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ON THE COVER
Students embark on a yearlong conversation on race following the screening of “I’m Not Racist... Am I?”
Kai Bynum 109th Head of School

On September 3, 2015, Vincent A. Calarco, President of the Committee of Trustees, announced the appointment of Kai Bynum as Head of School, effective July 1, 2016. He will succeed Barbara Riley, who is retiring after her fifteen-year tenure.

In his current position at Roxbury Latin, Dr. Bynum is responsible for all academic departments and leads the research, design and implementation for the School’s curriculum development, for key elements of the strategic plan and for a range of school-wide programs. Dr. Bynum received a B.A. in history at the University of Washington and earned an M.L.A. in literature at Harvard University, an Ed.M. at Columbia University’s Teachers College and an Ed.D. at the University of Pennsylvania. He began his teaching career in public schools and has worked as an English teacher, an adviser, a coach and a senior administrator at The Governor’s Academy and Belmont Hill School, both in Massachusetts.

The Razor Lands the First Interview

Dr. Bynum visited campus on September 11 and 22 to meet members of the Hopkins community, including Michael Bass ’16 and Sanaea Bhagwager ’17 of The Razor staff. In an interview, Editor-in-Chief Bass spoke with Dr. Bynum on a wide range of topics, including his educational background, his research interests in spirituality and student wellness, his love of 19th-century literature and the life lessons he’s learned from fly fishing. The following is an excerpt from that interview.

BASS: You talked about your transition from public school to private. What, in the end, prompted that decision?

BYNUM: Two things. I was disheartened by the inability to be “all in.” I would say that I wanted to teach; I also wanted to be an administrator. I wanted to advise; I wanted to coach; I wanted to do a number of things, and I felt in the public sector either you’re this, or you’re this, or you’re this. I didn’t feel that I had the flexibility to be a part of “all” the school as I wanted to be. The other side of that answer is the openness and the total flexibility of the independent school—everybody is “all in.” And that was a huge benefit. It’s a lifestyle, it’s not a job. And I love that.

BASS: What do you think your learning curve will be like as a first-time Head of School?

BYNUM: Luckily, in my previous roles, I’ve had experience with many of the responsibilities the Head of School has... The learning curve I think I will really have to deal with is the scale of the school. And for me, I tend to be a more relational leader. I want to know people, and getting to know 700-plus students and 180 staff in my first year is going to be a daunting task. So, for me, all the work that I feel I have to do as a Head of School is predicated on my ability to get to know people.

BASS: What do you think are the hardest challenges Hopkins will have to face in the coming years?

BYNUM: Priorities. There are a lot of ideas; there are a lot of desires that various aspects of the community would love to see enhanced even more; there has been a lot of progress made, but there are still some areas that we’d like to see further growth. So I think prioritizing the desires of the community is going to be an important task.

BASS: I’m curious about the studies you’ve done at UPenn about student wellness, religion and spirituality.
**Bynum:** The motivation behind my desire to look at spirituality and emotional intelligence was very simple. I was interested in helping students locate meaningful significance in their lives. And as educators—teachers, advisors, coaches—whatever your role is, if we can be mindful of how we help students locate meaningful significance in their lives, they are probably more likely to be happier students. So for me that’s a critical component, whether that is realized in an advising group, in a course or in an activity in the school.

**Bass:** Mrs. Riley loves to quote from *To Kill a Mockingbird*. From what book or poem can we expect the same references from you?

**Bynum:** *Moby-Dick*. My favorite book.

**Bass:** What about *Moby-Dick* is applicable to Hopkins?

**Bynum:** Well, I think *Moby-Dick* is applicable to almost anything. For me, and my experience with the text, Melville intersects the essential society, the notions of identity, the questions of purpose and place and meaning, in a way that completely blows the doors off of most books that have been written. There is going to be some place for it to be applied—in how you interact with people and in how you interact with institutions. So I’ll likely quote *Moby-Dick* quite a bit in my time.

**Bass:** There is one thing that I’m curious what you think about, which is our mascot, the Hilltopper. It’s a goat.

**Bynum:** That’s a great question. It’s funny—some people say that goat really means the “greatest of all time.” So obviously you have to be careful and not seem as though we’re going ahead of ourselves. If we desire to be one of the best institutions in the country then it’s not bad for our mascot to represent that desire.

**Hopkins Committee of Trustees Names New Members**

At its June 15, 2015, meeting, the Hopkins Committee of Trustees received and approved the following nominations to the board: Gwen E. Evans ’84, Niall M. Ferguson ’92, Medina Tyson Jett ’83, Paige MacLean and Donna Steinberg.

Following the meeting, the board gathered for a group photograph in Upper Heath common area.

**Seated:** Lynn J. Quinn, David Leffell, Barbara M. Rosiello, Secretary, Mark H. Lynch ’62 HGS, Vice President, Barbara M. Riley, Head of School, Vincent A. Calarco, President, Alexander C. Banker, Treasurer, Pamela C. Paulmann ’89, Eric A. Kutcher ’92

**Standing:** Donna Steinberg, Parent Representative, Gregory R. Tanner ’92, Alumni/ae Association representative, Paige MacLean, Michael A. Thomas ’86, David Balin, Medina Tyson Jett ’83, John Geanakoplos ’71 HGS, Stacey Jackson Perkins, Niall M. Ferguson ’92, Gwen E. Evans ’84, Richard A. Ferguson ’63 HGS

*Not pictured:* Judith A. Smith ’79, Michael W. Vranos, Laurence G. Walker ’66 HGS

The complete interview was published in two issues of *The Razor*, which can be accessed at hopkins.edu.
A New Coach on the Hill

IN THE SPRING OF 2015, Barbara Riley announced that Timothy J. Phipps would be joining the Hopkins community this fall as Head Football Coach, as well as a history teacher. Phipps began his work on the Hill in August as preseason practices commenced, and he is excited about what this football season will bring.

Phipps reported that preseason went well, and the kids are working hard. His focus has been to bring everyone, offense, defense and specialty, together on the field. Of his coaching philosophy, Phipps said, “I want us to play our style of game, every game, no matter who we are playing. I’ve been reiterating with the team that our game should be consistent, ‘Play fast, play smart, play aggressive,’ whether our match-up is an easy or a hard win.”

Phipps comes to Hopkins from Woodland Regional High School in Beacon Falls, Connecticut, where he had coached since 2001. He received his B.A. from the University of Connecticut in 1997 and his M.A. in education from Sacred Heart University in 2000. He is married with three children. Phipps replaces Hopkins’ longtime Athletic Director and Football Coach, Tom Parr, who retired in June.

Coach Timothy J. Phipps

Parr Field Dedicated at Homecoming

Under threatening skies and chilly gusts of wind, the Hopkins community bundled up and celebrated Homecoming Weekend 2015 on the Hill. The centerpiece of the day was the dedication of the Parr Field in honor of Coach Tom Parr, who led the athletic program at Hopkins for 33 years. The scoreboard now reads Parr Field, and a plaque is installed in the pavement of the spectator stands at the fifty-yard line. Coach Parr was awarded the Hopkins Medal on Sunday, June 14, 2015, at a festive celebration on the Hill.
Swensen Returns To Swensen House

DAVID F. SWENSEN, former Hopkins Trustee and continuing adviser to the Hopkins Investment Committee, was honored at a reception on April 1, 2015, at his former home at 325 McKinley Avenue, now called Swensen House, and the residence of Hopkins Head of School.

Surrounded by Swensen’s family and current and former Hopkins trustees, Head of School Barbara M. Riley unveiled a portrait of David, which was commissioned by Rick Kleeman ’81 and Bill Kneisel ’65 HGS. The painting will hang in Swensen House. The portrait artist, Alistair C. Adams of the United Kingdom, was present, with his family, to assist in the unveiling. Adams is best known for his portrait of Tony Blair, which was commissioned by the National Portrait Gallery in London for their permanent collection.

In her remarks to the group, Riley noted that “It is not possible to over-state David’s importance to Hopkins. When David left the Board in 2002, the School’s endowment, through capital raising and superior investment performance, had grown to nearly $30 million. Over the next 13 years, with David continuing to serve as a member of the Hopkins Investments Committee, the endowment grew with gifts of over $34 million and over $54 million in endowment earnings, bringing the endowment to a current value of $90 million—three times what it was when David first got his hands on it.” Swensen was also honored the same day by Yale in recognition of his 30th anniversary of service to the university, during which time he transformed the face of institutional investing.

Welcome to our New Faculty and Staff

L–R: Marie Snow, Modern Language/French
Carolyn Traester, Assistant Director of Admission
Lesley Zurolo, Interim Communication Associate
Ian Guthrie, Health, Science, Academic Support, Interim Assistant Director of Breakthrough New Haven
Donna Vinci, Alumni/ae Relations Associate
Beth Lovell, Visual Art
Timothy Phipps, History
Will Geiger, Associate Director of College Counseling
Jeannine Minort-Kale, Mathematics
Elliot Faust, Assistant Director of Admission
Hayli Kinney, Mathematics, Science
Carl Atlee, Modern Language/Spanish
Laura Paik, English
Katey Geer, Special Events Coordinator and Parent Council Liaison
Teaching Legends Kellert and Venter Retire

Hopkins said goodbye, or “au revoir,” to two teaching legends at the end of the 2014–2015 school year.

PRISCILLA “CILLA” KELLERT joined the History Department in 1984, and quickly became the Chair of the department. Cilla shared her passion for history with her students, inside and out of the classroom, and also served as Assistant to the Dean of Academics. Over her 30-year tenure she implemented significant changes to the history curriculum, including the introduction of the Atlantic Communities model and the reinstitution of the term paper, as well as reestablishing collaboration with the English department. Cilla also helped establish the Sustainability Committee at Hopkins, which, over the years, has implemented numerous programs to improve energy efficiency and reduce paper usage and waste, among other green initiatives on campus.

MARTHA VENTER joined the Hopkins faculty in 1993, and during her Hopkins career served as Assistant Director of Admission, French teacher, adviser and coach. Over the years, Martha introduced hundreds of new students and families to Hopkins and shepherded them through the admission process. As a beloved French teacher she planned and chaperoned countless field trips to Quebec and France with fellow French teacher Kristin Taurchini. Martha also implemented the Hopkins Facebook as a way to get to know everyone on campus. Martha’s tireless energy, enthusiasm, creativity and, above all, love of Hopkins is clear to everyone she meets.

We wish Cilla and Martha the best of luck in their retirement and hope they will visit us all on the Hill often.
Although Hopkins physics teachers are breathing a sigh of relief that I am going to spare you my thoughts on the acceleration of time, it has been a full, fast and intense first two months here on the Hill. Students are fully immersed in calculations, conjugations, translations, interpretations—all the varied ways we go about exercising those "habits of mind of scholars" that are Hopkins' hallmark. The athletes are having a successful fall season, and our singers, instrumentalists and actors have lifted us up with music and the poignancy and complexity of theater. Even more than "fast" and "intense," "full" is really the operative word this fall. From my point of view, that is just the way we like it.

Layered onto an already full fall, we—the entire Hopkins community—have embarked on a yearlong conversation about race. In 1903, the African-American scholar W.E.B. Du Bois, in his introduction to The Souls of Black Folk, famously announced that the "problem of the Twentieth Century is the problem of the color-line." The events of the past year have confirmed that it is also the problem of the twenty-first century.

Years ago, as a new teacher in Hopkins' History Department, I took on the department's Holocaust elective, an assignment that was profoundly humbling and one that left me, and my students, both vulnerable and changed. I used the Facing History and Ourselves curriculum, an approach that involved asking students—and their teachers—to look particularly at the role of bystanders, to understand what causes people to become "upstanders." This year, in our own Hopkins way, all of us at Hopkins will face history and ourselves. Although I do not know where we will be at the end of this school year—a preset outcome or conclusion would have signaled too cautious and limited an approach—I do know that I am already enormously proud that we are a community that can, and wants to, take on difficult and important topics, put our heads together and emerge larger and better for the experience.
HOW DO WE TALK ABOUT RACE
Four times since late summer, faculty and staff, students and parents at Hopkins have watched a dozen teenagers from New York City grappling with issues of racial identity and racism on large video screens set up in Upper Heath and the school gym. By early fall, nearly 1,000 members of the Hopkins community—including more than 250 parents—had seen the documentary I’m Not Racist… Am I?

The program will also include three additional events: a courtroom drama, Defamation, that enlists the audience as jurors in a trial touching on race, religion and gender; a one-man show called Incognito in which Michael Fosberg recounts discovering that although he’d been raised as white, his father was black; and an all-school presentation by diversity and inclusion specialist Liza Talusan. Riley created the program with Director of Diversity Amanda Friedman and with the participation by the student club SURE (Students United for Racial Equity). Throughout the year, conversations will return to race during adviser group meetings, at dinners with Riley and in informal conversations.
At the conclusion of each screening of *I’m Not Racist… Am I?* Hopkins community members discussed their reactions. Several of the filmmakers and members of the production company presided, asking people in the audience to describe their feelings in one word. After the school-wide screening, the students—who are 70 percent white and 30 percent of color—called out words ranging from “overwhelmed” and “angry” to “energized” and “inspired.”

Much of the ensuing discussion about the documentary centered on a provocative scene in the film where the students are taught the People’s Institute definition of racism: racial prejudice + power = racism. The mentors in the film explain to the 12 students that because institutions in the United States protect the privileges and advantages of whites, all whites are racist. They make clear that this doesn’t mean all whites are also bigots, however. They portray bigots as people who demean or hurt others based on stereotypes.

In a post-screening discussion, one Hopkins student described his understanding of the definition this way: “Not all white people are racist, but they have the ability to be racist because they can benefit from the system. Black people can’t be racist because they can’t benefit from the system.”

Another student disagreed with this view: “It’s not the system. There are individual racists who run the system. It’s individuals, not the system.”

“You can be part of a system and not be bad,” said a young woman.

“Not every white person has power,” said another student. “Obama has power.”

“I would argue that everyone in this room is racist just because of how our society works,” said a young man. “It’s implicit in our society that white is better.” He mentioned a study in which even black children preferred a white doll to a black doll.

“The People’s Institute is not saying because you’re white, you’re bad,” said facilitator Nancy Kim Parsons Borland, who was leading the discussion. “It’s just saying because of the system, you benefit.” She added, “Our purpose for coming to you is to get the conversation going and to acknowledge that racism does still exist and it’s something that we need to confront as a society.”

One student who rejected the idea of systemic
I LOVED OUR STUDENTS’ BRAVE CANDOR AND APPRECIATED THE SUBTLE REMINDER THAT 708 YOUNG PEOPLE WERE STARTING THE CONVERSATION FROM 708 DIFFERENT PLACES AND PERSPECTIVES. – BARBARA RILEY
A young woman disagreed: “I’d like to think it’s a level playing field; that if we try, we all go to the same places, but in the end, it’s not,” she said.

The documentary included accounts by non-white students in the film who had faced racism, including a story recounted by Kahleek, who attends an arts high school. Kahleek was fined for carrying a Sharpie marker in his pocket while in a neighborhood park. Evidently, a law enforcement officer suspected that the young man might “tag” a wall.

One Hopkins student said that when she goes to Hartford, she’s told she sounds “too white.” Another student said classmates have told her she’s at Hopkins because she’s “Spanish.”

Students wanted to know what comes next.

“I felt frustrated because they told me I’m a racist because I’m part of the system, but that didn’t tell me how I can fix the system,” said a young man.

“If you say we are all racist by default, there’s no solution except not being white,” said another student.

A classmate commented, “It did a really good job of clarifying the difference between bigotry and racism but didn’t address: How do we move away from it?”

About 150 parents attended the first evening screening, and after parents who missed it asked for a second chance to see the film, another 50 more attended a second showing.

“I feel sorrow that our kids live in a world that still has this,” said one mother after seeing I’m Not Racist... Am I? Another mother said she thought that students of various races and ethnicities should have seen the film separately. “Until the world is a completely safe place, we need affinity groups,” she said.
Another parent said the film reminded her of her own “conflicted feelings about bringing my child to this school.”

And one parent observed that people are sensitized to issues of race “to the point where you’re afraid to say anything because it might be a microagression.”

At a faculty and staff screening, one faculty member wondered about the implications for the Hopkins community as it confronts racism. He predicted that at some point, another African-American like Michael Brown or Trayvon Martin would be killed under questionable circumstances. “Do we move as a school down to the [New Haven] Green [to protest], or do we continue to have safe, polite conversations?”

Another teacher commented: “I don’t know how these conversations will play out, but I believe when you have these conversations, people change.”

And that is Riley’s hope. In her welcome letter to the school in September, she wrote that she couldn’t predict the effects of the yearlong conversation, but she hoped that the Hopkins community would “take on difficult and important topics, put our heads together and emerge larger and better for the experience.” After sitting through all the screenings and discussions, Riley observed, “I loved our students’ brave candor and appreciated the subtle reminder that 708 young people were starting the conversation from 708 different places and perspectives. As we start this important effort, we will need to acknowledge and respect all of those disparate starting points... and destinations. Overall, I found our students’ willingness and eagerness to engage, combined with the courage it takes to voice highly personal opinions, beautifully encouraging. It was a hopeful start to this important undertaking.”

I DON’T KNOW HOW THESE CONVERSATIONS WILL PLAY OUT, BUT I BELIEVE THAT WHEN YOU HAVE THEM, PEOPLE CHANGE. – FACULTY MEMBER

For more information and resources on Conversations on Race, visit the link on our home page, hopkins.edu.
Hopkins high school students taking Topics in Programming will be challenged this year by not just what Mathematics teacher Katie O'Shaughnesssey calls a new curriculum of “beautifully complex” material, but by the same introduction to computer science coursework being taught at Harvard and Yale universities.
“IT’S GOING TO BE HARD, IT’S GOING TO BE RIGOROUS, AND I KNOW OUR STUDENTS ARE READY AND ABLE TO DO THE WORK.”

said O’Shaughnessey, one of just 42 secondary teachers in the U.S. to attend a special Harvard- and Microsoft-sponsored “CS50 AP Bootcamp” in June to learn how to best adapt Harvard’s CS50 to high school students. “Computer science is about so much more than geeky kids typing away at a computer,” O’Shaughnessey said. “One of my goals in bringing this rigorous and exciting course to Hopkins is to be a part of the larger movement in education to ensure that all students gain a basic understanding of computer science. Just like Latin is the foundation of our always-evolving language, computer science is the foundation of our always-evolving technological landscape. Tomorrow’s leaders should have that foundation.”

“But this specific computer science course is unique,” O’Shaughnessey continued. “Everything about it is innovative and bold. It’s learning through play. So to say that it’s exciting to have it here at Hopkins is very much an understatement.”

That’s because as its Harvard syllabus suggests, CS50—officially Computer Science 50: Introduction to Computer Science—is much more than a well-crafted or innovative college course designed to teach math and computer coding. Assignments that include taking part in an all-night “Hackathon” (with pizza!)
and creating an "epic" project for a CS50 Fair have caused the class to become something of an academic phenomenon.

A record-breaking 818 Harvard undergraduates—many with no background in computer programming—took CS50 in 2014, making it the largest and most popular undergraduate course in Harvard history.

The expertise and exuberance of Harvard professor and CS50 creator David Malan have also caused YouTube videos of his lectures to go viral. In one, he rips apart a phone book to show how large problems can be more easily solved when they’re torn in half. In another video on algorithms and methodic problem solving, he challenges students on a stage to make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches without needed knives, sliced bread or other ingredients.

Malan's and the course's reputation have also led to more than 400,000 people from throughout the world taking the self-directed version of CS50 available through EdX, a nonprofit, online consortium created by MIT and Harvard. It provides the public with free access to innovative pedagogies and rigorous courses from partner schools.

Perhaps most telling about the curriculum's success and value, however, is the fact that for the next three years, Harvard's CS50 will be taught at Yale. The first partnership of its kind between the Ivy League rivals, the class will consist of Yale undergraduates watching live streams and videos of Malan's lectures from Harvard, with in-class instruction provided by Yale staff.

Led by O'Shaughnessey, Hopkins will use a similar structure. "The class isn't just about presenting challenging material. It's about presenting challenging material in an effervescent, fun and joyful way, so that even students uncomfortable with computer programming can, and will, want to learn," she said. This school year, an abridged version of the CS50 AP curriculum will be presented as part of the half-year Topics in Programming elective for sophomores, juniors and seniors that begins in January. By 2016–17, O'Shaughnessey hopes Hopkins will be able to offer a full-year advanced placement course that will earn students college credits.

As one of the pilot high schools using the CS50 AP curriculum, Hopkins students and O'Shaughnessey will also have the opportunity to help improve it by providing Malan with feedback about the course's pace, delivery and difficulty level, as well as suggestions for future student and teacher support.

