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Cover artwork for this issue of Views from the Hill was provided by Dan Wasserman ’67 HGS, editorial cartoonist for the Boston Globe since 1985. In 2002 he returned to Hopkins to receive the Distinguished Alumnus Award for his accomplishments. Dan’s cartoons, distributed by Tribune Media Services, appear in more than 40 papers in the U.S., Latin America, and Europe. “After graduation from Hopkins in 1967, Dan attended Swarthmore College, a school, according to Dan, that ‘offered no courses in either studio arts or applied irony,’ so he majored in philosophy and ‘minored in anti-war organizing.’” (Views Fall 2001) He then studied at The Arts Students League of New York and the Maryland Institute of Art. He is the author of We’ve Been Framed! (Faber & Faber 1987) and Paper Cuts (Ivan R. Dee 1995). In 1991, Dan received the George Washington Medal of Honor for Public Communications by the Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, and the Standing O Award from the Massachusetts Human Services Coalition. Slate magazine publishes Dan’s work and says, “Dan Wasserman of The Boston Globe is one of America’s most refreshing editorial cartoonists. His visual skits—sharp, sly, humorous and memorable, choreographed in one to six frames—show no mercy.” We are grateful to Dan for allowing Hopkins to feature his artwork in this issue of Views.
Dear Friends,

Summer on the Hill has been both very beautiful and, as has become a Hopkins habit, remarkably full. Students enrolled in two programs—Hopkins Summer School and Breakthrough-New Haven—made excellent use of the newly renovated Library; word got out that Hopkins had just completed rebuilding its eleven tennis courts and, as a result, professional players competing in the Pilot Pen tennis tournament practiced at Hopkins in August. Most significant, in terms of our campus, is the fact that we began construction of the 37,000 square foot academic and arts building which will replace the Day Prospect Hill Building (the Junior School) and Reigeluth (currently home to Hopkins’ visual arts and choral music programs). I am thrilled to report that the new building will be named for Mary Brewster Thompson, a distinguished teacher and scholar, and Principal of the Prospect Hill School from 1939 to 1952. A more detailed story about Mary Brewster Thompson and the Trustees’ decision to honor her is contained on page 18 in this issue.

Given the current election season, it seemed appropriate in this issue of Views from the Hill to take a look at some aspects of “politics” at Hopkins. Dan Wasserman’s “visual journalism” reminds us that politics is only narrowly partisan and, more widely defined, has to do with economic and social systems, cultural values, and domestic and foreign policy. The 21st Century Democracy course, profiled in this issue and taught by John Roberts and Thorn Peters, provides Hopkins students with an experience in the electoral process, along with a study of Parliamentary procedure and constitutional government. Other articles touch on “politics past” at Hopkins: editorials from The Critic and The Razor; and, a piece on Simeon Baldwin, Class of 1857 and the last Hopkins alumnus to be governor of Connecticut. “Politics present” takes in Hopkins students’ participation in the Princeton Model Congress, as well as recent alumnus involvement in politics and, finally, features Julian Gewirtz ’08, Hopkins’ Valedictorian and Presidential Scholar. “Politics,” in every instance, has to do with the ways we become involved in our world.

For many of us, it is experiences in secondary school and college that begin to shape the temperamental and intellectual dispositions that define our “politics.” In these important years, young people enlarge their sense of self and add the concept of “citizen” to “family member” and “student.” It turns out that small “d” democratic values—free development of the individual, faith in human nature, and the idea that enlightened institutions allow a person to develop what at Hopkins we call “a full measure of their talents and humanity”—inform everything we do and are essential aspects of a Hopkins education.

And, so, as we start our 349th year at Hopkins and national elections provide an additional context for teaching and learning, it will be exciting to see our students and teachers doing what they do best: researching and taking in information, and then applying intelligence, discernment and debate as they reach for knowledge and understanding. More importantly, students and teachers will continue to bring that good Hopkins word—“hopefulness”—to everything they do.

As always, I look forward to the year ahead and to seeing each of you on campus.

Barbara M. Riley
Head of School
It is part of Hopkins’ motto, a long-standing and often-expressed statement of purpose: “...the breeding up of hopeful youths for the public service of the country in future times.” Activism is part of daily life at Hopkins, from hammering nails to help build affordable housing, to tutoring bright young scholars, and to ultimately choosing life and career paths after graduation that produce positive transformations in the world. Whether just down the hill in New Haven, on Capitol Hill in D.C., or across the globe, the ten alumni/ae profiled for this article quickly recognized the influential power of politics and subsequently chose to get involved, be it as a career or a hobby, and help affect change in our communities.

For many, political curiosity began at Hopkins. Old newspaper archives dating back to the 1800s (see sidebars) prove that political dialogue was very early on a large part of the Hopkins scene, both academically and socially. Teachers held mock elections while students wrote editorials and formed clubs. Curricula were developed over the years to introduce students to broad political science and government courses. One course in particular is specially designed to draw students into the democratic process.

The Course that Gets Everyone Talking

Every Fall, for the past 24 years, Seniors (and some Juniors) at Hopkins can enroll in an elective course, Twenty-First Century Democracy, where they study contemporary politics and current events, domestic and international, at an advanced level. There are no textbooks guiding the coursework, instead students are assigned daily reading of The New York Times and several other major news sources via the Internet, television, radio, and magazines.

“This class is heavily experiential,” said Assistant Head of School John Roberts, who shares teaching responsibilities with Thom Peters. “The energy generated from our well-organized, informed debates is uncontainable. I liken it to the Super Bowl in football; we can draw in even the most casual fans.”

While most students enter the classroom somewhat politically aware, students of all levels of comprehension are encouraged to sign up for the course, which promises to teach basic political vocabulary and methods for breaking down and understanding both sides of important issues.

The course intentionally is only offered in the Fall to coincide with election season; municipal during odd years, national during even. A vital component to the syllabus is the requirement that students seek out electoral campaigns and volunteer for at least five sessions before ultimately participating in their candidate’s election night festivities. “I have received some amazing phone calls from the kids while they are at these parties over the years,” recalls Roberts, “and when I hear the excitement in their voices and listen to them talk with such enthusiasm about their candidate and their campaign, I say to myself ‘I gotcha,’ because I know they will never again not be interested in electoral politics.”

Additional course requirements include a daily journal that must be handwritten (a bow to Mr. Roberts’ friend Karl Crawford, who would often talk about “the beauty and the power of putting pen to paper”), a concise book review about contemporary American politics, participation in the Princeton Model Congress (see sidebar), and, finally, a statement of personal political philosophy. The personal statement gives students a chance to step back and digest the material they read, discussed, and witnessed throughout the course. John Roberts explains that students are asked to think deeply and articulate clearly their thoughts on those issues and philosophies that matter most to them on a personal level: “There is enormous latitude for the students to express their thoughts and feelings but it never fails to inspire in
me a profound feeling of hope for the political future of our country that these amazing kids are thinking deeply about the American political culture and what they can do to influence it for the better."

“At our best, Thom and I live up to the Hopkins motto of inspiring in our students a ‘lifelong love of learning.’ The goal is to instill in our students an interest in political science, even a passion for it, and to inspire them to continue reading a daily newspaper, to watch C-Span, to study politics in college, to become active in campus political organizations, to remain active in local campaigns, and to someday run for office themselves!”

The following ten alumni/ae, some former students of Mr. Roberts or Mr. Peters, share with us their personal passion for politics.

Just as politics can be a resource and an outlet for those whose passion is law or communications, others may find themselves more at home in another profession but utilizing political interest to effect change on a more personal level.

NICOLE AARONSON ’03 discovered her passion for politics as an undergraduate at Yale. Knowing that majoring in political science would not preclude her from pursuing medical school, she threw herself into her undergraduate political career wholeheartedly. Sent to the Center of the Study of the Presidency in Fall 2006 and Spring 2007, Nicole was one of only 20 students to have a paper published by the Center. Now a student at NYU Medical School, Nicole is still excited about politics, and enjoys taking every opportunity to share her thoughts on the current situation and issues. She worries that American citizens are faced with a complex and sometimes mysterious political system and feels that the major issue facing democracy in the United States is that the public is ill-informed. “What happens in the government affects many facets of all of our lives, so each one of us should want to understand what’s going on and express our views about what is occurring.”

BRIAN COOK ’01 took his commitment to his Hopkins education all the way with him to his successful 2005 election bid as Representative to the Town Meeting in Fairfield. Throughout his undergraduate career at Yale, he continued the volunteer work with that group that he started at Hopkins, and when he was asked to stand for election, he was almost guaranteed success. Only recently did he leave the position in order to attend law school out of state. His experience in local politics has taught him invaluable lessons about the larger picture. “I’ve learned that partisan labels and deadlocks don’t translate to the local electoral level—until they do. With the right group of people, the Fairfield RTM often had close votes that in no way reflected the Party line. Then, following the last local elections, things suddenly became significantly more partisan. The key lesson was that these issues can be overcome quite easily, but only if people are willing to stand up for their own beliefs instead of what their leadership tells them they should believe.”

Another member of the class of 2001 is making a splash on the political scene. ERIC FEIGENBAUM’s sights, though, have taken on a more national focus as a fundraiser for the Democratic...
There seems to be an abatement of that keen interest in politics, which has been so general for some time past. While this is but natural, as a revulsion of feeling must sooner or later follow every deep and widespread agitation of public opinion, I cannot but think it premature, and something to be deplored. As a people, we should never allow ourselves to grow wearied of public affairs. That its citizens should be vigilant, that they should closely scrutinize every action of their government, is the one safeguard of a republic. When Rome relaxed her vigilance, did not a Caesar arise? When France, on two distinct occasions grew weary of self-government, did not a Bonaparte? And especially in these troublesome times, when the wisest know not what a day may bring forth, is it incumbent upon all to be alive to the situation, and prepared to grapple at any moment with the new issues of an hour. But you may ask "what has all this to do with us, schoolboys? The country is quite able to get on without our assistance." Certainly it is,—but you should not be able to get on without your country. As American boys, as future citizens, it becomes us to watch closely the course of affairs. If we are ever to lay claim to education and intelligence, we should not be content to follow blindly in the footsteps of our fathers to be Republicans or Democrats because they have been such, and without so much as knowing, what these terms imply. And if ever we are to begin to think for ourselves, now is the time to commence. For it is a time of change—a time when precedents fail—when new principles arise. The writer does not believe that we are on the verge of dissolution as a nation; he does not believe that Grant is to proclaim himself dictator, or that the Democrats are to subvert the Union. But he does believe that we are in a great era of our national existence, that the constitution and precedents we have held sacred a hundred years, are undergoing their greatest trial, and that though there may be no Caesar, there may arise a Sulla, or a Marius to pave his way in the near future. And believing this, I think it of the highest importance to us all that we should be well informed and should closely watch the course of events, that we should now begin to reason intelligently, and without bias of party upon the question of the day. It should be a part of our education. It is a duty we owe to ourselves as well as to our country. First of all to obtain information, we should go, not to some partisan sheet, but to journals of liberal and independent views—the Herald and the Tribune are good examples. Then we should think for ourselves of what we have read, reason it over with one another, debate it publicly in class. And all this we should do, not as partisans, seeking to prove in every case that one side is all right, the other all wrong. But we should do it as searchers after truth, honestly seeking the right wherever we may find it.
government and politics and was surprised by the rapid pace at which state legislation occurs compared to the congressional process. She continued on in Hartford as state Senate deputy counsel, writing and reviewing bills until she took a position with Sullivan & LeShane as a lobbyist, a job she says was “all about educating.” She was hired by organizations and corporations to ensure that the correct information about proposed legislation was conveyed to lawmakers. For the past 15 years, Gianelli has been working in Washington, DC in national and international public affairs and recently returned to Connecticut to join a healthcare advocacy organization. She believes that engagement by the American people in the political process is essential. “The more educated and aware you can be, the better off the country would be. People are too cynical about the process.” She went on to say that America “flourishes because of its history of political interest and curiosity…people should continue to take initiative, create a dialogue with others; smart young people make Capitol Hill work.”

TOM LAMBERT ’06 gives credit to Head of School Barbara Riley and his fellow students for creating an atmosphere at Hopkins where holding political conversations is acceptable. His interest in politics began with the 2004 presidential election and continued through his years at Pepperdine University, where he anticipated being able to graduate from a strong political science program with an edge on the job market. Fortunately for Tom, Pepperdine has outstanding DC internships, which he has been able to take advantage of, working for Congressman Chris Shays. He returned to Hopkins in 2007 to speak with John Roberts’ 21st Century Democracy class and shared his experience and advice: “Do not be discouraged when your political activity doesn’t involve the heavy hitters because, by working locally, you get to know the candidates on a different level. A lot of changes stem from municipal elections.” Lambert described the current political climate of older, experienced politicians working with great support by, “mostly young graduates with lots of energy and motivation and the pace to cause [that] change.” He added that it is, “encouraging to see that kind of optimism…always young people willing to step in and dedicate their lives to improving the country.”

SARAH MERRIAM ’89 has always been interested in politics; as early as 1984 she was volunteering for campaigns, including the Mondale-Ferraro ticket and Pat Dillon’s campaigns for the State House of Representatives. After graduating from Hopkins, Sarah came back for a summer between her freshman and sophomore years at Georgetown. She got involved as a volunteer for Bruce Morrison’s (CT) bid for Governor, and within weeks, she found herself the campaign’s field coordinator in the 2nd Congressional District. She spent the summer of 1991 interning for Joe Lieberman (CT) on Capitol Hill, and the next summer in the office of then Connecticut State Comptroller Bill Curry. These connections helped to establish her as an important up and comer on the political scene. She served as Deputy Field Director of Curry’s 1994 gubernatorial campaign, and began lobbying at the state capitol for labor unions and other causes, going on to become the political director of a labor union in CT. In her most recent position as campaign manager, however, she and Chris Murphy (CT) created a dream team and caused a major upset over Nancy Johnson (CT) in the fifth district congressional seat. She stresses that it was the work and connections that she herself made that are the secret to her success. “Show up, work hard, be willing to do anything and everything. Stay late. Arrive early….Prove yourself and pay your dues, and you will be the one who gets the call when a great campaign job comes along.” Merriam goes on to inspire confidence in even the shiest of political action seekers: “On my 2006 race, not a single member of my staff had ever worked as a paid staffer on a political campaign. I hired them because they were smart and enthusiastic and fun and committed, and now they have one of the biggest campaigns on their resumes, which will get them in the door on all kinds of other great jobs.”

ELIZABETH NUGENT ’03 has been living an extraordinarily purposeful life since graduating from Hopkins. After finishing her degree in Arabic and Arabic Studies—with a minor in Government—at Georgetown in May 2007, she spent the rest of 2007 and most of 2008 in Cairo as a Fulbright Fellow. Nugent used the time to cultivate herself a life of service constructing foreign policy and creating better, stronger, and more viable diplomatic ties between Arab nations and the United States. In Cairo, she not only studied Arabic language, government and culture, but also worked with Save the Children and the Ibn Khaldun Center for Developmental Studies. Fall of
Julian Gewirtz ’08 Presidential Scholar

JULIAN BAIRD GEWIRTZ was named a 2008 Presidential Scholar by the U.S. Department of Education. Chosen for his exceptional academic achievement, artistic excellence, leadership, citizenship, and service at school and in his community, Gewirtz is one of 139 outstanding American high school seniors who were honored for their accomplishments in Washington, D.C. in June.

Gewirtz, a straight-A student with a 4.1 average, achieved a top score of 5 on all four AP exams taken. He was editor-in-chief of the school newspaper and founder of the United States- China Youth Forum, promoting the exchange of ideas among U.S. and Chinese teens. He studied and worked in Beijing in the summer of 2006, during which time he was interviewed, in Mandarin, on Chinese Central Television (CCTV). He has interned with the Asia Society, and has published writing on China. In school, he served as Class President, Chinese Club President, and head of peer tutoring. He was also involved with drama, varsity squash, and served on Hopkins’ disciplinary committee.

Julian traveled to Washington, D.C. to join the other Scholars for several days of events, including a trip to the White House to meet President Bush, an awards ceremony at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, a community service activity to benefit the So Others Might Eat (SOME) charitable organization, and performances by the Presidential Scholars in the Arts.

“The program was fantastic,” said Julian. “The other students were so engaging and unique; it was humbling to spend time with such a great group of peers. The Scholars all clearly had areas of passionate engagement, be they interested in a specific problem in science or a certain trend in history, but I was most impressed with their intellectual flexibility and versatility—that is, their ability to explore, deeply and well, an unfamiliar topic. Although the program was quite short, only four days, we were able to connect with and learn from each other to a remarkable degree. Although the program was busy with wonderful activities, the other scholars were what I enjoyed most.”

Since 1983, each Presidential Scholar has invited his or her most inspiring and challenging teacher to travel to Washington to receive a Teacher Recognition Award from the U.S. Department of Education and to participate in the recognition events. The teacher chosen for recognition by Gewirtz was history teacher Gerard Casanova.

“I was so happy to see Mr. Casanova recognized. He’s been a wonderful mentor for my intellectual growth in high school. As is often observed, good teachers work so hard and invest so much in their students, but the results can seem intangible and elusive. They deserve all the honors that we can bestow on them. The speakers at the dinner honoring the teachers chosen by the scholars emphasized that this honor is symbolic as well as personal, honoring all teachers as well as a few. I can’t emphasize enough that I had many truly excellent teachers and mentors at Hopkins. They are what I miss most about the school.”

2008 sees her stateside again to begin a Master’s degree in Arab Studies, focusing on the region’s politics, and she intends to pursue a Ph.D. in political science. Nugent admits that as a Hopkins student she was more interested in the swim team and The Razor. She nevertheless began her adventures in the American legislative system her senior year, working at Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro’s New Haven office. During her time at Georgetown, she interned on the Hill (the other Hill!) for DeLauro, and also at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution. Reading Jennifer Bremer’s Washington Post article “Our Diplomats’ Arabic Handicap,” underscored Elizabeth’s decision to join the cadre of young intellectuals taking up the reins to shape the future of American diplomacy. “As a future policy specialist, I recognize that a lack of language fluency is an obstacle to effective U.S. policy in the region, as language deficiency is inherently linked to a lack of understanding of local people and culture, which in turn leads to a lack of effective policy,” said Elizabeth. There is much to do, but with young and vibrant forces like Elizabeth working for the greater good, there is also much to cause for optimism.

