters.

Alberta Taylor Peavey writes, "Brian and I are doing well, we are blessed to have a wonderful and healthy family who keep us busy with soccer games, basketball games, music programs and school plays. We are very fortunate that everyone lives fairly close so we can be a part of their lives. We're settling in for another New England winter and looking forward to spring."

Barbara Meikle Roder recently recovered from Swine Flu after six weeks plus a week in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. She loves to travel and has been all the world including every state in the Union. This spring she will be traveling to Africa and will cruise the Nile. Barb is now a retired teacher who is working on her second Masters in theology; the first being in Pastoral Care.

Cynthia Haskell Rubant reports that she and Dick are enjoying their retirement home in Georgia in an active adult community close to our son and Family. It has all the clubs and programs one could ever need. She started a Quilt club in 2009 and expects it to grow as new residents move in. They maintain a summer place in Webster, NH. They have 5 grandchildren ranging from 22 to age 3.

Judith Temmel Spinnanger wrote that she and hubby Jon are happily retired in Williamsburg, VA and truly enjoying it. Jon

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does a little part time work as a “ghost guide” on Duke of Gloucester Street.

Roberta Spinner-Flack wrote from San Diego that she has a new grandson (Theodore Etienne) who arrived on September 29. Bobbi remains very active in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day Walk for breast cancer and reports that this year's event in San Diego raised over \$9.5 Million. What a wonderful result! She is very dedicated to this most worthy cause.

Gail Nickerson Thompson retired in January 2008 and loves it. In November 2008 she went to Vietnam with family to introduce her year-old grandson to his great-grandmother. She feels very fortunate to have traveled this year to Holland, NC, PEI and spent the month of February in Florida with **Jill Emerson Rawson**. She keeps busy with a variety of volunteering activities. Gail also visited **Donna Scribner Archambault** and her husband in Maine this summer.

Diane Hinkley Tyler reminds all of us that it won't be long before our big 50th Reunion. She has been living in Cape Elizabeth, Maine, for the past 40+ years and is in regular contact with **Dale Gagnier Cronin** who lives in Portland most of the year. She and **Donna Lee Litchfield Cheney** also get together regularly and often include, **Marilyn Lalumiere**. While Marilyn is still working with the Portland Museum of Art, Diane, Donna, and Dale are all retired but very busy with lots of good stuff and having fun too. Diane does get to campus occasionally for local events and shares that the campus looks much as we remember it except there are several new buildings and great new programs.

Martha Jane Bean Welch gets together from time to time with other alums, namely **Judy Scott Bebout**, **Beth Kendall York**, and **Jane Gillis Lutsck**. She also has visited with **Jen Robbins Mason** recently. When in Florida, Jane spends time with **Barb Wood Bretas**.



A “mini-WJC-reunion” which took place over the summer of Jane Gillis Lutsck, Judy Scott Bebout, Beth Kendall York and Jane Bean Welch

1963

Carol MacLaughlin Combes is still working. However, her husband has 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 Café. She and Ed traveled with their 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.



From left to right -- Cinny Glover Wood, Barbara Lothrop Labbe, Diana Romano Flaherty, Carol MacLaughlin Combes, Joan Merrill Weeks, Sharon Roberts Phelps, Jeannie (Betty Jean Welch) Howard

Robert Dunbar writes, “We now have 3 grandchildren. The latest Aidan Dunbar born 6/16/09 to our son, Michael and his wife, Angela. I now watch 2/3 a day (my new job). Linda and I drove from San Diego to San Francisco in August. It took 10 days at a nice tourist pace. Saw many sights on the way. Alumni Council responsibilities are taking a good part of my time. Many of the class of 64 send their regards.”

Meredith Cronk Graf 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.

Fr. Paul Damian Johnston, SOLT writes, “Recently (effective Jan 1, 2010) assigned as a parochial vicar for three years to a Roman Catholic Parish Church in Hythe, Kent, England. Looking forward to the expected busy ministerial life caring for three churches and two schools hospital and nursing homes. Life begins at 40!”

Daniel Keohane writes, “While I type this at the end of December, I am glancing out the window, watching the weekend Frostbite sailing races in Boston Harbor, reminding myself of our great decision to move to the Charlestown Navy Yard four years ago. A quick count indicates about 30 sailboats racing about. Had an eventful 9/11 happening this past September. The respective ambassadors from the USA to the Republic of Korea (ROK), and vice versa, came to the Massachusetts Korean War Memorial in our park across from our condo complex, for a 9/11 ceremony. As I was taking a course at HILR based on David Halberstam's “The Coldest Winter” (about the Korean War), I took my book with me to the ceremony. As the ceremony ended, I introduced myself and asked if they might autograph the book, which both graciously agreed to do, with both adding personal messages! Continuing with HILR, I completed my term on the Council and am now involved on our Teaching and Learning Committee, mentoring three members who are scheduled to be giving their first course in our program next semester. With about 525 HILR members, we typically have about 75 course proposals submitted per semester, with about 55 actually accepted. Finally, joining our five grandchildren, we are expecting a new grandson in May, 2010!”

Gail Haug Lovelace is living in very cold Colorado. She is preparing for more snow soon. She just became a grandmother for the first time. Her son, Peter, and his wife had a baby boy “Tommie” on 10/15/09. She was able to visit them in California in November for a week and enjoyed every minute of the visit. He, of course, is adorable. She feels very blessed. She is still working at Wells Fargo Bank as Lead Teller and enjoys her 20-hour per week job. Gail's husband, Chuck, is still repairing pianos with his childhood friend, Larry.

William Magee writes, “Starting my 29th year as a high school and college baseball umpire. It's great to be retired from the corporate life. Serve on the Board of Pro-Life Ministries.”

Sharon Pellegrini Mertz writes, “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, visits with my "Brookie" crew, the latest being a memorable weekend in New Hampshire 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!"

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 Georgia 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 for two other companies. During the Christmas season I visited with my dad in Ormond Beach, Florida and then went to Nassau to see my daughter and grandchildren (Andrew, 13 and Claire, 12). Spent the Christmas holidays with Scott, Mark and my father-in-law at Ft. Myers Beach."

Pamela 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, Oregon on August 1, 2009 we biked east along the Columbia River into Washington State, down into Idaho, back across central Oregon to the coast and back to Portland. This 1432-mile loop included approximately 59,000 cumulative feet of climbing. I 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 I'm a heck of a lot stronger both physically and mentally than I thought possible. Experienced once again

the power of the mind. 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 that this is not a bad thing. Appreciated that I achieved something that most people couldn't do or wouldn't think of doing. Made new friends of a lifetime and missed my husband and friends more than I imagined."

John Peterson writes, "Retiring from Law Practice January 1, 2010. Moving permanently to Lake Geneva. My daughter Mary has two children and lives in Ossining, NY. My daughter Elizabeth has three children and lives in Naperville, IL and my son John as two children and lives in Walworth, WI. We see them all two week every summer. I overcame some health issues this year - feeling fine now. I plan to write in retirement. Working on a novel about my great-grandfather from Ireland who was in the U.S. Marine Corp during the Civil War and a essay for Yankee Magazine titled "Transplanted Yankee" about my life in the Midwest."