"Curricularly and technologically, the current version of CS50 AP is identical to CS50 at Harvard, but adapted to high school calendars and supplemented with additional resources," said Malan, who worked with O'Shaughnessey and all the teachers who attended the summer bootcamp. "The processes students use in the course—creating inputs, running them through algorithms and getting outputs—are exciting and important because they can be used in all disciplines. What you learn in computer science is applicable to the arts, social sciences, law, the humanities. Computer science doesn't have an exclusive

BLOGS AND MOOCs: Learn more about the world of coding

Eager to share what she experienced at the Harvard-Microsoft “CS50 AP Bootcamp" in Seattle this past summer, Kathleen O’Shaughnessey started a Coding is Exploding blog. Described by O’Shaughnessey as “one computer science teacher’s experience in an ever-changing technological world," featuring posts from the three days she spent learning how to teach what she calls “the biggest news in computer science K-12 education.”

Read the blog at: codingisexploding.com

Anyone can enroll in the free, self-directed version of CS50 available through the MOOC (massive open online course) EdX. Overseen by Harvard graduate students, EdX students receive the same assignments and course content as Harvard entry-level computer science undergrads. Because one of the strengths of CS50 is its application to other disciplines, problem sets expose students to the fields of biology, cryptography, finance, forensics and gaming.

Go to www.edx.org and search on CS50.
domain. It gives tools and techniques that can be brought to every field."

The tools and techniques for teachers are equally exciting. Microsoft and Harvard are providing teachers who attended the bootcamp high-resolution videos and transcripts, PowerPoints of lectures slides, "Directors' Commentaries" that explain the pedagogy behind each lesson, and all CS50 problem sets and assignments, as well as sample solutions, videos that walk students through the process of solving each problem, and tools for feedback and assessment.

“Giving students a better understanding of the increasingly technological world around us is compelling. But more important, it’s a necessity,” O’Shaughnessy said. “Computer science also helps you crystallize and clarify your thoughts,” she continued. “It forces you to solve problems logically. That’s the long-term return on this kind of teaching. And how cool is it that Hopkins students can now get this education the same way Harvard students do?”
BETH MILLES ’84 IS VERY CLEAR about the value of her Hopkins education. “Hopkins gave me the confidence to reinvent my life. I attribute the bravery I am so very proud of and I try to teach (and encourage) daily to my Hopkins experiences—in the classroom and on the field.” Beth's latest reinvention is as Director of Education at Long Wharf Theatre, where she first ushered as a student volunteer, and where she is now developing initiatives for sharing the work of Long Wharf out into the community and New Haven area schools.

As part of that sharing, Beth responded to fellow 1984 classmate Ron Delfini’s call to participate in the Hopkins Alumni/ae Job Shadow program. Launched by Delfini and the Hopkins Alumni/ae Association in 2007, the program matches rising seniors with opportunities to spend a day “at work,” over the summer months, with area alumni/ae involved in various occupations and professions. Since the program’s inception, more than 100 students have participated, successfully shadowing physicians, architects, judges, journalists, investment managers and aerospace engineers. This summer, theater director and conservationist were added to the list.

On a steaming hot day in July, Beth Milles welcomed to the workshop stage at Long Wharf four rising seniors—Emma Deshpande, Sarah Wang, Lisanne deGroot and Meghan Podolsky—each with a distinct gift and passion for theater. Milles’ goal for their brief time together was to create a “piece of work” on the spot, and thereby underline the importance of the creative process and learning to be comfortable with incompleteness. “The creative process fosters and motivates bravery in the classroom and on the stage,” said Milles. Within minutes, the students were writing, directing and acting. Throughout, Milles dispensed her hard-won wisdom from two decades of directing and teaching. “Be great at one thing,” she said, “but learn how to do everything else around it.” And, “whatever dramatic piece you are working on as a director, come up with impossibility, and make it happen.”

Sixty miles north of New Haven, rising senior Lauren Hagani and alumnus Paul Elconin ’87, Director of Land Conservation at Weantinoge Heritage Land Trust, were matched up in a “shadow” that focused on learning the value of “conservation easements” on private property to ensure an area is never
developed and its ecosystems are protected. Since its founding in 1965, Weantinoge has protected more than 9,000 acres in 17 communities throughout northwest Connecticut.

Elconin came to conservation through his parents’ love of the outdoors and a summer project tracking, tagging and monitoring wolves in northern Minnesota with Hopkins classmate Matt Black ’87. Lauren was deeply impressed by Elconin’s approach to securing easements. “He did not look at the land in terms of its individual potential, but rather as part of a bigger whole, of how to pull various easements together to create an overall protected system.” Back in New Haven, Lauren reflected on her experience, articulating just the kind of takeaway the Job Shadow Program hopes to accomplish. “Now when I consider an issue, I will think about the source of the problem, what can be done to reverse the negative effects and how to maintain that reversal.”

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**Summer 2015**

**Participating alumni/ae**
- Michael Burdett ’81
- Alexine Casanova Gaye ’00
- Ron Delfini ’61
- Paul Elconin ’87
- Marc Etkind ’83
- Melissa Feldsher ’02
- Scott Fine ’88
- John Forres ’94
- Lori Iannotti Zyskowski ’89
- Beth Milles ’84
- Michael Prister
- Eliza Renn
- Katherine Sargent
- Andy Sedlack
- Mollie Seidner
- Will Simon
- Juliet Verlaque
- Sarah Wang
- Nikolas Zarikos

**Participating students**
- Annslie Rosner Slawsky ’95
- Nancy Sharp ’84
- Dan Slotnick ’01
- Kate Smith ’08
- Eric Tichy ’95
- Carmen Ciardiello
- Lisanne de Groot
- Emma Deshpande
- W. Colby Gardner
- Rica Generoso
- Lauren Hagani
- Lindsay Martin
- Billy McGrath
- Arman Mitra
- Natalie Passarelli
- Evan Pham
- Meghan Podolsky

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*Be great at one thing, but learn how to do everything around it.*
Hopkins Service

$85,000 raised for the Connecticut Food Bank

9,000 total hours of volunteering for local organizations

2,564 hours volunteered for the Connecticut Food Bank

1,000 rose bushes transplanted at Roses for Autism

625 hours of tutoring by Hopkins students at local schools

260 hours volunteered at Habitat for Humanity

250 meals served at Columbus House

230 children received presents during Holiday Gift Drive

200 baked goods sold to raise funds for AIDS Project New Haven

100 hours volunteered at Aracy’s Friends at Yale-New Haven Hospital

40 pints of blood donated

3 blood drives
Graduation 2015

Under clear blue skies, the 355th Class of Hopkins School graduated on Friday, June 12, at Commencement Exercises under a big tent on top of the Hill.
Reunion 2015

Alumni/ae from classes ending in 0 and 5 returned to the Hill on Saturday, June 13. Following the third annual morning run/walk, alumni/ae attended a luncheon with featured guest speaker Distinguished Alumnus James Lapides ’70 HGS. Friends reunited on the sports fields and courts, while kids attended a magic show, among other family activities. Dinner under the tent with entertainment by Jim Lawson and the Reunion Band was the perfect culmination to the day.
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Walker R. Heap Jr. writes: “Having just celebrated my 88th birthday, I acknowledge the important role Hopkins played in my love of sports, and in my ability to go on to Bates College and Yale Medical School, and to practice orthopedic surgery for over 40 years here in Watertown, New York. With my wife (of over 64 years!), Sylvia, I’m sorry we couldn’t make it back for reunion. Greetings to all of our friends.”

1946 70th Reunion
DAY, PHS and HGS—June 10 and 11, 2016

1947
Currently we do not have a class secretary. If anyone is interested, please contact Carol Brouillette at cbrouillette@hopkins.edu.

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The Alumni/ae Office regrets to report that William Henry Kennedy passed away May 30, 2014. Jack Barclay: “Our class is nearing the closing chapter of a great book.” Harry Ingholt writes: “It’s good to hear from you and catch up on who's left. Not bad for 67 years out. We (with Marilyn, Walt Smith’s younger sister) still enjoy updates from the old school, and are glad it’s doing well. Thanks for the note, and best wishes.”

1949
HGS
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Our class of 50 stands at 25! That number includes Joe Aitro and Bob Miles, for whom we have not had an address or phone number in many years. I must also add Bob Barry and Jim Brouwer, for whom we no longer have a phone number. I found this out last year and referred it to Hopkins. I hope everyone is working at staying healthy. It’s not easy. I see John Doheny at least once a week. John goes to church and I go to exercise and we meet at Dunkin’ Donuts for coffee. John lost his brother Jim Doheny ’48 this past February. Jim was a general practitioner in Derby, Connecticut, and also resided in Orange. He had 11 children. I called Bob Logan in California. He is doing well, playing golf and enjoying life with his wife, Marilyn. He didn’t make the last reunion, but promised to give the next one serious consideration. I spoke with Marty.

1950
HGS
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Our class had wonderful participation over the Reunion Weekend, celebrating 65 years since we left our school. Attending Friday’s reception at Barbara Riley’s home in Westville were Bill Odell, John Fenn, Warren Stone, Bob Adnopoz, Larry Stern, Bob Newman and Wayne Weil. During the Saturday evening festivities on campus were
Bill and Rose Odell, Bob and Carol Newman and Wayne and Shelia Weil. On Sunday, Larry and Betsy Stern graciously hosted a marvelous brunch at their home in Branford. Attending this delightful affair were Bob and Jean Adnopoz, Bob DeFeo, Jack Gill, Harold and Carole Rubin Greenbaum ‘50 DAY, Pat Johnson and grandson Rick Healy, Al Mongillo and Judy Anibal, Bob and Carol Newman, Bill and Rose Odell, Ed Onofrio and Rachel Selmont, Janet Selzer and Wayne and Shelia Weil. Some of our classmates who could not attend sent their regards and good cheer to their fellow classmates, and we return those kind thoughts to all our classmates of the Class of 1950.

1951 65th Reunion
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Of late, Gladys Bozyn Lavine has been my main source of information and I always call her up first thing when it is time to gather class news. She seems to be in touch with a number of classmates and is usually a source of news. She told me that three of our fellow PHS classmates went to a class reunion in June at Radcliffe: Gladys, Sukie Hills Bush and Susan Myers Jacobs along with Harriet Tuttle, after which they all went to Harriet’s for dinner. Sukie and Gladys also went to visit Elizabeth DeVane Edminster this past January and had a memorable time. Elizabeth was also host to Lavinia Schrade Bruneau, who came to D.C. to visit her son, who has a job there. According to Gladys, Sukie continues to work translating Chinese articles and writing about Chinese paintings. Gladys herself has had a second knee replacement and is rejoicing in finally being able to get around with much-improved ease. Her youngest grandson, Adam, is looking at colleges, which kind of blows her mind at the rapid passage of time. He is a double bass player with a passion for jazz. Gladys continues to keep up her interest in local politics by serving on the inter-Island planning commission. My next phone call was to Betsy Smith Hennessey, who is strug-

Sonya Minor Healey

Community leader, education advocate and matriarch of 19 Hopkins alumni/ae (1926–2015)

Sonya Minor Healey ‘44 DAY passed away peacefully on June 28, 2015, in Orange. She was the wife of 64 years of John Connors Healey ‘44 HGS and mother, grandmother, aunt, mother-in-law, sister, sister-in-law and cousin to 19 Hopkins School (and DPS) graduates.

Born in New Haven on August 30, 1926, to Frank G. and Justina McCarthy Minor, she made the New Haven area her lifelong home. Sonya’s love of the Day School and her belief in the power of education provided the framework for her family and for much of her life.

Sonya Healey was the proud mother of Kim A. Healey ’70 DPH, Gregg F. Healey ’71, Thomas C. Healey ’73, Justina M. Healey ’75 (whose husband, Glenn S. Havlicek, was a Hopkins Trustee) and Mark A. Healey ’79 (married to Celia Pinzi ’77). Grandchildren Victoria Havlicek ’06, James Havlicek ’10, Ryan Healey ’10 and Brendan Healey ’12 are all Hopkins alums, as are her nephews Timothy Minor ’70, William F. Healey III ’71 and David B. Healey ’72 and nieces Catherine Rees ’86. In addition, her late brothers and sister-in-law, William F. Healey Jr. ’43, James T. Healey ’48 and Helen Healey Curran ’52 PHS, bring her total Hopkins connections to an impressive 19.

After attending Wilson College, Sonya worked in New York City for American Airlines and ran its travel agency in Rockefeller Center. An accomplished entrepreneur, she was also the owner of a successful travel business and a quilted tote bag company, after which she enjoyed working for ten years at Standard Paint and Wallpaper.

Sonya was a community leader in Orange, Connecticut, where she was president of several PTAs and a leader in the drive to establish the first library in the Town of the Orange. An energetic advocate for causes, she was passionate about Girl Scouting, gardening, modern architecture, interior design, Democratic politics and, above all, education. The Hopkins community extends its condolences to the entire Healey family.
Ken Paul Sr.

Consumate Hopkins educator, coach, family man and friend (1926–2015)

Kenneth Albert Paul Sr., of Milford, passed away on Monday afternoon, June 29, 2015, in Milford Hospital. In the words of his son, Ken Paul Jr., “He truly loved Hopkins and the Hopkins family! He came to Hopkins as a 23-year old teacher/coach in September 1949, after graduating from Arnold College on the GI Bill, and left Hopkins in June 1971. He proudly represented the first generation in his family to attend college. Besides teaching geography and United States History, he was a seventh grade adviser. At different times he coached varsity soccer, basketball, baseball, golf, and track. His proudest coaching season was when Hopkins won the Western New England Soccer Championship in the fall of 1958. He modeled for me (Ken Jr.) and so many alumni his love for Hopkins, education and athletics.”

Throughout the years, Ken Sr. continued to attend Hopkins athletic events and every Reunion. He was welcomed at celebratory dinners by countless Reunion classes and is remembered by so many in the “Class Notes” section of this current publication.

Ken Sr. served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He taught and coached throughout his life and retired from his teaching and coaching career, which began at Hopkins and concluded in 1991 at the Detroit Country Day School in Farmington, Michigan. He was an active parishioner in the First United Church of Christ Congregational of Milford.

Ken Sr. was the beloved husband of the late Dorothy Purdy Paul for 52 years. His Hopkins legacy lives on through his son, Ken Jr. ’68 HGS, former Hopkins Trustee, and wife Holly, and his grandchildren, Heather Paul Mokotoff ’93 and husband Gregory, Andrew Paul ’95 and wife Beth, and Casey Paul ’98 and wife Heidi. Ken Sr. is also survived by his two daughters, Deborah Paul and Leslie Paul Dickson, and six great-grandchildren.

Ken Sr. will be missed by countless former Hopkins students and athletes from many decades. Gifts in his memory may be made to the Paul Family Fund for endowed financial aid. Together we extend Hopkins’ sincere condolences to the Paul family.
1952

**HGS**

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**Roy Wells** is now a great-grandfather. Roy and his 15-month-old great-grandson have great fun together, and enjoy each other’s company. **Dick Catlin** keeps busy at his family’s Timberlock resort. Dick points out that the latest edition of *Adirondack Life Magazine* has a multiple page color article about this 100-year-old resort. He still flies as a member of the UFOs (United Flying Octogenarians), plays tennis regularly, and is involved with a score of volunteer activities. **Dave Steinmuller** and his wife, Patti, recently took a fascinating trip to Spain, where they visited the world famous Prado Museum and the Royal Palace in Madrid. From Madrid, they took a high-speed train (160 MPH) to Granada, where they stayed in a delightful small hotel, visited the Alhambra, and hiked in the Sierras. Dave has high regard for Spanish hospitality, enjoyed the relaxed dinners, and of course, the shopping. **Matt Smith**’s retirement years are far from boring. After attending their granddaughter’s high school graduation in May, Matt and Elma biked another section of the GAP (Great Allegheny Passage), covering 150 miles or so. Matt also volunteers at his church as financial secretary. In April, Matt and Elma attended **Ray Carlson**’s 80th birthday at Mory’s, along with classmates Roy Wells, **Merritt Clark**, **Bill Cramer**, **Dean Bennett**, and **Steve Mongillo**. On a sad note, we report the passing of teacher and coach Ken Paul. Most of us can remember when Ken came to teach and coach at Hopkins in the 1950s, fresh out of college. He will always be remembered as a beloved teacher and coach, and also for faithfully attending our 1952 Class Reunions, always interested in what we were doing and how our families were. He will be fondly remembered.

1953

**HGS**

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Class of 1953: Your class secretary, Hal, has asked to be relinquished of his duties as class secretary. Thank you, Mr. Hochman, for your loyalty and commitment. If anyone can step in to continue this role, please contact Carol Brouillette at cbrouillette@hopkins.edu.

Perhaps, at 80, no news is good news. In any event, that is pretty much what I, Hal Hochman, have. Can I ask each of you, over the next four or five months, to send me a few lines, or more, describing what you believe to have been the highlights of your lives after 50, and your present interests? For now, I am happy to report that **Wally Meyer** and his two dogs continue to prosper; despite expected medical exigencies, on his acreage in southwest Idaho. I, too, remain “active,” though not professionally, at least in some non-zero sense. In late June, Kappie and I eluded our various medical monitors for long enough to travel to Rome and Northern Italy (Piedmont) for two weeks with our two granddaughters, Brook (12) and Kaya (14) Lesikar. It was, altogether, an enlightening experience, particularly enjoyable (despite close to unbearable heat) because we spent much of the time with old friends and their families, and because I can claim success in convincing the girls that gnocchi with vongole veraci (small clams) and truffle oil, Piedmontese soft salami and agnolotti (small ravioli), and (in Kaya’s case) exotic honeys are far preferable to the fast food that constitutes so much of the American teenager’s diet. So their generation, too, can be considered inheritors of the taste for cultural diversity our generation nurtured in New Haven.

1954

**HGS**

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I have learned from the *Yale Alumni Magazine* that **Alan Sinel**, our Hopkins and my Yale classmate, passed away in
Vancouver last January. In keeping with his performance at Hopkins, where he finished first in our class, Al was a junior Phi Beta at Yale, not a bad showing at all. He then won a scholarship to Oxford. After earning his doctorate at Harvard, he went to the University of British Columbia, where he taught history for the rest of his career and retired as a professor of history. At some point he developed a degenerative eye disease, which hampered his reading and writing. Larry Chiaramonte, who was Al Sinel’s roommate at Yale, is retired and has emigrated to New Haven from Greenwich, Connecticut. He distributes emails from time to time, which are always the cause of great merriment. I have also heard from Jess Davis, who informed me that he and Al had spent kindergarten through sixth grade at Abraham Lincoln elementary school together. Al moved to Hopkins in the seventh grade, while Jess attended Bassett Jr. High and then came to Hopkins in Form IV. Jess retired from the Navy after 32 years, then from SAIC after 10 years as a contractor with the FAA, and finally from a small company called Trandes Corp., where he managed a maintenance contract for the Navy, a career totaling 51 years. Now he and his wife of 30 years, Dana, do a considerable amount of volunteer work. Between them they had six children, only one of whom lives in their community. Jess’s youngest son, Jess III, also a Navy veteran, passed away in April 2013 from cancer. There are also eight grandchildren scattered from Mt. Vernon, Washington, to Norfolk, Virginia, and one 4-year-old great grandson (the current apple of Jess’s eye) in Norfolk. I am in frequent contact with Art Bober, who whizes away his time, weather permitting, shooting holes-in-one at his local golf club in New Jersey, and also travels, among other places, to Aspen to visit one of his daughters and her family. We had good fun together last fall at a Yale mini-reunion in New Orleans. When not discussing stock investments, we replay soccer, basketball and baseball games at Hopkins. Curt Cobb continues to survive the long winters in Minnesota. He spends several weeks each winter skiing at higher altitudes at places in Wyoming, Utah and Montana. We reminisce periodically on the phone about the good old days at Hopkins. I am slowly but surely learning what it means to be growing older each day. However, other than an attack of a Baker’s cyst in my right knee, which burst while my wife, Elisabeth, and I were on a three-week visit in February to St. Barts (and got misdiagnosed in the emergency room at the hospital in Gustavia as a deep vein thrombosis—a disturbing diagnosis when one hears it), and osteoarthritis in my right shoulder, I am relatively free of old-age symptoms! I don’t recommend either of those maladies. Our two grandsons, ages 4 and 2, keep us young and active! News about our 60th (oh my God) reunion last year has not been widely reported. The highlight of the weekend was the dinner Friday night at the Graduate Club, hosted by Joyce and Bob Evans. Attending in addition to the Evaneses were: Carl Lindskog, Bob Wood, Art Trunkfield and your humble scribe, and their wives, together with Larry Chiaramonte and Myles Alderman. We all felt a little more athletic and flexible after Carl’s youngest son, Dieter, an orthopedic surgeon at Yale, dropped in from a party in a neighboring room and offered us all a special deal on any orthopedic surgery we might need. Hopkins has a campus that would make many colleges proud. I would encourage those classmates who did not attend the reunion to make sure they show up at the 65th! Also, let us know what you have been and are doing!