RAFI PROBER ’96 is playing an active role in politics these days, though in private practice at D.C. law firm Akin Gump. Before joining Akin Gump’s congressional investigations practice, Prober spent the years since graduating from Georgetown Law School at the New York and D.C. offices of Skadden Arps. Having worked in the political field during his undergraduate years at Georgetown
The past seven months have brought an enormous amount of attention to the way election campaigns in America happen. CHUCK SWIRSKY ’99, a Hopkins alumnus with an insider’s view, believes that campaign politics are simply getting the attention they have deserved all along. “The first campaign I worked on was in 1989 when my family friend Rob Schwartz (father of Adam ’97) ran for alderman. I went door to door with him during his campaign and stood with him all day on Election Day. I remember thinking that it was neat that politics and sports were similar.” America’s insatiable hunger for new bytes, updates, and stories about the major players and strategies behind the 2008 campaigns is but one example. It was a similarity that, once having recognized it at a tender age, persuaded Swirsky to pursue politics as a career. Since his days of stumping for Rob Schwartz, Chuck has worked on the Presidential primary campaigns of Joe Lieberman and Chris Dodd in Connecticut (as State Director) and New Hampshire, and also for Dodd in Iowa (as Surrogate Director). He has consulted on the past three Senate campaigns for Joe Lieberman and run Rosa DeLauro’s past three Congressional races, in addition to helping numerous other candidates in their bids for State Senate, State House, and a variety of local positions. While at Hopkins, Swirsky volunteered for several campaigns, including DeLauro’s, Mayor John DeStefano’s, and the Clinton re-election, and has over the years learned some valuable lessons. “I have learned that the best candidate does not always win. Through Rosa, I have also learned that politicians care about problems their constituents are having...if you are a Republican, Democrat, Green Party or whatever,” he said, but qualified it by saying that “I have seen the other side where some offices do not care. They take their lead from their boss.” But Chuck, like many others who are working in government and political positions today, feels that the U.S. is at a critical position, and needs all hands on deck. He encourages current Hopkins students to “take [the 21st Century Democracy] course, go to a politically active school, and jump onto a Hill job or a campaign job after college... Stay with it and pay your dues. It will all work out.”

Neither Moe nor Adam realized that each other had gone to Hopkins until after many months of trial and more than a year of pre-trial proceedings. After they discovered their common roots during a hallway conversation, they went back to battle: one trying to save his client’s life, the other trying to invoke the death penalty.

The death penalty case that these two Hopkins graduates faced off over was the trial of the former leader of the Folk Nation gang from the Brownsville section of Brooklyn. McTier had been indicted along with several other gang members for a reign of terror from 1998 through 2002 that left a trail of dead bodies throughout the run down neighborhood of Brownville, Brooklyn. The Folk Nation is an offshoot of the nation-wide Crips gang. Among the many charges he faced, McTier was accused of murdering three innocent bystanders in separate gang related incidents, including a 33 year-old manager of a local fast food restaurant who had been smoking a cigarette on the street during a break. She was shot in the head when McTier and other gang members did a drive by shooting of the restaurant where she worked. Due to the number of murders, the nature of the victims, and the related charges, former United States Attorney General Alberto Gonzalez authorized Fodeman and his team of prosecutors and investigators to seek the death penalty against McTier.

Fodeman and Perlmutter may have never realized that they both had attended Hopkins were it not for emergency surgery needed by Perlmutter’s new baby boy, Ezra. “My wife and I were blessed with a new baby in September,” Adam recalled, “Unfortunately, he needed open heart surgery in the middle of January. We knew it was coming but it happened on an emergency basis during the trial.” Fodeman also had a newborn on New Year’s Day, so he knew the pressures that Adam was working under. “We immediately shifted around all of the witnesses to make sure that Adam did not have to be in court for a few days,” Fodeman said. After returning to trial following the baby’s successful surgery, Adam met Moe’s parents during a court break and told them how accommodating their son had been. “I asked if they lived in the City. They said that they lived in Southport. When I said that I grew up in New Haven, Moe said that he had graduated from Hopkins.”

Federal death penalty cases are extremely rare events. There are currently only 50 cases authorized in the entire United States. The work is highly specialized on both sides. Fodeman has been a federal prosecutor with the United States Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of New York since 2003. He was formerly an Assistant District Attorney prosecuting homicide cases in Brooklyn. Perlmutter has been practicing law in New York since 1992. He worked as a white-collar criminal defense lawyer for several years before becoming an Assistant District Attorney in Queens for four years. After returning to private practice, he was appointed to the Criminal Justice Act Panel in Brooklyn to represent indigent clients in federal cases.

“This was the first case that I got assigned on the panel,” Perlmutter
recalled. “I remember walking into court and listening to the judge say that he was pulling McTier’s then-lawyer off the case and assigning me to handle it.” Fodeman told Perlmutter that he was stepping into a mess. “I thought that he was posturing,” said Perlmutter, “Little did I realize that the case would be authorized for the death penalty by Attorney General Gonzalez.”

Posturing aside, Perlmutter took Fodeman very seriously. Perlmutter describes Fodeman as a man who possesses the integrity of Atticus Finch and the tenacity and resourcefulness of fictional federal agent Jack Bauer on the television show “24.” Fodeman also has the distinction of being part of the prosecution team that obtained the first federal death penalty conviction in New York in nearly 50 years. According to Perlmutter, “Moe is very, very good. He is quick on his feet. And, juries love him.” After two and a half months of jury selection, the trial started immediately after the new year. It took Fodeman and his team five weeks to present all

the evidence against McTier and his two remaining co-defendants (whom the Government was not seeking to put to death). McTier was convicted on almost all the charges.

After his conviction, McTier had the opportunity to present mitigating evidence. “This is the story of his life: where he was from, who his parents were, the circumstances that he was brought up in,” says Perlmutter. McTier was the child of physically abusive crack addicts. His mother was also diagnosed as a paranoid schizophrenic. Perlmutter and his co-counsel called McTier’s mother, brother, teachers, neighbors and various expert witnesses to testify about his background, mental health issues and the community in which McTier was raised. The evidence included descriptions of how McTier and his brother would snort salt and fashion play crack pipes out of juice boxes to mimic their parents’ behavior.

In the end of the day, it was enough to save McTier’s life, but just barely. The jury foreman told Fodeman that the jury was 10–2 for death. For Fodeman, it is all in a day’s work. Both lawyers are grateful for the strong grounding they received at Hopkins. Perlmutter wrestled varsity his junior and senior years. “I approach my work on a big case like wrestling at Hopkins. At a certain level, it is only you on the mat doing battle. But there is a whole team behind you, training with you and supporting your efforts. In the end of the day, I think that is what carried the day for us.” Fodeman thinks that Perlmutter was just plain lucky. “You can never tell in this business,” he says with a grin.
2008 Retirees Represent the Best of Hopkins

The following is adapted from a special report first printed in Hopkins’ student newspaper, The Razor, on June 12, 2008.

ROSEMARY BENEDICT began what would be the first of her 22 years at Hopkins as a math teacher. She also coached the Junior Varsity Girls Tennis team, taught aerobics, started the Hopkins Math Team, chaired the Math Department, and served as the Director of Studies until the job split into the Dean of Faculty and Dean of Academics, the latter of which she [most recently held]. She served on all five Capital Construction Committees as the bricks of Malone Science Center and Heath Commons were laid, as Baldwin Hall was renovated and the new Library completed. In addition to returning next year to teach one course, she plans to renew her pursuit of several hobbies: skiing in Vermont, backpacking, biking, and, she admitted, “I have a golf game that needs perfecting.” She also plans to become active in community service, such as joining Recording for the Blind and mentoring her church's youth group. While it is clear that Hopkins will have to accept sharing its place in Benedict’s life with other communities, Benedict’s commitment and devotion to it and its students will not [fade], and they will continue to characterize her time here. (by Brian Pannill '10 with reporting by Ryan Healey '10)

DANA BLANCHARD’s retirement marks the end of his over 50-year-long connection with Hopkins. Year One was 1957, when Blanchard walked onto the Hopkins campus—then only Baldwin, Hopkins House, and Reigeluth—as a seventh grader. Over the course of the six following years, Blanchard was a member of the Harmonaires, Glee Club, and the varsity soccer, swimming, and track teams. He graduated in 1963. Blanchard stepped onto the Hopkins campus again six years [later]—only this time as an eighth grade history teacher. A year or two later, he switched to teaching English, his preferred subject, and he has taught every grade since. His roles at Hopkins have also extended to the administrative branch, as well. He served as Alumni Secretary (akin to today’s Development Office) in 1969, a Head Adviser in 1982 and 1984, a college counselor, and as Director of Admissions since 1990. Anyone who knows Blanchard—as a teacher or as a colleague—would agree his is a life filled with compassion, kindness, and thoughtfulness. In the future, the only difference will be that “I’m going to be a retired person.” (by Bryan Pannill '10 with reporting by Hannah Marek '08)

For JIM BUCAR, this June marks the end of a 49-year career of teaching—or at least it did: supporting two homes, paying taxes, and simply having something to do will make his retirement only in part, for he will return to teach two English classes next year. His influence at Hopkins has not been limited to guiding students in the classroom. On athletic fields, Bucar has coached Varsity and Junior Varsity Football and Girls’ Varsity Basketball, in addition to serving as the Athletic Director for four years. He has also been a Head Adviser for 19 years and the Dean of Students for another eight, as well as the Disciplinary Committee Chair for four years. When he first arrived at Hopkins, Bucar even lived on campus in Hopkins House for four years as a caretaker. Bucar’s
BUCARALOWAN wants to become more active in volunteer work and move to Maine. Finally, he will read plenty of books, something which has been confined largely to the summer: “Finally I’ll become an educated person.” Though he does not harbor any grand expectations, 33 years of teaching and mentoring Hopkins students and supporting the school’s mission to “breed up hopeful youths” cannot simply fade away into history, and perhaps his semi-return serves testament to the fact. At any rate, there doubtless is a countless number of Hopkins youths made more “hopeful” by his guidance. (by Bryan Pannill ‘10)

Throughout BILL EWEN’s life, three things have defined him: math, racquets sports and his faith. Ewen’s dignity, sense of humor and respect for others have made him a revered, respected and cherished fixture of Hopkins life, a life that, for many, Ewen has helped define. Ewen signed on to teach summer school at Hopkins in 1968. At first, it was the salary of $6,500 per year that attracted Ewen’s attention. [He also] recalled being very impressed with Paul Fossett, the Head of the Math Department, and F. Allen Sherk, the Head of School at the time. As Ewen became more accustomed to teaching at Hopkins, he frequently thought of his grandmother’s mantra: “Laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone.” This idea formed Ewen’s teaching and coaching style. “Some people are very no-nonsense, but I try to incorporate a sense of humor,” said Ewen. “I see education as a journey and it’s my job to make sure there is a solid foundation for the next course.” Ewen will remain a familiar face on campus. He will stay on as the tennis coach until at least 2012. He also hopes to continue to serve as an adviser next year. (by Ryan Healey ’10)

Over his twelve-year stay at Hopkins, TIM NAPIER has served as both an English teacher and a college counselor. Napier’s original attraction to Hopkins was based in the organic, exciting nature of school life here. “[Hopkins] had the creative confusion, the yeasty kind of flavor produced by students whose minds were bursting with the discovery and who were themselves: challenging, pushing, hungry,” he explained. To stay sane in the college counseling arena, Napier has stuck to his philosophy of education. “Education is about discovery, and self-discovery, and it is not a static, stationary target one prepares to shoot at. College should grow organically out of the student’s interests and abilities,” he posited. When looking back on his career at Hopkins, Napier remembered the highlights of his job as the interactions he shared with students, faculty and Heads of School. (by Ryan Healey ’10)

HANK POWELL, a member of the Class of 1955 and notable fencing fixture, is retiring after 20 years in the classroom. Powell first came to Hopkins as a student in what was known then as 2nd form (8th grade) on a Lineaweaver scholarship. At Hopkins, “I learned to study, stay within those rules, get involved in sports, sing in the Harmonaires.” Powell also fenced at Hopkins, which he credits for his acceptance at Yale. Powell flourished at Yale...“majoring in English Literature and studying lots more languages—German, Italian, and Russian.” [He later earned a M.A.T. at Yale, a M.A. at Yale, and a Ph.D. at UNC-Chapel Hill before directing the UNC Reading and Learning Skills Program.] Returning to Hopkins was a perfect fit for Powell. “I was able to teach English to some really capable students, start a one-man version of the reading program I’d helped develop at UNC, and—best of all—coach the sport I’d learned here.” Powell cites his age as the main reason for his retirement. “It’s high time,” he said. But he plans to coach fencing for one more year. In his newly found spare time, Powell plans to read and fly fish and, he added, do a bit of piano playing when no one is listening. (by Ryan Healey ’10)
Welcome New Trustees

RON DELFINI ’84

“I feel exceedingly fortunate to be a part of the Hopkins Committee of Trustees at this time in the school’s history. The results of the difficult work that this board has taken on over the past decade are quite evident in the school’s financial health, superb leadership in Barbara Riley, and magnificent campus that is second to none. I look forward to working with this extraordinary group over the coming years leading up to the 350th anniversary celebration.”

Ron has long provided steady leadership and support to Hopkins, particularly with over 17 years as a member of the Alumni/ae Association, most recently as President from 2006-2008. He participates annually in the golf tournament and phonathons, and co-chairs his class reunion committee. Ron also developed and implemented the “Hop Job Shadow Program” two years ago, in which Hopkins juniors spend a day at the workplace of an alumnus/a who is in a career or profession of interest to them.

Ron is President of Engineering Specialties, Inc. located in North Branford, a company he founded in 1990 with fellow Hopk inus alumnus Carmen Ciardiello ’84. He resides in Branford with his wife, Amy, and their three children.

RICHARD FERGUSON ’63 & P’11, ’14

“With the perspective of a current parent and alumnus, I am honored and delighted to rejoin the Hopkins Board. I am inspired by the energy and leadership at the school and on the Board as it approaches its 350th year. The past decade has been one of tremendous growth for Hopkins in facilities and endowment and I am looking forward to doing my part to build on that momentum and working to secure the school’s well deserved reputation as a local and national treasure.”

Dick Ferguson received the 1998 Distinguished Alumnus Award for his “national leadership in the communications industry and for his humanitarian and civic contributions throughout the Connecticut region. (Views Fall 1997) One of several family members to attend Hopkins, he started the Franklin and Virginia Ferguson Fund in 1990 to honor his parents and to support the general purposes of the school. Additionally, he started a fund in his brother’s memory and instituted another fund to honor Hopkins teacher Karl Crawford and support the Hopkins Summer School. Dick previously served on the Board of Trustees from 1984-1994, and he has also been a valuable member of the Distinguished Alumnus/a Committee for several years.

The Anti-Defamation League awarded Dick the Upper Fairfield County Distinguished Community Leadership Award, which is presented annually to “outstanding citizens who in word and deed contribute to building strong communities that are open to all people without regard to race, religion, ethnicity or sexual orientation.” Dick retired as Executive Vice President of Cox Radio in 1996. He lives in Westport with his wife, Marissa, and their three children.

MICHAEL STRATTON ’83 & P’13

Michael Stratton has been an active member of the Alumni/ae Association for the past several years, and was a Reunion Committee Chair and class agent last year for his 25th Reunion. He has also supported the alumni/ae golf tournament and phonathons.

Mike is founder and partner in a local New Haven-based law firm, Stratton Faxon. “He has won dozens of multi-million dollar jury verdicts and settlements in life-altering medical malpractice and personal injury cases in federal and state courts across Connecticut. At age 37, Mike was voted by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America. As past-president of the Brain Injury Association of Connecticut, Mike has lectured extensively on handling catastrophic spinal cord and brain injury cases as well as wrongful death law, bad faith insurance practices, product liability, and motor vehicle and truck collisions. He is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates and a Leaders Forum Charter Member of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America.” (Source: www.strattonfaxon.com.)

He lives in New Haven with his wife, Shel, and children.
On Saturday, May 10, 2008 Hopkins held a dedication and celebration of the Library and Gallery, magnificent new places on campus that our students and faculty have been enjoying immensely since returning from Spring Break in March. Providing remarks at the dedication were David I. Newton ’67, President, Committee of Trustees; William W. Ginsberg, Trustee (who chaired the building committee); Faye Prendergast, Head Librarian; and Barbara M. Riley, Head of School.

“The Library is the place at Hopkins that serves as the intellectual hub of the School,” said Mrs. Riley. “It is the place where students and teachers gather for quiet reading, research, study or writing; for tutorials and classes. It is where we reinforce our commitment to guided learning and collaboration, and it is in the Library that students are literally surrounded by books. It is the place where young people first experience the possibilities there are for a curious and lively mind over a lifetime.”
Fresh Faces at Hopkins
INTRODUCING OUR NEW FACULTY AND STAFF

ALINA BADUS
Mathematics
B.A. Carleton College, M.A. University of Pennsylvania
“The strong commitment to a classical education at Hopkins was very appealing to me. I am passionate about teaching mathematics as an art but I am also interested in exploring interdisciplinary topics. This year I especially look forward to teaching geometry, my specialty, and to coaching the Varsity Math team.”

IAN CLARK
Mathematics
A.B. Amherst College, M.A. Washington University
“I grew up in a family that values education and both of my parents are educators. Even after spending much of my life so far in academics, and having worked in both public and independent schools, I was completely unprepared for the Hopkins students and faculty when I arrived for my interview. I was blown away by the caliber of students and their level of engagement in the classes I visited. I am very excited to be here at Hopkins and to continue my career as part of this amazing community.”

JULIA ROWNY
Mathematics
B.A. Kenyon College
“Hopkins immediately impressed me, not only with its array of resources, but with the degree to which the teachers and students are committed to learning. I’m very excited to share my love of mathematics with this community!”

ALISSA DAVIS
English
B.A. Yale University, M.A. Middlebury College
“I enjoy the ever-changing, fast-paced schedule of teaching. I like the way that every day brings a new set of challenges and every year brings a new set of faces. I also enjoy spending much of my active thinking energy engaged in the study of literature and encouraging students to do the same. I was drawn to Hopkins by observing the intellectual and rigorous, yet fun, exchanges in the classroom.”

KATHRYN FRENCH
English
B.A. Yale University
“I love teaching because every day is different. From my first visit to the Hopkins campus, I could tell that this was a community of people who appreciate how lucky they are and are dedicated to one another’s growth and success. I feel so pleased to be a part of that.”

BENJAMIN JOHNSON
English
B.A. Rice University, M.F.A. Johns Hopkins University
“I came to Hopkins because it seemed to have everything I wanted; astute students, professional faculty, first-rate facilities and a beautiful campus. I look forward to becoming a part of this city on a hill.”

JOHN WHALEN
English & History
B.S. Rutgers University, M.F.A. New School for Social Research, M.A. Middlebury College ’09
“I am addicted to the exchange of ideas, the written word and its resonances, and the vicissitudes of the engaged mind. I learn as much from my students as I did as a student myself. Their curiosity, passion, and energy are invigorating. Hopkins is a beautiful and idyllic school, but most importantly for me, the people here seem to place the students in a unique position, where they can educate themselves with sincerity and passion.”

CATHERINE WHITE
History
B.A. Haverford, M.A. University of London
“I began teaching in China, where I taught 800 high school students English. I fell in love with being in the classroom, interacting with students, and helping them grapple with new information and ideas. Then, and now, I am continually amazed at how much I learn about myself and the way I think from my students. I love exploring new ideas and concepts with my students, challenging them and myself, and I am excited to participate in the academic life and community at Hopkins.”

ANGELES DE CASTRO
Modern Language: Spanish
B.A. Southern Oregon University, M.A. San Diego State University, Diploma from Universidad Complutense in Spain
Daughter Christina is a member of the Class of 2013.
“Spending time with young people keeps me young! I love everything about Hopkins. As soon as I walked onto the campus, I knew it was the perfect match.”