Linda Siller Theadore writes, "I retired from the Westerly Hospital as an Histology Technician after 26 years in June. I am active in our community, as a fund raiser and helped put together a 2010 Art Calendar, which included Art from 4 area high school students. I am enjoying the freedom of creating and offering classes in teaching the technique of re-designing antique pearl necklaces. I design jewelry and this year sponsored a Holiday Craft Show & Sale. I plan to put together two next year, so if anyone would like to participate get in touch with me. Will spend more time traveling to see my children & grandchildren this year. Would love to hear from former classmates."



This picture was taken during Parents Weekend at WJC. L-R: Barbara Paulson Danielson, Linda Siller Theadore, Janice Greene Noonan.



This picture was taken during Parents Weekend at WJC. L-R: Linda Siller Theadore's mother, Linda Siller Theadore and her sister Sandra.

1964

Karen Prario Baker's son Greg and his wife, Mary Carol, arrived home to Burlington, VT on Christmas Eve from China with their new baby girl, Ziva Elle Baker. They had been waiting for their little darling for 4 1/2 years. What a blessing she is. Karen and Bruce went to their home in Westford, VT for the two weeks that they were in China to baby-sit for their Vizsla (a much loved Hungarian Hunting Dog). Since the dog needed to be exercised twice a day, long walks in VT's frigid weather were the daily routine. They then stayed for an additional week to help them adjust to parenthood. Karen is now home in CT missing both baby and dog. She and Bruce will now be making trips to VT more often!"

Eleanor Koppang Batchelder spends her winters in NC but returned to NH for a week just before Christmas to help Ken's father celebrate his 94th birthday. She had Christmas Eve and Christmas morning with her daughter and family in Charlotte and then returned to Southern Pines, NC. She plans a trip to Disney in January with Pam's family and a trip to the British Open Golf Tournament in St. Andrews, Scotland with her son and daughter-in-law in July. The jury is out as to whether she will see Tiger play or not!

Susan Drury writes, "December is the busiest time of the year for me in our church. I am director of the Pastoral Care Department and have 12 ministers on my team who take responsibility of all areas of the church. I did get a vacation with my husband Ron this summer. We went to Keystone, CO for five wonderful days of hiking, biking and playing golf! I was really sorry that I missed our Reunion. Well, there is always our 50th."

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Sibyl Nye Erdman enjoyed Reunion very much and was glad to be able to catch up with classmates. She has been very busy between a stay in NYC and holiday company that extended into January. Then her son and his fiancée left for Belize. And her daughter departed for France. It has been very hectic for her between helping her daughter pack, getting her daughter's things into storage, and helping her with all those last minute things that needed to be done prior to her departure. She wishes all a rewarding and healthy, happy 2010.

Mary Lou Butka Halla's oldest daughter, Kim, was rushed to Maine Medical Center just before Christmas for emergency surgery for an aneurysm in her brain. She is still in critical condition but there is new hope every day. Let's all pray for Kim's recovery. And keep Mary Lou in your thoughts and prayers.

Colette Styffe Lankau writes, "My husband, Walt, and I celebrated our 45th Anniversary in September with a wonderful trip to Quebec City my mother's birthplace. We drove from Massachusetts through Maine stopping in Portland and Freeport along the way. We bought Italian sandwiches at Amato's for lunch on our trip. We enjoyed the beautiful scenery along the Kennebec River into Canada. Old Quebec was more beautiful than I had imagined! We traveled home through Vermont and New Hampshire with the foliage at its "peak." Our goal this coming year to travel as much as possible with trips to San Diego, CA, Vail, Colorado, and a Danube River tour."

Jane Palmer is spending the winter and spring in Wichita, Kansas with her son, Chriss and his wife, Kerensa and her five Grandchildren. She drove out to Iowa with her brother, Jim after spending Thanksgiving with her siblings in Bradford, VT and then down to Kansas.

Patricia (Cherie) Perkins writes, "New status as a retiree: ski bumming and working with the Ski Museum of Maine giving ski talks on the "History of Skiing in Maine." Continually traveling. This year Arizona, Hilton Head, Florida, Wyoming/Idaho/Montana, following the Chief Joseph Trail, Amazon and Machu Picchu. Playing a lot of tennis and bridge. Very involved with kayaking and hiking. Love retirement. My daughter moved back to Maine after 17 years in Virginia so now my son and daughter both live near me, especially

nice because my mom just passed away. Life is good- Happy Holidays."

Mary Wood Peterson writes, "In February 2009, I retired from my job as an Executive Administrative Assistant. I credit WJC with much of my knowledge and skills. I can still take dictation, which isn't taught much anymore if at all but I used it for 30 years. September 8, 2009 brought me my first great-grandson. My grandson and his wife have Bryson. I am now known as Gigi instead of just Grammie. My son and his family from Peoria, IL spent a week at Thanksgiving with us."

Deborah Schofield Reed writes, "To all our classmates that attended Reunion '09 surprising me with such caring gifts, and to those who could not be with us in person but have been so kind, I THANK YOU. I have enjoyed so many moments of gentle caring every time I use something from one of those overstuffed baskets or read a thoughtful note/book. Our journey this past 15 months through the recovery process of traumatic brain injury has been remarkable, and my husband, Dick, amazes all of us as he continues to recover skills at every level. I have attached a photo of our successful Walk by the Sea for the Brain Injury Association of New Hampshire last October on the first year anniversary of his accident. Our four children along with their spouses and children joined us, as did some of our siblings, nieces, nephews, and extended family members. It was an occasion to celebrate as Dick met one of his many goals and walked a mile of the route with only a cane. That same week we also celebrated the birth of our tenth grandchild who evened the genders out (five boys and five girls,) the oldest being eleven and the youngest now three months (she was only 5 days old the day of the walk). I wish you all as much love, hope, peace, and support as we have been given throughout this remarkable journey of recovery and discovery since our life changed in that one instant. Cheers for a happy new year to you all."



Walk by the Sea Event pictured are Deborah Schofield Reed and her family.

Martha Wentworth Sanborn wanted to share that in July while she was at their cottage in Standish, ME, **Cherie Perkins** came for a visit. She lives in Standish but was unable to attend our Reunion in June so she and Martha had a good "catch-up". Martha said she just got a Christmas card from Cherie telling of a recent trip to the Amazon! She also spent a day this summer with **Kathi Newsy Hickey** in York, Maine"

Linda Bailey Scheve writes, "I've been busy with traveling back and forth to the Northeast Kingdom area of Vermont to visit my oldest daughter and her three children. I also love my water aerobics classes, attending all the Springfield Falcons hockey games and babysitting for my two youngest grandchildren as I am now retired from my job as secretary to our high school principal. **Jane Palmer, Mary Lou Halla** and I had a great visit just before Thanksgiving. The girls visited me in Feeding Hills, MA. We even spent one day at the casino, Mohegan Sun. Jane was the only winner!"