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Warm greetings, dear classmates on a warm summer day! I hope you all have been in good health and are having a fine spring and summer. Always first to respond to my requests for news is Vicki Meeks Blair-Smith, who writes that she and her husband, Hugh (“Bear”), spent another superb wildlife week at Aigas Field Centre in the highlands of Scotland, where they saw badgers in their sett, a golden eagle displaying above the hills of a glen, and a pine marten come to a hide. Vicki also writes that Bear’s book on the Apollo space program might end her writer’s widowhood this year! The Blair-Smiths have three newly retired Alaskan huskies from daughter Caroline’s kennel in southwest Maine. Their son, Rob, and family are thriving west of Chicago, where Rob is with T-Mobile. Vicki is still kayaking all over the Cape marshes and doing a bit of low-key walking, as well as caring for those huskies. Margot De Noyon Saadeh is so grateful to be in touch while her life is still being lived on two sides of the world! Her family was all together (!) for a niece’s wedding in Beirut in the spring, and then they stayed with their daughter Randa and her husband and children in Italy for a week. That family will be moving from Italy back to Bahrain, at which time Margot will be making her biannual visit to Saudi Arabia in order to maintain her resident’s visa! What a life divided! Tordis Ilg Isselhardt and I had an hour-long phone visit, which is nearly impossible to summarize, but I’ll give it a shot. Tordis is really happy to be in a decent cash flow position, after “living on fumes” for many months. This fine circumstance is due to big breaks in her publishing business as well as in her position as a landlady. She has gone into partnership with publisher Applewood Books, and they are bringing out a memoir of a Vermont farmer who at 22 set out to find gold in the Yukon, and who had many adventures in his seven years searching and succeeding, before returning to his home farm and family for the rest of his long life. To the Klondike and Back sounds like a fascinating story. Meanwhile Tordis remodeled her home and her office next door, making two fine rental units that now have lovely tenants. Such enterprise! Wow. Carolyn Bakke Bacdayan writes that she is happily continuing her volunteer work as archivist for the Lyme Local History Archives. She and her team moved into the new Lyme Public Library with more space for document storage and processing, visitor reading and display, which is wonderful. This summer’s exhibit, “Lyme in the 1600s” about the local Native Americans and the first English settlers, was especially satisfying to work on, and was very well received. Kitty also writes that “travel to our teenage grandchildren’s events, a burgeoning vegetable garden and deliveries, house repairs, doctors’ appointments, piano and exercise pretty much fill the rest of the time right now. I’ve stopped complaining about the brutish winter we sur-
vived. Life is good.” I, Peggy Graham Beers, must heartily agree with that assessment (though I cannot claim a vegetable garden nor piano playing!). David and I continue our much too hectic lives, filled with wonderful events, lots of charitable committee work, visits to and from our kids and grands. This year, our two 18-year-old granddaughters (cousins) graduated from high school, with one headed to Macalester College in Minneapolis and the other to William and Mary in Williamsburg. David continues his full-time practice—he spent two weeks in late June in Salt Lake City at the triennial convention of the Episcopal Church in his position as Chancellor (lawyer) to the head of the church. I went to the beach.

1955

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I am sorry to report that none of us made it to what would have been our 60th high school reunion in June. According to the Hopkins website, some 400 alumni/ae attended, and photos showed lots of smiling faces. Maybe next time… 2020! But communications about the reunion produced one wonderful surprise—several emails from Bamboo Solzman (Mary Alice Koplik in our PHS days). She and Eli took a Road Scholar tour to Barcelona, returning home May 31. They visited many of the art and architecture highlights that Miró and Gaudi, Picasso and Dali brought to Spain (and especially Barcelona). In addition, she wrote: “We feasted on tapas daily, and met some lovely fellow travelers. Out of 20 others in our group, five had connections to people we knew! If anyone remembers a Yalee, Ruben Shapiro, I dated, sure enough a couple in our group knew him and his wife!” Bamboo and Eli had thought about a stopover in New Haven if classmates were getting together for Reunion, but they headed straight home to Chicago after all. Bamboo had plans to visit her older daughter and “Grand” in Santa Fe sometime this summer. But she’d love to travel east at some point if we manage to get a mini-reunion together on our own, so please give that some thought if you know you’ll be near or traveling through the New Haven area. Bamboo sends love and best wishes for five more—many more—years of health and joy for all of us, and she hopes we’ll get together for our 65th. I can’t do better than echo her sentiment and urge more of you to write in and say hello.

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Our 60th reunion was a success and attracted the following: Bea and Woolsey Conover, Ray Devlin, Carol and Joe Gianelli, Pete Goldbecker, Jack Haeseler, Jim Kidney, Craig Parker, Hank Powell, and Susan and Tom Young. The event was highlighted by a dinner at the impressive Swensen House, home to the retiring Head of School, Barbara Riley. From all reports, everyone had a wonderful time. George Hodge's was unable to attend, because he is now living in Alabama where his children and grandchildren live. Like many of us, he still plays golf but limits it to nine holes. Bea and Woolsey Conover have every right to be proud of their grandson, Arthur, who had an exceptional year as a sophomore member of the 2014–15 Kenyon College swim team. He helped Kenyon win its 34th Division III Championship in the past 36 years, and broke the NCAA record in the 1,650-yard freestyle. In addition to achieving All-American status as a swimmer, he also achieved first team Division III Academic All-American status while majoring in physics with an overall average of 3.76. I had a delightful conversation with Bill Clapp. Bill, as many of you will recall, graduated from East Haven High School and prepped at Hopkins in our senior year. After Hopkins, he graduated from the SUNY Maritime College in Throgs Neck, New York, served in the U.S. Navy and then was employed as an engineer by the Southern New England Telephone Co. Bill’s love of sailing began as a child on Farm River and has stayed with him through retirement. I was curious as to how he felt about being at Hopkins for a one-year prep. He stated that it was at Hopkins that he learned how to study. On a sad note, I would like to notify you that our dear friend and teacher, Ken Paul, Sr., died on June 29, 2015, at the age of 88. He was a loyal friend of Hopkins and never missed a reunion. Our sincerest condolences go out to his son, Ken Paul Jr. and his family. Finally, I have been told that we are very close to meeting our goal of $500,000 for the Hopkins Grammar School Class of 1955 endowed scholarship. If we continue giving generously as we have in the past, we should meet our goal next year.
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Reunion fun was tripled when I, Alice Watson Houston, joined Emily Mendillo Wood ’55 PHS and Judy Baskin ’55 PHS, feasting and learning about Hopkins. Anne English Hull, our classmate from 50th reunion festivities, was celebrating a granddaughter’s college graduation in South Carolina. Earlier in June, Katrina Barhydt Duff traveled from Virginia to New Haven to visit her sister-in-law, Julie Duff Moore ’59 PHS, and our lunch conversation sharing 60 years of news was delightfully crammed. Later in June, Marie Louise Sibley Scudder came to Stonington to witness my Ceremony of Commitment with Arthur Higbee. M.L. was my “bridesmaid” 57 years after I was hers. Tying the knot at our age really is exciting news!

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Bill Hammersley reports that his youngest daughter, Liana, had a tryout as goalie for the newly formed National Women’s Hockey League (NWHL) which is sanctioned by the NHL. She’s been playing amateur hockey in Germany, England and the U.S. for 15 years. Her U.S. team won the national championship in Florida earlier this year. Tom McKeon’s three granddaughters at Hopkins—Emma, Annie and Courtney Banks—are all doing well. Emma is captain of girls varsity field hockey, basketball and lacrosse. She was also awarded the Smith College Book Award, given to the all-around student in the junior class. Sorry to hear about the passing of Ken Paul Sr.—a real gentleman. Dick Walton says that their route bounces from northern Vermont to southern Florida. “I still like Vermont much more than Florida, except when that below-zero stuff starts in. Florida is okay for warmth when it’s cold up here, but otherwise I’ve yet to find much I like. I am going to have to work at it a bit, because Kate just loves it. She loves all the birds and animals and yoga on the beach. Maybe a neighbor and I will rent a boat and explore some of those uninhabited islands. I dropped off the middle grandchild at Survival Camp this morning. He and his family bounce from northern Vermont to Costa Rica. Otherwise, for me it’s thrashing around tending to details. Hope all my old friends are doing well out there. It would be good to see any of y’all if you find yourself in my vicinity.” We have a very informal luncheon twice a year. Let me know (see contacts below) if you would like to receive a notice for the luncheons. Also, twice a year you will get an email request from me to contribute to our class news. If you don’t get the request, it is because I don’t have your email. Please send your email or anything you would like published to me at one of these contact points: tuleton@sbcglobal.net, or 6 Janson Drive, Westport, CT 06880 or 203-228-3954. Thanks, Steve Raffel.

1957

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Ed Cantor’s memoir, Remember Me, will be published in September. It is a chronicle of the lives of Ed and Micki as they faced an eight-year struggle with cancer. Although it is personal, it is also a universal story, because all of us, at one time or another, will be touched by a terminal illness. It is a story of life, love, courage and recovery. Excellent endorsements have been written by several people who have read early drafts of the book. Dana Murphy: “I continue to shuttle Appalachian Trail hikers in this, my 13th season. At the American Legion’s Department (state) Convention, July 9–11, I was reappointed to various commissions and committees, and elected Department Chaplain. Still working the front desk at the West Haven VA Medical Center (Mondays) and on-call at Connecticut Hospice (transportation). Civic responsibilities keep me busy the rest of the time.” Ford Daley: “I am still working at Hanover High School as security person, greeter, supervisor of the gathering area and general purveyor of cheer and interest in the young people. I love it and it loves me, so I will just continue until they carry me out. Have a fascinating job this summer as an executive assistant to the CEO of a local company, who has bad arthritis and who has lost his driver’s license. So I drive him around and do various errands for and with him. And I love doing it—how strange, simply helping someone and getting paid for it. I guess I could have a bright future working in a nursing home, before being in one. NO NO NO… Life is sweet and I do believe I am one of the luckiest guys on the planet… but of course I haven’t met all of them yet. And the ones I read about often don’t seem so lucky, except Donald Trump, of course.” Bob Galvin: “Corey Cramer would be pleased—and surprised. Last month, I went to England to observe the 800th anniversary of the sealing of Magna Carta. A wonderful event.” Dave Opton: “Still trying to break 100 both on and off the golf course.” Peter Hart: “All is well with the Harts. The Adirondacks continues to be a draw as kids and grandkids arrive to help us celebrate summer. Life is good! Best to all!” Ted Gregory: “Just returned from a two-week cruise to Alaska (and back) with Kate. The trip was my surprise birthday present! Incredible state! Health is good, time for treasured friends and family—a sweet moment in time. Warm wishes to all.” As for me, Alan Cadan, in July, Lynn and I traveled to Germany and Poland on a very intensive two-week Holocaust tour in conjunction with Hobart and William Smith Colleges’ March for Remembrance and Hope. Accompanied and led by Holocaust scholars from Hobart and Hebrew University, we traced the path of “the final solution,” starting in Berlin and proceeding through Krakow, Lodz, Lublin and Warsaw, including emotional days at Auschwitz-Birkenau, Majdanek and Treblinka.

1958

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On July 27, 2015, ten stalwarts from the Class of 1958 had an informal get-together, thanks to our gracious hosts Bonnie and
Jim DeLucia. Those present were Taber Hamilton, Fred Wintsch, Arnie Freedman, John Schneider, Dick DeNicola, Chris Doob, Gordon Daniell, Bob Kolb, Jim DeLucia and Dan Koenigsberg. We enjoyed lunch overlooking Long Island Sound and reminisced for several hours. Many faculty were recalled with admiration and those that might not have been favorites were noted to be no less dedicated. Those of us who had been Work Scholars remembered with fondness toiling under Charlie Nash and Bill Corbett, with their quite distinct personalities. We were delighted to have copies on hand of two recently published books by Dave Branon and Chris Doob, respectively. Dave has come out with his third novel, a thriller about... well, you'll just have to read it. Clue: the book includes as one of its heroes an assistant district attorney by the name of "James DeLucia." (Another career opportunity?) Dave writes that "I have managed to fill my retirement with fantasy and fiction, not a bad combination in an otherwise frightening world. The book was great fun to write and, hopefully, will be great fun for you to read. I hope you enjoy Angels With Broken Wings." Dave went on to say that he has been "appalled at how the legacies of the great civil rights leaders (Martin Luther King, et al.) have been squandered and tarnished by those who inherited, or confiscated, the mantle of the righteous cause. I always thought the most discomfort comes at the point of the satiric arrow and Angels' quiver is full of those." He noted that e-book versions are available on Kindle (Amazon) and Nook (Barnes and Noble), and that "Initial feedback on the novel has been really encouraging. I hope you are interested enough in the work to order a copy and, if you enjoyed it, maybe be so kind as to post a review on the Amazon and/or Barnes & Noble sites. It's a very easy thing to do and nothing begets word-of-mouth chatter (and sales) like a bunch of positive reader endorsements." If you pull up The Curmudgeon's Tree and The Spider's Web (his previous books) on Amazon.com, you can see some of the reviews submitted for those novels as well. "I trust you all are doing as well as you deserve and that would mean you are doing very well indeed, and, if not, try harder!" Chris Doob's Anatomy of Competition in Sports is a work describing how individuals make it (or don't) in major league pro sports. Chris, Emeritus Professor of Sociology at Southern Connecticut State University, puts on his professional hat and wryly notes that while only one in 1,000 people makes the big leagues, polls of family members of prospects put the estimates at an overly optimistic one in 60. He discusses the role of pain medication use that risks promoting further injuries by masking symptoms, and also noted that, contrary to what one might think, soccer has the largest percentage of concussions of all the major league sports. In Chris' own words, "My book examines competition in the six major professional leagues, beginning with a summary of players' shared uncommon careers where they encounter four influential, unusual experiences starting in childhood and finishing with the end of their careers. The chapters on each league discuss a similar set of issues, examining the history of each sport, the impact of families on players, the influence of training programs and schools on individuals' development, and pro activity from preparation for the draft through the entire major-league experience. The publisher is Rowman and Littlefield, which has become extensively involved in producing sports books in recent years. I have tried to write a book that is informative and interesting, at times even entertaining." So congrats to our two distinguished class authors and to their second careers, an incentive for the rest of us to develop our own creative skills in retirement, although the bar has been set high. Meanwhile, in April of this year Brigitte and Doug Sperry graced us with their presence on a trip to the United States from Deutschland. Nine of us were present at a luncheon for Doug in Alumni House on the Hill and learned more about the life of an expat, including cooking classes. Bob Kolb continues his career as a jazz player and has regular gigs as a saxophonist with his band. CDs of his music were played in the background at lunch at the DeLucias' home and are available for purchase. Newlywed Gordon Daniell reported that his children are permanently ensconced in London and Prague, respectively, doing interesting work and/or Barnes & Noble sites. 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from back surgery. On a sadder note, Fred Wintsch’s wife passed away in January 2015 after a long illness. The Class extends its condolences to Fred and his family. Let’s hear from the rest of you laggards. I’m sure there are many interesting and momentous events to report for the next newsletter. In the meantime, have a pleasant fall, and as Satchel Paige (attribution Branon) once said, “We don’t stop playing because we get old. We get old because we stop playing.” Amen to that.

1959

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Debby Bassin Fletcher and her husband continue to take the travel prize. She writes “We are due to go to Iran in October for a few weeks and then on to Dubai at the end of the trip.” Debby also continues to play team tennis and to enjoy her children and grandchildren. Julie Duff Moore is full of news, for which I am very grateful. “I am happy to report that I have been in touch with several of our PHS classmates recently. In May, Nawrie Meigs Brown stayed with us when she was here for her 60th Foote School reunion. It was fun to catch up with her and to see Nancy Farnham Charles as well. Ann Flahive Devlin-Low and I enjoy sharing our grandmother experiences, and I had a nice conversation with Annaleigh Winston. I get to see Mary Jane D’Esopo Miller on a regular basis during the year since she and I belong to some of the same organizations. I can report that she is an excellent organizer. Our summer began with a trip to Hilton Head with Bill’s Dallas brother and our sister-in-law, and in June we drove up to Toronto for our grandson’s first birthday. He is a charmer and we are smitten. In early July we had a magical week at Squam Lake with Lisa, Vinetta and Kiran joining us. We took our kayaks, and happily Bill was able to paddle, after rotator cuff surgery in March. We are back in New Haven for the remainder of the summer and plan some more kayaking in nearby waters. I send my best to all of our classmates.” We are enjoying New England-type summer weather in D.C. for several days, so as soon as I press “send” I am off to kayak on the Potomac and then swim at the Officers’ Club at Ft. Myer—two of my favorite summer activities. Had a fascinating trip to Turkey in March and am looking forward to time in France (Paris and the Dordogne) in October. Children are well and life is good, for which I am hugely grateful.

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Julie Duff Moore ’59 PHS (on right), pictured with her husband, Bill, daughter, Lisa ’91, and Lisa’s partner, Vinetta (holding their son, Kiran, born June 22, 2014) at Squam Lake in New Hampshire in July.

1960

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We had a very full column for the last Views From The Hill but little this time around: summer doldrums? If you did NOT get a “News? News?” request from me, please send me your email address, as I know that several that I have are no longer valid. What I can report is the following: From Australia, Nana Carroll Ollerenshaw reports that she continues on chemotherapy, two and a half years after diagnosis of ovarian cancer, and is much improved. She continues to write poetry and prose (some of which is accepted in Quadrant magazine) and swims and enjoys visiting children and grandchildren. She misses Anne Westbrook Fraser, as do we all, and continues to be in touch with Liz McKenzie. Nana, send us a sample of your writing! Carol Pfisterer Hart reports that the Harts are fine and enjoying their life in the Adirondacks. “I am disappointed that the class did not come together for our Reunion. We need to plan ahead for our 60th!” Mary Whitney Renz checks in briefly with “we are having a very good summertime.”
Ursula Goodenough’s seventh grandchild, Theodore, was born in October 2014 and “like the other six, is practically perfect in every way!” Having met him myself, as he and his family live within two miles of my home, I can second that. Also that he is truly Goodenough, no pun intended: He looks much like his father, Thomas, who looks like his mother, Ursula, who looks like her father, Erwin! Good genes! I know that Ursula continues to thrive and do science. We are in frequent contact, as she has lovingly supported me through scary—and successful—surgery in June for what turned out, thank goodness, to be totally benign, albeit huge, abdominal masses. My other mainstay was daughter Alison, Ob/Gyn at Mass General and newly appointed Assistant Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School, who came out to California to be my advocate and companion for six blessed days. Son Geoffrey and his family have moved to Yarmouth, Maine, where he is VP of Administration and CFO for Bates College. I am scheduling a visit in August! Send me your news and current email addresses, please! Don’t make me beg at the last minute to make a deadline! I am enjoying enormously being in touch with all of you.