MARLÈNE FIRLOTTE
Modern Language: French/Italian
B.A. Southern Connecticut State University, M.A. Southern Connecticut State University
“It is wonderful to be back to Hopkins after 8 years of absence, it just feels like homecoming. I feel very privileged to have been called to teaching in this life time. As I began, many moons ago, an early career in a lucrative business corporate arena, I soon realized that nothing was more important and gratifying then to touch young people’s lives. To prepare well the next generation in their future role as accomplished citizens and leaders of the world is no small task. I must add that, along the way, the students have also touched my life very much. They keep me constantly energized and challenged...it’s just wonderful!”

PAMELA MCKENNA
Director of Admissions
A.B. Duke University, J.D. Washington University School of Law
“I love admissions because it always presents a challenge. Working with prospective students and parents—their different personalities and perspectives—always makes for an
interesting day. Additionally, admissions presents the opportunity to be involved in all different aspects of the school community, as well as outreach to the local community. There is no “typical” day in admissions!”

MATTHEW TREAT
Director of Academic Support
B.A. Hobart College, M.Ed. St. Joseph’s College
“I started my teaching career at Avon Old Farms School 18 years ago, teaching math. After teaching for six years at Avon, I saw a need for academic support in private schools. I went back to school to earn my M.Ed. in Special Education and then returned to boarding school life to being my work in academic support programs. The work I have done with both students and faculty has been very rewarding.”

MATTHEW LANE
Associate Director of College Counseling
B.A. Boston College
“Working in college admission, I had the chance to see first-hand the stress that students and their families carry during the college application and decision process. I wanted to work at a high school in order to help students prepare their best applications and help them remain calm and positive throughout.”

BETTY MONZ
Director of Major Gifts
B.A. Franklin & Marshall College, M.S. Virginia Tech
Daughter Lauren is a member of the Class of 2010.
“I believe in education as a priority and have carried that through for my own family. It is the single greatest gift we can give to our children, and is the key to our future. I also believe in philanthropy. Having a Hopkins education instills leadership and the responsibility to perpetuate this gift for years to come. My role is to inspire this connection between philanthropy and the School. It is fascinatingly fun.”

CAROL BROUILLETTE
Associate Director of Development Services
Carol joins us from the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.
“During my interview process I was very drawn to the warm hospitality of the staff members I encountered. I have been in the DC area for the past seven years, the beauty of this campus reminded me of how much I really missed New England. I am looking forward to the hustle and bustle of the new school year and interacting with the students.”

Additional changes in faculty/staff responsibilities at Hopkins include:

KRISTEN AMORE, who substituted in Science last year, has joined the Science Department full-time.

CAROL MIGDALSKI will manage both the Café and the School Store.

KATE HORSLEY will serve as Head of the Classics Department.

KEVIN CRONIN is now the Head Adviser to the Class of 2010.

DAVID HARPIN has now fully assumed his role as Dean of Academics, though he has been working very closely with Rosemary Benedict for the past six months to learn the full scope of his new job responsibilities.
Each year, Hopkins honors several individuals for remarkable devotion to the well-being of the School, and its students and teachers. These events occur throughout the academic year and pay tribute to key figures in our community whose tireless efforts grant us the ability to uphold the School’s mission with confidence in knowing that the future will be bright as long as we have the support of people like them.

This year’s honorees follow:

The 2008 Hopkins Medal
Hopkins bestows its highest honor—the Hopkins Medal—on that person who has shown unparalleled commitment, loyalty and devotion to Hopkins School. NOREEN HAFFNER has shown all of this, and more, during her long history with Hopkins and, for this, she was awarded the Hopkins Medal on Sunday, September 21, 2008. As a mother of four Hopkins alumni—Gregory ’90, Brian ’92, Edward ’99, and James ‘01—Noreen was an involved parent before joining the Board of Trustees in 1985 for a ten-year term, serving as President (the first woman to assume this role) from 1989–1992. Noreen rejoined the Board in 1999, serving for seven years. “Hopkins is an extraordinary institution which has been very important to my family. The experiences my sons have had at Hopkins—academic, sports, community service, teachers, and friendships with students and their families—have been very influential in their development.” (Views Fall 1999) During her time on the Board, Noreen also served as Secretary and was an active Chair of the Trusteeship Committee, which addresses both nominating and governance issues for the Board.

After a thirty-year career with the Southern New England Telecommunications during which she led the company’s IT, Strategic Planning, Wireless Communication, and Market Planning functions, Noreen retired from SNET in 1999. Noreen has been an active volunteer in the New Haven community, serving on and chairing the Gaylord Hospital Board and the Board of the United Way of Greater New Haven. Noreen is a graduate of the College of New Rochelle and Bishop McDonnell Memorial High School in Brooklyn, NY, a school for girls that, in striking similarity to Hopkins’ own heritage, merged with the all-boys school Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School in 1973, the same year that Hopkins Grammar School and Day Prospect Hill joined to form the co-educational Hopkins School. Noreen was a charter member of the Board of Governors established for Bishop Loughlin and is serving her second term as Board Chair. In December 2007, Noreen received The Anne O’Donnell Award from The Familiares of the De La Salle Christian Brothers, in recognition of her service to Bishop Loughlin and the mission of the Brothers. Noreen is married to Dr. Peter Haffner and resides in Hamden.

Volunteers of the Year
Hopkins students and faculty alike benefit from the noble efforts of our many volunteers each year, whether that be in helping organize events, supporting classroom initiatives, or raising funds for necessary resources. In recognition of this particular group’s talents and efforts, the Hopkins Alumni/ae and Development Office selects alumni/ae and parent volunteers of the year, chosen for their leadership and devotion to all aspects of Hopkins life. CYNTHIA DELUCA GAGNON ’77 & P’07, ’09 and JOANNE KAHAN P’08, ’11 will be recognized for their manifold contributions to Hopkins during the Homecoming reception on Saturday, October 18, 2008.

Cindi has been an active parent and alumni/ae volunteer at Hopkins for many years. She is a faithful phonathon attendee calling members of the Class of 1977 for Annual Fund contributions. She has also been an active participant on her Reunion Committee every five years. She has chaired the raffle/auction committee for the Golf Tournament sponsored by the Alumni/ae Association and worked tirelessly before, during, and after the tournament to ensure its success. Cindi has served as the Parent Council Representative to the Alumni/ae Association Board of Directors and has actively participated in many of the events sponsored by the Alumni/ae Association Board and the Parent Council. As a member of the Parent Council she has chaired the
reception committee for the annual Hopkins Open House in October for several years.

Joanne is currently serving her second term as President of the Parent Council. Prior to that she and Mary Hoffman P'09, '12 co-chaired Celebrate Hopkins, the Parent Council auction/fundraiser for two years during which the Parent Council was able to make significant gifts to the School. She and Mary were also responsible for launching the Parent Council's Wine and Cheese Tasting, a relatively new and very successful social event now held each Fall. The Book Fair is another of Joanne's excellent ideas, held this past Spring in the new Library, enabling students and parents to easily purchase books for summer reading, while supporting the parent organization.

Hopkins Fellows

Hopkins has long recognized the alumni/a community as one of the School's most valuable resources, and the Hopkins Fellows Program, established in 2005 to "enrich the Hopkins learning experience by exposing students to alumni/a who will inspire, challenge, entertain, and educate students by sharing their valuable life experiences," provides us the opportunity to acknowledge alumni/a who embody the ideals of independence, compassion, intellectual curiosity, and a love of learning that Hopkins strives to instill in all students.

Our first Fellow to visit during the 2008–2009 academic year is Melissa Cannon Guzy '83, who will return to Hopkins on Friday, October 24. Melissa has been an entrepreneur and senior executive in both the investment banking and semiconductor industries for more than 20 years. She works for VantagePoint Venture Partners as a Managing Director and Group Leader, Emerging Markets—Asia, and currently resides in Hong Kong. Melissa has led the Firm's investments in semiconductor devices and components for creating, storing, and moving digital content.

ELISHA COOPER '89 will join us during the spring semester. (Please continue to check the website calendar for exact date, which is still yet to be determined.) As an author and illustrator of children's' books, and much more, Elisha Cooper has made a living out of combining two of his favorite things from his childhood travels: writing and sketching. “I disliked cameras—more accurately, I disliked the loud, splashy tourists who used them—so I kept notebooks and wrote down things we saw, what we ate, smells. My mother gave me a tin of watercolors (the same one I use now) and I took that on my trips, too.” (As told to Something about the Author, a reference guide that provides brief biographical overviews of children's and young adult writers, poets, and illustrators.) His most recent work, ridiculous/hilarious/terrible/cool: A Year in an American High School was published in 2008 by Dial Books (ISBN 978-0-8037-3169-1, $17.99). Find out more at www.elishacooper.com.

Distinguished Alumnus

Harold Koh '71, father of Emily '04 and Will '08, will receive the 2009 Distinguished Alumnus Award during Reunion Weekend 2009. Harold has deep family connections to Hopkins: sister Carolyn (Choo) '65, brother Edward '70, sister Jean (Peters) '75, brother Richard '78, brother Howard '79, niece Liz (Peters) '08, and nephew Chris (Peters) '12. He resides in New Haven with his wife, Mary-Christy Fisher. Harold is Dean of Yale Law School (since 2004) and Gerard C. and Bernice Latrobe Smith Professor of International Law. He is former Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor under the Clinton administration. A leading expert on international law and highly-respected advocate of human rights, Koh has gained international recognition for his work (garnering more than two dozen awards) and has testified before Congress several times. Hopkins students and faculty, alumni/a, and members of the greater Hopkins community will be fortunate to learn some of Harold's great lessons of humanity when we celebrate his many achievements on May 8–9, 2009.
Only days after the 348th Hopkins commencement had ended, and the tents, chairs and stage had been cleared away, faculty, staff and visitors could be in no doubt that major changes were taking place at Hopkins. Where hundreds of happy Hopkins families had been seated less than a week before, bulldozers, tractors, backhoes and dump trucks were busily at work breaking ground for the newest addition to the campus.

Previously referred to as the new “Academic and Arts Building,” major donor Dr. John C. Malone ’59 agreed with the Hopkins Committee of Trustees that the new building should have a name befitting its significance. In the winter of the 2009–2010 school year, Thompson Hall will open its doors as the new home of the Junior School and the Arts Departments of Hopkins. The new building will replace the outdated and insufficiently equipped DPH building, but stand as a permanent celebration of the history of women’s schools in the post-1972 merger world of Hopkins Grammar School and Day Prospect Hill. The old DPH and Reigeluth buildings will make way for additional parking. A new maintenance facility is also being constructed near the varsity tennis courts. An additional feature of the new building will be the creation of a quad and new tree-lined walkways leading to Heath Commons and the Malone Science Center.

Announcing Thompson Hall:
A New Home for the Junior School and the Arts Department

Thompson Hall commemorates a woman for whom Hopkins’ highest academic honor is named. Mary Brewster Thompson hailed from the state of New York, attended Packer Collegiate in Brooklyn, graduated Wellesley College, and received an MA from Columbia Teachers College. A teacher of mathematics and Latin, she was the principal of Prospect Hill School from 1939 to 1952, and was renowned as a respectful and dignified teacher, who brought vitality and scholarly excellence to the classroom. On the occasion of her retirement from PHS in 1952, the Board of Trustees voted to elect Ms. Thompson as a standing member and adopted the following resolution: “On her retirement as Principal of Prospect Hill School, the Board of Directors records its profound appreciation of the service rendered by Mary Brewster Thompson. During the fifteen years of her rule the school has almost doubled in size, but this is only one manifestation of a more important growth from a new experimental venture to an established school of the finest reputation. That she has effected this transformation without sacrificing the spirit of cooperation...”
between teachers and pupils and the friendly informalit y which existed in the small original school, is striking evidence of her tact and wisdom; the devotion felt for her by her students past and present is evidence of her warm human understanding. We take comfort in the knowledge that she will continue to guard the quality of the school as a standing member of the Board."

Since 1960, four students in each graduating class—one is selected from each class each year—are praised for their academic prowess and intellectual dedication as Mary Brewster Thompson Scholars. Their names are added each year to the plaques that line the first floor of Baldwin Hall, and the prize describes its recipients as recognizing students for their “…fine scholarship, intellectual maturity, enthusiasm for academic pursuits, and the ability to share that enthusiasm with others.”

Features of the new building that will bear Thompson’s name will include, for the Junior School:
12 classrooms, 3 resource rooms, 2 commons and offices, and spaces for faculty and staff. Also featured will be 3 additional classrooms, 4 art studios, a ceramics studio, a woodworking studio, a digital media studio, choral rehearsal room, instrumental music room, 3 practice rooms, and an outdoor amphitheatre space at the rear of the building. The construction of Thompson Hall truly strives to create a space on the Hopkins campus for all students to thrive and experience an “enthusiasm for academic pursuits.”

View our progress online:
http://building.hopkins.edu
Unable to Vote, But Still Making a Difference in this Election

By: Jack Greenberg ’14

I’m a Scholastic News Kid’s Press Corp Reporter, part of a team of 80 kids, ages 9–14, from across the country who report on current events, breaking news, entertainment and sports events. Our stories are published online and in classroom magazines Scholastic News and Junior Scholastic. That’s where I first read that Scholastic was recruiting reporters. I applied by writing two essays, one describing myself and the other about why where I live is special. Oh, and one more thing. I’m a new 7th Grader at Hopkins.

I started as a Scholastic Kid Reporter in 5th grade. One of my favorite assignments was conducting a 45 minute interview on the NBC news set with anchor Brian Williams. My interviews have also included Governor Jodi Rell and Tim Russert. I covered Laura Bush’s announcement of an education grant and the release of the final Harry Potter book. When I attended the Laura Bush event, the Secret Service required a background check and I was given a White House Press Pool badge.

Most recently, I’ve been reporting on the 2008 presidential race. At a John McCain rally, I asked Senator McCain to defend himself on the criticism he’s too strong on the war but, not strong enough on the economy. On the eve of Super Tuesday, I attended Hillary Clinton’s Virtual Town Hall, hosted by Chelsea Clinton. I questioned Clinton spokesman Phillipe Reins about the possibility of a political career in Chelsea’s future. In April I attended the Obama/Clinton debate in Philadelphia. There I interviewed Howard Wolfson, Hillary Clinton’s former communications director, and chief Obama strategist, David Axelrod.

My biggest political assignment has been coverage of the 2008 Democratic and Republican National Conventions. In Denver, I was blogging live from The Pepsi Center and Invesco Field. I attended a California Delegates’ Breakfast where several big names spoke. Ted Strickland, Governor of Ohio, a major swing state in the election, told me what Democrats need to do to win his state. He said “It all boils down to jobs, jobs, jobs.” Lt. Governor of California John Garamendi talked to me about the results of the convention. He said Democrats were going to get a great candidate and first lady. During the conventions, I interviewed delegates...
Kids are excited to see history in the making. Kids care about their country, but tend to view issues differently than adults.

from Florida, Texas and even Democrats abroad. I also saw speeches by Al Gore and Howard Dean.

At the Republican convention First Lady Laura Bush and Cindy McCain encouraged people to donate to victims of Hurricane Gustav. Former Governors Mike Huckabee, Mitt Romney and former NYC Mayor Rudy Giuliani revved up the crowd with their speeches.

Being a Kid Reporter peaks a lot of interest. While I attended the conventions, I was interviewed on MSNBC by David Schuster and Andrea Mitchell and on Fox News by Shepherd Smith.

The most exciting thing about covering the conventions was living history; being present for the historic nominations of the first African-American president and the first female Republican vice-presidential candidate.

When Obama entered Invesco field, the place felt like it was going to flip over. The sound was deafening, a sea of Obama/Biden signs flooded the stadium. With supporters stomping their feet, I thought this must be how an earthquake feels. The speech wouldn’t go 5 seconds without being interrupted for thunderous applause.

The crowd also went wild when Sarah Palin arrived at the Republican convention to accept her nomination, shouting “Sarah, Sarah.” Michigan Delegates, showing their support, were dressed in hockey jerseys.

Experiencing first hand how this election is different from all others has been amazing. Kids are excited to see history in the making. Kids care about their country, but tend to view issues differently than adults. We look out more into the future of education and the environment and if the military draft will be renewed. We may not be able to vote, but we are making a difference in this election.

As I continue my election coverage, I also hope to join the The Hilltopper, Hopkins’s Junior School newspaper.

Want to read more of Jack’s reporting? Scholastic News can be found at scholastic.com/news where you can follow the election blog or sign up for the Twitter feed at twitter.com/scholasticonews. A list of Jack’s work can be found at scholastic.com/jackgreenberg.
Hopkins Homecoming 2008
Saturday, October 18

9:30 AM
15th Annual Hopkins Parent-Child Doubles Tennis Tournament
in memory of Michael H. Rudof ’86
Contact Coach Bill Ewen by October 8 at bewen@hopkins.edu
9:30 am warm up, 10 am start
(A & B Division)

12 NOON—4 PM
Picnic on the Hill
Hot dogs, burgers, chicken, desserts, drinks, and “fun” food” for sale by Classes of ’09, ’10, ’11, ’12
(proceeds benefit class treasuries)

Maroon Key Clothing Drive
www.hopkins.edu/community/service/
Athletic Center Patio
(rain location—Wrestling Room)

12:30 PM
Campus Tour
Meet at big “H” on Athletic Center Patio

1:30 PM
Dedication of new Tennis Courts

3 PM
Campus Tour
Meet at big “H” on Athletic Center Patio

ATHLETIC COMPETITIONS

11 AM
Field Hockey JV vs. Hamden Hall

1 PM
Field Hockey Varsity vs. Hamden Hall

1:30 PM
Soccer Girls Varsity vs. Westover
Soccer Girls JV vs. Westover

4:30—6 PM
Homecoming Reception
Everyone invited, The Patio
Highlighted by the 22nd annual Volunteer Recognition Celebration
Recognition Presentation
at 5 PM
Honorees: Cynthia DeLuca Gagnon ’77, P ’07 & ’09
Joanne Kahan, P ’08 & ’11

7—10 PM
Homecoming Dance
Grades 9—12
Heath Commons
Questions: Please contact Ben Taylor,
12th grade Head Adviser
btaylor@hopkins.edu

2:30 PM
Football Varsity vs. Kingswood-Oxford
Water Polo Boys Varsity vs. Williston Northampton
Volleyball Varsity vs. Miss Porter’s Volleyball JV vs. Miss Porter’s

3:30 PM
Soccer Boys Varsity vs. Kent
Soccer Boys JV vs. Kent

3:45 PM
Water Polo Horace Mann vs. Williston Northampton

5 PM
Water Polo Boys Varsity vs. Horace Mann

CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

12 NOON—1:30 PM
Recreational Swimming
Bud Erich Pool, Walter Camp
Athletic Center

4:45—5:45 PM
Marionette and Puppet Show
Library
We are sorry to report that Joe Fitzgerald’s wife, Deirdre, recently passed away. We enjoyed seeing Joe and his son at Reunion this past May and extend our sympathy to Joe and to his family.