Andrea Fyfe Smith and **Linda Bailey Scheve** had a wonderful visit in October in Morrisville, Vermont. Linda was able to catch up with her, who she hadn't seen in 45 years. She didn't come to the Reunion but says she'll definitely be at our 50th. She recently moved from Vermont to Virginia.

Carolyn Curtis Hill Taylor writes, "Tap dancing with a team of 14. We compete in New England during early spring and have a Recital during the first part of June at Merrill Auditorium in Portland, ME. Looking forward to a family trip to Mexico in March. I have two daughters, one stepson, two son-in-laws and one daughter-in-law along with five grandchildren ages, 14, 13, 6, 4 and 2. Retired in 2005 from Dental Hygiene- Dad at age 91 has an apartment in our house- I'm his #1 ride. Life is busy."

Jo Irving Verrill writes, "We keep busy with travel, hobbies, volunteer work and our home on the Chesapeake Bay where we enjoy boating. We now have eight grandchildren all within an hour and we sure love being with them. Life has been good to us."

Barbara Lano Wilcox had a 15-year fight against breast cancer. **Linda Bailey Scheve** writes this in regards to Barbara, "I have some very sad news. During Reunion

Weekend in June, I updated our classmates about Barbara. She had been feeling better and so came to Maine to visit family/friends in September. **Jane Palmer, Mary Lou Butka Halla** and I were to visit her a few days after her arrival. But she was here only two days and had to go to the hospital in Portland and was told to fly back to CA immediately. She then fought blood clots and another form of cancer before passing away on October 25, 2009 in La Mirada, CA. She was one of my best friends at WJC in the Retailing course. I will never forget her winning smile and wonderful personality. She will always be a forever friend."

1965

Susan Umpa Angevine reported that **Laurie Hambleton Latvis** passed away on December 28, 2009. She was at peace and not in any pain for the first time since November '08 when she got her original diagnosis of lung cancer. Laurie was sad to leave but towards the end knew it was time. She will be missed!! Sue had the honor of being a pallbearer for Laurie as well as **Linda Raub Zammer** and four other high school friends who have remained closely connected through all these years. The seven of them are so grateful that they had a wonderful gathering at Cape Cod this past June knowing it would be the last time they would all be together. Sue writes, "I retired on October 1 and am living the life! I enjoy exercising, actually able to sit down to read the newspaper, reading my ever-present book, having coffee and lunches with friends and loving the slower pace of life. I have two sons, Seth and Josh and enjoy them when they are able to come home to visit. My husband Rick has been retired for a year and has enjoyed being on his own five days a week. Hope everyone has a wonderful new year."

Martha Bagnell writes, "I have been living in beautiful historic Rockport, MA for the last 25 years in my antique house built in 1716. I have, also, found my niche as a bookkeeper and have a number of accounts, which I enjoy and keep me busy. My son, **David '94**, graduated from Westbrook College after it became a four-year college as a Med Tech. He has been living in Stonington, CT with his wife, Rhea, for the past five years and they both work for Pfizer. **Pat Walsh** and I enjoy getting together on a regular basis, and usually can be

found on Long Beach during the summer months. We drove to Lyndonville, VT to visit **Shelia Tenney Gallagher** & Jim in May for a couple days; a great time. I hope to see you all at the Reunion in June!"

Donna Davieau Chatterton writes, "Retirement seems to be the theme of the year! I'll be retiring from Tecton Architects, Inc. where I've been Marketing Manager for the past 12 years, having begun in that field right out of Westbrook. Well, "retiring" isn't exactly what's happening; I'm "changing jobs" and will be watching the 2 sets of twins (5-1/2 year old Adele and Emma and 2-1/2 year old Jacqui and Xander) my older daughter, Jennifer, and her husband have. In March I anticipate being elected Grand Royal Matron of the Order of the Amaranth in Connecticut, a one-year position. Then, early in the summer my other daughter, Courtney, plans to move to Wisconsin, continuing her career as a Licensed Massage Therapist and Yoga teacher."

Katherine Ammon Delle Chiaie writes, "It's been nearly 45 years since graduation from Westbrook Junior College. The past 45 years seem to have gone by so quickly. My greatest accomplishment would be marrying and raising a family. I have been married for 38 years and are parents to 3 grown children, one daughter and two sons. We are blessed with 3 wonderful grandchildren, one granddaughter and 2 grandsons, all under the age of 6. They all live close by, my daughter and 3 year old grandson live with us. My Westbrook education was utilized as a Human Resources Specialist for 20+ years at Digital Equipment Corp. in MA. Upon Digital's acquisition by Compaq, I became a full-time real estate agent in the Andover, MA area. I still am involved with real estate but on a much smaller scale as I do spend a great deal of time with my grandchildren."

Elizabeth Oshry Dietz, Ed.D., writes, "I am Retired from San Jose State University and now Professor Emeritus. I teach 2 units each semester for local LVN-RN community college nursing program, as well as multiple on ground courses for the University of Phoenix - BSN & MSN. I volunteer with the American Red Cross and Medical Volunteers in Disaster Relief in Santa Clara County, CA. Husband Larry is retired and consults for an Agency that does govt and military projects from military exercises and doing Bio-Phusion plans for CDC. He

is also probono judge in small claims court and traffic court in Santa Clara County. I divide time between CA and ID where the grandkids live! Life is good."

Margot Hoyt Gatchell writes, "All is well at the Gatchell's home in Cape Elizabeth, Maine this year. Our son Will & his wife Sarah are doing well and our grandson, Hugh is growing like a weed at 19 months! This year has been a lousy year if you wanted to work or play outside - rain, rain, and more rain! Our trip to Tucson, AZ in March was wonderful. We are sending our best to our class! Love, Margot & Bill"

Sue Rogers Hardenbrook writes, "Verne and I have lived in Pennsylvania for 20 years. Our son Eric and daughter Ellen are both married. We have two beautiful grandchildren: Michael age 9 and Margaret (Maggie) age 5. Verne is retired and enjoys golfing, gardening and cooking. I'm still working as an Office Manager. I am active in General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) on the local and state level. I still love to travel, knit, play cards and play Scrabble."

Joan Connolly Johnson writes, "Our daughter, Merideth, married Albert Lavoie from Ashford, CT on September 19 on Great Diamond Island off Portland where we have vacationed since 1976. Pete is still working in Portland at Enviroligix, a biotech firm. Does it make sense with all these Maine connections, we still live in Beverly Farms? I am a trustee of the Beverly Historical Society and Museum, a board member of the North Shore Horticultural Society and a board member of the Beverly Conservation Land Trust...and still dealing with nursing homes and settling family estates! I do enjoy basket weaving and gardening."

Carol Prombain Kagerer writes, "I am loving retirement and especially my winters in Naples, Florida. I recently had a visit from **Nancy Marchetti Rettenmyer**. It was great to see her and catch up on news about her family etc. I love doing volunteer work where I live and working at my hobby, shell crafting. I also sing in the chorale group here, and am a Red Hat Lady. I keep very busy. I spent last summer recuperating from my second knee replacement. I keep swimming, and aquasizing. My three grown children Kris, Amy and Steve are all doing well. My husband has recently been

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diagnosed with prostate cancer, but the doctor said he will probably outlive it. We had a big celebration this past Sept. for his 75th. birthday. I would love to hear from any of my classmates."