1961

DPH

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Next year will be the 55th year since we graduated from DPH. Do you want to try to have a reunion? Yesterday I went to lunch with Ellen Powley Donaldson. We ate at a new Greek restaurant in Mashpee Commons, drank some wine, enjoyed some good food, and had a great time catching up for a couple of hours. Ellen splits her time between Palm Springs, California, and West Falmouth, Massachusetts. She loves the contrast between the sere desert and the lush green of the Cape. She loves being involved with the art museum in Palm Springs and other initiatives on the Cape, in particular a tennis club. She and a friend went on a Viking River Cruise from Paris to Normandy this spring, which was beautiful. She sent me an email for our alumnae news after we met for lunch: “Lunch with Valerie is an annual and much looked forward to event. It is such a delight to find a friendship from high school years. It is truly a gift.” I went to Talbots after lunch and spent quite a few $$! Note to self: Wine before shopping! Not good! Phoebe Ellsworth wrote that her daughter Emma is getting married in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, on August 28 to a son-in-law-to-be who is a graduate student at Brown in applied math. Emma just got her MSW and passed her licensing test. Phoebe said: “I know that most of you have grandchildren, but I got a late start and this is the first step!” Carol Miller Rand wrote: “Had a lovely trip in June with Rives to visit our 96-year-old Aunt Nan, our father’s sister, for her birthday out in California. We’re pretty fortunate to have two nonagenarians in the family. Our mother turns 99 on her next birthday in October. Still happily living in The Whitney Center.” Carol and her husband, Larry, had a wonderful trip in May to the Dalmatian Coast, “starting in Slovenia, continuing via ship to Croatia, Montenegro, Albania and Greece. Dubrovnik is as wonderful as the pictures we see so often of the lovely port area, but even better is its four-mile wall that still surrounds the town.” The top of which they walked, with other tourists in the rain, in an hour and a half. This summer she is playing tennis, reading, gardening, going to concerts, and taking walks with their new puppy, and Larry is playing golf. They were going to go to Bethany Beach in Delaware with some of their children and grandchildren. Carol said, “We continue to enjoy our beautiful view here in Sharon looking out over the Housatonic River Valley.” Anita Fahri-Minear will move in January from her large home of 40 years in Islikon to an apartment in Frauenfeld, where she will not have yard and house to maintain. However, living on the fourth floor of a building, she will still have treetops to see from all windows, a stream 30 meters away, and the railway station and shops not much further. She will spend December in her cottage in West Newbury, Vermont, where her daughter Elisabeth with husband, Rubai, and the two children will join her. “From Bangladesh, the family is on a five-month sabbatical in South America, after which the children will enjoy playing in Vermont’s snow.” Anita is still organizing the Mongolian exchange students program but will be winding it up in 2016. She is looking for someone to take the program over, which will include the search for funding. Malitta Knaut writes that she keeps wanting to get together with me and others in our class, but then gets so busy with work, family and horses that she doesn’t do it. She says: “I guess the best thing about our class is that we are still plug-
ging along and not being couch potatoes. Miss Boorham would be proud of all of us!” After Labor Day we will get together. Rives Fowlkes Carroll wrote: “Am heading off to Lewes, Delaware, with the whole family. Coincidentally, Carol has rented a house with her family the same week in Bethany Beach, only about a half hour south of us.” She also writes about going with Carol to San Diego to celebrate the 96th birthday of their amazing aunt “who flew planes in England during WWII.” Maureen McKeon Peterson sent in “a little filler” for the column. She and Lee were to spend a week in California with all four of their children, their spouses, and nine grandchildren, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. There were going to be 19 of them sharing memories and having fun in a beautiful home overlooking a vineyard, that the children rented for everyone to stay in. The agenda was to include wine tasting, of course. The house was to be replete with all sorts of amenities like pool, tennis court, spa, bocce court, pool table and fire pit. A deep-sea fishing trip was on the agenda for the men and their sons. Much more was planned too. Maureen wrote: “Lee and I anticipate a fun filled week with all those we love so much...” Mary Deutsch Edsall and husband Tom had just returned from a 10-day trip to Turkey when I wrote asking for news. “It was spectacularly beautiful and fascinating to see the depth and beauty of Turkish culture. I don’t know what was more awesome—the Hagia Sophia church in Istanbul or the Roman ruins at Ephesus. We took seven flights in 10 days. Exhausting!” I am contemplating a trip to see Mary in Washington, D.C., some day. She keeps asking me to come. We had a wonderful time when I went to see her in 2011 in New York City. Joy Haley Rogers and her entire family, children, grandchildren and sisters and their families met in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, for her sister Pat’s son’s wedding in June. They rented a house and had a grand family reunion. I, Valerie Banks Lane, and husband Jim, have another great grandchild, Evie, born June 30. I took a short trip out to Homewood, Illinois, in July to meet the precious baby and make sure my granddaughter Chloe, her mother, was okay. She is a beautiful little sweetheart, just like her big 5-year-old sister, Vallie. My other granddaughter, Amber, has three little ones: Kendrick, 3, Carter, 2, and Cole, 8 months. All beautiful active boys! It was great to see them and bond with the babies. I go to the Cape Regency each day to feed my brother David, who is now on the dementia unit. He is being well taken care of and I enjoy getting to know the staff and residents. He has settled in well and it is good to have him so close by, only a mile and a half away. He was like my first baby if any of you recall. He was born when I was almost 13 and my mother let me name him because I was at camp when he was born three weeks early! So I named him David after the younger brother of a boy I had a little crush on then, Frank Marcucci. Susan Dillon Prior and I used to take him everywhere with us when he was a baby and little toddler. Until I went away to college, he and I spent a lot of time together. So I am enjoying spending time with him again now. He is a happy person and fun to be with (most of the time). At this moment I am working on the annual fund-raising dinner and auction that we run each year to benefit the Red Lily Pond Project, protecting an area that includes a spring-fed lake, herring run and marsh ecosystem here in Craigville. We just paid $35,000-plus of our hard earned fundraising dollars to construct a new herring run footbridge on the path to the beach in June. Have a great fall! And think about a mini(?) reunion in 2016.

HGS
Robert Kessler
Bob and Margot Lee hosted Saint St. Clair, Fred Auletta and Bob Kessler at their beautiful Hilton Head home in April. We played a couple of rounds of golf, had some great dinners, and I enjoyed a nice break from the New Haven winter weather. Bob Lee, Saint and Fred all spend the winter in the south, Bob in Hilton Head, Fred in the Savannah area and Saint year around in St. James, North Carolina. Dr. Auletta has the right idea, retired from a career in academia in physiology and now a teaching golf pro in Manchester, Vermont. Bob is retired from the Chicago banking scene, now enjoying a life of leisure, and Saint travels a lot between family and friends all around the country.

Saint and Doug Sucher ’60 took a Viking River Cruise in the Germany in the fall. And me... still working.

1962

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Wonderful to hear news from so many of you! Ann Carter-Drier wrote, “My daughter Barbara and her husband, John, hosted a wonderful luncheon for me on the occasion of my 70th. It was held in an ‘old world’ tea room, a place much like we went to as kids—Hasselbach’s, anyone? The day before, however, the very best present (and surprise!) knocked on my door—one of my oldest (fifth grade) and dearest friends, Judi Albom Wilensky, from San Diego, whom I had not seen for 28 years! Judi and I had three wonderful days to catch up.” Joya Granbery Hoyt commissioned a new ballet for Newport’s Island Moving Company Ballet, called “La Tierra Giro,” by Miki
Ohlsen. Commissioning basically means Joya paid for a chosen choreographer to do a work with live music and costumes for the ballet company. “It was gorgeous, performed throughout this year in this area and on tour. It was performed for two weeks at the Great Friends Meeting House in Newport, Rhode Island, and it was sensational.” Terri Petrillo Connolly wrote, “Frank and I are enjoying retirement by keeping very busy with family, friends and volunteer activities. We have started shipping away at our ‘To Do’ list and recently returned from a two-week trip to Alaska. (It’s a beautiful state, but I don’t think I could live there.) Three of our children are currently living in Alexandria, Virginia, making it a wonderful short-trip destination. We have one in Vermont and, fortunately, one here in Connecticut.” Roz Farnam is enjoying her retirement with a recent trip to Iceland and Sweden with her family, including her 1-year-old grandson, Julian Dudden, who “is a joy to be around.”

Mary Jo Cipriano Amatruda: “We were able to take trips to Mexico in January and another to Egypt in March. The Egypt trip was wonderful. A group of seven of us from the Metropolitan Museum of Art organized the trip with an extremely knowledgeable guide and an archaeologist who has lived in Egypt for 45 years. John and a friend of his came as the male ‘tokens.’ My favorite moments were when we were out in the western desert using coordinates to find our places of interest. It was beautiful beyond compare and very exciting. I was there in 1966 but this was a very different trip. The best was being with a group of people who all had the same level of curiosity. This is the way to take a tour. I am still in love with my opportunity to be a docent at the Met. I have made some wonderful friends and love the learning that continues.” Yours truly, Judy Parker Cole, enjoyed a two-week river cruise to Holland and Belgium this spring. The small ship held only 150 passengers; definitely the way to enjoy travel on the water. Imagine this, classmates: When you receive this news in fall 2015, our 55th class reunion will be only 18 months away, in June 2017! Wow! Make plans to attend now by saving the date, June 9–10, 2017!

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1963

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Every summer, Sarah Robbins Jenks Coate and her family leave New York City and head up to the Thousand Islands in the St. Lawrence River. Everyone is excited to launch a new boat with 950 hp, taking their water-skiing to a new, very fast, very fun level. Sarah relishes ‘lazy times relaxing and kicking back, picnics and cocktail cruises at sunset, motorizing through the islands.” Lynne Davis Lyons moved her mother into an assisted living unit in Williamsburg, Virginia. “Most of our winter and spring were taken up with the move, clearing out her apartment, and finding new homes for a lot of stuff!” Lynne, Mark and the dogs “enjoy the cool northern Michigan summer in Leland and visits from friends escaping the heat and humidity of parts further south. The flower garden is looking good. We would love to hear from any classmates who may be traveling to ‘Pure Michigan’ this summer or fall!” In California, Nancy Bussmann Van Natta and John have officially moved into the house they have been designing and building for the past year and a half, and “it’s truly heavenly, suits us perfectly, and life is just great. I’m still working full time at my interior design practice and feel as if I could continue forever—even when several jobs collide and I have to work long hours to get through it all. We see a lot of our grandchildren. Best love to all my Day Prospect/Hopkins friends.”

In Maryland, I, Carol Stock Kranowitz, am finishing up The Out-of-Sync Child Grows Up, another book in the “Sync” series about Sensory Processing Disorder. Publication date is spring 2016. Daily exercise, weekly chamber music, evening reading time, little TV, frequent gatherings with friends, playing and vacationing with grandchildren (never enough), and Mark’s organic vegetable patch keep us healthy in body, mind and spirit. Now is harvest time.

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John Gesmonde drove up in his latest addition to his antique car collection, Gordon Allen came from his home on Cape Cod, and so began our semi-annual lunch this past summer in Milford. Others in attendance were: Bob DeLucia, Vining Bigelow, Dana Blanchard, Arthur Bogen, Dick Ferguson, Ron Groves, Fred Martz, Chuck Moakley and Walter Van Eck. Bob DeLucia is still working as CEO and Chief Economist for Veritas Economic Analysis LLC, which he founded in 2007. He and Esther celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary in July, as did Enid and Ron Groves. Arthur Bogen married Kathleen Burnett in May at their home in Essex. Dana Blanchard sold his great Stony Creek house, meaning we won’t be able to continue our reunion gatherings there. “We’ve downsized to 900 square feet just up the street, so we’re still in the ‘Creek,” he said. “The older I get, the more I like small.” Of course, Dana spends most of his time in Florida. Ed Bradstreet apparently thinks Dana has the right idea. He and Lynn spent three months in sunny Florida this past winter. He writes that he “worked remotely… played golf two to three times a week and soaked in the warm climate… spent two weeks In Ireland… some time on Nantucket,” and managed to have an evening with Ann and Chuck Pfisterer, lunch with Dick Worms, and play golf with Jim Nowak. Alan Silberberg is adjusting to a scaled down workload. “I teach one class a semester (at American University), and that leaves plenty of time for naps,” he said. Plan on our next lunch in January or February. Anyone who hasn’t been on our list and would like to be included, just let me know.

1964

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Class of 1964: Your class secretary, Peter, has asked to be relinquished of his duties as class secretary. Thank you, Mr. Van Wilgen, for your loyalty and commitment. If anyone can step
in to continue this role, please contact Carol Brouillette at cbrouillette@hopkins.edu.

John Morgan reports that his daughter Sarah received her MSW in May, and got married in June. He said that it has been a very wet summer in Green Mountain Falls, Colorado, but that hasn’t prevented him from getting out in the trout streams with his fly rods at every opportunity. John sends his best wishes to all. Mark Blumenthal reported that as a result of the notice of Mike Kreiger’s passing not long after our 50th Class Reunion, Mark had an extended email conversation with Mike Adelberg, culminating with a face-to-face meeting in Petaluma, California, this past January, where they reminisced about Mike K. and the past 50 years since Hopkins. They agreed to meet again and continue their discussions the next time Mark was able to get to northern California. Mark understood that Mike A. had also hosted Bill Ablondi prior to the M and M meeting in January. Mike Adelberg reports that he survived another of his annual scuba diving trips to the Philippines, and the even tougher job of grandparenting, which probably most of us can relate to.

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1965

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For those who attended this once-in-a-lifetime occasion, I want you to know how enjoyable it was seeing your familiar faces, some for the first time in 50 years (Jim Nippes, Bob Wintsch, Sandy Kurtz, Peter Nagle, Roger Poor). This was a wonderful opportunity to experience the camaraderie of reconnecting with old friends, classmates who played an important part of our growth into young adulthood, and to revisit a place with very special memories for me. Hearing presentations of the school’s strategic plans and current financial health were most informative. Touring the campus and seeing the new academic and athletic facilities and how the grounds of the campus have grown were real eye-openers and a treat. The school has been in great hands under Barbara Riley’s leadership (along with classmate Bill Kneisel’s significant involvement), and its future successes will be exciting. And, to top it all off, the weather cooperated with sunny skies for the full weekend. The weekend just went too quickly for me. One comment I heard periodically over the weekend went something like “If I knew these gatherings were so much fun, I would have come to more of them….” For those who weren’t able to attend, we missed you. Considering that this was the golden anniversary, it would’ve been a real treat to see even more of you, especially those of you who live nearby. The school environment is nothing like what you may remember from back in the dark ages. Comments from some of the attendees: Bill Kneisel: “I thought the reunion was a great success. Excellent planning by the School and truly a great satisfaction to meet up with so many classmates of yore. I think we should all be proud of having made a lasting contribution to the future of Hopkins via the establishment of the Class of 1965 Endowed Scholarship Fund.” Billy Walik:
First thought... Too short! And thanks for the invite. Kathy and I enjoyed a wonderful reunion. The School has indeed reinvented itself over the last 50 years.” That brings me to an exchange between Kenny Paul ’68, Gordy Clark and myself. Kenny mentioned to Gordy how important Gordon Clark Sr. ’35 was as Trustee in our School’s very lean times (think HGS DPH merge). Both Gordy and I had no idea of the importance of his Dad’s involvement. That was my highlight!

Jim Waterman: “I had a blast at the reunion. Thanks to all who invested the time to show up and to those who did all the work to make it such a wonderful weekend. If anything, I just wish we could have had more time together as a group. We’ll work on that for the 55th!” Bob Jose: “Although we were there for only Saturday afternoon and evening, we thought the campus looked magnificent, and the dinner event was delightful and well planned. However, nothing beat the conversations and discussions with our fellow classmates and their spouses around cocktails and dinner.” John Chernlavsky: “I have been to most of the reunions from our 25th, and this 50th was one of the best. The significance of our growing endowment was driven home by Bill Kneisel’s talk Friday night about the abysmal state of fiscal affairs that the HGS we attended was experiencing during and after our student days.” Paul O’Connell: “The physical plant of the school is nothing short of magnificent. It more closely resembles a junior college than a secondary school. The result of sound strategic vision and proper fiscal management. The core strength of any school or educational institution is often reflected in the bonds formed between members of succeeding classes. I was struck by the ease with which we resumed old friendships, and literally picked up on conversations that we interrupted by graduation 50 years ago. I will always be proud to say that I am a member of the HGS Class of 1965!”

Doug Romero: “I enjoyed the short time together at Saturday night dinner. Wish I could have devoted more time. The Hill continues to grow in size and may be much different in some ways compared to the campus we inhabited, but the good spirit is still there. Nothing to do with the fact that they served beer, cookies and other treats at an affair in the lower level dining hall in Heath Commons earlier in the afternoon. Baldwin Hall looks much the same. Real hot that day—glad we did not have summer school there.” Dick Hutchinson: “Sandy Kurtz and I remembered we both played our third form year for the Fighting Tigers, the junior school football team that was made up of lightweights, guys who couldn’t play freshman football because of weight. The team was coached by the great Eddie Brown, who, after coaching a long number of undefeated teams, was written up in Sports Illustrated. We agreed: what a great coach, what a great experience.” On a more somber note, I just learned that Dave Kiphuth’s wife, Linda, has passed away. Our deepest sympathies go out to Dave and his family on their loss.

1966 50th Reunion
DAY, PHS and HGS—June 10 and 11, 2016

1968
The Alumni/ae Office regrets to report that Ken Paul’s father, Kenneth A. Paul Sr., passed away on June 29, 2015.

1970
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These notes were compiled by Paul Kirchner: On the eve of our official 45th reunion, members of the Class of 1970 got together at Rudy’s in New Haven. Hans Riemer and I carpooled together, as he had traveled down from Massachusetts and stayed at my house. Two of the things I’ve learned from our class reunions are 1) the guys you were friends with then, you still like now; and 2) the guys you weren’t friends with then, you find you now like. It’s always good to see Ed Koh, who was there with his wife, Carol, and his mom. Tim Donahue and Alan Spatz both bought me drinks (I’ll get the tab next time, fellas). Good to get a chance to talk with Matthew Katz, Brian Smith, Tom Confrey, Dick Wingate, Carl Pantaleo, John “Knobby” Walsh, and 2015 Distinguished Alumnus Jim Lapides, who was there with his wife, Michelle. Brook Reams deserves some sort of award—he and his wife, Rochelle, motorcycled from Denver on their respective BMWs. Many tales from Brook on his days on the kitchen crew at HGS, where they prepared the fine cuisine we all remember. I enjoyed speaking with Pete Jarowey and his wife, Connie ’72 DPH. One of their children is an editor of Marvel Comics.
Comics, which is of particular interest to me. I showed off a four-page comic feature I recently did for the *Boston Globe*’s annual Boomer supplement (“Boomer” being the new term for geezer). It was great to see Joe Greene, Brad Gallant, David Kimberly, Bryant Boyd, Chris Nolan, Don DiPalma and Hugh Dwyer make an appearance. David was just back from Nepal, where he had been at the time of the devastating earthquake. Hugo works in the music business as a sound engineer. In a follow-up email he mentioned how welcome everyone made him feel. But of course! It was good to catch up with David Carroll and Frank Iannotti HGS ’72 along with honorary classmate and former member of the Big Top Express Benny Lee. At our 35th reunion, I recall looking at some of our classmates and thinking, “He looks like he could still be in his 30s.” Well, no more—let’s face it, we’re all getting old, except of course for Ted Schaffer. Fortunately, we’re still having fun. Looking forward to the 50th!

**1972**

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Well, gentlemen, we are officially in the doldrums of the reporting season, but we are now more than halfway to reunion 2017, which is, hopefully, already on your calendar. Just do it! We have been privileged this summer to have hosted two families here on the Vineyard this summer. John “The Cube” Cappiello and wife LeeAnn hit the rock for almost a week in June, catching great weather and doing some easy shopping before the crowds arrived in July. It was Cube’s birthday, so we sent a pic of the b-day boy to Dave Haury and he replied that Cappy still looked great. The sad news from the family is that John’s Aunt Mae passed away in May, the last relative from the greatest generation that prepared the incredible Italian cuisine that hundreds of Hopkins alums, over many years, feasted on while on the Hill. As Cube told the story, it was rumored that Dave Healey ate an entire tray of Marge’s lasagna overnight without making enough noise to wake up someone in the house. Alas, Pepe’s just will never be the same, so Cube hit the joint for a clam pie in her honor, and somehow we all knew she was smiling down on the event. Anyway, John and LeeAnn look great, are still very active, and plan to bring his nubs, Bailey, to the Vineyard for a swim next summer. Rich Manjoney ’74, wife Roseann, and twin beauties Jamie and Rachel arrived right after Cube left, and the girls managed to stop traffic wherever they went. And did I mention that they shopped? The food was nothing short of spectacular both at home and out in the restaurants, so I have written off the possibility of making wrestling weight ever again. Rich and Roseann are avid golfers, so I will try and get into some golf shape before next summer, when we hope they will return for another week. Maybe we can convince Bernadette and Frank Iannotti to be here at the same time? Tom Confrey ’70 HGS and wife Sue continue to get to the Vineyard whenever they can. They rent out their very cute home on East Chop during the high summer, but stay for many weeks during the shoulder season, and always get together with us on the porch at Beach Road for drinks, dinner and sunsets. We will all miss Ken Paul Sr., his guidance, energy and caring coaching skill. If ever there was a “father” figure to young men, he was the example. That’s all the news from the Vineyard for this issue. Send me some news, you scalawags!

**1973**

**HOPKINS**

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The Alumni/ae office regrets to report that our former teacher and coach Jon Bellis, husband of Kathryn Barry Bellis and father of Christopher B. Bellis ’02 passed away on July 31, 2015.

**1974**

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Greetings, everyone. Sadly, I heard in August that one of our classmates, Stephen “Smitty” Wayland Smith, died on July 19 at his parent’s home in Florida. We offer our condolences to his family. Many thanks to Dan Whitten for sending me some news. He writes: “My daughter, Dana, graduated from Millburn High School and will be a freshman at the University of Texas at Austin in the fall. My son, Adam, graduated from the University of Maryland and is now working at KPMG in New York City. I’m still producing theater and coaching tennis and basketball at the Pingry School in New Jersey.” Occasionally, some of you do email me in response to my request for class news just to say hello. This time I heard from Tamara “Tammy” Plakins Thornton and Julie Shemitz. I hope that you and your families are all doing well. Whether you just want to say hello or decide to send me a short note to include in future class notes, I hope more of you will be in touch!
Greetings 75ers! We were sorry that so many of you could not make it to our 40th celebration. We can assure you that those of us who were in attendance had a great time! Mike Landman’s wonderful Mom hosted us at her beautiful home for a cookout Friday night. We enjoyed quite a feast. Fil Maresca won the prize for farthest traveler, coming from the west coast. (Your prize is in the mail, Fil.) The festivities continued Saturday with tours of the ever-growing sprawling campus followed by cocktails, dinner and dancing. The band was actually a blend of current Hopkins faculty members and Hopkins alums. They were awesome! They performed a song specific to and chosen by each reunion class—we enjoyed our dance to the Doobies’ “Listen to the Music.” Lisa Voos and Walt Russo reunited at a vacation gathering on Block Island in mid-July. Hope to see everyone in five years at the 45th! In the meantime, please send me some news!