Lou Des’s wife, Dorothy, died this past winter. We send our condolences to Lou and his family.

Please mark your calendars for the 65th Reunion of the Day, PHS and HGS classes of ’44 on Saturday, May 9, 2009.

Anne Wallace Dayton writes that she moved in September 2007 to live with her daughter, Lauranne, son-in-law, Kevin, and their teen-age children in Lovettsville VA, at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Her younger son, Greg, and his family live in the same community. Greg is married to a woman from Thailand and so Anne now has two step-grandchildren and a five-year-old Amerasian grandson. She travelled to Thailand in April 2007, where she attended a Buddhist wedding ceremony, rode an elephant and visited wats and palaces. She says the trip was “the highlight of my life in recent years.” The other significant event she reports was a total knee replacement in January 2008 with the recovery still in progress. She was unable to vacation in West Palm Beach this winter as she has for the past three seasons but plans to visit in 2009. She wrote that this summer she was determined to get to Maine where her oldest son and younger daughter live year round. Her “major intent is to water-walk in the Atlantic with a sturdy cane.” Anne sent greetings to all ’45ers and adds “congratulations to all of us who have celebrated turning 80!”

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Hello again to all. We have reached 80 by now, and my initial thought on getting material for the Views was, “Gee! We don’t have much time left!” Out of a class of 38 we have lost 14. I got a note from Peter Denison. He volunteers for Samaritans, a suicide prevention hot line, and is also active in his local chapter of Amnesty International. Dick Matthies has seven grandchildren, none of whom are married. The youngest, twin boys, will be in their second year at Purdue in the fall. Dick tells me the Golden Years have a few aches and pains along with the “gold.” Also, I recently had phone chats with Bud Perrine and Herb Nicholas. We mainly reminisced and both are well. Bob Baron is enjoying retirement in Key Biscayne FL, where he has lived for 19 years. It’s seven miles off the Miami coast and his sons and families are not too far away on the mainland. “The best of both worlds,” as Bob puts it. He also says, “Come on down!” Arnold Fenton is retired as a clergyman living in Blossom Valley CA. He says: “CEO’s become consultants. Retired clergy function as interims.” He and Barbara preside over an avocado orchard and he says that growing up in Connecticut, he had no idea what an avocado was “but now he knows, hands on.” Let’s aim for our 65th! It is only two years off. May we all get together in May of 2010, and naturally we’ll drive up the “Hill” rather than try to climb it!

Barbara Ackroyd Elder writes: “Still living in the mountains of Oregon—but still miss the East very much. I get out of snow in the winter by spending some time in Palm Desert and plan a trip this fall to Slovenia, Montenegro, ending in Dubrovnik. I have always wanted to see the Adriatic Coast and feel my trusty cane will allow one more big trip.”

Dottie Weaver is still going strong in Torrey UT. A few years ago she moved her annual New Years Eve party to mid-August when the weather is better.

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Last May most of us returned to our college or university for our 60th class reunion. I’m sure all of us were impressed with the campus improvements that have occurred over this time period. The new buildings and renovations to the existing ones were very impressive. The only downside of the weekend was the reduction of classmates that attended the event. Next year on Friday, May 8 and Saturday, May 9, we will celebrate our Hopkins 60th Class Reunion. I hope you will plan to attend and see the impressive changes that have occurred “on the Hill.” More important is seeing your classmates who, like yourself, are now 77 years old. This alone offers a major incentive to attend. Maybe we can get together on Friday evening to begin the celebration. You recently received a Reunion information form from Hopkins. Please update the requested personal information and return it to the School. If you have any suggestions for our 60th Reunion, please call me at (203) 795-3716.

The following members of the HGS Class of 1950 gathered for lunch at the Graduate Club in New Haven on May 21: (l-r) row 1: Harry Adams, John Penn, Bob Newman, George Jacob, Jack Gill; row 2: Ed Onofrio, Al Mongillo, Dick Stein, Wayne Well; row 3: Bob Adnoppoz, Bob DeFeo, Irv Knight, Larry Stern and Richard English (for brother, Jim)
Machines,” which Dick also had a hand in. Maybe there will be a return. Look for it. I look forward to talking to some of you at the time of the Annual Fund drive in the fall. In the meantime, please send news.

1953 HGS

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Our Fifty-Fifth Reunion (can you believe it?) brought together ten of our classmates (Tom Connor, Dante DeDominicis, Bob Hitt, Dick Massey, Dan Maffeo, Aldo Malavase, Jim Shanley, Bob Simeone and Ben Wooding, as well as your class secretary) for a festive Italian dinner at the Cheshire home of Linda and Dante DeDominicis and a sunshine-filled day at Hopkins in its current splendor with its recent and planned additions (especially a magnificent new library). We were joined at Dante’s by five of our wives and by Ken Paul, Sr., and his daughter, Debbie Paul. (Ken is effectively an honorary member of our class.) Linda’s homemade manicotti, superb, was followed by a delicious Sicilian chicken and a seemingly endless supply of sumptuous desserts. The Hitts (with Bob’s many new joints) and Simeones traveled the farthest, from Florida and Texas, respectively. While most of those attending have retired, some long since, a few, including DeDominicis, Massey and, especially, Maffeo, are still going strong. Dan, in addition to being a major landlord and electrical contractor in New Haven, plans to step up his pace by opening a restaurant called, appropriately, Dan’s Doghouse. All in attendance were in high spirits and appeared young at heart, whether or not the physique had managed to keep pace. Dick Massey, in planning the Reunion, heard from a number of other members of the class. Some (Beers, Black, Kaminski, Reid and Socharin) could not join us because of Mother’s Day or other conflicts. Phil Wedemeyer couldn’t attend, as he had planned, because his wife is undergoing chemotherapy; Ron Ohslund had intended to travel with him but wasn’t up to a solo trip because of back and leg pain; and Jim Crawford, from Nevada, reports that he is no longer able to travel because his lungs won’t permit it. Joel Smith wrote that he was grounded because he had reinjured his back after having a disk removed several months ago. We could, however, still field at least one athlete, John Somerville, who was playing in a California tennis tournament with his wife; and both Al Malavase, who “dazzled” us with an assortment of magic tricks, and Bob Simeone, once a three-sport athlete and is now a retired aeronautical engineer as well, looked fit enough to take the field again despite their years. We can now look forward to our 60th in 2013. With a bit of luck, the attendance may even increase.

1954 55th Reunion

Please mark your calendars for the 55th Reunion of the Day. PHS and HGS classes of ’54 on Saturday, May 9, 2009 at Hopkins.

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Suzanne Boorsch sent me the following note which I decided to quote, as the two Yale faculty families involved may be known to the wider Hopkins community: “May 25 and 26, Allan and I had a wonderful, if extremely short, visit with my father, telling mostly of his childhood and youth in France, and a bit of his subsequent life. Once back in Switzerland, Mary Anna transcribed the interviews and sent a copy on paper to my father, who was going to translate it into English—although he never got very far with that. She promised him not to share the interviews with us, his children, until after his death. Dad died peacefully at home (aged 102) on March 23, Easter Sunday. When I told Mary Anna this news, she immediately sent the transcript, electronically. But she was hesitant to put the actual tapes in the mail. As it happened, we were planning to be in France for 10 days toward the end of May, so we arranged a meeting and Mary Anna handed over the tapes which are now safely on the bureau in our bedroom. We hope for another visit—and longer!”—soon.” Brenda Harrington Isle writes: “Yes, Karen Johnson Whyte was right. I was on The Antiques Road Show. My mother had bought the 1825 home-hewn blanket chest at an auction for under $100.00 during my high school days. I sent in some photos not really expecting a response. It’s not a zinger in value but now worth about $2,500.00. The show staff makes you feel relaxed. Thankfully, it was quite unlike my performance as Angel Gabriel in the PHS Christmas Pageant, when I broke into explosive giggles after uttering the introductory, “Ecce.” I (Peggy Graham Beers) spent a wonderful afternoon with Tordis Ilg Iselhardt in the National Gallery of Art. Tordy’s publishing house, Images from the Past, is going full-steam-ahead with a couple of especially exciting books. If you have tree-huggers on your gift list, “Mighty Giants: An American Anthology,” chronicling the chestnut tree, might be just the thing. Check out her website! David and I were thrilled to attend the commencement exercises at Brown University, where our second granddaughter, Daphne Beers, received her degree Magna Cum Laude! En route home, we stopped for a fresh gelato at Dorothy Deephouse Staley’s home in Madison CT, where her son, Paul, has established a very successful patisserie/café. Dorothy continues her couturier business there also, but we caught her scooping gelato—the line was long! Emily Tate Rudolf continues to love living in the lakeside community in New Hampshire, where she has made many friends with whom she plays golf and bridge. Jane Ullman Guggenheimer reported that she is still working at the Nightingale School for girls in Manhattan, that she loves her work and also loves her weekends and summers playing golf with husband, Randy, and seeing their grandchildren. Tica Goss Jones wrote that she is happy to be back in
from Sicily, and then drove an hour into the mountains of southern Italy. Thanks to my six years of intensive Italian study, I was able to communicate with everyone. In four hours there, we were able to obtain my father’s birth certificate (with information about our family), have lunch with the Rositani family (relatives of the owner of the old Rositani Bakery on Legion Avenue), and finally, see the home that my relatives left. As a first generation Italian American, I now fully realize what my role was in defining their success in achieving the “American Dream.” Moreover, I really appreciate the significance of Hopkins in this effort.

1957

HGS

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This is a somewhat personal note from your secretary. One of my favorite teachers at Hopkins, Ken Raynor, passed away this past May. Who could believe that two years of Latin could be fun, but they were with Mr. Raynor. I am sure my classmates join me in sending our sincere condolences to his family. Please send any and all alum news to my e-mail address: leestitus@sbcglobal.net.

1958

PHS

Julia Merkt wrote: “I returned to Connecticut in May to be near family and friends. I have semi-retired from my elder law practice and have just started with Verizon Wireless. Let’s hear it for paid vacation, holiday and sick days, guaranteed paychecks, 401Ks and leaving the job at the end of the day.”

HGS

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On Friday night of Reunion weekend, the Class of ’58 gathered at the Woodbridge Country Club to celebrate our 50th Reunion. It was a wonderful evening, kindling in us a reminder of how important it is to keep up with the class. Our thanks to Dan Koenigsberg who hosted the event. After receiving the booklet, “Life after Hopkins,” and
our Reunion hats, we had a delicious dinner. Dave Branon, Gordon Daniel, Jim DeLucia, Dick DeNicola, Taber Hamilton, Gene Kiley, Dan Koenigsberg, Bob Kolb, Peter Meehan, Phil Moriarty, Mike Rodell, John Schneider and Fred Wintsch were in attendance. The talk centered on old times and especially those classmates who were missing. On Saturday, we gathered at Hopkins with other classes for lunch, cocktail hour, dinner and dancing at Heath Commons. The class of ’58 raised approximately $14,300 for Hopkins. Sixty-eight percent contributed to our Reunion class gift fund and fifty percent came to one or more of the weekend events. Some members of our class expressed an interest in getting together this fall so I hope we are able to arrange an event, especially for Bill Carlson, Emil Usinger and any others who were not there. We received an e-mail from Emil Usinger, who has been happily married to his ‘soulmate,’ Bonnie, for 46 years. They have a son, two daughters and seven grandchildren.

Retired from his occupation as a programmer analyst, Emil now enjoys fishing, camping, tennis, skiing and golf. Another of the missing from the class was Pete Sherwood. He didn’t graduate with us but was with us in the ninth and tenth grades. He founded four real estate companies and describes himself as an entrepreneur and “Wanabe Novelist.” Pete also has an interest in restoring old cars. Presently, he is restoring 1946 MG-Tc sports car with which he and his wife, Jo, plan to tour the British Isles. They have two happily married daughters and celebrate five grandchildren.

1959 | 50TH REUNION

Please mark your calendars for the 50th Reunion of the Day, PHS and HGS classes of ’59 on Saturday, May 9, 2009 at Hopkins.

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After many enjoyable years serving as the class correspondent, I (Julie Duff Moore) have decided it is time to step down and allow someone else to carry the banner. So, I am happy to report that Linda Billings Kiser has volunteered to become our class secretary. It is especially important as we approach our 50th Reunion next May that we stay in touch. Please send her your news so she will have something to write about in her next column. My best to all of you and I hope to see you at our 50th Reunion on May 9, 2009.

HGS
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Well, looking back, it’s only been 50 years since we departed from 986 Forest Road into a world that had yet to know of Dr. Martin Luther King, Viet Nam, President John F. Kennedy, Spiro Agnew, The New York Mets, The Super Bowl, The Peace Corps, The Bay of Pigs, The World Trade Center, Osama Bin Laden, Cable Television and I could go on and on. You get the picture—probably on your digital phone. The point is we have a 50th Reunion coming up next May, May 9, 2009 to be exact. So the point of this column, then, is to encourage, cajole, invite, shame or embarrass everyone to come back to Hopkins next May. There is, inevitably, a committee consisting of Mike Wilder, Hans Bergmann, Bob Dickie, Jim Shanbrom, Stephen Boies, Bill Cullen, Steve McDonald, Alan Rogol and your secretary which, thanks to Mike Wilder’s initiative, is mounting an effort to make this happen. If you haven’t heard from one of us yet, you will; if you have, you will hear again. There is, of course, no way to say this well, but we all know that as the years roll by the only time families ever get together is at weddings and funerals. For classes, it’s reunions. And, when you get to the point when it’s your 50th … Well, you get the point. I think, as part of our Reunion, we should undertake a class project that will have a significant impact on our alma mater. I offer the following. We will have folks come from California (Cullen and MacDonald), Illinois (Seawall), Maryland (Mack), Colorado (Malone), Virginia (Rogol) and other points of the compass. There is, however, one state that has never been represented at any Hopkins Reunion: Idaho. That is a problem that must be remedied and it is within our poor power to do so.

One of our classmates, Alan Schwartzman, a retired jurist which the laws of libel limit me from describing further, resides in Boise. Our class project is Bring Back Schwartzman! Each one of us has a role in this endeavor. Upon reading this column you must either write or e-mail him (sagglomer@hotmail.com) demanding his return. I entrust each of you with that responsibility. Fail not. Finally, Tom Tilson e-mailed this news: “Suzi and I have settled into Nairobi, Kenya where I will retire following my current work as Chief of Party of a USAID-funded project in Southern Sudan, where we develop and broadcast educational radio programs.” Maybe we can get Tom back, too! In the meantime, I will be searching for Charlie Nash’s Lost Diaries, which we can present as a Reunion gift to the new Hopkins Library.

1960

DAY
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Cathy Higgins Milton writes: “I have lots of news from my end. First I spent winter quarter at Stanford University as a visiting fellow where I had fun seeing Tricia Black Swift ’60 PHS and my son, who is a graduate student there. I was able to work on issues relating to national service and developed plans for a new ROTC program for those wanting to do intensive service in U.S. and get help with paying for college. Then I decided to sell my house in Portland in July and move to Seattle to live with someone I’ve been dating for the past three years (we met online),” Linda Gorall and her husband enjoy living on the water in Stuart FL. Her daughter recently moved to the same town so Linda now sees her three grandchildren often. She works three days a week as a physician’s assistant. Dorothy Harrison Setton teaches second grade and lives in Palm Beach Garden FL. She enjoyed going back to her 40th Vassar reunion and hopes our class will return to New Haven in 2010 for our 50th. No doubt she’ll detour to Rye NY to visit her son, Michael, and three grandchildren. In two years, it will not only be our 50th Reunion but also the 350th anniversary of Hopkins! Let’s all plan to return.

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Our 50th Reunion is scheduled for Mother’s Day weekend 2010. Carole Pfisterer Hart and Ruth Osterweis Selig have already said they plan to attend, as do I. Also, it’s time to begin thinking about a special Reunion donation so that our class will make a strong showing in 2010. Ruth Osterweis Selig reports that her son and daughter are thriving professionally and that she is doing a special project for the Smithsonian. She writes that Rollyn Osterweis Krichbaum’s son, Steven, will be married on September 12 in the Berkshires—a great opportunity for all the cousins to get together. Phyllis Licht Ross reports that she, Tita Beal and Gail Lowman Eisen are in touch occasionally. They all live in New York City. Carole Pfisterer Hart reported that her mom, Tensy Pfisterer, died peacefully this winter. She was still in her own home and active right until the very end. A memorial service took place in New Haven in early April and all the children and grandchildren were there. The Harts are doing well in Chestertown NY. We stopped to visit them a couple of years ago and enjoyed seeing their lovely home and gardens. I (Ann Hoag) have retired for the third time. Trips to see our sons and their families in Portland ME and Atlanta GA keep us on the road a lot. We spent two months in Hilton Head during February and March. We are going to the Grand Teton Music Festival in July and will join my brother, David Hummel ’58 HGS and his wife for the week. We look forward to a trip to Greece and Turkey in September.
HGS
On May 16, 2008, Ron Rippy received the Connecticut Orthopedic Society’s highest honor, Orthopedist of the Year award for 2008. He received recognition for his significant contributions and dedication to the practice of orthopedic surgery and his activism in the field of medical politics. Joining him on this wonderful occasion was his wife, Barbara, his daughter, Rebecca Garber, and her husband, Dr. Stephen Garber, and his son, Noah, and his wife, Annika, and their children. We add our congratulations.

1961

DPH
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Anita Fahrni-Minear again spent the month of April in Mongolia, selecting nine Mongolian students of German and two Mongolian teachers of English for her exchange program. The nine women students will attend teachers colleges in Switzerland for the academic year 2008-2009; the teachers will do 3-month internships at the International School in Berne. She placed 10 Swiss volunteers to teach English or German during the past year in Mongolian universities and is again recruiting, with 6 lined up for the new school year. After a brief stop in Beijing, she headed a delegation of 8 women in a week-long dialog with North Korean women in the DPRK, this for the Swiss National Council of Women. On this third visit to North Korea, Anita spent more time in the countryside and in discussions with experts in the agricultural field, giving the future of the exchange a more productive focus.