Virginia Wier Parkinson writes, "We have been living in CA since 1984. Our son, Jared, is an instructor pilot in Orlando, Florida. My husband, Brad, still works and we travel a lot. We were back in New England in the fall and went to the Crab Shack in Ipswich. When we were ordering, I looked at the woman taking our order and asked where she grew up. That didn't help, so I asked if she went to Westbrook. She did and graduated in '65. I actually recognized her. It was **Elaine Galanis Kaszuba**. She looked the same, wonderful! Small world!!"

Donna Rawson Woods writes, "I am working on my 34th year with the District School Board of Collier County, Florida as Coordinator of Operations. Technically I'm retired with two years remaining on my contract. I too love my job and am not sure just what one does when the office does not consume daylight hours. My son has built a log cabin in Colorado with hiking, skiing, mountain climbing, snowmobiling, canoeing, fishing, etc. the only activities on the calendar when fortunate enough to be there. I was in a position to accompany them on their last trip. I fell in love with the area. Breathtaking! And, that is coming from someone who spent a lifetime thinking there nothing more beautiful than New England. There is always much to explore regardless of age. My 5-year-old grandson, Reed, does a great job of keeping me focused on the simple pleasures in a day as do my children. I have much to be thankful for including the good fortune to have attended Westbrook culminating in lifelong friendships and a fulfilling career. May you find joy in life's celebrations and rest from life's challenges. Have a fulfilling, safe and healthy New Year!"

1969

Joseph DiLorenzo writes, "On October 19, 2009, I celebrated my 40th year in Education. Twenty years as a School Administrator-ten in Cranston, RI and ten in Franklin, MA. Still having a rewarding career helping students adjust to High School and beyond. My wife and I vacation in Florida when there is a school break and we still snowmobile every winter weekend from our vacation home in East Conway, NH."

Vincent Giuliano writes, "I am in my 41st year in public education. I am completing my 23rd year as principal of Jos. H. Gaudet Middle School. In 2002, I was selected as the RI Middle School Principal of the Year by the Rhode Island School Principals' Association. This April my wife and I will celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary. We have 3 children. We have 5 grandchildren."

Father John Grennon writes, "I entered the Discalced Carmelites in 1989, the Washington Province. Much to my surprise Washington refers to Washington County WI. (Yes, we do have a house in Washington DC). In 1997 I was ordained a priest. At present, I reside at our house that serves the Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians in Hubertus WI. Since July of 2005, I am the Provincial Delegate to the Discalced Carmelites Secular Order in the Midwest region of our province."

1970

Lawrence Cousins writes, "I have retired from 39 years as a Math Teacher. I am enjoying the retired life by golfing, hunting and visiting grandchildren."

1971

John Dyjak is a retired Principal from West Brookfield Elementary School where he worked for 35 years. He has two grandchildren, Ella who is six years old and Alex who is two years old. John travels a lot to Poland and Hawaii.

Douglas Shiok recently retired from his position as Superintendent of Schools for the Orange North Supervisory Union, Williamstown, Vermont. He is currently providing special education consulting services for the Barre Supervisory Union schools in Barre, Vermont. He enjoys traveling with his wife Nancy and visiting their five children and eight grandchildren.

1972

Kathryn Harper writes, "Hi Everyone! I was a bridesmaid in my dear friend **Mary Clancy's** wedding this summer in Sebago Lake, ME! I'm working 3-4 days a week in a General Practice here in Keene for a great dentist and employer- Dr. Mark Wirant. My son Nico made Eagle Scout

in May after 12 years in Scouting and is now a freshman at the University of Vermont. Reconnected with my roommate **Linda Wholley Pierce** last year- she looks fantastic!"

1973

Dennis Grossano has been an Oncology Pharmacist and Clinical Coordinator at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York for 33 years. He has also been an adjunct faculty member at the University of New England's School of Osteopathic Medicine for 12 years. Dennis has been married for 25 years and has three children; Daniel (23), Jenna (20) and Stefanie (16).

Paula Dubord Mahoney is Vice President for Physician Practice Services at Frisbie Memorial Hospital in Rochester, NH. She is happily living by the sea in Rye, NH with her husband Jim and their two Golden Retrievers, Woodrow and Isabella.

William Marasco writes, "Greetings from the Emerald City: Can't believe that I am in my ninth year of retirement and have yet to feel bored! This past year Osa and I made two extended 40-day visits to the Baltic in June and to Norway this past November. Best part was the four crossings on the Mary (Boats good - planes bad). Spent a lot of time in St. Petersburg and it was amazing. If any country needed a revolution it was Russia. Everywhere you went - you were being followed (kinda like in a real bad "B" movie when you see a portrait on the wall and the eyes are real and following you). Best of that was one afternoon we broke away from our guide and actually spent a few hours on our own. Scary but exhilarating. Norway was beautiful and bloody cold (and yes, some Norwegians can see Russia from their homes). Oh yeah real expensive - Wine \$70.00 a bottle for the equivalent of Two Buck Chuck, \$20.00 for a bloody Mary, \$15.00 for a beer and \$10.00 for coke. Still the scenery was breath taking. Am hoping to get to the campus in '10. Osa has never been to Maine, except for a day in Bar Harbor. All the best to friends and classmates."

Chris Newell and **Christine Muschamp Newell '74** have raised their 4 kids in Maine over the past 34 years (Cape Elizabeth- just outside Portland) and their

youngest has just left for college; so its time to look south, permanently, for both of them.

1975

Susan Anderson writes, "All has been going well. We are grandparents now, our daughter Jenna and son-in-law Luke had Tyler David born one year ago! So much fun. Our middle daughter Diana married Paul in June and is living in Kennebunk so we get to visit Maine again. Our youngest, David is a junior at Notre Dame and plays on their tennis team. Lots of traveling to visit everyone!"

Deborah Shaw Correale sent **Amy Wandrisco Robinson** her always wonderful Christmas letter (actually, once again, her dog Luke is the "author"!) She reports that Jenn her oldest is working at Edward Rose Companies in Indiana as a financial analyst. Stephanie, a senior at St. Joseph's University spent 4 months in Florence, Italy on a study abroad program. DJ is a sophomore, also at St. Joseph's, and Rachel is a junior in high school. She is searching for colleges in order to pursue a degree in fine arts, as she is a talented artist. She is also pursuing her driver's license. Deb and Dave celebrated their 25th anniversary while visiting Stephanie in Italy. As it turned out, they spent their anniversary night in a small Venice train station with the girls (Rachel came to Italy, too.) trying to keep warm on a cold marble bench after having missed the last train of the night.