1976 40th Reunion
Hopkins—June 10 and 11, 2016

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At this time in our lives, the center of activity for most is our children having their own children—grandparenthood! As a representative for all of the kids and grandkids, please see the picture of Steve Jacobs’ beautiful 3-year-old son. Steve writes, “I’m still working on the first generation. My son, Teddy, will be 3 years old on September 1. He is adored by his big sisters, Hailey (21) and Marnie (19).” From Gail Brundage: “Sorry not to have good news, but thought you should know that Jon Shemitz’s brother, Peter ’78, died this morning, July 2, 2015.” Tim Scherr: “Diane will be using the last of her leave in the middle of November in preparation of retirement, after 30 years on Army service, on March 1, 2016. Plan on being in town for the 40th as someone has to make sure Allison, Tony and Babbitt behave themselves.” From Marlene Schmidt: “Not exactly sure when I last updated so will give what I think is the latest. I am still doing child psychiatry in Cincinnati. Our son Alex, who will be a senior at Macalester College in St. Paul, is as surprised as we are to learn that Cincy is a top place to visit now. Come on over! Neil continues to work Red Shirt Security for the Reds but it has not been the greatest year. He is excited about the upcoming All-Star game and works in the Clubhouse, so the bright spot is getting to know the players. Sarah finished her Fulbright year in the Yucatan and has chosen Harvard for her master’s in Public Health, much to the delight of her boyfriend, who has been working in Boston. She is now a runner/marathoner—no more swimming or water polo. (As a hobby?) Alex is still doing water polo, which is a sport I have really come to love, but we don’t get to see him play. We were out east briefly to bring some of her stuff and to bury my Mom, who died after a battle with head and neck cancer in March. It was on the 4th of July that we first discovered something was wrong, so I can use good vibes sent this way. The visit back east made me miss it, so as I look toward a change, we may head back there. If you know of child psych needs out that way, I’d be willing to talk to them. Take care and God bless.” Irwin Gelman writes: “You were what Plato called a prime-mover, so although indirect, your contribution was and will be big. Tidbits: My oldest daughter, Audrey, just got engaged! The next daughter starts her master’s program in International Public Health at Hunter College; Noah (19) is a rising sophomore at SUNY-Genesee, spending this summer selling Cutco knives; and Maya, a rising senior in high school, is now in Israel for a six-week program, having just spent nine days touring Poland—its old and modern Jewish cultural sites, and of course, its concentration camps. My wife, Mara, just accepted a job as the Executive Director of the Holocaust Resource Center of Buffalo, which develops holocaust and genocide-related curricula for schools and which uses its diminishing cadre of holocaust survivors to teach students directly. I remain in my Chair of Cancer Genetics position, with research in the lab going very well, yet the ability to get federal grants is closing in on extinction because of decreasing funding and political niceties such as the Sequester (write your congressperson!). I still run monthly Friday
night Shabbat services at Congregational Beth Abraham, which helps my spiritual side. I had to do a lot of minitrips to New York City because my mom needed shoulder replacement surgery, which went well. She's mending nicely at my sister's in Englewood, New Jersey, but it seems that it will be time to sell her place in New Haven so that she can be closer to my sister. Nonetheless, we continue to do our two-week stay at the beach in Clinton at the end of August, just up the road from Tony Astmann. We have a standing date for BBQ at our place or Tony's one night. Anyone interested in a pre-40th reunion should email me at: irwin.gelman@roswellpark.org.* From Joann Czarny: "Congratulations, David! What a beautiful baby! If you all want to feel really old, I will soon be a great-great aunt. That's right, a baby! If you all want to feel really old, I will soon be a great-great aunt. That's right, a baby! If you all want to feel really old, I will soon be a great-great aunt. That's right, a baby! If you all want to feel really old, I will soon be a great-great aunt. That's right, a baby! If you all want to feel really old, I will soon be a great-great aunt.

Willa Perlmutter: "One of my focuses this summer (as it was last summer) has been to train for the Pan-Mass Challenge, a two-day, 160-mile bike ride from Wellesley to Provincetown to raise money for cancer research. The ride is on August 1 and 2, and I was hoping to be able to give you a report after it was over. (Seems foolhardy to tell you in advance that I'm going to do it, since... well, since anything can happen.) I guess one thing I can say is that I rode about 43 miles along the Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes, through the Silver Valley in Idaho, about two weeks ago to raise money for ALS research and patient support. (Part training ride, part charity ride, part business development, since one of my clients is a key sponsor of this particular ride.) When I signed up a few months ago I checked the weather, which is generally 76–79 degrees in the Coeur d'Alene area at the end of July. As you probably know (or can guess), the temperature on the day of the ride was 105 degrees. I did it, but it wasn't pretty. On a totally other, personal note—I'm not sure you know or remember, but I'm a die-hard Paul Simon purist, so the fact that I'm willing to recommend you to means something. At least to me.) I got it on iTunes, which means that at the very least, you can listen to 30-second clips if you're so inclined." Ellen Sherk-Walsh: "I didn't update because I was in the wilds of Mongolia without Internet so I guess now I have something to tell. Ever since I taught a unit on Mongolia I wanted to go there, especially since it is still a thriving nomadic society that has a culture centered around the horse. I did lots of riding (camels too) and traveled from the Siberian border to the Gobi desert. I searched madly for dinosaur bones but without luck. I drank fermented mare's milk and ate camel and yak cheese. I especially loved the serenity of the wide open plains dotted with horses, goats and sheep. My sister hasn't sent me the photos of me riding yet." Tom Howard: "The biggest news from this clan is that my eldest graduated from Hopkins/Juliard this year and will be off to college in weeks. I have begun to hike again, a pastime a few classmates may recall from way back in first form. My first 'accomplishment' has been the Long Trail in Vermont. Since then I have followed the Appalachian Trail through Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York and half of New Jersey on weekends.

1977

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1978

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On some level, we are this big brain trust, full of experiences and great stories... and yet you're still shy about sharing. I can't keep writing about the adventures of Robert Yudkin (who has recently completed yet another service project at the Guerrero Clinic in Chihuahua, Mexico, with his Dallas Rotary Club) or Janet Granger (who is amazingly working full-time at Pitney Bowes and launched a very cool consulting practice—www.janetgranger.com—on the digital world and social media for the over-40 crowd. She and I are meeting for dinner to discuss her upcoming presentation to the Connecticut Association of Directors of Health, a group that I am part of). She and Julia Levy and Dale Caldwell (Head of School/CEO at the Village Charter School in Trenton, New Jersey) had a mini-reunion this July at the New York Tennis Open. I can only talk about how much I (still) love my public health work. I need you to share your life stories, travails, joys, volunteer work, pictures of your dog, etc. On a more somber note, as many of us are turning 55 this year, many are also sandwiched with the dual responsibility of taking care of our aging parents as well as our children. Unfortunately several of us have lost a parent in the last year. I lost my Mom to the ravages of COPD in February; Don Maconi lost his 93-year-old Dad in May. Please send notes and news via Facebook, Twitter (@aboissevain) or email hrc95@optonline.net... inquiring minds (really do) want to know.

1979

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Jerry Blair writes: “Karen and I are just about to celebrate our daughter Suzette’s 3rd birthday. Josh Blair (Young Male Genius) is just about to launch his new EP and line of Vape oils. Our partners at Global Entertainment Management are achieving great success. Aaron Pearce just celebrated a Number 1 album on the Billboard Chart with Jill Scott’s “Woman,” Wyclef Jean is putting the finishing touches on his new album, and Eddie Money and his kids are touring the U.S. all summer on the Sound of Money Tour.” Rob Quish reported: “Jeff Stier and I are working together for a second time—now at EY (global consulting firm). He in their...
writes that his terrific amongst a really nice l–r, Greg Valente, Sylvia Schaffer, David Pinchbeck, Debra Stern, Kate l–r, Guy Iaccarino, Jeff Stauss, Peter Maretz, Amy Mindell, Andy Lawson at our semi-annual Heads offered, who came out for the event. writes: “I'm to paralyze your duodenum with rarifiedrade.com) A new audio invention with music website called Jingle Parade! (www.jinglepa writes: “I've started a new comedy audio area?” other classmates. Who else is in the Boston New England I would love to reconnect with differently here). Now that I am back in Marlboro (seems that they like to spell towns in Lexington and now live in Marlborough or Marlborough (seems that they like to spell towns differently here). Now that I am back in New England I would love to reconnect with other classmates. Who else is in the Boston area?” Rich Kuslan, now of Houston, Texas, writes: “I've started a new comedy audio website called Jingle Parade! (www.jinglepa-rade.com) A new audio invention with music and character voices every seven to ten days to paralyzed your duodenum with rarified hilarity. Or something.”

1981 35th Reunion

Hopkins—June 10 and 11, 2016

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July news for the fall issue! David Evans sends in the most wonderful update: “As I write this I am up at our place in Woodstock, Vermont, during my favorite time of year. We spend our summers here and divide our time throughout the year between Naples, Florida, Chicago and here. Good place to be as these days I am all over the map. My wife of 22 years, Joan, and I became empty nesters two years ago when our oldest son went off to the University of Michigan and our youngest was already off at boarding school. They are both doing great and our youngest heads to Dickinson in the fall. This has given us a great opportunity to travel. We spent the month of February in a villa in Cartagena, Colombia, learning Spanish, having great food and exploring. The Internet has really changed the world—could do video chats and get work done each day with plenty of time for the experience. We head to the Canadian Maritimes for bike riding together at the end of August. So all in all, empty nesterdom is not too bad. John Kennedy, Mark Sterling, Phil Nelson and I managed our second annual outing together down at my place in Naples. We played some good golf and did some deep sea fishing out in the Gulf. A good time was had by all. Enjoy also seeing Rick Kleeman and Steve Binder at our semi-annual Heads Advisory board meeting at Hopkins. We also see James Calcagnini ’80, his terrific wife, Deanne, and Tommy Calcagnini ’80 either up at our farm or most recently at their party in Connecticut. Joan and I also hosted a party for Hopkins alums in Chicago and saw Chris Hart amongst a really nice group of people who were younger than me. Also very much enjoyed being with Dick Ferguson ’63, who came out for the event. Lastly, my dad, sister and I very much enjoy getting back to Hopkins for our annual Evans-Rood History Lecture and the chance to honor Ken Rood’s legacy. I spend my day running a conglomerate of companies that I have put together as well as our private equity asset management business. Our businesses include plastics, chemicals, food products, education and business process outsourcing with 12,000 plus employees. The asset management operations cover North America and Europe. So it seems I am never in the same place with a lot to do in a day, but never a dull moment. The rest of my time, Joan and I have several significant philanthropic initiatives in education, children and healthcare. We are very excited about our TeachingWorks initiative which is changing the way teachers are trained in America.” Julie Ducharme Fallone writes: “I moved to Baltimore about a year ago so my husband could take his dream job at the world’s largest comic book publisher. After 30 years of marriage I could not deny him his ‘little boy’ dream job. I have spent many years as a food photographer but am finding it is a job that most people have learned to do for themselves, so I am branching into culinary graphic design. I have two kids. My son, Max, 26, manages a chain of comic book stores in the Kansas City area and is a science fiction writer. My daughter, Claire, 24, is about to graduate from the Bloch School of Business with a degree in business. I have always made fun of Facebook, but secretly enjoy it because I can connect with so many friends. Whenever I mention someone from Hopkins to my Dad (who lives in Vermont), he always says to say ‘Hi. ’ He will be 80 this fall and is about to direct his 119th play.” Dr. Robin Perlmutter Goldenson writes: “I’m customer/digital practice, I in the global media and entertainment one… Great fun working together. Not sure they know what’s hitting them!” Martha Leshine writes that Jeff and Rob are not the only ones working together… “Sharon Livieri Peterson offered me an opportunity to work for a trade association for which she is the chairwoman. In January, I relocated to Massachusetts from N’awlins to experience the worst snow winter ever! I took a job with the New England Fuel Institute as their COO. I have an office in Lexington and now live in Marlborough or Marlborough (seems that they like to spell towns differently here). Now that I am back in New England I would love to reconnect with other classmates. Who else is in the Boston area?” Rich Kuslan, now of Houston, Texas, writes: “I’ve started a new comedy audio website called Jingle Parade! (www.jingleparade.com) A new audio invention with music and character voices every seven to ten days to paralyze your duodenum with rarified hilarity. Or something.”

1980

Peter B. Maretz has asked to step aside as class secretary. Thank you, Peter, for your many years of service. If anyone is interested, please email Carol Brouillette at cbrouillette@hopkins.edu.

FALL 2015
living in Wellesley, Massachusetts, with my husband, Richard Goldenson, and my children, Samantha (14), Rebecca (12) and Max (10). I’m working as a radiologist at Brigham and Women’s Hospital. I’ve enjoyed working with several Hopkins friends on projects in the community, including Seth Stier ’83, Lisa Wallack ’83 and Scott Soloway ’80. As an aside, before I can consider coming to a 35th reunion I have to come to terms with the idea of a 35th reunion! Easier said than done.” I couldn’t agree more, Robin! Katrina Fiedler Kujan sends “updates from home... My daughter Mary just finished her first year at Franklin and Marshall (Lancaster, Pennsylvania) and is working hard this summer so she can purchase her first car. My daughter Laurel (sophomore next year) continues to develop as a sand volleyball player. She will play D1 in college somewhere, just has not decided where. My husband, Dave, is a project manager for UCSB and loves his work. We are ensconced in Santa Barbara and I continue to work from home, managing my company’s social service department, working longer days than I care to but loving my work. Anyone coming through SB should let me know—I would love mini-reunions as am not going to make the official reunion, alas.” Mark Lewis and his family returned to Washington, D.C., last fall after four years in Turkey, where he was the representative of the IMF. They are enjoying being back in D.C., but still adjusting to all the driving for the kids—Tanner (12) and Daphne (8)—activities. Our spiritual leader, Steve Lipin, sends: “Greetings, fellow classmates. I have been living in New York City for the past 30 years and am now watching kids go off to school. I left the Wall Street Journal 14 years ago and now am the senior partner for Brunswick Group, a strategic communications firm. My wife, Amy, and I have been married for nearly 23 years. Anna, 18, had a great freshman year at Yale (Ezra Stiles) and as life goes full circle found herself at Tbaad’s Place and Ashley’s Ice Cream. Anna just finished an internship at a foodie magazine called Lucky Peach and just wrote about New Haven’s Louis’ Lunch. She met Nick Dawidoff this past year at a Yale lecture. Nick said way too much... Margot, 17, is a rising senior at Riverdale Country Day, a school in New York that is a lot like Hopkins. We have been college hunting for Margot this spring and she will likely end up somewhere in the Northeast. I couldn’t get her to look at my alma mater, Boston College. Samuel, 14, will be a freshman at Riverdale and will be playing football, basketball and baseball. Believe it or not, Riverdale is playing Hopkins this fall, October I believe. Samuel is already six feet tall and 200 pounds, so should make a good lineman. My dad passed away last year at the age of 85 and my mom still lives in New Haven (no longer down the street from school. So we still get up to New Haven frequently. Look forward to reunion soon or at least watching a football game.” And finally, from Kevin Piscitelli: “By the time this comes out I will have spent a number of days on Block Island with Howie Kreiger and Ken Kreiger ’77 on the Sea Monkeys. My daughter Arianna (15) will be a junior this year. A boyfriend, traveling to California and to Florida, is making Dad a bit older and greyer. Arianna and I will be joining Howie, Stephanie and their two daughters, Carly and Daphne, on Block Island in August. I have been back in Connecticut since December 2012 and it has been great catching up with Hopkins alums. I went back to reunion in June to the Alumni LAX game and caught up with Andy Maretz ’83 and Peter Maretz ’80, Rich Ridinger ’83 and James Passarelli and his daughter Natalie. At the end of June, I got to see Diane and Mark Kolligian with their two kids at the condo of his sister, Diane Kolligian Shannon ’77, in Branford. Mark was up from Florida for Diane’s son’s graduation from Hopkins. I also got to see some other Hopkins alums, including Judy Smith and Cindy Deluca Gagnon. Finally, the Alumni Association Golf Outing ended up netting about $46,000 for scholarships. The outing was held at Orange Hills Country Club and we had a record turnout and a gorgeous day. My foursome consisted of Randy Harrison, Howie Kreiger, Chris Volpe and Andrew McMahon (a friend whose son graduated from Hopkins this year). FYI, we won nothing.”

1982

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Andrew “Shep” Nuland writes: “I continue to manage transformations and transactions for Chinese private companies, but only in the rare free seconds between soccer, fencing, guitar, robots, painting, piano, dress design, theater, singing and other crazy activities my wacky kids drag me through.”