1962

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“MJ” Cipriano Amatruda is a docent at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in NYC and recalled, “Mrs. Anne O’Brien, our Latin teacher at DPH, made such a difference in my life.” MJ specializes in guiding small groups of high school students through the Classical Art areas at the Met and relates their enthusiasm to her own at the same age under Mrs. O’Brien’s tutelage. Apologies to Lucia Urban Bakewell for an error I made in this column. She explains, “I am not a fabric artist, but a mixed media artist in collage, acrylics, and three dimensional works. Never have done fabric though could see why you thought so since paintings of mine have been made into rugs (See www.thegalleryatsevenoaks.com).” Ellen Patterson Brown had a fun and intensive week of creative bread making at the King Arthur Flour Company in Vermont. Ellen reported, “terrific relaxation mentally though not physically and now I can bake ‘Bread without Fear’ and croissants to die for!” Joya Granbery Hoyt writes, “I am having twenty 18-year-olds to Nantucket for a week as a graduation present to my goddaughter—battening down the hatches as I remember how we behaved back then!” Mae Hultin spent a month in Hawaii and found her visit to the Arizona Memorial and the USS Missouri on Oahu deeply moving. Back home, she finished her fourth semester of college Spanish. Miles Lucas was born this spring and has the good fortune to have an ecstatic Ellen Kuhbach Lucas as his grandmother! Recently, she made a two-week trip to Malawi in Africa with a group from the Presbyterian Church USA bringing medical supplies to AIDS babies abandoned there in orphanages and hospitals. Her work included hands-on caring for these sick infants. Rocky Mitchell Morton continues to live in Dallas and has worked at a large law firm there as a para-legal for many years. A widow, she has both a son and daughter, and she is delighted to also report the birth of her first grandchild, a girl named Sydney. Thanks to Suzy Ferguson Nicolino for the update on Rocky. Suzy’s daughter, Jill, and 5-year-old grandson have just relocated from Florida to North Carolina. Jill is doing a hospital internship in Morgantown as part of her doctoral studies in psychology. Suzy’s son, Eric works for the PGA in Ponte Vedra Beach FL, in software and accounting. Suzy and Rocky often see one another when Rocky is on Martha’s Vineyard in the fall. As for Judy Parker Cole: a little guy named Baxter, of the four-legged variety, has captured her heart as a 10-pound Cockapoo puppy! Whew—she never knew it could be so difficult to do it right—just like parenting our kids! But she finds it great fun to get out and take walks around the neighborhood in Lexington; seeing more of the neighbors and enjoying the changing of the seasons. Here’s an idea, DPH Class of 1962: Shall we meet in NYC in 2009 for a mini-reunion and visit the museums? I think we can find some great folks to show us around! Stay tuned.

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Lawrence Hastings writes: “I am finally retired and am enjoying traveling with my wife, Nancy. I am looking forward to the birth of a new grandchild in August.”

1963

DPH
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The 45th reunion was quite fun, considering that only Pat Fiorito Oakes and I represented our DPH class. We were pleased to dine and dance and say ‘cheese’ for the class photo along with our Hopkins confrères, almost as if we had been actual classmates from the git-go. Ellen Smith couldn’t make it but really would have liked to come. She said, “Maybe the 50th.” Lynne Davis Lyons, too, wished she could join us, “I would love to see everyone again!” My (Carol Stock Kranowitz) fifth grandchild (fourth grandson) was born in May. Yum, yum, yum. Grandparenting is grand! Other news is that I’m co-authoring a book about activities to develop and enhance motor coordination in young children. What’s new with you? Please let us know before our 50th.

Although our golf game was rained out May 9, it was still time well-spent, as six members of the class of ’63 (L to R: Mark Siklarz, Dick Ferguson, Vining Bigelow, Dana Blanchard, Ron Groves, Chuck Moakley) reminisced over lunch at the Woodbridge Country Club.
Jeff and his wife, Shizuko, recently celebrated their 10th anniversary, and are living in Bucks County PA. They are both doing well and in good health and Jeff sends their best regards to all his Hopkins friends. Tom Burkhard will be retiring in January 2009 after nearly 40 years of active duty. He and his wife, Sue, are going to build a house on the intercoastal waterway in Swansboro NC near Camp Lejeune. Tom recently went to Cambodia on Navy business and visited Angkor Wat and the killing fields near Phnom Penh. It was a very moving experience. Doug Romero continues to pursue his long-time hobby of watch and clock collecting. He’s accumulated quite a collection over the years and is interested in unloading some of his used antique watches and clocks. Dr. John Mordes is still plying his trade in diabetes research and patient care at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. It remains a fabulous time to be in science, and getting another grant this month makes it likely that he can continue a bit longer. He reports: “Still running every day, but less. Trying to conserve the knees.” Dave Kiphuth and his wife, Linda, are happily ensconced in the woods in Greenfield Center NY. He left the newspaper business a few years ago and is now working at the Tang Museum at Skidmore College, as well as doing some freelance artwork. He is heavily involved in painting dog portraits for a publishing firm called Fiddlers Elbow and also did 485 water-color paintings of fish for Ken Schultz’s Fishing Encyclopedia and Worldwide Angling Guide. Check out www.davidkiphuth.com. Dave still teaches at the Banjo Camp North in Groton MA.

Bill Walik reports all is well on Bainbridge Island WA in Puget Sound. He no longer commutes to Seattle but spends part of the month on the Island and a week or two on his farm in central Oregon, where he and his wife raise grass hay on 30 acres.

Tom Delaney and Bob Seldon represented the Class of ’65 at the Los Angeles Area Alumni/ae reception in January 2008, where we viewed a brief video presentation about the school and heard about plans for new building projects. Of Class Notes can now be posted and viewed through your Online Community. Don’t wait for the Views. Tell your Online Community today! www.hopkins.edu
course, meeting other LA area alums was enjoyable. I need to update my e-mail address records for the class so please send your current e-mail addresses (and any news fit to print) to me at tfd3rd@aol.com. Just a reminder that our next reunion (the 45th gulp!) will be here before you realize it.

1967

DPH

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Karen Flint Fuller writes: “Steve and I met Mimi Conklin and Skip in Bluff UT for a rafting trip down the San Juan River in April. It was fun and adventurous exploring geological formations, desert flora and lots of ruins and petroglyphs and catching up for a few days. We are planning another trip together for a long weekend in Maine in October. Our son, Matt, is now head golf pro at Caves Valley golf course in Maryland. Our daughter, Sydney, and her boyfriend have moved to Crested Butte to enjoy living in a small mountains town.” Phyllis Clark Rothberg writes: “I am now a grandmother! On June 2 my daughter, Sarah, gave birth to Alex Greytak. Both mom and baby are doing well. As they live close-by, I get to spend a lot of time enjoying the new baby. When Sarah returns to work in September, I am planning to be his primary babysitter. Rhys Timm Atkinson writes: “We have been out to visit our daughter, Erica, and her husband of one year, Ben Applestein, in Palo Alto CA., enjoying the culinary delights and wonderful vineyards in the area. Otherwise, I have been teaching yoga at several venues around Fairfield County and loving every minute of it! I am looking forward to a weekend trip that I am taking with friends. We are going to Farm Sanctuary, which is a rescue center for hundreds of animals who escaped from slaughterhouses, cockfighting rings or were discarded by agribusiness, left for dead for various reasons, and then rescued. At the farm there is a vegan B&B and tours of the farm, where you can meet and pet the cows, sheep, goats, chickens and turkeys. I hear you don’t know what love looks like ‘til you stare into a pig’s eyes as you rub his tummy! I can’t wait!” I (Jane Pelz) don’t know about staring into a pig’s eyes but neither am I the one to judge, so best of luck regarding longing gazes and tummy rubs, Rhys! You are great and good! My son Randall (21) is spending the month of July at a German language immersion program in Taos. He is majoring in political science and German at UNM. He has also started writing science fiction. I have lots of friends streaming in and out of the house but know I will miss Randall and his five friends in July. They have all grown up with me. Please write me at pelzjane@yahoo.com.

1969 | 40th Reunion

Mark your calendars for the 40th Reunions of the DPH and HGS classes of ’69 on Saturday, May 9, 2009.

DPH

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We heard from Ellen Cohen Anderson who writes: “My daughter, Sarah, and her husband, James, are now the proud parents of our first grandchild, Isabella Grace Fogarty, born September 22, 2007. Thankfully, they live in Kensington CT so we see them regularly.” Can you believe it? Next year on May 9, 2009, we will observe our 40th Reunion! It has been quite a while since we had a really good turnout, so mark your calendar now, call your friends, and make your travel plans! It is not too early to think about how to celebrate this milestone. Do you have suggestions about an activity or a place that we would all enjoy? The school will have Reunion events, of course. But if we want to have any special activities of our own, now is the time to begin planning. If you would be willing to help with arrangements, contact classmates, suggest entertainment—whatever—please get in touch with Mary Ginsberg in the Alum/ae and Development Office at alumnews@hopkins.edu or return the information form that was mailed to you in July.

1972

HGS

Thomas Hunt is switching professions to become a high school teacher.

DPH

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Dulany Whiting Gibson is in between jobs and living in Woodstock, VT with her husband of 33 years, David Gibson ’66 HGS. Their daughter Lydia, 25, is expecting her first child in late June. Lydia and her husband, Taylor, were graduate students at St. John’s Graduate Institute in preparation for applying to Ph.D. programs next year. Daughter Victoria, 20, just completed her freshman year at St. John’s. Big congratulations to Dr. Jean Bennett and her husband, Dr. Albert Maguire, on their successful in a gene therapy study that is improving sight in some people with a rare form of blindness. Jean and her husband are part of a University of Pennsylvania team that has been working on this project. I read about it way out here in the Sacramento Bee! Front page with a huge picture! Great work, Jean. Pam Castiglione Potolicchio continues to be busy with kids and real estate in the Washington, DC. area. Pam writes that she’s got a houseful of 5 kids this summer. That’s good, Pam… It keeps you young! Katie Eglee writes that there’s no news, but she was sorry to have missed our class reunion last year. She was up on Cape Cod celebrating
Mothers’ Day with her mom. Connie Morris Jarowey and husband Peter Jarowey ’70 HGS are living in Newton, MA, with lots of coming and goings of kids. Sons Peter (21) and Xander (18) are both at Denison University. Peter graduates in 2009 with a degree in Film Production. Xander is a Government major with a possible minor in Music/Theater and graduates in 2011. Twins Liza and Tori (15) graduate from Newton South HS in 2010. Liza hopes to pursue musical theater and Tori is focused on creative writing. Big news from me, Patty Wynne Dayton, is that our older son, Draper, was married last summer here in Sacramento. We are thrilled to have Draper and Cristina, and our other son, Kenny, living in town. Lots of fun! We are still loving Northern California. Anybody else want to take a stab at this class secretary thing? This is my final year.

1973

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If you would like to volunteer to serve as class secretary for the Class of 1973, please email Mary Ginsberg at alumnews@hopkins.edu. You only need to provide two columns a year and it a nice way to keep in touch with classmates.

1974 | 35th REUNION

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Greetings. 2009 marks the 35th year since our graduation from Hopkins. Our 35th Reunion will take place at Hopkins on May 9, 2009 and I look forward to our class having a large Reunion turnout. It was good to get an e-mail update from Anne Sommer. Anne lives in Hamden having returned to the New Haven area nine years ago after living in Michigan, Washington DC and southern California. She is a freelance copy editor and edits several of the Yale graduate school magazines. In addition, she is a mentor in the New Haven public school system. Her husband, David Rabinowitz, is originally from Bethany and does research in astrophysics at Yale. Anne reports that she and David returned from a wonderful trip (part work for David) to Chile last spring, which was especially rewarding because Anne had just finished auditing an intensive Spanish language class at Yale. Since returning to the New Haven area, she has run into several classmates and is thinking of attending our 35th Reunion. I am looking forward to more e-mail updates from our class so I can fill the spring issue of Views with much news just before our Reunion.

1975

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Hello 75ers. Before I give you the few tidbits I have, I’d like to make a plea for all of you to update me with current e-mails. I know many have changed your e-mail addresses and I’d like to be able to contact everyone, especially because you do have an important Reunion to put on your calendars. In 2010, there is going to be a HUGE celebration on the Hill to mark Hop’s 350th anniversary. That happens to be our 35th reunion, so obviously play the numbers 3, 5 and 0 that week! Jed Esposito’s son, Nicolas, just turned two. They are building a custom home in Denver and Jed says work is very busy at Precise Consultants as a practice broker. Walt Russo’s daughter, Amelia, just finished her first year at Colorado College. His daughter, Claire, will be a senior at Brown and Holly is just entering high school. Lee Anne Garvey Hicks reports that their oldest son, Ross Hicks ’07, had a great first year at Hobart College where he won the Rookie of the Year award for the Cross Country team and made the Dean’s List. He was elected to Hobart’s Student Government and will reside in the honors and leadership house during his sophomore year. Their other son, Dennis, graduated from the eighth grade at Foote School this spring. He will attend Hamden Hall next year where he hopes to play on the football and lacrosse teams. Interesting note from David Atkins: “We are still in DC and, like everyone else in the country, we are eagerly awaiting a new occupant in the White House. The past eight years have been discouraging for those of us who entered government because we thought the mission of pursuing research in science and healthcare was non-partisan. I have a new job at the Veterans Health Administration, directing their quality improvement research. The VA has made great strides in healthcare since the days I was a medical student at the West Haven VA and it feels good to be contributing to the effort to fulfill our commitment to the new generation of veterans coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan.” Nicely put, David. I’ll (Cindy Chase) end on a selfish note by sharing that our “baby” graduated from Union College on Father’s Day. Keep the news coming!

1976

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Tom Migdalski shares, “To date, I’ve published approximately 200 articles in outdoors (mainly saltwater fishing emphasis) magazines and over 600 photos, including over 50 regional and national cover photos.” Tom is a member of the Outdoor Writers Association of America. He continues: “I have a total of three books on the market or in the works. My first, The Complete Book of Shotgunning Games,” was published in 1997. Due out in October 2008, is “Fishing with Diamond Jigs and Bucktails.” Number three, “Fishing Long Island Sound,” has a release date of March 2009. My wife, Carol, is Hopkins’ Cafe manager. In fall it will be two years for her. She will also be the bookstore manager starting this summer. Carol continues as the Hopkins girls JV tennis coach next spring. Daughter Maggie will enter 9th grade on the Hill this fall. She has had a lot of success in both field hockey and lacrosse and she looks forward to playing on the upper school teams. Maggie’s advisor for the last two years has been Dana Blanchard ’63 HGS, my old varsity track and JV soccer coach. He and I have enjoyed seeing each other again and reminiscing about the ‘good old days’ on the athletic fields.” Tom continues to serve as a distinguished member of the Hopkins family by sharing his nutritional educator skills with several special talks to our Hopkins
athletic teams. My old friend and international businessman, Matt Miskimin, writes: “Probably 35 years since we last saw each other on the soccer fields. I got your mail and see that you have taken over after the previous centurion who guarded our slow retreat into the future (or is it the past?). Recently, after concluding my adventures in Brussels, I became the Scandinavian partner of Ocean Tomo, a US based company in the intellectual property management field. I’ve come full circle and returned to a financial instrument trading environment. My wife, Maria, is still fabulous after 25 years and my two boys, Patrik (14), and Edward (11) are doing great. Both boys are chasing Roger Federer into the tennis circuit. They train four to five days a week and we drive them happily to tournaments.” I (David Stevens) am publishing my new book, “The End of Life Crisis, Why Men (and Women) in Their Forties Do Such Crazy Things.” Learn more about it by going to endoflifecrisis.com. Gail Brundage continues to be a great help as I continue as alumni/a news gatherer. A thank you goes out to her from yours truly.

1977

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First, on behalf of the class I want to extend my sympathy to Joe Coguillo on the death of his father. Joe’s dad passed away a number of months ago and I am sorry I didn’t mention it in the last article. I was reading through “Business New Haven” magazine and spotted a lovely picture of Laurie DeNegris and the article underneath revealed that Laurie has been named a partner at the law offices of Shelly, Mazzaccaro, DePaolo, Dunham and DeNegris, LLP, in Southington CT. Congratulations to Laurie on her wonderful accomplishment. David Yudkin writes: “Family is all doing great. Still own HOTLIPS Pizza with four pizza stores in Portland OR. We get a lot of national and international recognition for our sustainability efforts, appearing in shows on HBO, Sundance Channel, Weather Channel and Public Broadcasting. After a year and a half of work, we’ve re-launched HOTLIPS soda, an all-natural soda made from local Northwest fruit, www.HOTLIPSsoda.com.” Jim Riley wrote: “It’s hard to believe but I’ve been out here in the Marshall Islands for nine months. I’ve been working harder than I’d like but I’ve still found some time to dive the coral reefs and a couple of wrecks. I’ve managed to keep up my bike riding, which is an accomplishment since this consists of doing four-mile laps around the runway. I’m going to be back in the Continental U.S. (CONUS, we call it) for the last week of June and the entire month of July.” Dianne Hodgetts Bladon reports: “John and I are still in Wayland MA with our four children. Our oldest, Jay, is a junior at Bates College but is leaving for New Zealand for a semester abroad. Our next two, Will and Chris, are in high school and our daughter, Karina, has just finished third grade. I spend most of my time on sports fields watching my kids and volunteering for various school projects here in town. I enjoyed seeing so many classmates at the last reunion and look forward to our next one. Gina Tull McNeill replied to my e-mail recently by writing: ‘I have lived in Bend OR for 11 years. Skiing and outdoor activity fill my days, I walk and cycle everywhere. I live with my soul mate and have two wonderful daughters, Sheena and Selena (28 and 27 years old). I have been an applications developer for nearly two decades. Over the last three years, I moved into management-and lost the creativity that I took for granted in my programming career. The owner of the company heard my complaints and a year later, I am still part of this amazing corporation and learning a new language, Cocoa Touch. I am also learning a new Integrated Development Environment, for developing on the MAC. It feels like the beginning all over again—the buzz has returned. I think for me, it is all about learning and moving even if I remain still.’ This past April, Cindi DeLuca Gagnon and I (Diane Kolligian Shannon) vacationed together in Florida with her daughter and my son. We had a great trip and it was almost like old times but our kids kept us in check when we tried to relive the past! My news is that I am taking on a new role as Hopkins parent as our son will enter 7th grade next fall. This seems like a great time to relinquish my role as Class Secretary to one of the many excellent writers in the class. Fortunately, Gina Tull McNeill has agreed to take on this task, so please send any future information about yourselves to Gina at gmcnell@n-link.net.