Patricia Cyr Fournier wrote to say she got the opportunity to visit the WC campus last fall. She and her husband Paul spent several hours walking around and through all the buildings reminiscing about her years on campus, taking note of the many new buildings and overall growth of the school. She saw the plaque honoring Mr. Hodges outside his permanently closed lab in Blewett Hall and had to just sit for a while, to contemplate how both she and her sister **Marie Reine Cyr Manthey '69, '71** both went on to achieve their dreams in clinical sciences and became the best medical technicians Westbrook could possibly produce. Both have been lucky enough to work in top US medical centers. The new pharmacy building now houses the program replacing the dying field of medical technologists. During her visit, Pat spoke to current nursing students, ate in

the cafeteria where she was a head waitress, took lots of photos and rekindled her many fond memories.

Jill Baker Kelly writes, "I am looking forward to my son returning home from Iraq with his new German wife. They will be home for Christmas, first time in two years. This Christmas we will enjoy the Holidays with the arrival of our five children, ages 21-27 and new daughter-in-law. Two are still in college, RPI and FIT."

Donalee Blackstone Olsen writes, "Settling into the Southern life of Georgia. Will always miss Maine though- once a Maineiac always a Maineiac. Will soon be empty nesters when our youngest graduates High School in May. I'm very involved in our church and love volunteering for different ministries. I try to love life to the fullest."

Amy Wandrisco Robinson writes, "Greetings Classmates. It's a new year and maybe we can do a better job at keeping in touch. I joined Facebook this year and if any of you are also on it, perhaps we can add each other as friends and keep in better touch. I had a fairly uneventful year. I went on a 2-week road trip in April with my friend from Florida who took such good care of me last year when my retina detached and I had to be face down for 2 weeks at her house. I also rescued a day old duckling and raised her and released her back into the wild. In September, I had cataract surgery - the final phase of restoring my vision to as near close to normal as I will ever have, which is now suitably workable. Calvin still does his winter guiding in Kansas which keeps us apart for a couple of months, but as I write this, I am just over a week away for being reunited with him."

1976

Vicki Hamilton Emery has been married for 32 years and had three children. She is the Office Manager in a nine physician pediatric practice. Vicki is a grandmother of two and loves it! Their "baby" graduates college this spring and marries in July! Life goes on.

1980

Kathleen French Bayliss writes, "My older son Michael graduated from Roger Williams University and his brother Jeffrey is a junior at Roger Williams University in Bristol, RI. Vacationed with my husband and friends in

Puerto Rico to celebrate our 25th Wedding Anniversary in July. "Life's Great".

1982

Ruth Bishop, D.O., is past president of Washington State Osteopathic Medical Association, serves as an assistant professor of family medicine at Pacific Northwest University of Health Sciences, College of Osteopathic Medicine, in Yakima, Washington. She is board certified in occupational medicine and a member of Washington State's Labor and Industry Advisory Board. Bishop is employed full time with the Department of Defense, conducting medical evaluation boards at Madigan Army Medical Center in Fort Lewis, Washington.

John Johansson, D.O., continues to serve as president of the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons following the CME Weekend last September.

John Peterson, D.O., continues to serve on the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors and attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October. He also continues to serve as executive director of the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons.

1983

Alan Carter, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

Peter Guey, D.O., presented an evening suturing workshop as part of Orthopedics Week on campus in December.

Rob Salk, D.O., presented a session on osteoporosis at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS)CME conference last August.

James Timoney, D.O., presented an evening casting workshop as part of Orthopedics Week on campus in December.

Donna Zamrin, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

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1984

Peter Bell, D.O., delivered the address to first- and second-year students, faculty and staff, and family and friends at the White Coat Ceremony this past October. He also attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend that same weekend where he presented a session called A Chest Pain Center Approach to Chest Pain.

Suzanne Berlin, D.O., presented an ovarian cancer update at the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Stephen Blair, D.O., **John Chang, D.O.**, **John Dugan, D.O.**, and **Michael Lauto, D.O.** attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Jay Clemens, D.O., MPH writes, "Currently serving as Associate Residency Director, Occupational Medicine for the US Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine stationed at Tinker AFB in Oklahoma City, OK and loving it!"

Rosanne Peeling writes, "My son, Nick, and I went to Hershey Park in Pennsylvania in August of 2009 just before he started his junior year of high school."

Carl Schuler, D.O., is a small group facilitator in the first-year DOctoring class.

Barry Sheridan, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

James Tracy, D.O., and his wife attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October, where he presented a session on urticaria and angiodema.

1985

Colonel William Bograkos, D.O., presented sessions on traumatic brain injury and on chemical and biological threats at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) Winter Symposium in January.

Mark Calkin, D.O., was a resident with Dr. Marc Hahn at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. Happy to see he is dean. Still practicing anesthesia in Denver, CO.

James Gaydos, D.O., presented an OMM lecture and workshop on campus in De-

cember, sponsored by the Undergraduate American Academy of Osteopathy.

Jeffrey Greenfield, D.O., presented a lower extremity manipulations workshop at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) Winter Symposium in January. He served on the board of the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) this past year as a delegate to the American Osteopathic Association.

James O'Halloran, D.O., practices internal medicine and infectious disease medicine with the University of Connecticut's Correctional Managed Health Care section. In this position he attends to various prisons in the state and cares for those with HIV, Hep C as well as their primary care needs. He lives in Litchfield, Connecticut with his wife Bernadette.

Pat Phillips, D.O., continues to serve on the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors as treasurer as well as program co-chair for the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend. She attended the conference this past October.

1986

Marie Albert, D.O., was elected to the COM Alumni Association Board of Directors at the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion weekend this past October.

Ron Ashkenasy, D.O., presented a medical legal update at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) Mid-winter CME Conference in February. He attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October and is on campus every Wednesday morning as a small group facilitator in the first-year DOctoring class.

Paul Berkner, D.O., presented a session on post-concussion management at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) Mid-winter CME conference in February.

Robert Bishop, D.O., presented OMM lectures and workshops on campus in September and January, sponsored by the Undergraduate American Academy of Osteopathy.

Carey Capell, D.O., was elected to the UNE-COM COM Alumni Association board of directors at the COM Fall CME/Reunion weekend this past October.

Bob Dinwoodie, D.O., continues to serve on the board of the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) following the Yankee CME conference last August.

Roberta Gerson, D.O., continues to serve on the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors as parliamentarian. She is on campus every Wednesday as a small group facilitator in the first-year DOctoring class.

Raymond Kelly, D.O., Presented a session on airway management at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) Winter Symposium in January.

Robert Leonard, D.O., presented a session on minimally invasive treatments for the aging face at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last August, and continues to serve on the RISOPS board. He is also an active member of the UNE Board of Trustees.

Audrey Okun-Langlais, D.O., is a small group facilitator in the first-year DOctoring class. She had served as a member of the Committee on Admissions the past year and a half as well.

Roger Pelli, D.O., was elected to the UNE-COM COM Alumni Association board of directors at the COM Fall CME/Reunion weekend this past October.

1987

Mark Andreozzi, D.O., presented a session on ear, nose and throat manifestations of GERD at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME Weekend last September.