1983

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With a few exceptions, we are all now 50! Perhaps a midlife crisis, perhaps midway between our 30th and 35th reunions? It was just over two years ago that everyone bared their souls about the days at Hopkins. For now, all things seem relatively calm! Medina Tyson Jett writes, “I am excited to report that earlier this year I was elected to the Hopkins Board of Trustees. As a financial aid student at Hopkins I can truly say that Hopkins changed my life. Being elected to the Board of Trustees of this great institution and being able to give back to Hopkins in such a meaningful way is like a dream come true. When not on the Hill, most of my time is spent managing ICSGroup, a company that I founded seven years ago. Based in Hartford and New York, ICSGroup provides compliance services to investment advisors, hedge funds and private equity funds throughout the country. Check us out at www.i-c-solutions.net.” Sara Thier reports, “I recently started a new job as an associate medical director for a local medical communication’s company... and am lovin’ the half-mile commute! Bella started sixth grade and continues to sing at the local School of Rock and is part of a small all-girl band, doing mostly acoustic music. If anyone ever ventures to areas around Philly, please reach out!” David Keck has just completed his first year as Chaplain of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach (if your child is interested in anything aviation-related, let him know!). He loves working with a wide range of students...
international students, ROTC cadets, typical 19-year-olds, etc.), but he still does not believe that planes can actually fly. "They are simply too heavy." Natasha Berger Graf shares, "I turned 50 on August 1. After the first 14 days, I still feel 49!" Dennis Donahue writes, "I visited Tim Lytton and his family in Atlanta. I am looking forward to Tim's next book on food safety—yes, I am still a geek!" Diana Goldman writes that she was so happy to reconnect with Chris Bailey Laidman, who recently attended a class at her vegan cooking school, Beantown Kitchen. They had a blast marinating tofu and massaging kale as they caught up on life since their days together on the Hill. Perhaps Diana and Tim can write a book together on food safety and vegan cooking! It doesn't get any safer or healthier than that! Diana, when I come to Boston for dinner, it will be okay if I pick the restaurant, right? Massaging kale? Massaging? Please don't tell me it makes the kale feel better!" Barbara Wadley-Young updates us, "I graduated from Howard University in May with a PhD in Social Work. My expertise is in social welfare policy, community and organizational culture, and community programs. Surprisingly, I wasn't the oldest fogey walking across the stage, and I got a nod from Morgan Freeman, as he was on stage after receiving an honorary doctorate." Kathleen Shea Smith writes, "I am excited to share that I have begun a new chapter. Two weeks ago I left Tallahassee, Florida, after 22 years to move to Norman, Oklahoma, where I now serve as the Associate Provost for Academic Advising at the University of Oklahoma. The timing could not be better, as it coincided with launching my youngest child, who will be a college freshman at Florida International University. Since many of us are supporting the college transition, please know I am more than happy to answer college advising questions or share great resources that help students find their own paths to success." In April this year, Sharland Blanchard ran the 4th annual Startup Weekend Stamford—an incubator for startup businesses. Sharland's branding and marketing growth strategies business, Launch Unlimited LLC, sponsored the event held at the Stamford Innovation Center. She also raised more than 20 sponsors, including CT Innovations and CT Next, Life in Mobile, Hedgeye, Quinnipiac University, SSJivR, Wasserbauer Law and Whole Foods. She recruited a team of 24 volunteers, 14 coaches, five judges and two speakers dedicated to helping 120 participants develop nine startup business teams. Each team worked together all weekend to turn innovative ideas into viable businesses. She conducted a massive social media campaign luring would-be entrepreneurs from across Connecticut and as far as Boston and San Francisco, and increased women registrants by 25 percent (a personal goal). She was even able to inspire Jonathan Arons to perform his dancing trombone act for their Friday night kickoff. By the time the teams presented their new ventures to a panel of angel investors on Sunday night, entrepreneurs had vetted solid business models with the coaches, designed and developed working apps, and left with an amazing sense of accomplishment and direction for their business ventures. Check out SWStamford.org blogs for more info. For anyone interested, Yale usually sponsors one in the fall—startupweekend.org lists events being held worldwide. Sharland also had a chance to catch up on the phone this past season with Amy Yanagisawa, Lisa Peck and Drew Levy, and recently ran into Jamie Gardner at Moxy's in Madison, a classmate many of us remember from seventh and eighth grades. PS. Sharland joined the Board of Directors for Hopkins Alumni Association this year. She writes, "It's been an incredible experience getting caught up on the amazing things happening on the Hill and hearing about their plans for the future. One of the most impressive things I've witnessed is their virtual classroom where students can attend classes with international classmates in schools around the world. What a great opportunity! Please let me know if any of you are interested in being more involved, I'd love to connect. Much love to you all." Elizabeth Chapman shares, "Life is good! I'm back in the Seattle area after spending a year in Connecticut with my folks, helping out after my dad had an accident (he's fine!). My consulting gig as a malware dispute analyst for Microsoft got extended indefinitely, so I'm free to work wherever I choose, which is wonderful. It's always interesting to see what these malicious folks come up with. I'm currently raising a white German shepherd puppy, Chloe, for my parents. She's a darling. I'll be returning to Connecticut this winter to deliver her and help with some house renovations—so I think it's time for Scott to make another appearance on Broadway so we all have an excuse to meet up in the city again!" Laurie Ades Penn reports, "Three of my four kids have flown the coop now, so we are down to a quietish household with one teenage boy left. I am still working as an elementary math curriculum specialist and doing a lot of community theater on the side, both on stage and behind the scenes. If you are in the Boston area, come see one of my shows. I mean, it's no Elephant Man, but still...!" Adam Perlmutter reports, "All is well in Brooklyn. I won a great federal appeal protecting inmates from sex abuse by prison guards. Barbara went to girls rock and roll camp and played a gig at the Knitting Factory. Lorenzo's bar mitzvah is in September and thankfully does not have my 1977 brown and tan color scheme for his reception. I also fulfilled a lifelong dream in my 50th year of sailing in a race across the Atlantic from the U.S. to England. It was a wet, fast and wild ride, and we beat another eleven teams to win our class." Andrew Levy concludes, "It was great going back to Hopkins this past June with many of the football alumni to honor Coach Tom Parr for his service at Hopkins. This fall there will be a dedication of the ‘pit’ to its new name, Parr Field. We are all looking forward to it. Dave Amendola, Rich Ridinger, Seth Stier and I attended and represented the Class of 1983, the first senior class that Tom Parr coached in football at Hopkins. We had one win that year. First class, first win! We didn't offer much but they do say, 'You never forget your first!' Whoever 'they' are!" Rich Ridinger writes, "I'm 51 and boring!" Seth Stier is still not a banker in Boston. It's only halftime folks... Here's to the next 50 years!
1984
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Elif Armbruster writes, “Very happy to report that my nephew, Ayuka Sinanoglu, will be attending Hopkins in the fall, Class of 2019!” Nina Kruger Davis shared some good news: “I am moving from Baltimore, Maryland, to Fairfax, Virginia, for a new job that involves providing architectural facilities services for a branch of the Department of Defense. My stepson, Brian, is studying to be a nurse practitioner at Towson University. And my stepdaughter, Sarah, is a new freshman at Coastal Carolina University.” John Boyd writes, “I joined FisherBroyles LLP’s Intellectual Property Department in October 2015 and am enjoying the change. We also got a puppy a few months ago (a ‘schnoodle’—looks like Toto from Wizard of Oz) after years of requests from our daughters (including a PowerPoint deck and essay from one explaining why we should get a dog). And we are still enjoying Old Greenwich.” From Jennifer Gill Fondiller, “My older daughter, Anna, recently graduated from high school and will be attending Barnard College, my alma mater, where she’ll start with an interest in theater and social sciences and see where it takes her! She’ll be tagging along (and volunteering) on a work trip I’ll be taking in August to China, so I’m looking forward to some quality mother-daughter bonding time. I also heard Nancy Sharp speak recently at the Fairfield bookstore about her memoir, Both Sides Now. What a fabulous and inspiring speaker, person and friend!” As for me, I went back to work in April as a research associate for Market Strategies International. In spite of the long commute, I enjoy the work and being so close to the heart of Atlanta. If you have not connected with your classmates on Facebook yet, please like the ‘Hopkins Class of 1984’ page at www.facebook.com/hopkins1984.”

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Annie Bourne writes: “I’m delighted to share that my new thriller, Rising Aces: An Edwin Hoff Thriller, published by Watch Hill Books, is now available. Kirkus Reviews calls Edwin ‘a charismatic new action hero worth following on future missions.’ I hope you’ll enjoy meeting him! My husband Julian and I live in Weston, Massachusetts, with our girls Sophie (9) and Jessica (7) and Labrador, Hugo.” Monica Watson writes: “The Class of 1986 has two Facebook groups, Hopkins School, New Haven, Connecticut, Class of 1986, and Hopkins School, New Haven, Connecticut, Class of 1986, 30th Class Reunion. Please join both groups. Also, feel free to email any class news to me throughout the year for submission in the next Views From The Hill.”

1987
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I’m sure you have all heard by now about the passing of our classmate Jack Halprin in July. I saw Jack at our last reunion and he seemed to be genuinely happy and having a great time in California, where he was enjoying all kinds of professional success. Everyone mentioned him in their updates this time around. It seemed appropriate to include these shared thoughts in our class notes. Mitch Zuklie wrote “Not much to report from California, other than that my daughter, Hannah, is now driving—which makes me feel old. I was very sad to hear about Jack Halprin’s passing. Jack and I went to school together from second grade to the time we graduated together from Hopkins. Jack had a wonderful sense of humor, he responded to life’s inevitable challenges with grace, and was a loyal friend. It’s absolutely tragic that his life, like Dan Chepaitis’, was cut so short. On a happier note, it was wonderful to attend Tom Parr’s medal ceremony in June. Coach Parr was the most influential person for me at Hopkins. His unfailing kindness, humble nature, and ability to identify and bring out...
the best in others was magical (not to mention his understanding of the veer offense). I feel so lucky to have had Tom Parr in my life, and owe him a debt that is impossible to repay." Matt Carrano emailed “I was able to attend Jack’s funeral in Woodbridge, along with Leslie Cavallaro, Madeline Jowdy, Helena Nolasco and Laura Lovejoy Randazzo (and we saw Jen Long there as well), where we offered the condolences of Jack’s many Hopkins friends to his mother and brother Marty. In happier news, Jen Long visited D.C. with her family this past April, and came to visit the Smithsonian. Although our dinosaur exhibit is closed, we had a good time touring behind-the-scenes and catching up on time fast-flown. For myself, I’m still working hard on renovating the Smithsonian’s dinosaur hall, which is now emptied and mostly redesigned, but still a good four years from opening. Right now the best part is getting to study the specimens that have been on display (and inaccessible) for the past 50–100 years. Wish me luck! Matt Epstein writes: "Nothing of substance to report on me, but to this day, whenever I hear John Mellencamp’s “Jack and Diane,” I subconsciously substitute ‘Jack (Halpin) and Jodie (Hurwitz) from way back in eighth grade. It’s really sad to hear Jack passed away. I’ll remember him, as I do all of us from the Class of 1987, in static teenage form, oblivious to time, experience, life and death.” Rick Mangi also shared some thoughts about Jack. “Very sad to hear about Jack. He opened a Facebook group when he realized how sick he was and posted silly updates daily. It was sad, funny, moving, and I was glad that he kept in such high spirits up until the end. Not much to report here either; the kids are getting older (my eldest is starting high school next year!).

Hope everybody is doing well.” Megan Holbrook wrote, “Jack always seemed to have a happy smile for others. Exciting for him that he’d joined Google, but what sad news. I’ve made a fairly big life change this summer. After selling my website design firm, I took some time to reflect on what I’d like to do next, when a job opportunity came across Facebook, of all places, from a friend who is now my boss. As of May, I’m working as a major gifts officer for Planned Parenthood, an organization I’ve supported for 26 years. I’m really happy to be working in a nonprofit environment after working as a consultant for nonprofits for so many years. I love the opportunity to be getting out into the community and talking to supporters and potential donors about the organization and the work that it does. I’m really enjoying it and the people I work with.” Jeremy Kasha writes: “Very sad news about Jack. He will always be a part of my Hopkins memories. For my part, I (finally) got married in August. My wife, Monica, and I also just moved into a new apartment in Brooklyn. I’m still working at the New York AG’s office.” For those of you who are friends with Jeremy on Facebook, I asked how his cat, Talisker, who appears frequently in his posts, is doing. Jeremy reports that Talisker is adjusting very well to his new home in Brooklyn, and the cat has even adopted a Brooklyn-themed nickname, “DJ Scratch.” Jen Howland writes: “Busy with kids getting older and forever the search for work-life balance. Crazy to watch the girls grow and change while not really absorbing that means the years are marching on for me as well! Terribly impressed with the ladies in our class mountain bike racing and marathon running! My stint in the outpatient cardiology setting (happily!) coming to an end. A worthwhile year building a new skill set, which has empowered me to make a change in my career. I’ll be working in cardiology services now at hospital setting. I will be joining them again, if they make it… In April, the Honorable Bill Holbrook was sworn in as a United States magistrate judge for the District of Connecticut. Sarah Merriam was sworn in as a United States magistrate judge for the District of Connecticut.

As the deadline for submitting our class notes arrived, Bur Franz, his family and their 1993 RV were in Cody, Wyoming, nearly halfway through a 6,306-mile journey across the country. If all went well, Bur, Candace and their kids returned to Connecticut in August after stops in Yellowstone, Glacier, Banff, Jasper and Lake Louise. Don’t miss the next Views From The Hill to find out if they made it… In April, the Honorable Sarah Merriam was sworn in as a United States magistrate judge for the District of Connecticut. Sarah has her chambers in the federal courthouse in New Haven, so she says, “After all these years I have really never left home!” For the previous eight years, Sarah had served as a federal public defender, and she is the first public defender to be appointed to the federal bench in the District of Connecticut. Tony Ziomek and his wife, Karen, are raising two sets of twins.
Sadie and Sarah turned one in July, and their siblings, Sophie and Anthony, are just 16 months ahead of them. The Ziomeks live outside of Orlando and like to visit Disney World whenever they can. In September, after what she calls a long hiatus, Missy Robbins is opening a new restaurant, Lilia, in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn. The latest book from Elisha Cooper, 8: An Animal Alphabet, is an alphabet book, a counting book, a finding book, a questioning book, and, according to Eli, it “has a wild ‘Did you know?’ section in the back for wild librarians.” Sounds like it should be required reading for new Hopkins students. Aaron Sack saw Elisha, Dave Lynch, Jeff Millen, Phil Piazza, Saul Snowise and Scott Wich in June at the ceremony awarding Tom Parr the Hopkins Medal. “Coach Parr remains a meaningful influence on my life,” said Aaron, who added, “As my children grow older, I can hope they have a similarly positive and formative influence in their coaches and mentors.” Aaron and his wife, Amanda Oberg ’90, spend time locally with their children, Andrew (11) and Margot (9), and their dogs, George and Ringo. Stop by if you’re stuck in summer traffic on Interstate 95.

Sarah Merriam ’89’s ceremonial investiture as United States Magistrate Judge


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What a remarkable reunion weekend. It was a pleasure to see and reconnect with so many classmates. On Friday, Suzie Hoffer Alderman was kind enough to host a party in her gorgeous home in Stony Creek, where we enjoyed cocktails and appetizers on her rooftop patio overlooking the Thimble Islands. Suzie is starting her own legal counseling business. Amanda Oberg, who hosted the party with Suzie, recently purchased a home in Madison, Connecticut. Also present were Karl Schmidt, the head of the Nursing Department in the Bay State Hospital Emergency Department, Alyse Buxbaum, the Head and Director of the Jewish Museum in Manhattan, Madeline Roy, a therapist in New Haven, and Wendy Stevens, who is living just outside Burlington, Vermont. I had such an amazing time catching up with each of you. Suzie was an incredible host who made everyone feel at home. I felt as if we had not missed a day since graduating. At the reunion, I saw Amanda Lendler, who may be delivering my twins in September; Tony DeFronzo, who is slowly becoming the “Donald Trump” of Miami Beach; Morris Fodeman, who,
after several years working for both the U.S. Attorney's Office and the Brooklyn District Attorney's Office, is now in Manhattan doing criminal defense work; **Brady Delia**, who travels the world in connection with his jewelry design business; **Doug Melson**, who is working in finance for his family business in Shelton, Connecticut; and **David Lee**, who has an IT firm in Newtown. I had the pleasure of running into David Lee and met his two lovely daughters at the campus magic show the day after the reunion. It was also great to see **Morgan Fine**, **Joshua Hasbani**, **Joe Marchesi**, **Christopher Chernoff**, **Chip Grutkowski**, **Marc Friedman**, **Ono Alpert**, **Alina Hurstof Hopkins** and **Mandy McGuirre-Schwartz**. At the Tom Parr retirement event on Sunday, which wrapped up the weekend, I was able again to reconnect with Assistant Football Coach **John Pfannenbecker**, who is now head legal counsel for Subway Corporation, and former players **Doug Melson**, **Jared Goetz**, **James Bohan** and **Gregory Haffner**, who recently welcomed into the world his first child. Thanks to Jared's efforts, the football family was able to present Coach Parr with an all-expenses-paid trip for him and his family. I know I speak for the Hopkins football family when I say that many of our greatest Hopkins memories involve you and we will never forget many of the lessons you taught us. My wife and I are expecting twins this fall and we will now be a family of five. To accommodate our growing family, we moved into a home in Milford, Connecticut, previously owned by **Eric Kutzer ’92**.

**1991 25th Reunion**

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As I write this update, I am still feeling the rush of Hopkins pride I experienced earlier this summer at the Alumni Lacrosse game and the retirement/Hopkins Medal award event for Coach Parr. Two days back on the Hill does the soul good! Not too many Class of ’91ers there, but it was great to see **Scott Magrath** at the lacrosse game and to share a table at the Coach Parr event with **Becca** and **Adam Anderson**. As many of you know, my mother passed away this March after a four-year battle with cancer. The support I have felt from the Hopkins community, both classmates and former teachers and coaches, has been striking and is a true testament to the family that Hopkins was/is for many of us. Incidentally, **Tyra Dellacrace**’s update speaks to this. Tyra Dellacrace writes: “I have two children, Michael (5) and Eliana (2), and am married to Jeff Rabel, who was my brother-in-law’s roommate in college. My brother-in-law is **Jason Pfannenbecker ’93**, who is married to my sister, **Brie Dlacroce Pfannenbecker ’94**; my niece Ava (Jason and Brie’s daughter) was just accepted to Hopkins and will be attending seventh grade this fall. I am working for my family business, CT Stone, in Milford, Connecticut, as Vice President of National Projects. Summer is going great. My husband is home with the family for a few months while he transitions from a career in investment banking to a new job working for Intermediate Capital Group (ICG). It’s wonderful to have him home!” **Rachael Schatz** checked in to say that she is enjoying her summer off from work, which is a nice bonus of working in the school system (New Haven Public Schools). She has plans to head out west to Vancouver and Seattle next week for some summer traveling, which will include attending **Darren Apfel**’s nuptials in Seattle! Otherwise summer has been about enjoying her girls, reading for pleasure, going to the beach and playing some tennis. **Hilary Goldberg** was also in touch with the following update: “I am moving to Greensboro, North Carolina, with my daughter, Jenna, so she can attend the American Hebrew Academy—the only international Jewish college preparatory school in the United States. I will be taking on a position at Beth David Synagogue (also in Greensboro) as the Director of Congregant Services.” We both are very excited for their new adventure. **Ethan Hugo** and I exchanged emails as well. He is busy with his job at Pyramid Global Advisors and reported having recently completed a triathlon. Way to represent the Class of ’91 (and 40-somethings everywhere!) by getting it done out on the course! **Andrew Whitley** emailed me and let me know the great news that he has been promoted to Associate Head Men’s Lacrosse Coach at Fairfield University. If anyone is interested in joining me at a game, let me know. It could be a really fun road trip to see “Whit” in action. **Jessica Roberti** writes: “My big news is that I moved to Houston, Texas! I took a job at a fashion jewelry/accessory company and packed up my life in New York City to relocate. So far, I am enjoying the city but it has been a transition. I traded in my metro card for a car and share the road with a lot of large pickup trucks! I am traveling a lot again and just completed two back-to-back trips to China, Cambodia and India. While I miss my life and friends in New York, I think this is going to be a fun opportunity. If anyone heads this way, please look me up! Good to hear from everyone. Feel free to email me at any time with updates, to say hello, or to join me at a Fairfield lacrosse game. jrosswiley@gmail.com”

1992

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1993

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What’s up, Class of ’93?! I really don’t have much to report for this round. I haven’t received any updates from anyone since our last iteration of the notes, so I will just tell you about people I have seen in some of my comings and goings. I had a great time yet again playing in the Hopkins Alumni Golf Tournament with **Brad Groves** and **Adam Kasowitz**. We didn’t win a thing, but we had fun. It’s a great event and if you’ve never played in it, but want to, you should make the time for it. I went on a date night with my wife, Jess, and ran into my longtime friend **Ben DelMonico** while walking around downtown after dinner. We had coffee and dessert with him. I had some god-awful gluten-, yeast- and sugar-free concoction that resembled chocolate cake, but couldn’t have
been because it cost four times as much! It was so dry, but I choked it down and I’ll never forget it. I honestly can’t understand the point of a dessert like that. Anyway, Ben is living and working in New Haven so we speak pretty often. It’s nice to see some familiar faces back in town. Speaking of familiar faces, Andy Dow was in town in July and I had the chance to grab a couple beers with him and catch up. He’s living in Portland, Oregon, with his wife and two children. Everyone is happy and healthy. Derek Ohly and I spoke over the phone this summer, but unfortunately couldn’t catch up with each other. He’s spending the summer at a lake resort outside of Boston. Apparently, it used to be a campground that was converted to, well... a campground with houses and made for the whole family—private residences with showers, beds and all the amenities for mom and dad, but all the games and activities of summer camp for the kids. I looked it up on the Google machine and it looks like a really fun place. Pretty safe bet the Ohly family had a great summer. I went to a birthday party in June for my friend Adam, and Nick Lehman, Matt Blanton and Mike Gilbert were all in attendance. When was the last time you were in a room with those three people? More than likely it was the lounge circa 1993. Nick is living outside Philly with his wife and two kids. Matt and his wife are living in Beantown and Mike, his wife and daughter are right here in Hamden, Connecticut. It was great to see them all. I would tell you more, but there was bourbon. Lots of bourbon. Lastly, I don’t know if you guys and gals are familiar with Facebook, but if you are you probably already know this. If you aren’t I wouldn’t worry about it. I’m positive that the class notes will be the preferred avenue of news dissemination long after the Facebook fad fades into oblivion and the Internet breaks. Anyway here is the news for those of you who are stubborn and just won’t embrace the Internet age. I do respect your moxie by the way. My wife, Jess, and I had a baby boy on April 2, 2015. Grady Alejandro Kelleher. I finally understand why the rest of you keep having all those 2030/2034 Winter Olympics. That’s all I have for this time around. I hope everyone has a happy holiday season and New Year! I hope to hear from and see more of you in the future.

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Greetings, Class of 1994. By the time you read this, I hope you have all had a lovely summer and are embarking on a wonderful start to your “school year” as well this fall. Jason Baumgarten shares an update and invitation to fellow Hilltoppers: “Tiffin and I continue to enjoy Seattle, where we moved in 2004. Our three kids are now 7, 5 and 3 and keep us very busy. Tiffin is serving on the Mercer Island planning commission and I recruit CEOs and board directors for Spencer Stuart, after opening our Seattle office in 2010. If anyone makes it to this corner of the country, let us know.” On the other side of the country, Dana Watnick reports that she has made the big move from the city to the suburbs, and is acclimating, slowly but surely, to her new home and life in Westchester. Adjoa Botwe-Asamoah has also been kind enough to share a bit about her goings-on: “I’m living in and loving D.C. I work as a school climate consultant and behavior analyst, and I’m knee deep in the dissertation process to complete my doctorate in education at the George Washington University! I am planning to attend our 20th reunion because what better way to remember just how old we are.” I, Jacoba Urist, continue to write for NBC News and The Atlantic, where I now cover art, culture and health. My husband and I look forward to getting our son, Wilson, off to first grade. If any of you find yourself with some free time in lower Manhattan, please reach out. I would love to see you but will probably bug you for updates to share in the next Views From The Hill.