1978

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I think we had way too much fun at our 30th!! Jud Smith hosted a small gathering at the Orange Hills Country Club—food by Steve Falcigno with a DJ playing best of the 70’s. Kevin Maloney and Tim Chieppo joined Janet Granger, Rich Bernstein, Jessica Cogen (up from Virginia), Gina Carloni-Hart, Karen Monteith Flynn, Duane and Ali DeLuca Crisco and me. Duane even conferenced Barney Confrey in on the phone. Emily Hughes and Dale Caldwell went at it on the tennis courts on Saturday morning with Mr. Ewen—sorry to have missed that! Steve Newton attended the Distinguished Alum luncheon with Janet. Jennifer Jennings (who traveled down and back from Marblehead just for the day!) and Mary Howard. Mary is back in the area working with technology start-ups and enjoyed seeing old friends again. Steve and his family attended the dedication of the new Hopkins Library and a service honoring his brother, Thomas Newton ’68 HGS, who passed away suddenly last June. We then met up with Robert Yudkin (in from Texas) who watched a fierce girls’ water polo game with us. Cocktails and dinner brought in Bill Petraioulo, Pat O’Regan, Jessica Cogen, the Madison contingency (the Criscos, Gina and Karen), Noah Gans-Pfister, Burchell Sise Valdejuli, David Keegan, Mark Harrison and Lauren Fusco Baumann. We compared stories of our youth with those of our teenagers and gave Rich Bernstein a hard time because he and his new wife are expecting a child. Andrea Isaacs catered...
their wedding last year. And cheers to all those spouses who braved yet another Reunion. Of those unable to make it to New Haven this May, Mary Shea sent in a note catching up: “I’ve been living in Russia for 14 years now, first in Rostov-on-Don in the south, and now in Moscow. I had studied Russian at Colgate in upstate New York and then moved to New York City. I worked in several non-governmental international exchange organizations and, when glasnost and perestroika hit the Soviet Union, I got involved in U.S.-Russian cultural and educational exchange programs. Leading one delegation, I met my future husband, Yurii. He is a mathematician, but like many Russian scientists, got involved in business as the country opened its markets. He started a cellular telephone company in his home city of Rostov on Don, and now manages a number of regional cellular companies.” Their 11-year-old daughter, Emily, attends a Russian school and is fluent in both languages. Mary manages an alumni program for the non-profit organization American Councils for International Education. I also serve on the Development Board of the American University of Central Asia in Kyrgyzstan, and recently moved to New York City. I worked at the U.S. Department of Labor at the State Department. While taking time away from world peace, he add that he was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

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1979 | 30th Reunion

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As I am writing this column, we are in the midst of a heat wave in June, so I hope the fall weather is more fair. My notes for the last spring issue of this magazine were inadvertently not printed, for which we apologize. The following are the ’79 class notes from Spring 2008: After a relative drought, several members of our class have thankfully submitted notes for this edition. It is heartbreaking to see that the Class of ’79 still is living well and prospering. Brian Borgerson and I enjoyed talking with many of you—or your answering machines—as we made phone calls from Hopkins for the annual phonathon this past October. We both greatly appreciate those of you who made donations and who took the time to speak with us. From New Orleans, Martha Leshine reports that she is back in the Big Easy, and by saying that she “doesn’t have much to say,” she is, in fact, perhaps speaking volumes about her own personal recovery, since her initial report to this column after Hurricane Katrina was both harrowing and heart wrenching. She writes that recovery continues to progress slowly, and that she is hoping to get involved in civic groups to help the youth of the city. Loren Ziff, long absent from this column as well as from New Haven unfortunately, writes from South Carolina that his kids are growing up fast, business and family are doing well and “the good news is that there is no news.” Perhaps he is right about that, but we always like details for this column. Scott Fisher lives just outside Philadelphia and works in human resources with CrossWorld, a non-denominational mission agency serving in more than 28 countries. Scott and his wife, Maura, have three children, Scott Jr., Kara (21), and Ryan (16). Scott would love to see anyone from Hopkins if they come to Philly. Jerry Blair sent the following news: “My son, Josh, is doing great. He is 13, and is in junior high school where he just made the Honor Roll. He is an avid paintballer, soccer player and WWE fan. My latest talent discovery and management client, Mika, has sold four million worldwide and is the number one selling new artist of the year. He won four World Music awards and was just nominated for a Grammy Award for his single, “Love Today.” From Washington DC, Fran Palmieri writes that he was in Iraq for two weeks in October to evaluate NGO democracy promotion programs, which are funded by his office in the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor at the State Department. While taking time away from world peace, he adds that he taunted both me (Cleveland Indians’ fan) and Scott Fisher (Yankees fan) during the Red Sox “glorious run to a second world championship in four years.” Thanks Fran. Kindly go back to solving world problems. Rob Reiter submitted the following: “Fredrica and I have been in LA for about 12 years already. I am still at UCLA, where I am professor of urology, with a busy practice focused in prostate cancer, and a laboratory as well. A drug we developed is now in Phase II trials for prostate and pancreatic cancer by Merck. We have three children, Amanda (11), Jacob (9) and Dean (5), our crazy one. We are all well and still enjoy LA, although we do sometimes miss the East Coast. We are applying to schools for 7th grade for Amanda. Boy, it is highly competitive and I do not think any of the schools here really can compete with Hopkins. Sorry I could not make it to our 25th. Hard to believe.” We certainly hope to see Rob and as many of you as possible at our 30th Reunion next year. Yes, that is hard to believe. The following are the ’79 class notes for Fall 2008:

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understated way, however, he offers a clarification. "I manage the area that calculates the risk of the firm’s trading business, which involves running market simulations and seeing what they imply about likely portfolio outcomes."

Andy Maretz and wife Mary Pat and daughters Katie (15), Maggie (13), and Caroline (11) voyaged to the Greek Isles this summer and went scuba diving off Santorini. I had the opportunity to catch up with them at their lovely home in Weston CT, where Andy’s family seems to serve as a kind of clearinghouse for most of the red-headed children in the area. As has been previously noted, Andy works at the Goldman Sachs investment firm in Manhattan. In his characteristically busy schedule to travel frequently back to campus. Some classmates are interested in reading the book, they can go to the “refined” Hopkins food and explained some of his culinary specialties at home on the Indian reservation. Thank you to everyone who traveled near and far to be there. I know it takes a lot of work that weekend into our hectic schedules. And to those who drove up from Washington DC through the rain and traffic such as Stephanie Kaminsky and Amy Yanagisawa-Wilkins, I appreciate everything you did even if you couldn’t get there in time for Friday night.

Rich Ridinger and Mark Celentano, representing both near and far, were the first to arrive! It was great to see that Diana Lawson Goldman and Sharland Blanchard can still do their “butt walk” exercises that they did back in their field hockey days. And Sara Their’s very cute daughter was a pleasant surprise walking through the presidential suite. Dan Esposito and his wife, Joanne, traveled from Denver. Dan has a thriving dental practice, has received academic appointments at the University of Colorado’s School of Medicine and the School of Dentistry and chairmanship of the Facial Trauma panels at the two Level 1 hospitals. But you can see when talking to Dan that he is most proud of fatherhood and marriage. Scott Lowell appropriately started in an episode of “Criminal Minds” the week of our Reunion. Robert Jaffe’s memory could also be called “criminal.” He is truly blessed to have such a memory of specific events. It helps us all. I spent time on Saturday walking around campus with Lesli Greenberg and Medina Tyson Jett—What more can I say? “Give me an H!” Seth Stier is a banker in Boston. Ethan Rappaport writes: “I recently published my first fantasy/adventure novel, “The Legacy of Ogma.” It’s the first of a nine book series. The second book, “Forging Paradise,” should be out in September. I write during my 1 1/2 hour commute by train into NYC. The core market is middle school (just above the Harry Potter reading level), but if any classmates are interested in reading the book, they can go to http://www.owlkings.com and use the coupon code HOPKINS for 20% off.” Alexandra Houck writes: “Samuel Taylor Amarutangana was born on November 10, 2007 to Kevin Amarutanguna and me. Sam joins big sister, Elizabeth, who is two. Amy Pagliaro Ramsey and her husband, Tom, welcomed a daughter, Linnea Hope Ramsey, in September.” David Keck writes: “The last few years I’ve been serving as the pastor of a small, struggling church here in Durham NC. We were not able to make a shift to a multicultural church, but it looks like we were able to help start a Latino congregation. Next year, I’ll be working on a research project on how congregations can nurture their pastors. I’m enjoying being a soccer dad for Olivia (age 11) and Elijah (age 8). My wife, Karin, and I have been active in our neighborhood. We live along with about 38 other households in a co-housing community with a common house, community garden, and shared open space, and while it is wonderful, it is also a lesson in the fact that being a community is hard work.” Tom Pinchbeck writes, “As some of you are aware, we’ve decided to stop growing roses this year after the end of June. I had been wrestling with this decision for a couple years but now feel a strange sense of relief. Our rose market has been shrinking on both ends: lots of cheap roses from other countries and fewer florists. Supermarkets and Big Boxes have taken a large chunk of the market from...
the florist and they’ve driven the wholesale price of roses to below half of what we received in the eighties. It became impossible to compete, so it’s time for us to step aside and try something new.” I want to share a quick story about Tom Pinchbeck that says a lot to me about the type of person he is. This past Mother’s Day I called him to send some flowers to my mother. Tom had delivered them for me because he said he enjoyed seeing my mother once a year. My mother, however, and nothing against you Tom, refused to answer because she was afraid of the stranger at the door but you get my point about Tom! I hope you will too!

1985

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Bethany Schowalter Appleby is proud to announce the first legacy of the class of ’85, Hilltopper-to-be Aidan James Appleby, Hop ’14. Congratulations, Bethany. Please send news for the spring issue of Views from the Hill.

1986

HOPKINS

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Hello classmates. Andy Chepaitis has created a Facebook page for our class. If you would like an invite to join, please e-mail me. Thanks to all the classmates who submitted news. Alex Lewin writes: “I’m currently a partner in a small hedge fund investing in sustainable technologies. I’m becoming intensely involved with food sustainability and the “local food movement” (which by its very nature is not a single movement). I believe that gardening and riding bicycles are admirable political acts. I recommend to anyone who’s interested my current favorite book, “The Revolution Will Not Be Microwaved: Inside America’s Underground Food Movements” by Sandor Ellis Katz.” Rocco DeMaio writes: “Rocco John DeMaio III was born on February 28, 2008.” Jen Hulford Odell reports: “My husband, Turner, and I just welcomed our third child in April, a girl named Fia. She joins our daughter, Maisie (3), our son, Will (12), and our dog Seal (12). We still live in Portland OR and love it. I am a stay-at-home mom during the day and then do environmental education consulting work in the evenings. I am currently working on...”
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Yo, yo, yo, class of ’87, so last time I asked you what moving and shaking was going on from our class, and I am happy to report that Mike Davis has stepped up to the plate! And talk about moving and shaking—here’s what Mike is up to: “I recently wrote a self-help book entitled, ‘Discovering Your Authentic Power,’ which is being published by Vantage Press out of New York.”

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her best to all and was sorry to miss Reunion explaining: “I’m on a work assignment in Hawaii for a few months and couldn’t make it back. All is well here and Hawaii has been good for my soul—and my tan! It’s hard not to love it here and I’ve discovered I rarely stop smiling.” Kelly Wade is currently teaching sixth grade in a Hamden elementary school. She writes: “The work is challenging but so important, thus I’m still in the game after eleven years. Recently I was fortunate enough to be nominated Teacher of the Year by my peers.” An English teacher at Hopkins, Ian Mechinger, is also living in New Haven with his family and writes: “It was a pleasure to welcome the alumni back to my daily workplace, the vastly transformed Hopkins campus. As we all gathered in rooms that never existed in our time, I had a lot of fun showing people the brand-new places where I teach, eat, and hang out. The reactions were just what I’d felt when I started here: ‘A cafe? A student life building? Whoo! Weeee never had THIS!’ Sabrina Silverstein is “still teaching Pre-K in Chicago and still loves it. I have the best job!” Sabrina will be in Costa Rica in the summer of 2008 to help teach school and help run a summer camp. Jonathan Grauer wrote: “It was great to see everyone at Reunion! My wife, Janie, and I really enjoyed spending time with the group. I am living here in New Haven, work is going well, family is great.” “Life is busy with three kids—they all keep me on my toes. Work is good as well, so no complaints,” says Kristi Taylor Baxter. Shieva Ghofrany and her husband, Charly Sahlia, welcomed son, Kian Ghofrany Sahlia, into their family on April 4, 2008. Also welcoming Kian was his big brother, Zander. Lars Merk happily reports that his children Mallory (7) and Gavin (6) have a new baby brother. Peter Robert Larison Merk was born on May 25, 2008 and he is doing great. “Mom Rorie and I could not be happier to have him finally here. I am still working for Johnson & Johnson in our pharmaceutical marketing area and am enjoying it still!” As always, I thank those of you who wrote to me—it was great hearing from you and thanks for taking the time to share your news! For those of you who have not written in a while, please send me your e-mails (shlnree@aol.com)—and let me know what is going on in your life! If you have not received a reminder e-mail from me, please send me your correct e-mail (and even some news!) and I will add you to our class e-mail list for the future.

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Brill’s Content. He also lives very close to Sound Bites, which is both the greatest place for brunch on the planet and located in the amusingly named Ball Square. As always, send your news to me at hopkins89@gmail.com. If you haven’t been getting my e-pleas, it probably means my list is out-of-date. Take two seconds to send your current email address along. Also, May 9, 2009 is our 20th Reunion. Twenty, two-zero. Shh, listen! It’s the sound of your hair dropping out and your arthritic joints cracking. Man, you people are old.

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Kate Applewhite Caspar writes: My husband, Phil Caspar, and I just welcomed our third child, a daughter, in January 2008. Kennedy joined two big brothers, Cannon (5), and Joey (2). I am in my tenth year at Westminster School in Simsbury, where I serve as director of college counseling and teach English. This past fall, Melinda Vaughn Wright joined the Westminster faculty as our new director of multicultural affairs and associate director of admissions. It has been wonderful to work alongside such a close friend, and Melinda and I have enjoyed raising our children together in a close-knit boarding school community. Melinda is married to Charles Wright and they have two adorable children, Eden (3) and Noah (2). We’re both still close friends with Karin Thomas Minter, who is actually my son, Cannon’s, godmother! Naomi Katz Tepper writes: “Hi all! I’m living in Atlanta, I work at the Center for Disease Control, and my husband is a cardiologist in private practice. We had a baby boy, Nicholas, February 13, 2008. Aside from sleep deprivation, we’re doing well.”

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Rebecca Miller Anderson writes: “Hope you are well. I thought I’d send a quick update on a few friends from our class that I keep in touch with regularly. Sue Naci had a baby in June. He is an adorable little boy named Rainen Kaan Barlis. Debbie Rocco Johnson had a baby boy in December 2007. Eric Joseph Johnson is doing great. Debbie and her family live in Fairfield. Adam and I moved to West Hartford in fall 2007 with our two kids, Olivia and Zachary. We are very much enjoying being back in Connecticut.” Laurie Saft married Dan Ginsberg in New York City on July 3. In August, she and her husband are taking an extended honeymoon to Africa. They will be volunteering with a Jewish organization that places professionals according to their areas of expertise in various not-for-profits around Africa. They do not know where they will be placed yet but are looking forward to the adventure. Tony Dow married Gina Bae on January 11 in Phoenix AZ, where Tony works for Intel. Congratulations to all.

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Well done, Class of ’92! I have lots of news to report so let’s get to it! Adrianna Melnyk wrote in to say that she got married last August to Taras Hankewycz and moved to Bronxville NY. It’s still an easy commute to New York City. She left the corporate world and is now working at a non-profit, the Orange Circle, where they focus on Ukrainian and Eastern European political development. Kianti Walcott Roman reports that she welcomed her son, Marcos Antonio, on December 18, 2007. They were both featured in a video produced by Baby Talk Magazine—congratulations! Kia is still working at the Yale Office of Public Affairs. Recently, she traveled on behalf of Yale as a visiting lecturer at Universidad del Norte in Colombia, where she delivered three lectures in Spanish (one was broadcast on Colombian TV!). Her normal day-to-day is spent inviting and hosting journalists to Yale—recently Bob Woodward and Charlie Rose! Debora Buxbaum Myers wrote in to say that she and her husband just welcomed their first baby, Garay Holden Myers, born on March 19, 2008. The whole family lives loving in Colorado on the Western Slope but is hoping to get back to the Denver area in the next couple of years. Thanks Adrianna, Kianti and Debora! As always, Sam Ozeck updated me on several people. Here’s what we have from Sam: Greg Tanner and his wife welcomed their son, Henry, in October of 2007. Eric Kutcher lives in Milford, works for McKinsey and has two kids who are making him prematurely gray. Steve Siegal is working for Kraft Foods. Gavin Becker is working in NYC for an advertising company called AKQA. Dave Carmel remains in the DC area and is a principal with the Columbia Co., which is involved in real estate. Thanks, Sam! Sam Ozeck, Brian Haffner, Abby and Justin Zandri, Tim Touloukian, Liz and Niall Ferguson, Sarah and Ari Kleiman and I (Tony Hayes) went to the hills of Malibu to see Duff Kuhnert marry the brilliant Rachael Robertson. It was a fantastic weekend with good times had by all! Last but not least, I’ve heard from Jake Yeston! Jake is living in Rockville MD (just outside of Washington DC) working as a chemistry editor at Science Magazine where he edits and coordinates reviews for research papers. Sadly, Jake’s marriage ended in divorce a while ago but he says things have been going much better of late as he is really enjoying his job and also singing in a local community choir! Good to hear, Jake. That’s it for me. Please keep writing! For this issue, I’ve been asked to look for Ziran Sun—Ziran, drop me a line so I can report back to your classmates!

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Eliza Woolston Sheffield had a baby girl named Eloise Woolston Sheffield on April 19, 2008. Everyone is happy and healthy! She writes, “We live in Marin County right outside San Francisco right now and I’m enjoying the summer off from work to spend time with Eloise.” Lauren Canolari gave birth to a baby girl, Kira Leigh Lawrence-Riddell, on May 1, 2008. She will teach a few pilates classes but not go back to teaching full time until at least January 2009. Lauren and her husband, Michael, live in Northampton and she was teaching drama at Amherst middle school. Bitsy and Andy Dow had a little boy, Zachary James Dow, on April 26, 2008. They moved from Boston to Portland OR last year. Congratulations to all the new parents!

1994 | 15TH REUNION

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Mark your calendars, blackberries and palm trees for our 15th Reunion next May 9, 2009. I look forward to seeing you all on the Hill as our 10-year Reunion had a great turnout. Josh Forrest recently e-mailed that he has returned from Kampala, Uganda, Africa, where he was working and teaching residents at Mulago Hospital. Before he settles back into life in New Haven with wife, Emily, he is sailing in a regatta that will take him from Newport RI to Bermuda. I wish I could say I was doing such exciting things, but I can say I have been as busy. My husband, Rob, and I (Adrienne Betz) celebrated the arrival of William (Liam) Tritiro Oliver on May 19, 2008. He came their son, Henry, in October of 2007. Eric Kutcher lives in Milford, works for McKinsey and has two kids who are making him prematurely gray. Steve Siegal is working for Kraft Foods. Gavin Becker is working in NYC for an advertising company called AKQA. Dave Carmel remains in the DC area and is a principal with the Columbia Co., which is involved in real estate. Thanks, Sam! Sam Ozeck, Brian Haffner, Abby and Justin Zandri, Tim Touloukian, Liz and Niall Ferguson, Sarah and Ari Kleiman and I (Tony Hayes) went to the hills of Malibu to see Duff Kuhnert marry the brilliant Rachael Robertson. It was a fantastic weekend with good times had by all! Last but not least, I’ve heard from Jake Yeston! Jake is living in Rockville MD (just outside of Washington DC) working as a chemistry editor at Science Magazine where he edits and coordinates reviews for research papers. Sadly, Jake’s marriage ended in divorce a while ago but he says things have been going much better of late as he is really enjoying his job and also singing in a local community choir! Good to hear, Jake. That’s it for me. Please keep writing! For this issue, I’ve been asked to look for Ziran Sun—Ziran, drop me a line so I can report back to your classmates!”
Clara writes: “She currently looks like a little old man and sounds like a gremlin and we couldn’t be more smitten. Josh is a second year urology resident at the University of Missouri, Columbia, and I continue to work on my Ph.D. in art history at Washington University. Hope everyone is doing well!” Tom Moore is still in London with his wife, Erin, and writes: “We are happy here in London and enjoying a cool but sunny start to the summer. There’s been some travel–Belgium, France, Italy, Spain, as well as short trips within England, which has been a lot of fun. Work has been challenging this year, but as I still have a job (for the time being), I don’t think I should complain. Erin and I would, of course, love to meet up with any Hopkins folks planning to come to Britain.”