Hollis Coblenz, D.O. and Loraine Paradis, D.O. attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Dan Calisto, D.O., continues to serve on the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors and attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Beth DelPrete, D.O., is interim chair of family medicine and director of the first-year DOctoring course at UNE-COM. She was elected to the COM Alumni Association board of Directors at the COM Fall CME/Reunion weekend this past October.

David Duval, D.O., presented a session on airway management at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) Winter Symposium in January.

Lisa Gouldsborough, D.O., is chair of UNE-COM's self-study committee preparing for the College' American Osteopathic Association (AOA) accreditation visit in Augusts. She also serves as Professional and Public Education committee co-chair for the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA).

Debra Reich-Sobel, D.O., writes, "In private Solo Family Practice in Linden, New Jersey. Practice is called Caring Family Medical Inc. Married with 3 children- oldest, Nate, sophomore at Rutgers, Carly- 2nd child, junior in High School (1st singles and captain of tennis Team) and 3rd child Daniel, 4th grade."

1988

Thomas Babson, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October and was elected to the COM Alumni Association board of directors at the COM Fall CME/Reunion weekend this past October.

Jane Carreiro, D.O., conducted a hands-on pediatric OMM workshop at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) Mid-winter CME conference in February.

Todd Clow, D.O. and **Stephen Zanella, D.O.** attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

Guy DeFeo, D.O., completes his term as president of the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) in March. He also serves on the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) board of directors.

Karl Felber, D.O., continues to serve as the president of the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) following the Yankee CME conference last August.

Mark Henschke, D.O., continues to serve on the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors. For the past two years he has been program co-chair for the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend. He presented a session on hypertension and beta blockers.

Colonel Ernie Lockrow, D.O., is chief of integrated obstetrics and gynecology at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He presented a noontime lecture on Ob/Gyn in the military as part of Military Medicine Week on campus in October.

Mike McNamara, D.O., presented a session on cardiovascular disease and depression at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME Weekend last September. He attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

1989

John Capobianco, D.O., **Sarah Prescott, D.O.**, and **Craig Ryan, D.O.** attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Jacquelyn Cawley, D.O., presented Achieving the Patient Centered Medical Home at the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Karen DiPasquale, D.O., presented Life Threatening Events in the Young Athlete at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last August.

Barry Gendron, D.O., served as program co-chair for the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) this past year. He presented Benefits of Developing a Telemedicine Program: Elevating Stroke Care in the Community Hospital at the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Paul Jones, D.O., is immediate past-president of the American Osteopathic College of Anesthesiologists and has been reelected to serve on the AOCA board of governors.

Charlotte Paolini, D.O., presented an evening cardiovascular and respiratory physical exam review session for first-year student, sponsored by the Physicians Life Alliance, in January. She presented a session on current practices in geriatric medicine at the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Wayne J. Reynolds, D.O., has been appointed by the governor to the Virginia Board of Medicine for a four-year term. He

has also served as president of the Virginia Osteopathic Medical Association and the president of the Virginia Academy of Family Physicians, and currently works with the Sentara Medical Group in Gloucester and Mathews, Virginia.

1990

Doug Lewis, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

Dan Pierce, D.O., presented a session on current trends in anti-platelet therapy at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) mid-winter CME Conference in February.

1991

Frank Hubbell, D.O., presented a session called "Where have you been and what did you catch?" at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) Winter Symposium in January and What do we do when patients present with worldwide infections in our practice rather than the ER? at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME Weekend last September. He served as program co-chair for the NHOA this past year.

Paul Tortland, D.O., presented Use of Platelet-Rich Plasma for Musculoskeletal Conditions at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME Weekend last September and Bio-identical Hormone Replacement and Anti-aging Medicine at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last August.

1992

Judith Aldrich, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Ken Johnson, D.O., presented a session on helping patients with back pain at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) Winter Symposium in January.

Joe Leahy, D.O., served as vice president of the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) this past year.

Duane Siberski, D.O., presented a lecture and hands-on workshop titled Acute Enven-

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omations and Acute Airway Management as part of Emergency Medicine Week on campus in September.

1993

Andrew Haltof, D.O., presented OMM lectures and workshops on campus in August and January, sponsored by the Undergraduate American Academy of Osteopathy.

George Pasquarello, D.O., presented sessions on postural models in aging and new pharmacy options for pain management at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last August, where he continues to serve as program co-chair.

Chris Pezzullo, D.O., is clinical director for UNE's University Health Care medical practice, and serves as professional advocacy committee chair for the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA).

Martha Stewart, D.O., is on the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) board of directors.

1994

Lisa Clarcq, D.O. and **Eric Lubiner, D.O.** attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

Natania Piper, D.O., presented breakout sessions on men's health and prostate cancer at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) Mid-winter CME conference in February.

1995

Alex Brazalovich, D.O., serves as Professional and Public Education committee co-chair and AOA delegate for the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA).

Polly Leonard, D.O., continues to serve on the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors following her two years as president.

Elizabeth Pierce, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

1996

John Comis, D.O., serves as membership committee co-chair for the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA)

Anna Chen, D.O., writes, "I reside back in my hometown of Buffalo, New York, where I am in private practice with Windsong Radiology as a radiologist specializing in women's imaging. I was recently honored as one of the top 50 medical professionals in western New York as featured in Buffalo Business First Magazine 2009, for contributing to the continued improvement of medicine in Western New York. We are the busiest (and the best) out-patient imaging center nationally as reported in a recent Diagnostic Imaging Magazine."

Charles Hintermeister, D.O., is a small group facilitator in the first-year DOctoring class.

Jon Older, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

William Papura, D.O., presented a workshop with hands-on lab titled An Osteopathic Application of the Tensegrity Concept at the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Kathleen Thibault, D.O., is membership committee co-chair for the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA).

1997

Frank Goudreau, D.O., presented an evening orthopedic trauma lecture as part of Orthopedics Week on campus in December.

Jennifer Highland, D.O., co-presented a lower extremity manipulations workshop at the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) Winter Symposium in January. She continues to serve as the NHOA treasurer.

1998

Cheryl Blank, D.O., presented Pediatric Evaluation and Differential Abdominal Pain in Primary Care at the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) Mid-winter CME conference in February.

Rob Dorf, D.O., served on the board of the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association (NHOA) this past year as a delegate to the American Osteopathic Association.

Jessie Manyan, D.O., continues to serve on the board of the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) following the Yankee CME conference last August.

Doris Newman, D.O., is program chair of the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO) Convocation in Colorado Springs in March. She is Payor/Payee Relations committee chair for the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA), and conducted an OMT workshop at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last August.

1999

Jim Baldwin, D.O., **James DiGioia, D.O.**, **J. Steward Fulton, D. O.**, **Regen Gallagher, D.O.**, **Shawn Laferriere, D.O.**, **Paula (Cronin) Naples, D.O.** and **Minh Tran, D.O.** attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

Scott Cyr '99, D.O. '02 and **Jen Decker Cyr, MPT '01** now have three sons, with Ian, the youngest, being born 1 year ago. Scott continues to love his job as a hospitalist at Central Maine Medical Center.