1995

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The Class of 1995 celebrated our 20th Reunion this past June. We started off the weekend with a happy hour at Geronimo in New Haven. On Saturday many of us enjoyed a fun-filled day on campus catching up with old friends on the athletic fields and at the magic show. We reconvened on Saturday night under the big tent for some great food, live music and dancing! Opening our time capsule together and reading the letters we wrote to ourselves 20 years ago was priceless! On Sunday many members of the Varsity Football team attended the brunch for Coach Parr. The weekend was absolutely amazing and we hope to see many more of our classmates in five years at our 25th Reunion. Please remember to send in your updates so we can include them in our next submission.


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1997

Correction: Arjuna Greist married Trystan Dean on September 13, 2014, at the Unitarian Universalist Society of New Haven in Hamden, Connecticut. Dana Astmann ’96 provided beautiful piano music for the processional (“Hedwig’s Theme” from Harry Potter) and recessional (Star Wars main theme). Brett Hylan ’97 helped to ensure that each table had a little bouquet of home-grown flowers, and that the gride (yes, gride) had someone with whom to dance when the groom got too tired. A queerly good time was had by all. Ms. and Mr. Greist live with their dogs and chickens in a solar-powered house in Greenfield, Massachusetts.

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Hi all, Eamon Griffin here, and I hope these notes find everyone well. I am going to do my best to mention everyone I’ve been in contact with or heard from, including through social media, but if I miss you, send me an email for next time with the notes you’d like me to include. I am still teaching Spanish and coaching freshman lacrosse at Staples High School in Westport. I continue to play softball on Thursday nights and I have begun playing men’s lacrosse to try to keep the competitive edge intact as well as the midline. I can tell from pictures I see that John Lichtman is enjoying life in Maine with his wife and daughter while he works as assistant director of Camp Tapawingo! He, Casey Paul, Marissa Brooks, Eric Levine, Spencer Hugret, Jon Steitz and Matt Harper attended Jesse Parley’s wedding in Dallas in March. I spoke to Casey and he said it was a blast. I was able to visit Casey, his wife, Heidi, and their son, Nolan, and dog, Ethyl, in February at their home in Seattle. They were the best hosts and it was great to be able to check out their “digs.” I fell in love with Seattle, too! (Shh, don’t tell Westport PS.) Amy Pawlak is jet-setting and entertaining all over the world. I have had the good fortune of seeing Marissa Alter on TV almost daily as she has returned to the area and is reporting and anchoring for News12 CT. She is a natural on camera and I know will be moving on to bigger and better things soon but for now southern Connecticut is lucky to have her giving us the news! Steve Musante will be returning to the good ol’ USA after a long stint in the Far East, where he was less than a good fit. Haha. Glad to have you back, Moose. Again, if I missed you, it’s because I’m getting older and not on purpose. Hope you all are well and please stay in touch! Go Hop! Hello, Classmates! Since Tina Chen usually picks up my slack for these columns, I, Misha Body, am taking care of this one for the both of us. Tina’s own update is that she is still in Philly, working as a registered nurse at the Methodist Hospital. Since she’s still adjusting to the life of a night shift nurse, she doesn’t have much else to report, but she wants to remind you all to send us updates, both about your lives and your email addresses! And, if you happen to find yourself in Philadelphia, drop her a line! As those who are on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/groups/Hopkins.Class1998) may have seen, Tina, Eamon, Joe Cohen and I have been trying to drum up a little more participation for our efforts at keeping
in touch. With that said, I had tried to solicit some “favorite memories” of our time at Hop to mix in with the current updates we’re able to share here. I’ll start us off since I recently cleaned out some old boxes and stumbled upon a cross-country warm-up jacket with “Squirrel!” embroidered on the front. I know that nickname made its way outside of the team—enough for me to personalize my schoolbooks with the moniker—but I’m not sure if you all know how I got the name. In short, I was trying to help Coach Barber find the cross-country uniforms before one of our first meets, and being short, I couldn’t quite reach the higher shelves in the Cage. So, I jumped up on the counter and started scaling the shelves to check the boxes on the top. Coach came in and yelled, “Get down from there! What do you think you are? A squirrel?” And for whatever other reasons, that name stuck. If any of you have other memories that you’d like to share, post on our Facebook page or let Eamon, Tina or me know before our next deadline.

Okay, now down to normal business! From Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she lives with her husband, Travis, and their 2-year-old son, Mahlon, Caroline Blaker reports: “After roughly 12 years in web development, I’m starting a new venture as a data artist—http://datascapes.it—whereby I create data visualizations, both objective and abstract. My first public project that I can attribute to this is http://twitterscapes.it, which creates art from Twitter on the fly. Close to 20,000 of these ‘Twitterscapes’ have been created to date, and anyone with a Twitter account can create one.” Rochelle Fleishman Schnurr lives with her husband and their four children (Aliza, 8, Ella, 6, Maayan, 3, and Yair, 8 months) in Israel. A few years ago, Rochelle switched careers and went back to school to become a nurse. She now works as an emergency room/trauma nurse in one of the busiest hospitals in Jerusalem. Though it’s hectic and intense, she loves it! She and her family come back to the U.S. once a year or so and would love to see former classmates next time she’s back! And of course, if anyone makes the trek to Israel, she’d be happy to show you around! Michael Fasano just wrapped up a remarkable starring role in Footloose at the Seven Angels Theatre in Waterbury, Connecticut. His performance as Ren McCormack earned him a 2015 Connecticut Critics Circle nomination for Outstanding Actor in a Musical. You can follow other exciting career updates on his website: www.michael-damian-fasano.com. Joe Cohen and his family had a wonderful summer and spent most of July in New Haven. While he commuted to work in New York, he was also taking a trip down memory lane as his 2½-year-old daughter attended camp at his old nursery school! As for myself, Misha, I am still working at the California Science Center, but I was recently promoted to be the Director of Terrestrial Husbandry and Interim Co-Director of Aquatic Husbandry. On the same day that I got that offer, I also found out I was accepted to grad school for Miami University’s Project Dragonfly/San Diego Zoo Global’s Advanced Inquiry Program. Through this program, I’ll learn how to engage a community through inquiry-based learning to facilitate meaningful conservation change. Though I’ve only finished one semester so far, I’m thrilled to be back in school and giving some deep thought as to what kind of impact I want to have on my community and how I will go about making it a reality. When I’m not doing homework, I’ve been spending a lot of time training our dog, Corley, in agility; I don’t plan on competing with her, but boy does she love running the obstacle courses, tongue lolling out the side of her mouth with a big dopey grin on her face! Anyway, I hope to hear from people, and not just when we nag you for updates to share! I’ve been feeling particularly nostalgic recently for whatever reason, and you all have played an important part of my life in some way or another, so keep in touch!
1999

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Laura Abbott writes: “I was married to Jason T. Miner on June 6, 2015, and I finished my residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology as of June 23, 2015. I am currently on my honeymoon, which first took us to Corsica, where we hiked the GR-20. I will be returning to the Bay Area to work later this summer.”

James Wood: “What started out as a New Year’s resolution in January of 2014 became a reality in May of 2015 when I spent the entire month living in Madrid. In an effort to totally immerse myself in the Spanish language, I traveled alone and spent 27 days living in an apartment in the Lavapiés neighborhood of Madrid. With nothing more than a backpack (thank you, Alli Grady) I spent my days walking around one of the most historic cities on the planet. I saw sights I will never forget, such as the Plaza Mayor, the Museo del Prado, la gran via, and so much more (including bumping into Serena Williams outside her hotel!). It was an experience almost impossible to describe and I have every intention of returning to Spain to see much more of the country someday.”

Alli Grady: “I continue to have contact with former Hilltoppers. In March of 2014, I gave birth to John Francis Krautkramer (Jack). His godmother is Karla DeMaio ‘98. In March of 2015, we celebrated Jack’s first birthday with friends and family including Karla and Yasmin Thornton Abdul-Rahman ‘99 here in Milwaukee. In April, I attended the Alumni Gathering in Chicago where I met some of our newest alums. On July 23, Jackie Corcoran Schechter ‘99 visited me in Milwaukee at our new home and after a few days left for a weekend in Chicago. Finally, I am a proud new ‘aunt’ to Grady Kelleher, son of Jess and AJ Kelleher ‘93! Ricky Baltimore married Carley Finkenthal in November of 2014 in a destination wedding in Mexico.

2000

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Sarah Baron is super busy making Montefiore a safer and higher quality hospital. Jeremy Kahan recently left his job to launch his own hedge fund. Their daughter, Joanna, is almost 3 and is already requesting purple-painted toes and tattoos of ABCD. The Kahan family all ventured recently to the Brooklyn army terminal on Andrew Gustafson’s Turnstile Tours. Gabrielle Moss recently started as a staff writer at a women’s website, Bustle.com. Robert Curry also started a new job in product management with GE Healthcare. Ian Shedd is pushing his physical strength and endurance to the limits. He ran the Rock ’n Roll half marathon in D.C. He also spent eight days on the glaciers and peak that make up Mount Rainier in Seattle and did a winter climb of Mount Washington. Harper Gould Mates and her husband, Scott, welcomed their second son, Ryder, into the world in April. Ryder and big brother Colson have lots of playdates with other Hopkins babies including Ruhani Panse (Vaani Garg’s daughter), Harrison Wishnow (Erica Spector Wishnow’s son), and Eve and Ilana Fersko (Diana Shapiro Fersko’s daughters).

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Hope everyone in the Class of 2001 is doing well. Our classmates continue to enjoy great life events and accomplishments. Esther Judelson was married to Benjamin Berringer last January. Their wedding was held in the Italian Alps (see picture). When not getting betrothed amidst incredible alpine surroundings, she lives in New York and is excited to be working on renovations for her and her husband’s new apartment. Josiah Venter writes that he, too, recently got married: “I married/eloped with Megan Lindsey Venter on April 16, 2015, in Point Reyes National Seashore, California. I am currently enrolled in a MS in Ecological Teaching and Learning program and am teaching fifth grade at St. Thomas’s Day School in New Haven.” Congrats to both Esther and Josiah!

Kate Bogart is back in New York with her husband, Matt, and their new puppy and says that she “would love to catch up with anyone in town!” Quiana Chambers remains in Philadelphia, where she is working as a marketing director and busy mom to her 3-year-old son, Carter, and her daughter, Kennedy, who just turned 1. She still makes time to see fellow Hopkins alums: “I just saw many classmates at Ben Rubenstein’s engagement party,” she writes. She plans
for a four-year-belated “honeymoon” to South Africa. Sarah Mansourian reports: “My husband, Diego, and I welcomed a baby girl to our family! Emilia Ayala Mansourian was born on May 27 in London, England. We are in love with our little one! If anyone comes through London for work or pleasure, please get in touch!” Laura Miller has had an incredible last four years during which she was living in Sierra Leone while working for the International Rescue Committee (IRC). For the last year, she was the Coordinator of the Ebola Response Consortium (ERC), a group of 15 international NGOs, led by IRC, that came together in the early part of the outbreak to support the Ministry of Health to implement national scale programming on Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) and Surveillance. Laura writes, “Sad to leave Sierra Leone, but looking forward to being back in the U.S. for a while to enjoy the beauty of fall in New England!” Welcome home, Laura! Marissa Black is currently in her last year of residency at the University of Washington in the Internal Medicine Primary Care program. She spent some time last summer in Anchorage, Alaska, while she worked at the Native Alaskan Medical Center for four weeks. In her downtime, she explored the Kenai Peninsula, went salmon fishing and kayaking, and went hiking in Denali National Park. Sounds like an awesome trip! Class Notes would like to make a correction from our column in the last issue. In that column, we incorrectly attributed an entry to Ben Rubenstein instead of Ben Boas. We sincerely regret the error. Ben Boas now reports that his book Everything I Ever Needed to Know About Japan I Learned from Comics and Video Games! was recently published. The book contains a chapter about how he and our classmate Siddhartha Jayanthi created Hopkins’ first Japanese class back in 2000. Ben writes, “As juniors, we were both interested in studying Japan’s intense college admissions process and so we designed a senior project that would let us travel to Japan the next year. Part of this was getting permission from the head of school for a Japanese class for which we had to find our own teacher.” The book includes a section on this search (see picture on page 51 of a page from the book); Siddhartha, our Japanese teacher, and a female head of school make appearances). Vanessa Soto lives in Miami Beach, Florida, right down the street from Emily Triffin. Vanessa writes, “We both love living here. I work as a massage therapist and yoga instructor and have been acting locally and nationally in film, commercial, television and live theater projects.” Emily is working with Hilton Hotels.

2002

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The Alumni/ae office regrets to report that our former teacher and coach Jon Bellis, husband of Kathryn Barry Bellis ’73 and father of Christopher B. Bellis ’02, passed away July 31, 2015. Congratulations to Jason Meilzlish and Allie Rubin, who tied the knot this past March. And to Julia Kosinski, who married Saul Cardenas in April. Her bridesmaids included Serena Longley, Lara Angelo Battema and Olivia Benisch ’01. Paige Armstrong just moved to Atlanta to begin a fellowship in the Epidemic Intelligence Service with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Her son was born just as this column went to press. Mazel tov! Gayley Woolston “started a new job at Bridgewater, a large hedge fund in Westport, Connecticut.” She is “working on the internal strategy group (called the ‘Transformation team’),” and reports that “one of my orientation videos included a clip about Andrew Baron ’99!” Hallie Mueller reports that she is “still the Eric Mueller of the southwest

teaching art at Phoenix Country Day School. Though most recently, I’ve spend the summer traveling throughout the U.S. with some alpine climbing adventures in Alaska and a backpacking excursion along the Lost Coast of California.” And now, for Volume V of the Great Alphabetical Update: Brooke Lenci Clark is “doing really well. We (my husband, Brandon, our 2-year-old, Noah, and I) are living in Manhattan and loving it!” At left is a picture of her son, Noah (on the left), and Tucker Frawley’s son, Brady. Michael Cummings reports that “Things are good. I’m in Cambridge, Massachusetts, working as a manufacturing engineer. I’m in China about eight weeks per year and have been hiking in New Hampshire with Josh Kennedy ’03 lately.” Fallon Daniels recently moved back to New Haven to become the Principal at IDEA Academy. IDEA is a new high school that Fallon recently designed with her staff. She’s excited to be back in the Elm City, and her son, Elijah, is growing and doing well. Hillary D’Atri Solarino and her husband, Anthony, bought their first home last year and live in New Haven. Hillary works at Yale-New Haven Hospital doing performance improvement. In Volume V of the GAU you can look forward to hearing from a girl-power group composed of Cammie Dale, Allison Dewhirst, Lisa Dunlop, Eve Elliott and Daphne Evans. Thanks to all who have contributed to the GAU—2½ years down; 9½ to go!

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The Class of 2003 is jet-setting, celebrating, and enjoying their summers! Wedding bells have been ringing—we received a lovely note from Eve Garrick, Josh Zelinsky’s wife, saying, “We were married in New Haven on June 7, 2015. His brothers, Aaron Zelinsky ’02 and Nathaniel Zelinsky ’09, served as bestman and groomsmen, respectively. His sister, Jacoba Urist ’94, served as a bridesmaid. Other Hopkins graduates in attendance were Aaron Brotman ’02 and Aaron Margolis ’02 and Micah Margolis
'14. Jessica Bloomgarden married Michael Muse on July 11, 2015, in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. Kara Bloomgarden '08 served as Maid of Honor and classmates Nick Corsano, Summer Wies, and Arielle Traub were among the guests. Alison DeSimone, who has spent the past year working at the University of Cincinnati's College-Conservatory of Music, will be starting as an Assistant Professor of Musicology at the University of Missouri–Kansas City. Kudos, Alison! Congratulations to Nicole Aaronson as well—she recently matched to a pediatric otolaryngology fellowship at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, capping off her last year of residency at Yale. Andrew Soberman joined the Nightdippers—a helicopter sea combat squadron—in Norfolk, Virginia, and was working on the USS Truman. He's in training through the rest of the year before he goes on deployment, generally doing way cool stuff and being the Class of 2003’s Maverick. Safe flying, Andrew! Arielle Traub is thrilled to announce the birth of her son, Caleb Benjamin Traub Prosnit, born March 24, 2015, in New York City. She and her husband, Ethan, are smitten! Ryan Holt ’03 is headed off to Purdue for a master’s and then a PhD in sociology.

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Class of 2004’s fall news includes great updates and exciting announcements! Read on to hear what’s new… In baby news, Liz Rohr Chandler and her husband, Kyle, welcomed Hughes Robert Chandler on May 20, 2015. “He gives the best snuggles,” Liz says, “and we are totally in love!” Congrats to the Chandler family! Liam Andrew wrote to us from Austin, Texas, where he works for the Texas Tribune, a nonprofit public media startup that covers Texas politics and policy. He invites any Hopkins folks visiting Austin for work, music festivals or barbecue to get in touch! Sarah Tauchini is still in Washington, D.C., working as a software developer and acting professionally on the side. She told us, “Dan Turner-Evans and Mike Dearington came to see my last show, which was great.” In a theater across the pond, Jess Kaufman is in London, finishing up an MA in Advanced Theatre Practice at the Royal Central School of Speech and Drama. She’ll be performing her thesis piece, Martha and the Event Horizon, at the Camden Fringe in August. “We’re looking at the relationship between young audiences and dramaturgy in devised theater,” Jess explained, “and working a lot with sound and noise theory, possibly building toward a PhD. (We’ll see!)” Another musical connoisseur from the Class of 2004, James Patterson wrote to us from Japan, where he is DJ-ing. He says, “I have a song I wrote coming out on Top 40 radio soon and an album coming out on Atlantic Records. Hopefully, I will be scheduling a world tour for this fall.” Cheryl Cohler completed a pediatric residency at UCSF in June, and will continue on as an attending for a year before beginning a hematology oncology fellowship. While Cheryl remains in the Bay Area, our very own rocket scientist, Thomas Lipp, has just departed that region for SoCal. After receiving his PhD in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University, he moved to Los Angeles with his fiancé to continue working at SpaceX, where he develops reusable rockets. I (Erin Johnson) had the chance to visit Thomas and tour the SpaceX facility when he was working there last summer; it was, if I might say, out of this world! Thanks to all of our classmates who wrote in with updates. As always, we love hearing from you. For those who didn’t reach us this time—get your news ready for the next installment. We can’t wait to hear from you!
A big thanks to all who made it out for our 10-year reunion in June! We hope the next five years don’t fly by as fast as the last five. Unsurprisingly, the Class of 2005 continues to make professional and personal strides. Ken Jacobi graduated from NYU Stern and began working at PepsiCo on their commodities team in early 2015. He currently lives in Stamford, Connecticut. Alex Mednick is now a proud father. He and his wife, Stephanie, became parents on April 28, when Bellarose Adeline Mednick was born at 6:39 pm, measuring 22 inches long and weighing 8 pounds, 10 ounces. Laura Strittmatter is currently working at a healthcare consulting firm in Boston. She married Chetan Tidvalkar in June. Claire Russo, Elyse Schoenfeld and Leland Milstein ’04 (on Chetan’s side) were in the bridal party. Brooks Udelsman is currently in his second year of surgical residency at MGH. He married Marissa Boardman in August; Vincent Granata attended the wedding. Courtney O’Brien works at Morgan Stanley in Boston and regularly runs into Craig Cooper, who is working for a law firm in her office building. Courtney married Mark Yakavonis in Fairfield, Connecticut, in June. Claudia Cole Wies, Anna Padilla and Julia Schoen attended the wedding. Amanda Feuerstein is pursuing a joint MEM/MBA degree in sustainability and business at Duke Fuqua. She married Matt Bushell ’01 in May; Kyle Warren and Louise Cocks attended the wedding. Dave Arnett recently returned from a seven-month deployment in the Far East and moved with his family to Vancouver Island to do a three-year exchange flying tour with the Royal Canadian Air Force. Ben Zlotoff writes “All’s well in Boston. I’m still trying my hand at entrepreneurship in the year since graduating from business school. Working at HourlyNerd, which is attempting to fix the consulting industry that, oddly, I’d just left to join HourlyNerd. Still live a few blocks from Sean Harrity, ran into Dana Etra at a Cambridge restaurant a few months ago, and was taken for a night on the town ‘Sperling style’ in Atlanta when I was down there for a wedding.” Daniel Glaser writes: “After four years in south Florida, in May I graduated from the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine with an MD and MPH. My fiancée and I then moved back to Connecticut in June so I could begin my residency in Pediatrics at Yale.”
partner, who is starting at Cornell’s architecture graduate school in the fall, and Geoff will be full-time freelance science writing up there. Further downstream, Alexis Sharpe graduated from medical school in May and moved to New York City, where she has begun residency in Internal Medicine at Mount Sinai Hospital. Also in the Big Apple after having practiced corporate transactional law in Connecticut for two years, Lindsay Sklar is now working as a commercial litigator at a firm in Manhattan. Hallie Coffin-Gould is excited to be moving to Pittsburgh to start her MBA at Carnegie Mellon’s Tepper School of Business. Speaking of the Steel City, Hillary Schepps recently earned her MA in applied linguistics and a TESOL certificate from the University of Pittsburgh. After that, Hillary moved back to Calabria, got married, and has been living the dream ever since. She has been busy teaching English to teens and adults, doing freelance translations, and leading state-funded teacher training courses with English language professors from the region. In our nation’s capital, Aleks Romano is finishing up the season at the Glimmerglass Festival singing Second Lady in Magic Flute, Dinah in Trouble in Tahiti, and as a member of the ensemble in Candide. Aleks is returning to Washington National Opera to finish her residency there, and she will appear on the main stage as Mercedes in Carmen, and Hansel in Hansel and Gretel. She has also joined the roster of Fletcher Artists! And out west, Luke Kelly-Clyne is now Head of Native Content Video at CollegeHumor/ Electus. He’s still very much in L.A. As for me, Corey Briskin, I am enjoying my work as a DWI prosecutor at the Nassau County District Attorney’s Office.