Alison Apfel will be married to Aaron Rogers this July in Norwich CT. I have the honor of being a bridesmaid and can’t wait. I will report more details in the next edition. Julie Kennedy was married to Kenneth Lesch this past March at the Omni in New Haven. I was also honored to be in her wedding along with her sister Christine Kennedy ’89. Other Hilltoppers in attendance were Keri Adams Matthews and Alison Apfel. Anya Sammler has settled in the DC area and would like to find out who is in the area—I believe Emily Mann and Julie Kennedy Lesch should be e-mailing you, Anya! Christian Sauska has moved to New Orleans and will be married this August in St. Louis. Christian Paul Sauska will be 14 months old at the time of their wedding. In the mean time, he has been running, falling, climbing stairs, saying “Duck” and “Quack, Quack, Quack,” is into everything and dancing to good ole N’Awlins music. See you next May!

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I will start off by mentioning that I, Rachel Berkowitz Lee, was married on January 26th to O’Donnell Lee in NYC at 583 Park Ave–an event space where my husband is a banquet manager. It was a truly magical evening filled with plenty of Hopkins Alums. Annaley Rosner Slawsky was my matron of honor. Also in attendance were Zach Perles and his wife, Corey, Neil Batiancila and his wife, Kelly, Andy Paul and his wife, Beth, Scott Smith, Justin Belcher and his wife, Julie, Wendy Worms, my brother, Jonathan Berkowitz ’94, and

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his new bride, Courtney, my cousin, Ben Berkowitz ’97, and his fiancé, Meera, and Greg Slawsky ’97. In the spirit of weddings, Ben Berkowitz is getting married this August in Connecticut at Eolia Mansion in Waterford. My brother, Jonathan, was married in November in Austin TX, where he and his wife have been living for nine years now! It was a wonderful weekend! Elissa Schpero writes: “It’s official! Come February 8, 2009, I will be a Brooklynite once again (just as it should be). I’m very excited!!”

Matt Colleran ran his third Boston Marathon for the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. His “patient-partner” was a three-year-old boy, Mikalo, who has leukemia. Matt ended the race by carrying Mikalo the last mile and across the finish line. Scott Smith fills us in on what he is up to: “I still live in Sunnyside NY (Queens) with two roommates who are also in my program. I just finished my fourth year of school and am taking one year “off”, so to speak, to work on my dissertation. Then next summer 2009, I’ll be starting my internship, which is the official fifth year of

school. So, my likely graduation date is May 2010, but who knows. My school is named the Gordon F. Derner Institute of Advanced Psychological Studies at Adelphi University in Garden City NY. It’s a Ph.D. program in clinical psychology.”

Justin Belcher and his wife, Julie, moved back to Madison CT on June 14 as Justin begins his work at Yale. Colby Lichtman Sirowich and her husband welcomed their second child.

Congratulations Colby!! As always, we look forward to hearing any and all news from the class of ’95, so please send along some updates for our next issue. Please note that I have a new e-mail address. We hope you all are having a wonderful summer!

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Corinna Moore recently graduated from Johns Hopkins medical school and will soon be starting a pediatrics residency at Columbia University. Corinna was married on May 10 to Ian Rea, who is an investment banker in NYC. Alison Merikangas was at her bridal shower. Alison just graduated with her master’s degree in public health, epidemiological concentration, from the George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services. She did her thesis work at the National Center for Health Statistics, which she reports was a wonderful experience. Alison will be taking this summer to travel and study Finnish in Helsinki, Finland, before moving to Ireland in September to begin her Ph.D. in psychiatric genetics at Trinity College, Dublin. Jen Kravitz, who is enjoying life in Vermont, got engaged to Erik Remsen and they will be married in September. They spent the winter Nordic skiing and are getting ready for a summer of hiking. Nick Nash and his wife, Phalgun, moved back to New York in the fall of 2007 after Nick completed his MBA at Stanford. They are living in Manhattan now and enjoying it very much. Nick would love to see Hopkins friends living in the City, so get in touch. Helen Lee is finishing up her internal medicine residency at Yale New Haven Hospital and she will be staying in New Haven for a few more years for a fellowship at Yale combined with the Yale master of public health program. She has occasionally run into Irene and Eunice Hahn ’98, who are doing well, and frequently saw Dana Weiss before her med school graduation.

MaryKate Boggiano left her job at Pixelligent, a start-up company, a year ago. After taking a “summer vacation,” she started working at Armstrong, in Lancaster PA. MaryKate is working on innovations in green chemistry to make flooring more eco-friendly. Matt Cuthbertson is a public defender in Richmond CA, living in San Francisco and having a great time doing trial work. I (Sarah Kreiger Damelin) recently had dinner with Deny Soto and Cathy Abildsoe, who are both doing well. We reminisced a bit about our days together in Junior School in DPH, and I’m now inspired to go look for our blocks on the wall there. Please send news to sarahdamelin@gmail.com.

1998

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Greetings all from Philly! It was great seeing everyone at Reunion. Those who couldn’t make it were missed. Not too much new with me (Tina Chen). I’m looking forward to my road trip from Portland OR to San Francisco this summer. Here’s an update on our classmates: Cara Gitlin graduated from Quinnipiac University School of Law this past May and is engaged to Kevin Joyce from Ansonia CT. They are planning to wed next June in Connecticut. Lydia Lundgren is currently living in La Jolla CA and is attending UCSD earning her Ph.D. in political science. If any Hopkins alums are in the area, they should drop her a line.

Ben Fuller recently married Colina Hayes from Peru NY in Lake Placid NY and they honeymooned in Iceland. Currently, they are living in Charlotte VT and Ben is working in the development office at UVM. Mike Fasano has been performing in touring musicals for the last two-and-a-half-years and lives in Brooklyn. He is now a member of Actors Equity Association and is currently auditioning for shows in NYC. Alisa Zlotoff was recently engaged and is planning a wedding in the Boston area in summer 2009. Jordan Schreck had a great time on his summer European vacation to Austria for the Worthsee Treffen, including day stops in Munich, Ingolstadt and Venice. For anyone on Facebook, I’ve created a Class of ’98 group and hope you all will join it. It would be a great way for us to stay in touch!

From Eamon Griffin: Boy it was great to see you
all at Reunion! We were blessed with good weather and typical Hopkins cheer! I have moved up the ranks and am now a Spanish teacher at Staples High School in Westport with John Nast ’97 teaching art. I will be going to Guadalajara, Mexico this summer for the second summer in a row and will graduate with a master’s degree in Spanish in August. Our friend, Amy Pawlak, has been in San Diego on a travel nursing assignment and is enjoying it immensely. She continues pursuing her passion of shark hunting in Southern California. Beth Ullman has been working hard on her law degree at UConn. I had the pleasure of visiting him and Marissa Brooks last spring. Marissa is still working for the Miami Heat and we had the pleasure of seeing her huge championship ring at the 10-year Reunion. Jon Steitz lives in Boston with his bride and is practicing law there. Kate Halsey lives across the street from me so it has been great reconnecting with her. She is a Spanish-speaking social worker for Yale. Leo Connors also lives down the street. Whenever I ask him how his rugby career is going he always says with a smug look, “I take care of fools.” He is working in Madison for Merrill Lynch. Caroline Blaker is living in Albuquerque NM and working as an artist there. Casey Paul also lives in Albuquerque and is managing an organic farm. Elizabeth Ballantyne lives in New York and plays on a club lacrosse team there. Listen folks, I know I missed a lot of you and hope we can catch up next time.

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Laura Abbott writes: “I am currently finishing up my first year of medical school at Weill Cornell Medical College and I will be spending my summer in Haiti, where I will be working at the Gheskio clinic and doing research on how to get adolescents more involved in HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment. I’ll be in Port-au-Prince for two months after which I get two weeks off to travel and relax before starting in on my second year. Sarah Beller is headed to Cairo, Egypt, for the summer to study Arabic. Then she will return to DC for the second year of her master’s in international peace and conflict resolution. Anna Corwin is in Los Angeles now, doing a Ph.D. in linguistic anthropology at UCLA, working on language, gender, embodiment and devotion. James Cocks writes: “I just finished the first of two years in the urban planning master’s program at Columbia University, I’m spending the summer at the University of Hong Kong before returning to New York City in the fall. I recently had the privilege of bumping into Matt Brownell, who had a gallery opening in Brooklyn. Alex Farril was also at the opening. As for me, (Erica Lynn Schwartz), I’m still living in Manhattan and working on Broadway as a producing and management associate for “Wicked.” It’s been a thrill to continue to work in the theatre. I ran into Jamie Weiss, who has recently completed her first year of her master’s program in international educational development at Teachers College, Columbia University. This summer she is working with an NGO in the Dominican Republic, developing and teaching a Spanish literacy curriculum. Here’s the report from Alli Grady: I was accepted to Yale School of Nursing in February and will begin pursuing a career as a clinical nursing specialist in oncology beginning in the fall. I plan to spend the rest of the summer cheering on the Yankees and the Cubs and finishing up work at the American Medical Association. Brian Burns is living in Alexandria VA, where he has been working at the Pentagon for over four years as a domestic security specialist. He hasn’t seen any Hopkins people since 2005, so if you’re in DC, be sure to look him up! Brooke Lyons sends a report from LA. Most recently she starred alongside Martin Lawrence and James Earl Jones, among others in the Universal Studios’ comedy, “Welcome Home, Roscoe Jenkins,” which opened at #2 at the box office in February and will be available on DVD June 17. You can see Brooke in MTV’s “The American Mall,” a movie-musical (singing, dancing and the whole bit) from the creators of the “High School Musical” franchise. That is out in early August on MTV and, shortly thereafter, on DVD. Matt Cohn graduated this May from Tufts Medical School. He will be completing his residency at Tufts Medical Center, where he will be pursuing a career in internal medicine. In his month between graduation and the start of resi-
dency, he plans to go rafting in the Grand Canyon. Julia Langbein writes: “I’m optimistically halfway through a Ph.D. in art history at the University of Chicago, where I work on nineteenth-century French satire and caricature. My research will take me to Paris for the next three months, where I’m hoping the salty municipal librarians will shut archive doors around noonish and force me out into the streets. Also still writing about food and restaurant culture for Gourmet Magazine (in the magazine and at gourmet.com). Haven’t seen many Hopkins people recently but looking forward to the Reunion.” Mary Dow completed the Boston Marathon in three hours, five minutes and was the 100th woman to finish. Amazing time, Mary, congratulations! Sam Buckingham Noonan writes: “After Hopkins I went to Cornell University, where I majored in hotel administration. I had a scholarship through the Navy ROTC program and, upon graduation, served for two years as a surface warfare officer aboard the USS ROSS in Norfolk VA. The Navy had a surplus of junior officers, so I was allowed to resign early and I moved out to Seattle. I had always wanted to explore the West Coast and so my then-boyfriend-now-husband, Pat, and I moved to Edmonds (just north of Seattle) and were married in June of 2006. I am a third year law student at Seattle University and am looking forward to building an international law practice upon graduation.”

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After living in Germany for the past year and a half, Will Nuland is moving to Washington DC to attend the Georgetown School of Foreign Service. Bob Curry is currently serving in Iraq. He travels all across the country looking at different construction projects for the Iraqi Army. Junta Nakai, Steve Blank, Clifford Sosin, Maggie Ilczuk, Stephanie Herbert, and Dan Kosinski are all around the New York City area, and spend time hanging out together. In an update from Harper Gould, “I will be living in Boston until May 2010 while I attend Harvard Business School.” We are looking for a co-secretary to assist Bob with class notes. This twice a year task gives you an opportunity to be in touch with your classmates and, with e-mail, Facebook and other social networking sites, it is easy to contact your classmates. If you are interested or would like more information as to what is involved, please contact Mary Ginsberg at mginsberg@hopkins.edu.

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News from Marissa Black: Laura Chadderton works as the national sales manager for Pine Needles and Mid Pines Resorts in North Carolina, where they hosted the Women’s US Open. She writes that she is very excited to start a nursing program to get her RN this August. Julia Cuthbertson is still in Madrid and staying for at least another year. She writes, “I just can’t get enough!” Next year she will be switching from working at the American School of Madrid to a Spanish school here, has a summer of traveling in store and then will be HOME in August. Matt Fasano writes, “I’m a third grade assistant teacher at Grace Church School in Manhattan and this summer I’ll be teaching music to second and third grade public school kids. Next year it’s on to fourth grade at Grace. In the meantime, I live in Brooklyn and I still play music pretty actively (well, as much as I can). I’m releasing an EP this summer. To hear my music you can check out: www.myspace.com/shoutotottalk. Teaching is great, although I’m exhausted all the time. But I must say, third grade is so fun, for both the students and for us.” Lauren Rauch just finished her first year at Georgetown Law Center. “I’m spending the summer at a Costa Rican law firm just outside of San Jose. I’m busy interning in the public administrative law department and co-teaching a firm-sponsored English Writing for Lawyers course for Costa Rican law students. On the weekends I get to explore the country! Come August, Jessie Stern is flying down to travel to celebrate completing her first year of medical school. Looking forward to hearing from more of you.

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Gui and Gayley Woolston’s older sister, Eliza Woolston Sheffield ’93, had a baby this spring. Eloise Sheffield is their first niece. Uncle Gui is currently studying public economics at Stanford as well as labor and macroeconomics. He just got back from a great trip to China and is visiting at the Becker Center at Chicago for the summer and fall. The other half of the dynamic duo, Aunt Gayley is living in New York and enjoys seeing Suzanne Forrest and Lisa Dunlop, who is now her neighbor on the Upper East Side! Roundout the New York reports, Vicki Litvinov is living in Brooklyn and taking some time off to travel and freelance. Further afield, Olivia Lindquist is spending June in Florence, Italy, before returning to Philadelphia. In July she will take the role of president of the board of the Younger Women’s Task Force of Philadelphia. It’s a nationwide, diverse and inclusive grassroots movement dedicated to organizing younger women and their allies to take action on issues that matter most to them. (And if that sounds like it was plucked from the website, it was: www.ywtf.org.) Rachel Stone just returned from two months in Argentina where she took Spanish classes in Buenos Aires, hiked through Bariloche and worked on an organic farm in Cordoba. Now she is back in Austin, surviving the heat by swimming, gardening and tending three chickens in her backyard. She works part-time for The Center For Maximum Potential Building Systems, an experimental and innovative green building consulting non-profit, and for Foundation Communities, a non-profit affordable housing provider. Rachel recently had the pleasure of listening to Molly Venter ’98 and Josh Venter ’01 perform live in various cafes around town. Sarah Arntsen and Suzanne Forrest visited Rachel recently, and she may be spotted in New Haven in August before starting UT Law School in the fall. Matt Green will be traveling to China for the summer to work on the IT Team for NBC Olympics. He’ll help to build, test and support a digital media system which will be used to create all of the live and on-demand video for nbcolympics.com during the Summer Olympics. Think Two times 1000. Fun fact: Matt speaks no Chinese. Ian Belkin does speak Chinese and he’s in Shanghai working for O’Melveny & Myers on a major acquisition of industrial strength chemical plants. Mrs. Kellett has announced that her environmental science class will picket Ian upon his return stateide. On the education front, Brooke Lenci is getting her master’s in occupational therapy at Sacred Heart. Fallon Daniels graduates this summer with a master’s degree in science education from Southern Connecticut State University and will continue teaching science in New Haven with plans to pursue her sixth year certificate. Bion Piepmeier is starting Fordham Law School in the fall. Jason Meidlish is just finished his first year at UPenn Law School and will spend the summer in New York, splitting time between a judge and a legal assistance group. Aaron Zelinsky finished up his first year at Yale. He’s had the good fortune to see many Hopkins people around town including John Ibsen, who stopped by town for a
few weeks before heading north to Maine to start teaching at an outdoor education facility, and 
Pete Gallo, who received his MBA from UConn this past May. Hallie Mueller is in Alaska for the sum-
mer guiding rock climbing trips out of Skagway. After that, she will head back to Arizona to start 
a new job as a founding arts faculty member at Scottsdale Prep, a small charter school opening in 
Phoenix. Daphne Evans recently ended her six-
month stint with the Hillary Clinton Campaign 
for President. In South Dakota, her sixth state on 
the campaign, she was regional field director of 
West River and director of Native American out-
reach. She plans on continuing to be a nomad and 
recently had the pleasure of visiting Mary Kate 
Bonner in Madison WI. Finally, Daniel Solomon 
once again promised to write in but did not. He 
will continue to be mocked each issue until he 
does so.

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Who can believe that the Class of 2003 just cele-
brated their first, official Reunion? Crazy, but 
true—although this class officer unfortunately 
misssed it, I hear that everyone in attendance had a 
timeless moment reconnecting with old friends and 
faculty at our five year bash on May 10, 2008! To 
those of you who couldn't make our fifth year 
Reunion, here's hoping we'll see you at the tenth! 
It seems that the Big Apple is the place to be for 
most of us. Paige Rossetti continues to work for 
Bain, a global business-consulting firm, in NYC. 
Summer Wies and Paul Adler will be joining her 
soon in the city. Summer will be making the 
reverse commuter trek to her job at Greenwich 
Associates, while Paul is pursuing his MSA in 
poetry at Columbia University. Paul has joined 
Sam Reznik, who is also at Columbia working to 
cure cancer in his study for his Ph.D. in genetic 
chemistry. After spending a year and a half in 
Boston working at an art gallery, Katie Josephson 
is also making the move to NYC to pursue her 
Ph.D. in art history at NYU. She'll be joining 
Nicole Aaronson, who is in medical school at 
NYU as well. Jamie Holland and Vadim Teipenyuk live together in NYC, where Jamie 
works for Goldman Sachs and Vadim works at 
Citigroup. Julia Israel, our resident expert on the 
City, was promoted to associate editor for Time 
Out New York Kids. Congratulations, Julia! 
Congratulations are also in order to Liz Nugent, 
who recently got engaged! Liz will be returning 
from her Fulbright in Cairo to pursue her master's 
in Arab studies at Georgetown. Liz, we wish hap-
piness and love for you and your fiancé! Andrew 
Edelstein is beginning medical school in the fall at 
SUNY-Brooklyn, and Lee Kozakiewicz is holding 
it down in the boogie down Bronx at Albert 
Einstein, where she is focusing on tuberculosis 
research while working on her Ph.D. in molecular 
obiology. In other big city news, Josh Zelinsky is 
beginning his Ph.D. in mathematics at Boston 
University in September. Rachel Schwartzman 
starts law school at Pace University in the fall, and 
Amy Schwartzman is right down the street from 
our beloved Hill at Yale, where she'll be attending 
medical school beginning in September. Dara 
Mendelsohn is at Bryn Mawr in a baccalaureate 
program for medicine. We send warm wishes to 
Andrew Soberman, who is attending paramedic 
school in Denver following his year of ski patrol at 
Breckenridge. After a year of working at Steve & 
Barry's, Dave Stanek is starting law school in the 
fall. Arielle Traub is having a great first year out of 
college in Cambridge MA, where she works in 
fundraising at the Boston Medical Center. She 
loves being surrounded by Tufts folks but has met 
some great new people as well. Eleanor 
Campisano graduated from Harvard with a major
in comparative religion. This summer she is traveled with the Radcliffe Choral Society to Costa Rica, then to Spain, Portugal and France with her mother’s family and to Alaska with her father’s family. In August, she starts a job with Teach for America in Chicago and invites, “Come visit me if you find yourselves in the Windy City.” I (Courtney Hart) am working for women’s health in event planning and fundraising at the March of Dimes and love it. Good luck to everyone with your endeavors and take care!