Christopher Delorie, D.O., presented Epidural Adhesiolysis – Another Option for Failed Back Syndrome at the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

Major Kimberly DeVore, D.O., married Aaron Eades in May 2009. She practices obstetrics and gynecology at Womack Army Medical Center in Fort Bragg, North Carolina. She writes, "(We) have two sons, Alexander, age 4 whom I adopted from Kemerovo region in Russia, and Joshua, age 2, who was born here at Womack in March 2007. I have been active duty in U.S. Army for the past 10 years, and spent three years in Germany after an Ob/Gyn residency, with one of those years deployed to Mosul, Iraq, from January 2004 to January 2005." She attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Patricia Murray, D.O., served on the board of the New Hampshire Osteopathic Association.

ciation (NHOA) this past year as a delegate to the American Osteopathic Association.

Mark Osborn, D.O., serves as a physician with the U.S. Coast Guard in Elizabeth City, North Carolina. He lives in Chesapeake, Virginia, with his wife Laura.

Toni Picerno, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend last October.

Matthew Tierney, D.O., presented a lunchtime shoulder workshop as part of Orthopedics Week on campus in December.

Anne Tilley, D.O. writes, "Have been living in Pittsburgh since graduating...residency, National Health Services payback and have been at Monroeville Medical Associates for four years, an internal medicine group with 7 partners. Am very happy to get home to Maine 2-3 times per year and think often and well of my UNECOM classmates!"

2000

John Brewer, D.O., is a small group facilitator in the first-year DOctoring class.

Adam Lauer, D.O., was elected president of the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors at the annual meeting during the Fall CME/Reunion Weekend.

Todd Oschner, D.O. completed 7 months deployment to Afghanistan in the Helmand Province as a Shock Trauma Platoon Officer in charge. He is now back home with family in Jacksonville, Florida. Became a Board Certified Emergency Physician in June 2009.

Sheila Pinette, D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

2001

Jack Forbush, D.O., serves as technology and communications committee chair for the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA).

Reshma (Lillaney) Mahtani, D.O., is a hematologist and medical oncologist in Boca Raton, Florida. She lives in Delray Beach.

Michael Vest, D.O., and his wife, **Marianne San Antonio, D.O. '05**, live in Wallingford, Connecticut. Michael is a second-year fellow in pulmonary/critical care medicine at

Yale University and Marianne is a first-year fellow in behavior and developmental pediatrics. He was elected to the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors at the COM Fall CME/Reunion weekend this past October.

2002

Greg Allen, D.O., continues to serve on the board of the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) following the Yankee CME conference last August.

Karl Lieberman, D.O., is on the Maine Osteopathic Association (MOA) board of directors.

Heather Wright writes, "I'll be defending my Master's Thesis in Biology from USM this spring. My research currently explores the biogeography of marine picoplankton along the Patagonian Shelf upwelling region. I anticipate starting doctoral work in an oceanography program this fall."

2003

Peter Sell, D.O., presented a session on ADHD in the pediatric patient at the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS) CME conference last August.

2004

Jessica (Foote) Eid, D.O., and husband Tarek live in Aloha, Oregon. Jessica practices internal medicine at Legacy St. Helens Clinic in St. Helens, Oregon.

Robert Fraser, Jr. D.O., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Jon Freckleton, D.O., operates a solo osteopathic, acupuncture and family medicine practice - Aspire Osteopathic Acupuncture and Wellness Center - in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. He is expanding his practice and is very much interested in hearing from UNE-COM alumni who practice traditional osteopathic manipulative medicine and/or prolo therapy.

Richard Goddeau, D.O., is an assistant professor of neurology at the Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, in Hanover, New

Hampshire. He and his wife, **Tara Thurston, D.O. '04**, live in Grantham, NH.

Josh Iannetta, D.O., provided OMT service and conducted a workshop at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME Weekend last September.

Colin O'Reilly, D.O., was elected to the COM Alumni Association board of directors at the COM Fall CME/Reunion weekend this past October.

2005

Carolyn Cook, D.O., lives and practices in Marshfield, Massachusetts.

Captain Stephany (Truex) Godfrey, D.O. and **Heather Sharkey, D.O.** attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Weekend this past October.

Captain Jill (Kasper) Roth, D.O., serves as an obstetrics/gynecology physician at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. She lives in Niceville, Florida with her husband Christopher.

Peter Shriver, D.O., presented Differential Diagnosis and Treatment of Red Eye for the Primary Care Physician at the Vermont State Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons CME Weekend last September.

Mary Yee, D.O., presented a noontime workshop on OMM with the geriatric patient as part of the geriatrics theme week on campus in January.

Margaret Zamboni, D.O., has been participating as an interviewer for the UNE-COM class of 2014 this past fall and winter. She practices pediatrics with UNE's University Health Care.

2006

Donald Rost Banik, D.O., MPH, serves on the board of the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS).

Travis Lajoie, D.O., lives and practices in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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2007

Tanya Dixon, D.O., is a third-year neurosurgery resident at Grant Medical Center, in Columbus, Ohio. She writes: "I matched into a neurosurgical residency and currently reside in Ohio until the completion of my training in 2013. I am blessed to be married to an awesome man, Michael T. Dixon, and am looking forward to starting a family in the near future."

Eric Matthews, D.O., continues to serve on the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors.

2008

Andre Couture, D.O., is a small group facilitator in the first-year DOctoring class.

Captain Natalie Dube Paulino, D.O., presented a noontime campus lecture on the military residency program.

Arij Faksh, D.O., co-presented a noontime lecture on perspectives for prospective obstetrics and gynecologists on campus in December.

Luke Wood, D.O., presented on hypothermia and heat related illnesses as part of the emergency medicine week on campus in January.

2009

Abby Masterman, D.O., continues to serve on the UNE-COM Alumni Association board of directors. She is now the residents' representative (representing all alumni still in residency training) following four years as the class of 2009 student representative.

Brian McElhinney, D.O., Ph.D., attended the UNE-COM Fall CME/Reunion Week-end this past October.