2007

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From far and wide, the Class of 2007 continues to keep busy. There are two marriages to announce. Kara Pellegrino married Melissa Lynn Crowther in Pinkney Park in Rowayton, Connecticut, on July 2, 2015. They are living and working in the Rowayton area, while Kara pursues her MBA at NYU Stern. Alexandra Andrews Mitchell married Patrick Mitchell on July 11, 2015, with Hopkins friends Emily Auchincloss and Kristia Wantchekon in attendance. Alex is living in Cambridge, Massachusetts, while finishing up her PhD in Earth, Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences at MIT. Also in Boston, John Peck is living in the Back Bay area of the city and working at a law firm focused on employment and medical malpractice litigation. Matt Carroll is nearby at the Commonwealth Medical College and is completing a medical student fellowship in addiction in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in the summer 2015. Gearing up for election season, Ross Hicks will be leaving Gartner this fall to start his MBA program at UConn in Hartford, while Hadley Brighten finished her first year at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and is completing a medical student fellowship on addiction in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in the summer 2015. Gearing up for election season, Marissa Mayer is working in D.C. and Maryland fundraising on the Donna Edwards for Senate campaign. Craig Metz has started a new job at Legg Mason Asset Management in Stamford, Connecticut. Out west, Amelia Russo lives in Aspen, Colorado, and is working at the Aspen Art Museum while hiking, biking and playing softball in her spare time. Farther from home, Colin Santacroce was recently named to the rank of Staff Sergeant and learned he will receive a full scholarship from the Army to attend Syracuse University, starting in the fall of 2015. Upon graduation, Colin will commission as an officer. Lastly, I, Dana Traub, recently moved to Somerville, Massachusetts, and was promoted to Senior Data Insights Manager at Forrester Research. Outside of work, I volunteer for Pine Street Inn, Boston’s largest homelessness organization, doing fundraising and service work.

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Alana Friedlander moved to D.C. this July to begin a new job for Hilton Worldwide as the Digital Brand Manager for Doubletree Hotels. She leads the online, digital and social strategy for the brand as well as managing the multiple agencies the company works with in creating and executing campaigns. Micha Thompson is back in New York City to start medical school at Weil Cornell Medical College after doing a post-baccalaureate pre-medical year at Bryn Mawr. Luke Lamar is also in medical school—he is in his second year at UConn Medical School. Gilah Benson-Tlsen is in New Haven, assisting with demographics research. Becca Bagnall graduated from grad school at Boston College while also working as interim guidance counselor at North Quincy High School. She also co-taught at a summer school program at Charleston Inn, Boston’s largest homelessness organization, doing fundraising and service work.
Over the summer she started a new job working as a media manager at 360i, working on the NBCUniversal account. She will be traveling to Thailand in the fall, and is excited to play with tigers and elephants.

Lizzy Fiedler graduated from Barnard College in May 2014, and is currently working in account management at Ogilvy and Mather in New York. She lives with Jessica Cohen, who is working at Now What, a qualitative market research firm. After traveling and learning about art, Jana Babouder-Matta has landed on the west coast, where she will be working with a nonprofit organization that helps economically disadvantaged women find careers. Bobby Berkowitz is still working at the same consulting firm since graduation, Pearl Meyer and Partners, and really enjoyed his time at the Hopkins 5th Reunion in June. Leon Wang is doing really well and is about to embark on his next journey; he will be starting medical school at Tulane University in the fall. Michael Gold just finished his first year teaching at Hopkins (he loved being back on the Hill) and he is enjoying his first teacher summer—he has lots of travel and fun things planned. He will be at Williams helping out with a summer math program and then camping in Utah, doing some travel with his family, and enjoying hanging out in New Haven. Ramzi Babouder-Matta just returned from a yearlong stint as an English teacher in Vietnam, working through the Princeton in Asia Fellows program. He taught in the Mekong Delta city of Can Tho at a local university, and after a fantastic year he is happy to be back in the United States. Rasa Guarnaccia is living in New York City and going to school for her Teaching Certification and Masters in Secondary Math. Tally Vick is back in New Haven mentoring diabetic youth; he is pursuing his insurance brokers license and is playing a lot of soccer. Madeline Pantalena will be starting at Yale Divinity School in the fall to receive her Master’s in Divinity. She is still living it up in New Haven. Gus Prum is working for a boutique film production company in New York City and writing, shooting his own short film. He is currently living in Greenwich Village with Ben Cabranes, and trying to take advantage of all of New York’s exciting new cultural elements. Molly Levine is enjoying working in PR in New York and meeting celebrities who are sometimes nice. She is still living with fellow classmate Allie Briskin and they are both really happy together.
After four and a half years away, some of you might be missing good old 986 Forest Road. But don’t worry. We’ll be back soon! It’s hard to believe but our 5th Reunion is just around the corner. In the meantime many of our classmates have been keeping busy. After graduating from Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service this May, Sophie Skoggard moved to Botswana in August to serve as a Clinic and Health Team volunteer with Peace Corps for the next two years. Hoya classmate Lauren Kahan also graduated in May after double majoring in Finance and Marketing. In July, she began work at Oracle and is living in Arlington, Virginia. Also employed in the tech world, Justin Manley moved to California in the fall to do software engineering for Google. He is living in the Bay Area and spends his free time writing about art and architecture. After graduating from Yale in the spring, Constantin Geanakoplos is working for Robert A.M. Stern Architects. He moved to the Union Square neighborhood of Manhattan over the summer along with three other of our classmates: Peter Rosiello, Cormac Carr and Matt Luciani.

Nora Thompson, after being elected early to the Connecticut chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in the fall and graduating from Wesleyan University in May, has also made the transition to the Big Apple. She moved to Brooklyn over the summer and is now working at BeneStream, a public health startup working to enroll low-income workers into Medicaid. Across the East River, Shannon Delaney, who graduated from Lafayette College with a degree in Psychology and Art History in the spring, is attending graduate school at NYU for speech-language pathology. Alex Siegenfeld will also be continuing his studies this year after he graduated in the spring from MIT with majors in Physics and Math and a minor in Chemistry. He is now pursuing a PhD in theoretical physics, also at MIT. His research will focus on solid-state systems, and he hopes to combine chemical intuition with mathematical rigor in order to further our understanding of materials with technologically useful properties. Devyn Curley is also pursuing a graduate degree in the Boston area. He has returned to Tufts this fall for a two-year MS in Mechanical Engineering program, funded through a fellowship. He will continue to act as the manager of the engineering education organization, STOMP, that he worked for as a teacher during undergrad while getting his masters. Fellow Tufts classmate Andrew Nitirouth returned to Connecticut to coach youth lacrosse for the Make a Wish Foundation, marking his fourth year with the program after taking part in the program’s inaugural installment in 2012. Andrew has also been working on choreography for ‘Tufts’ BlackOut Step Team. Moving back up from the south, Matt Pun is joining Devyn, Andrew and Alex in the Boston area. He began work there in the summer conducting research in cancer genetics to understand mechanisms of resistance to treatment in breast cancer. Fellow Class Secretary Cailin Gillespie is working in Stamford as an audit associate at KPMG and, despite graduating from Notre Dame last spring, has found herself back in South Bend for an inordinate number of home football games this fall.

Luke McCrory spent the spring semester studying in Toledo, Spain, and he worked during the summer with Sankaty Advisors, a financial firm in Boston. Kela Caldwell writes: “I am excited to be interning in San Francisco this summer with the International Forum on Globalization, a progressive policy think tank.”

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Can you believe it’s been two years since we graduated from Hopkins? How about this, can you believe we are graduating from college in two years? Time is flying by and the Class of 2013 is busier than ever! Jacob Marks is doing research in lattice Quantum Chromodynamics at Reservoir labs this summer. When he’s not implementing fast solvers for systems with billions of equations, Jacob is enjoying New York City, going to comedy clubs, and rock climbing way too much. Andrea Wooten is spending her time in the District this summer interning for the up and coming USA Today partner Wheat City Magazine. Most of her time is spent curating music, interviewing artists and creating a lot of art of her own.
Jack McLean is studying French in Avignon, France, this summer. When he’s not in the classroom, Jack is exploring southern France, enjoying baguettes and trying in vain to not stick out as a tourist. Paul Tupper is working as a summer intern analyst at Ellington Management Group, a quantitative hedge fund in Old Greenwich, and taking business courses at Columbia during the nights. Kelsey Handelman is serving as an architectural design intern at Deborah Berke Partners, an architecture firm in Manhattan’s flatiron district. When she’s not getting lost on the subway, Kelsey is spending her spare time making a name for herself in the underground karaoke scene. Julia Vlock is serving as an intern in the justice-involved programs of STEPS to End Family Violence, an organization based in New York that works for prevention and intervention of domestic violence, as well as policy advocacy to reform laws regarding family violence. In her free time Julia is house training her puppy, a Shetland sheepdog named Luna, and finding Kelsey when she gets lost on the subway... which is a frequent occurrence. A big thank you for everyone who shared their summer adventures, looking forward to see what comes next for the Class of 2013 this coming semester!

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Now more than a year removed from their Commencement, the sagacious and spirited members of the Class of 2014 continue to succeed in a myriad of ways both within the classroom and outside of academic endeavors. Still clinging onto the guiding principles originally prescribed by Gov. Edward Hopkins and Rev. John Davenport, the class eagerly takes on every opportunity available off of the glorious Hill. Though she may not attend the college bearing an appellation identical to her surname, Taegan Williams has nevertheless had a wondrous first year at Tufts, both swimming for the Jumbos and playing club water polo, masterfully appropriate for a young woman who led both teams during her time at 986 Forest Road. Taegan also just completed her first triathlon (as I sit here finishing off some chocolate glazed doughnuts) and she participated in an engineering internship. Only big things ahead for this Medford-based Hilltopper! Additionally, Kaitlin Hickey has had a tremendous year since receiving her Hopkins diploma. She is majoring in Political Science and French at Columbia and concentrating in Business Management. This past summer, she worked as a communications and marketing intern at PepsiCo before traveling to Paris to take Art and Music Humanities at Reid Hall, one of Columbia’s Global Centers. Kaitlin is keeping busy as a member of and tour guide for the Undergraduate Recruitment Committee and as a volunteer for the Consulate General of France in New York. She is also training to run in the Philadelphia Half Marathon, which again leads me to wonder how my fellow alums have remained so active without the quotidian hike up the stairs to the Walter Camp Athletic Center anymore. Furthermore, Jenny Ibsen has had an absolutely splendid freshman year up at Bowdoin College, the home of the Polar Bears. Upon arriving at college, Jenny sold all of her preppy attire at a thrift shop and has become lovingly more acquainted with the outdoors. In her time up in Brunswick, Jenny serves as the Photo Editor of The Orient, the longest running weekly college newspaper in the country. While back home in the 203 this summer, Jenny interned at Creative Arts Workshop, assisting with their quarterly zinette and writing faculty bios. She also took a metal sculpture class because someone thought allowing Jenny to weld objects with fire was a good idea. Luckily, Hopkins full-time art teacher and part-time artist Jackie Labelle-Young was also enrolled in the class and was on hand to prevent any fires that risked engulfing the entirety of the Elm City. I would like to extend a personal big congratulations to Logan Werner who will be heading to the University of Vermont in the fall after spending his freshman year at Beloit College. Logan has been very occupied both playing and coaching lacrosse, the latter activity occupying his schedule over the summer. As custodian of the Class Notes, I am always thrilled to hear about the incredible work of my erstwhile classmates and would love to hear from any and all of them for the many iterations of these to come. In the meantime, I would be remiss to not offer you all my hope that you have a Hopkins day!

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It did not take long for the Class of 2015 to get out into the world and put their now finished Hopkins education into real world applications. From summer jobs to overseas journeys, the members of the Class of 2015 have been constantly on the go. The most recent graduates of Hopkins School have some interesting things in store for this coming school year. Noah Rennert is going on an adventure comprised of business management and agricultural immersion this year. He can’t wait to start working at the Trading
Post Farm in Germantown, New York, for two weeks in September. The next stop on his journey is a four-month-long internship at his grandfather’s business management firm, Gelfand, Rennert and Feldman, at its White Plains office. He will then pack his bags and travel across the country to work on organic farms through the organization Willing Workers on Organic Farms. He will then be reunited with a close friend for about a month at a farm in his final destination, Portland, Oregon. When he returns to Connecticut in late May, Noah hopes to work for Bernie Sanders’ presidential campaign or pursue an internship at the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection before starting school in the fall of 2016. The Class of 2015 has some students who have chosen to study abroad this year. Bridget Donovan and Natalie Yannopolitanus will be headed to France. Bridget is spending two years at l’Institut d’Études Politiques de Paris and two years at Columbia University. She will be studying Political Science, Economics and Chinese at the Europe-Asia campus in Le Havre this year. Natalie will be spending her freshman year in Paris as part of the liberal studies program at NYU. She will be taking courses in French language, social foundations, cultural foundations and writing. Natalie says, “I can’t wait to nestle myself into the City of Lights next year, and I look forward to being immersed in all things French.” The most popular summer job for the Class of 2015 was lifeguarding. Alex McMahon, Will Pitkin, Bethany Hecht, Courtney Gilroy and Lucy Peterson have all been patrolling pools across the state. Walker Schneider, lacrosse, Kamsi Nwangwu, football, Jake Poliner, baseball, and Jarrett Poliner, fencing, have been preparing to play collegiate athletics at their respective schools through rigorous offseason workouts. Alex Liu and Griffin Smith have switched their athletic endeavors to the coaching field, helping coach the Hopkins Football and Basketball teams, respectively; similarly Sayer Paige worked as a tennis pro at Madison Country Club. Justin Bower and AJ Berman were counselors at the same camp this summer, working at Harbor Light Foundation Inc., a camp that focuses on helping children with autism. Trying their hands in the foodservice industry, Balal Khan and Jake Pierce worked at Papa Johns and Dairy Queen. Elijah Rivera has been staying up to date with all of the new movies through his new usher job at Cinemark, a movie theater in North Haven. There were also a few people who used the summer to intern in professions they possibly see themselves pursuing in the future. Isabel Balcezak worked in the marketing department of Yale University’s Properties and Will Lowrie learned from a mentor at Barnum Financial Group in Shelton how to run data analytics. Handyman Michael Leone got his hands dirty this summer by doing maintenance work at apartment buildings in Bridgeport. Staying on the Hill for the summer was Tyler Clark, who was a math teacher at Breakthrough New Haven. Also working in the education field, Marcus Brantley helped out at New Haven Public School System’s summer school, dealing with everything from office trouble to bus dismissal. While many young alumni were working, others were testing out their new diplomas in different states and countries. Johanan Knight used his Hopkins education to spend two weeks in Spain with a host family, continuing his goal of fluency. In the small town of Lime Rock, Connecticut, Jackson Kleeman took racing lessons for dialed down formula one cars. Hayley Cashman, Marcie Gallagher, CC Crews and Bethany Hecht traveled as a Hopkins group for a weekend trip to Greece. In the same direction went Evan Carlson, who visited St. Petersburg, Russia, and Paris, France. Arnav Singh and Sanjay Duresettti went to different parts of India over the summer with their respective families. Staying in the United States, Kieran Knott traveled all over the country, stopping at the Outer Banks in North Carolina, New Hampshire and Block Island. Garrett Ballard also traveled to the beach, going to to Cape Cod for a week with his family, where he has continued in his pursuit to discover the best novels and movies of all time. Alex Burdo was lucky enough to visit all six New England states, doing bird surveys or research while also working at the Bird Watcher’s General Store in Orleans, Massachusetts. The Class of 2015 also has its first bartender: Akhil Choudhary was licensed at the Boston Bartending School and will work part time at college. Karma Masselli started off her summer with Tomorrow the World, an immersive play that she directed. The script was adapted from the classic Brave New World, and starred fellow members of the Class of 2015 Anna Ayres-Brown, Lucy Berman, Raffi Donatich and Neha Patel. They had two weekends of great performances in July with the Hopkins community filling the audiences! It has only been a few months since graduation, but the members of the Class of 2015 have already started on their lives post-Hopkins, and we cannot wait to see how everyone does in their next steps.
Marriages

1963
Arthur Bogen and Kathleen Burnett on May 30, 2015

1987
Jeremy Kasha and Monica Lorza Alban on August 22, 2015

1999
Laura Abbott and Jason T. Miner on June 6, 2015
Ricky Baltimore and Carley Finkenthal on November 15, 2014

2001
Esther Judelson and Benjamin Berringer on January 12, 2015
Josiah Venter and Megan Lindsey Venter on April 16, 2015

2002
Julia Kosinski and Saul Cardenas on April 11, 2015
Jason Lowell Meizlish and Allie Rose Rubin on March 7, 2015

2003
Jessica Bloomgarden and Michael Muse on July 11, 2015
Joshua Zelinsky and Eve Garrick on June 7, 2015

2005
Arielle Traub and her husband, Ethan Prosnit, welcomed Caleb Benjamin Traub Prosnit on March 24, 2015

In Memoriam

Catharine Hooker Barclay ’36 MDS
d. April 19, 2015
Jeanne Slate Overstreet ’36 MDS
d. June 6, 2015
Renze Wilshire Johnston ’37 MDS
d. November 9, 2014
Anna Huntington Deming ’39 PHS
d. January 26, 2014
Elizabeth Reeves Goodspeed ’40 PHS
d. May 14, 2015

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Charlotte M. Bruney
d. January 5, 2014
Kenneth A. Paul Sr.
d. June 29, 2015
Jon M. Bellis
d. July 31, 2015

Births

1993
Arthur Kelleher and his wife, Jess, welcomed Grady Alejandro Kelleher on April 2, 2015

2000
Harper Gould Mates and her husband, Scott, welcomed Ryder Scott Mates on April 24, 2015
Adam Kaye and his wife, Emma, welcomed Rose Layla Kaye on May 24, 2015

2003
Arielle Traub and her husband, Ethan Prosnit, welcomed Caleb Benjamin Traub Prosnit on March 24, 2015

2004
Liz Rohr Chandler and her husband, Kyle, welcomed Hughes Robert Chandler on May 20, 2015

2005
Alex Mednick and his wife, Stephanie, welcomed Bellarose Adeline Mednick on April 28, 2015

FORMER FACULTY
Sonya Minor Healey ’44 DAY
d. June 28, 2015
William M. Indocci ’45 HGS
d. September 28, 2014
Roger G. Klopfer ’45 HGS
d. May 4, 2014
William Henry Kennedy ’48 HGS
d. May 30, 2014
Elinor Bozyan Warburg ’49 PHS
d. February 23, 2014
Joseph P. Marinan ’50 HGS
d. March 10, 2014
Emmett Spillane ’50 HGS
d. May 8, 2015
Allen Aaron Sinel ’54 HGS
d. January 29, 2015
Joan Reichart Strother ’56 DAY
d. January 30, 2013
Nancy Morrell Daughan ’56 DAY
d. February 5, 2015
William D. Roth ’60 HGS
d. March 22, 2015
Peter B. Hales ’68 HGS
d. August 26, 2014
Gerald M. Sloan ’68 HGS
d. May 20, 2014
Stephen Wayland Smith ’74
d. July 19, 2015
Peter Daniel Shemitz ’78
d. July 2, 2015
Stephanie Brown Singley ’81
d. February 7, 2014
Christina Lyons ’82
d. September 11, 2014
Jack A. Halprin ’87
d. July 2, 2015

Death Notice

Catharine Hooker Barclay ’36 MDS
d. April 19, 2015
Jeanne Slate Overstreet ’36 MDS
d. June 6, 2015
Renze Wilshire Johnston ’37 MDS
d. November 9, 2014
Anna Huntington Deming ’39 PHS
d. January 26, 2014
Elizabeth Reeves Goodspeed ’40 PHS
d. May 14, 2015
Charles M. Allen ’41 HGS
d. March 23, 2015
Frank Kenna Jr. ’41 HGS
d. July 30, 2015
Evelyn McGaughey ’42 DAY
d. June 4, 2015
Dennis N. Garvey ’42 HGS
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