2004 | 5th Reunion

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Leland Milstein graduated from Yale in May and is headed to Newport RI, to work at an art museum there. Cheryl Kohler will spend her summer traveling around the world to destinations in Europe (Germany, Austria and Poland), Asia (Japan and China) and the United States. After graduating Cum Laude with a B.A. in psychology from Georgetown, Claire Nugent spent two and a half weeks visiting her sister, Liz Nugent ’03, in Egypt. In July, Claire will settle into a new job at the Children’s National Medical Center in Washington DC, “where I will be working as the project coordinator for a grant funded project that focuses on children and adolescents with diabetes.” Also graduating from Georgetown were Dan O’Brien, Will Powers, Dave Congdon, Sarah Taurchini, Adam August, and Nick Stoler. Sarah Taurchini will be in DC performing in a play with the Rorschach Theater Company. In her free time, she and some friends plan to start and develop their own theater company. We wish her luck in this new endeavor. Alexander Teicher will be working in the business restructuring services group at BDO Seidman, LLP this summer, while living with Hugh Bridges in New York City. Hugh is working at MTV Networks on a documentary film project. In the fall, Alexander, who graduated this past spring, will return to Michigan for his Master of Accounting degree. Hugh will return to Rochester to complete one more semester. In July, Christina Sumpio will begin a new career as a corporate paralegal in private equity funds for the New York City law firm, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison. Kimmy Lewis graduated with honors from Cornell in May and will be working in the Big Apple for a consulting firm specializing in economic and real estate development including land use planning and environmental practices. Chloe Kiddon is moving to Seattle this summer and will attend the University of Washington in the fall to pursue a Ph.D. in computer science. Piyush Gupta will attend the University of Vermont Medical School in August. Shannon Chiu recently received a Gates Scholarship and will spend the next two years doing behavioral neuroscience research on the neurocognition of aging at Cambridge University. Her particular area of interest is the tip-of-the-tongue (TOT) phenomenon (when you have trouble producing the sound of the word, despite that the knowledge of it/what you’re trying to recall is well-known.) Avery Forbes will be home for most of July before moving to South Dakota to teach kindergarten on the Pine Ridge reservation through Teach for America. Lucia Simpson just graduated from Denison University with a degree in biology. This summer, she also joins the ranks of Teach for America, heading to Philadelphia for training and then to Washington DC to teach secondary biology. Kate Brockwell spent the spring at Brown, after three semesters away, and will be living in Providence this summer, “exploring Rhode Island’s farmers’ markets for beautiful ingredients to cook with and visiting my awesome 28-month-old cousin as often as possible.” She will return to Brown as a member of the class of ’09.5 and may add a concentration in Africana studies to her development studies. She plans to apply for grants to go back to South Africa or Mozambique to do research for her thesis next summer. Mike Knapp stopped by Hopkins the other day and was pleased to see the new library. This past summer, he attended Marine Corps Officer Candidate School in Quantico VA for ten weeks and then headed back to Dartmouth for classes in the fall. In the winter, he went to Zambia and worked for World Bicycle Relief, an NGO that distributes bicycles to HIV/AIDS caregivers and to youth-headed households. Then he returned to Dartmouth for the spring to finish up. Just last week, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Marines with orders to report to The Basic School in Quantico VA in October. In the meantime, Mike will be doing research for a professor at Dartmouth. McAllister Windom graduated from Spelman College in May and is off to Boston in August to get a MD/MPH from Tufts Medical School. Liz Rohr just started the two-year acute care nurse practitioner program at Columbia. Thomas Lipp graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Princeton University and was awarded the Harold Willis Dodd Achievement Prize for “clear thinking, moral courage, and devotion to the life of the University.” Taryn Rathbone plans to spend the summer in Connecticut before attending Cornell veterinary school. In mid July, Dan Turner-Evans is going to the wedding of one of his former suitmates in Denver and then to Caltech, where he will begin research in pursuit of a Ph.D. in applied physics. He will initially focus on silicon nanowire solar cells and eventually shift to a project of his own, possibly in the research of plasmonic enhanced cells. If you’re ever in the LA area, he encourages you to give him a ring. He recently had lunch with Josh Greene and Taryn Rathbone. Erin Johnson graduated from Yale in May with a degree in history and will be staying at Yale next year to work at the University’s Office of Public Affairs through the Woodbridge Fellowship. Thanks to all who contributed to this column. We’ll see you back on the Hill next May for our 5th Reunion on May 9, 2009! Meanwhile, we are looking forward to hearing from more of you for our next installment.

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The Class of 2005 has stayed busy traveling all over the world and working at internships for the summer. Kyle Warren, still a major thespian, worked in New York City at an internship on Broadway. This year, he performed in the critically acclaimed “The Trip to Bountiful” at the Goodman Theatre in Chicago. Pamela Soberman was lucky enough to see his performance and raved, “Although Kyle was only on stage for five minutes and he did not have a speaking part, the play would have been nothing without him.” In addition to Kyle, there are many other classmates who spent their summer in New York City. Taylor Greer worked at Universal Music Publishing, while Charlotte Keenan worked at a magazine after spending a semester abroad in Rome. Ben Zlotoff and Sean Harrity lived together in New York, working at Morgan Stanley and a green engineering consulting firm, respectively. Mike Schwartzman spent his summer at UBS. After founding a Street Medic group at Reed, Daniel Glaser worked in the emergency department at Bellevue Hospital in New York. More locally, Laura Strittmatter worked at a lab at Yale. Before Laura began working, she was able to visit Claire Russo in Barcelona. Claire was studying abroad in Barcelona and continued to live there for most of the summer working as a nanny. While in Barcelona, Claire ran into Claudia Wies and Salil Mehrotra at a bar and had a mini-Hopkins reunion! Claudia had spent the semester abroad in
Sevilla, Spain, while Salil was studying abroad in Edinburgh, Scotland and traveled to Barcelona during his spring break. Kara Bolles also spent spring semester abroad, traveling all over South America. She loved her experience learning about the different cultures. Emma Mueller spent the spring semester in Casco, Peru. Her final project entitled “living in the southern rainforest with the native Machuquenga and Huachipieri people for 20 days. Every day I hung out with my shaman friend, Alberto, and he taught me all about the native religion and shamanism and all that stuff.” You can find pictures of Emma dressed up in native garb on Facebook; they will amaze you.

Sophie Golden also had an exotic semester doing theatre for development in Uganda. Annie Kozakiewicz traveled far this summer, working for NBC Sports at the Summer Olympics in Beijing. Her experience as a Hopkins diver helped her as she worked on the taping for the swimming and diving contests. Rocky Gallo worked for a trekking company called Backroads as a backpacking guide in Glacier National Park in Montana. After spending a semester in Florence, Mary Piepmeier spent the summer in New Haven working for a forensic psychologist. Elyse Schoenfeld also spent the summer in Connecticut, working on policy projects for New Haven Mayor John DeStefano at City Hall. Tennis takes up most of Marisa Voloshin’s time as she was elected captain of her team. After another stellar soccer season at BC, Caroline Walden was invited to train with the U-23 National Team. Jess Deluca stayed busy during the summer, bartending in Boston before starting her thesis on studying memory acquisition in the context of acting.

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As the 2007-2008 school year races to a close and the class of 2006 finishes up its second year of undergraduate life, Hopkins alums are rushing into summer recking from noteworthy spring achievements and preparing for some impressive summer adventures. Luke Kelly-Clyne was recently awarded the Johns Hopkins University Provost Research Award for an independent project examining the correlation between private education, political preference and financial success. This summer, he will be in New York City while he works in legal affairs at Bloomberg LP.

An English major at Tufts, Corey Briskin spent his semester reading a lot. Also a theatre minor, Corey directed a one-act play for his advanced directing course. He is spending the beginning of his summer interning at Time Out New York Magazine and is preparing to take a yearlong break from Tufts, during which time he will study in Cape Town, South Africa, and in Paris, France. Maryanna Saenko has been doing mechanical, composite material and thermal work for a robot that will launch to the moon in 2009. This summer she is rock-climbing, working in a nephrology lab at Yale and traveling to the composites lab at the University of Arizona to build a robot. After spending a year in Israel, Jon Beller completed his first year at Brown. He has recently returned from a trip to Ecuador, where he studied environmental issues, specifically concentrating on oil-related issues. He is excited to be working with Hopkins students as an SAT tutor this summer. Janday Wilson spent her spring semester organizing and co-chairing a high school conference on academic integrity and ethics for the University of Pennsylvania Honor Council. This summer she will be working as an intern in the sales department at Oxley, a company that makes parts for military and government aircraft. Tiffany Johnson recently transferred from Fairfied University to Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond VA. She has already joined a mentoring program and has become a member of the Public Relations Student Society of America. This summer she is taking courses and will be attending the Unity 2008 Conference in Chicago, which promotes diversity and accurate representation of minorities in all levels of mass media. Dani Mauro returned from the Otago University in New Zealand and has been spending her time working for a newspaper published out of the Shoreline. She has decided to complete the rest of her studies in the United States. She will most likely be attending University of Massachusetts in the fall. Emmy Firtich has declared a double major in French and Russian studies at Vassar. She also has a core concentration in art history. This summer, she is working at the Yale Center for British Art and enjoying being home in New Haven. Kiara Fuller continues to thrive at Connecticut College. She has recently been elected chair of Umoja (the Black Student Union) and this summer, Kiara will spend her time interning at the Community Action Agency in New Haven. LaQuaya Cohen will be spending her summer in Cleveland OH, working for the Case Western Reserve Medical Program. Frankie DeLavis is currently taking some time off from Kenyon. She has been working as an exercise specialist at Integrated Rehabilitation Services in Wilton CT and plans to backpack across Europe in September. Zack Prusoff is currently taking classes at Fairfield University, after transferring from the University of Miami this past fall. This summer he will be working at a Yale science lab. Emma LEDbetter will be traveling to Los Angeles, where she will be working for Nickelodeon, helping to produce the hit cartoon “Spongebob Squarepants.” Annie Stroglas will be interning at the Yale University Art Gallery. John Lockwood will be spending his summer in New Orleans as he does criminal defense work for the Louisiana State District Attorney’s office. Elise Cardinale is busy raising money for her very successful American Cancer Society, Relay for Life campaign. Katy Wallace-Hodel is doing her part to save the world as she works as an assistant to children with special needs at Connecting Children and Families Professional Foster Care Program in New Haven. She will also be taking a course on behavioral statistics and working as a research assistant in Yale’s psychology department. Matt Carpenter will be interning at the U.S. Department of State in Washington DC. Ben Vinograd will be spending his summer in New York City working in the private asset management firm, Tocqueville Funds. Also in New York, Taylor Verderame will be working at a Manhattan-based architecture firm.

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The class of 2007 is off to a great start in the world of college. We are quickly expanding our passions and finding ourselves involved on our respective campuses. Close to home, Sasha Burger loved her first year at Yale. She was involved with the Yale Political Union and was elected treasurer of the Union’s Independent Party. She is off spending her summer interning in Peru and traveling to

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Sweden. Hadley Brighton had a wonderful year at Holy Cross and is thinking about becoming Spanish pre-med. Her summer is packed with babysitting, working at a clinic and lots of beach time with friends. A major in nursing at BC, Katie D’Souza is part of Students Against Sweatshops and a tutor of high school students. For the summer, she is taking a microbiology class. Across the border, Natalie Matthews is busy at McGill, majoring in biochemistry, playing varsity field hockey and involving herself in McGill’s Doctors Without Borders chapter. Also on the field, Will General enjoyed playing his first season of baseball for Davidson. Ali Iannotti was a part of the 2008 NESCAC champion Colby lacrosse team. A starter for the Claremont football team, Phin Palmer is living in LA for the summer. At Dickinson, CJ Metz played football and joined the football fraternity Phi Delta Theta. Katia Kuc is planning on a major in chemistry. This year she was named MVP for the varsity volleyball team at Mt. Holyoke and joined an a cappella group called “The Diversions.” Also busy, David Botwick-Ries is at the University of Maryland in an honors program based on community service. Possibly wanting to teach social studies, he plans on a double major in government and politics and education. He is also a team leader in a tutoring program called America Reads, America Counts. Becky Harper performed in a Latin dance showcase as part of the Alliance of Latin America and the Caribbean group at Middlebury. She plans to double major in Spanish and studio art. Also a major in studio art, Kim Neubert found the time to start in 17 softball games at Bates. Bobby O’Brien helped Columbia baseball win the Ivy League championship for the first time since 1976. He is also a brother of the baseball fraternity, Zeta Beta Tau. Down South, Casey Emanuellson had a great year at Emory and reports that he and Jake Graetz both joined the Sigma Chi fraternity. Out west, Heather Wegner enjoyed her first year at Pomona playing soccer and finishing fifth in SCIAC. She plans on a double major in politics and French. Across the pond, Marie Frevert is working hard at Cambridge with a potential major of physiology, development and neuroscience. For the summer, she is teaching science and English in Nepal. As we write this, she is excitedly awaiting a visit from Jane Baldwin. Also currently abroad, Sophie Pack is taking classes and living with a French family for a six week Tufts in Taloires program. For the rest of the summer, she will intern with a psychology professor at Conn. College to help research for his upcoming book on new methods for couples’ therapy. She will major in psychology with a minor in English. Also at Tufts, Josh Gudjohnsen is an engineer playing both football and lacrosse. And as for us, Kara Pellegrino just came back from backpacking in New Zealand for two weeks and is planning on a major in Russian area studies. And I, Dana Traub, am very happy at Tufts and considering a major in religion and a minor in entrepreneurial leadership studies. I joined the sorority Chi Omega and am active at Hillel. We wish you all a summer full of reunions and sun. Keep in touch!

2008

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Congratulations, class of 2008! After years of seeing each other every day, we are now heading off in different directions. This column should be a great way to check in and get an update on everyone’s lives. We hope that you’ll update us on your studies, travels, and various accomplishments. Please e-mail us at our email addresses listed above. Good luck next year and we look forward to hearing from you—keep in touch!
Ari Kleinman ’92 and Megan Holbrook ’97 have each informed the School that Hopkins is included in their estate plans. While politicians talk about their vision for the future, these foresighted young alumni/ae each have a vision of their own that includes giving back to Hopkins. What is notable about these young people is that they took their ideas about how they could help Hopkins and translated them into action; an action that will make Hopkins a stronger school in the future. Both Ari and Megan chose to create, through their personal financial and estate plans, a way to help Hopkins that will strengthen the School for future generations.

“The quality of the faculty, the diversity of the student body, the wide range of arts and athletics, and the beauty of the campus were all part of what made Hopkins such an amazing experience and great springboard for college and for life. By making a planned gift, I want to help the school preserve and extend this exceptional educational opportunity for future students.” Megan Holbrook is a founding partner of kapow, inc., a website design and consulting firm working primarily with non-profit organizations and educational institutions. She lives in Milwaukee, Wisconsin with her husband Eric Vogel, a Milwaukee native who is an architect.

Ari Kleinman echoes Megan’s thoughts: “Hopkins was an extremely influential force in my family even before I reached my teen years. My wife, Sarah, and I have decided to include Hopkins in our estate planning to ensure future generations will have the opportunity of a similar educational experience.” Ari works at a Manhattan insurance company, Frank Crystal & Co., and resides in Fairfield with his family.

If you would like information on how to plan a gift that would benefit your family and Hopkins, please contact Patricia Borghesan, Director of Planned Giving, at pborghini@hopkins.edu or (203) 397-1001, ext 427, or log on to www.hopkins.plannyourlegacy.org
A Different Sort of Alumni Campaign

Political careers for graduates of Hopkins were once more common than they are today. Of the alumni who graduated before 1900, one was a delegate to the U.S. Constitutional Convention, five were U.S. Senators, 17 were U.S. Representatives, and five were state governors. One served as a U.S. Supreme Court Justice. Others served in Presidential cabinets or as ambassadors, and many served in state legislatures. In addition, 17 alumni served in colonial assemblies, and Edward Hopkins himself was the colonial governor of Connecticut. The last alumnus to serve as a state governor was none other than Simeon E. Baldwin, HGS Class of 1857, Trustee 1869–1927, and major benefactor whose influence is recognized by the name of our primary academic building, Baldwin Hall.

Baldwin enjoyed a long and distinguished career as a judge on the Connecticut State Supreme Court. But state law required that judges step down after reaching the age of 70. Thus, Connecticut Democrats thought they had found the ideal candidate for governor in 1910. Although Baldwin had been Republican early in his life, he joined the “Mugwumps” in the 1880’s when corruption seemed to have the party in its thrall, and then became a conservative Democrat favoring the gold standard and states’ rights against the encroachment of the federal government. This conservative judicial view led to a public dispute with President Theodore Roosevelt over the ability of the federal government to enforce federal workmen’s compensation laws in state courts. The increasingly bitter exchange between the two raised Baldwin’s national profile, particularly after Baldwin threatened to sue Roosevelt for libel. Baldwin actually favored workmen’s compensation laws, but he felt it was the province of the states to create and enforce them with adequate protection for both individuals and businesses.

Baldwin’s political career closely mirrors that of Roosevelt’s nemesis, Woodrow Wilson. Both Wilson and Baldwin were academics (Wilson at Princeton, Baldwin at Yale). Wilson had served as President of the American Political Science Association and was succeeded by Simeon Baldwin. In 1910, the Democratic Party turned to each of them when it needed candidates whose moral character was unquestioned by the public at large. Wilson was elected as a reform governor in New Jersey, Baldwin as a reform governor in Connecticut. Both supported major tariff revision and both would later become advocates of strong international law to settle disputes peacefully. When the national election of 1912 rolled around, both Wilson and Baldwin were nominated as candidates at the Democratic convention, even though each had served less than two years in elected office. However, Wilson was younger, more charismatic, and from a state of greater political importance than Baldwin. Wilson had one other significant advantage: the political advice of Edward House, HGS Class of 1877. Colonel House is credited with engineering Wilson’s rise to political prominence, and later he played a significant role in the Paris Peace Talks that ended World War I. How different history might have been had House chosen to hitch his wagon to the star of a fellow Hopkins graduate instead.

Quod felix faustumque sit,
Thom Peters, Archivist
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Start planning now for Reunion 2009!

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