IN MEMORIAM

ALUMNI

1925
Dorothy Titcomb Jordan
Westbrook Seminary
February 25, 2010

1934
Maude Horner Vogel
Westbrook Junior College
November 27, 2004

1940
Geneva Irish Horvath
Westbrook Junior College
February 25, 2010

1941
Edith Merrick Metzger
Westbrook Junior College
December 24, 2009

Elizabeth A. Weiant
Westbrook Junior College
September 15, 2009

1945
Mary Gannon Naughton
Westbrook Junior College
September 26, 2009

Shirley Howland Wilmarth
Westbrook Junior College
December 7, 2006

1946
Jane Welch Eastman
Westbrook Junior College
November 12, 2008

Katherine Haines McKenney
Westbrook Junior College
November 6, 2009

1948
Jean Gordon Jonas
Westbrook Junior College
February 20, 2009

1949
Barbara Black Frank
Westbrook Junior College
September 22, 2009

1950
Donajean Clark Sharp
Westbrook Junior College
November 22, 2009

Johanne Schumaker Skelley
Westbrook Junior College
March 4, 2010

1955
Meredith Plaisted Page
Westbrook Junior College
January 7, 2010

1960
Claude E. Belanger
St. Francis College
February 22, 2010

1964
Barbara Lano Wilcox
Westbrook Junior College
October 25, 2009

1965
Laurie Hambleton Latvis
Westbrook Junior College
December 28, 2009

1968
Diane Manchester Allen
Westbrook Junior College
December 6, 2009

1972
Bonnie Jane Wilcox
Westbrook College
March 3, 2010

1973
Nancy Fresch Stahl
Westbrook College
October 28, 2008

1977
John J. Brooks
St. Francis College
February 28, 2010

1987
Sandra Jean Bailer
University of New England
March 3, 2010

1996
Rodney P. Pahl, M.S.W.
University of New England
December 22, 2008

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Friend of UNE
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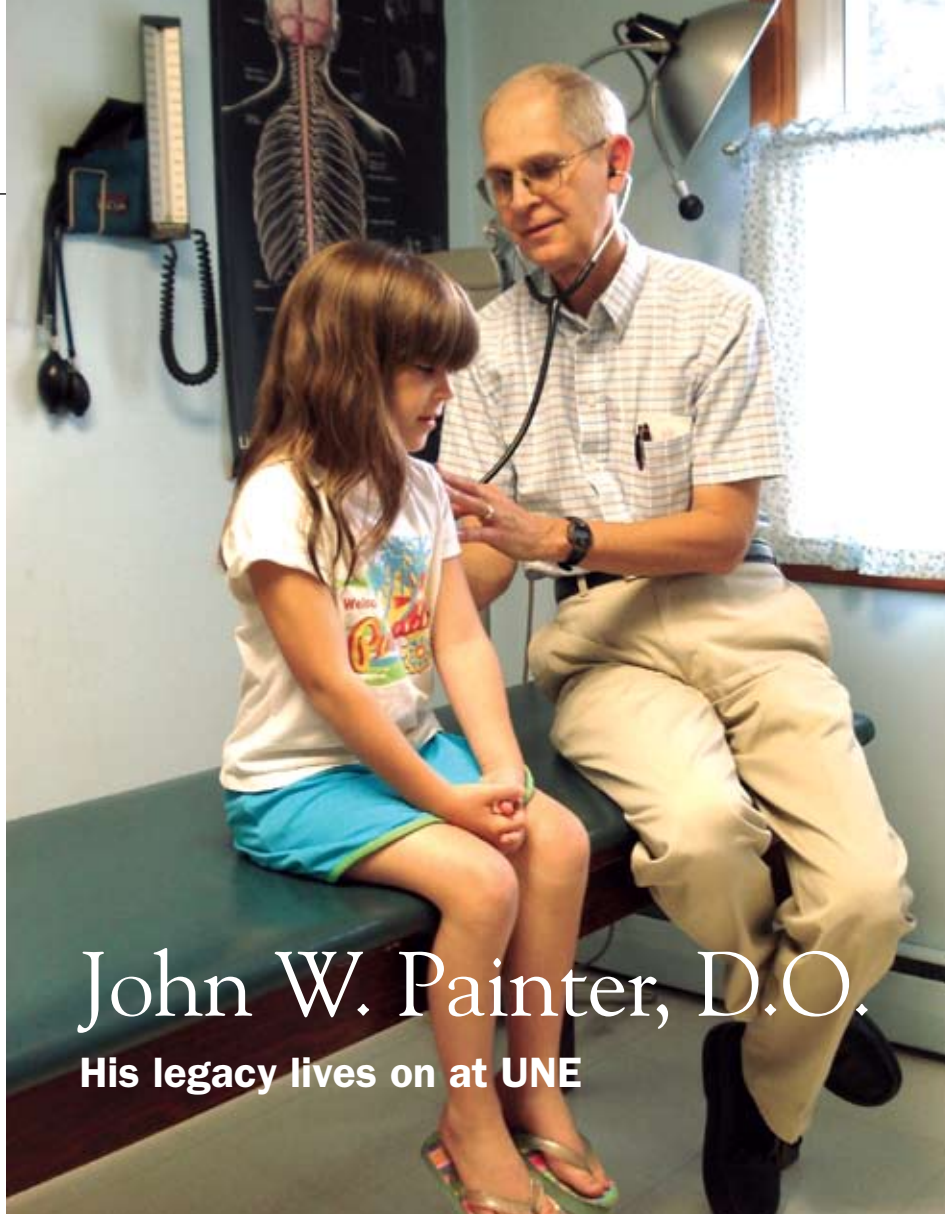
David A. DeTurk
Former Faculty/Staff
June 14, 2009

Kathryn Fecteau
Staff
March 11, 2010

Phillip M. Hommes, D.O.
Faculty/Staff
January 24, 2010

Harold S. Jones, D.O.
Friend of UNE
October 30, 2009

Michael R. Spak
UNE Parent
January 25, 2010



John W. Painter, D.O. His legacy lives on at UNE

IN THE MID-1980S, A FEW YEARS AFTER THE UNE COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE OPENED, A GROUP OF OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS BANDED TOGETHER TO CREATE LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES TO BENEFIT AN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS.

By Erin Peck Yarema

Although it might have been hard to imagine how the school would change by the time these legacy-forming gifts would come to UNE, they knew that the best way to obtain great students was to offer scholarships.

John W. Painter, D.O., was one of these physicians. Over the years, he remained active with the school, precepting students at his office in Raymond, Maine, impacting many future physicians over the years. Sadly, in June 2009, Dr. Painter passed away, but his legacy lives on at UNE, both through those students, now physicians, and as the first of many donors whose life insurance policy will benefit the New England Endowment for Osteopathic Medicine.

Dr. Painter's gift to support scholarships with a life insurance policy exemplifies the impact that a simple estate planning vehicle can have on students at UNE. In recent reflection, Dr. Painter's wife Joanne Painter said, "I'd totally forgotten about the insurance policy. I'm so proud he had that foresight. It makes me very happy to hear that students will be able to have the financial help that is so needed... It's exciting to know how we can help, even after death. This is a legacy to be proud of."

While scholarships for medical students have always held special significance, they are now critically important to the recruitment of the best and brightest students. Marc B. Hahn, DO, dean and senior vice president for Health Affairs, has identified increased scholarships as an area of strategic importance for the medical school. UNE President Danielle Ripich has thus created a challenge to our osteopathic community of alumni and physicians. If the community donates \$250,000 toward the creation of scholarships for College of Osteopathic Medicine students, The President's Challenge will match these funds dollar for dollar.

The University of New England would like to extend its appreciation to Dr. Painter for his years of service to UNE's students and his foresight in supporting scholarships for the students he so cared about. ■

For more information on how you can make a difference by creating a life insurance policy or contributing to The President's Challenge at the University of New England, please contact Harley Knowles, Vice President for Institutional Advancement at hknowles1@une.edu or (207) 221-4378.



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