



# ALUMNI CLASS NOTES NOVEMBER - MARCH 09

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As spring rolls into the valley with alternating snowstorms and bluebird skies, we emerge from under the consistent chill of winter months, seeking the warmth of connection with friends, old and new. We hope alumni notes included here will help you strengthen those ties that bind. Below, please find all the alumni news.

Why the change? In an effort to improve how we “walk our sustainability talk,” we aim to communicate increasingly through electronic and on-line means, via our website and e-mail communication, in concert with our printed publications. A new CRMS website to launch later this spring, will help facilitate our vision for a more informative and interactive, user-friendly venue in which to gather and share information. We hope you will enjoy catching up on news from your own era as well as others on the following pages.

## FORMER FACULTY NEWS

Lyman Allen has published a book, *To Save the Love that Was Lost*. Says Lyman, “It correlates channeled teachings of Jesus and Mother Mary with recorded sayings of Jesus not discovered until 1945. This may be a first: citing the historical record of many of Jesus’ lost teachings in support of a spiritual, channeled thesis—this “the original Christianity.” We (my guide Sofia and I) offer passages in Jesus’ words on how our world began; we advance a unique definition of God, and reveal how humankind got off track.” The book can be ordered through [AuthorHouse.com](http://AuthorHouse.com).

Caleb Bach wrote a novel that has recently been released via [barnesandnoble.com](http://barnesandnoble.com) and [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) called *Shadowing Botticelli’s Beauty*. He writes, “It deals with a search for a Renaissance masterpiece looted during World War II. A good chunk of the book is based on some real, pre-CRMS experiences while serving with the CIA (1965-75). One of the very first cases I handled in Montevideo, Uruguay involved ex-Nazi colonel whom the Allies had resettled under an assumed name, in exchange for evidence used during war crimes trials at Nuremburg and Venice. My story deals with a specific painting I came to suspect the colonel stole during the German retreat from Italy. The book is less a spy novel and more an art mystery or “intellectual thriller,” but nonetheless it shares with readers numerous Agency operations gleaned from our four tours in Latin America and Europe. Last summer, while stopping by CRMS, we had the pleasure of seeing Elliot Norquist and David Powers (’72) in action as they taught blacksmithing and glassblowing to students from Phillips Academy right here in Andover. That was quite a coincidence. The campus, too, looked great.”

Janet Edwards writes: 2008 was a great year for me. I am teaching part time at a community college and working in my sweet passive solar studio. Sound familiar? More and more my claywork is involved with painting and drawing on the ceramic surface. I often teach workshops about decorating ceramics. It’s a great way to travel. I am also starting to show my work on paper... prints & draw-

ings. This is very exciting for me. In the spring I was invited to teach a workshop to group of adult students in Italy. It was a joy and an inspiration. I am hoping to bring another group to this marvelous studio in central Tuscany this fall. Interested? Contact me. After the workshop I traveled in Italy for five weeks, speaking my poor Italian. This was a delight. So much to be inspired by if you love art and food, gorgeous country and vibrant people. Each year I return to Carbondale to teach at the Carbondale Clay Center. I love doing this... seeing old friends & stomping around in the back country. Somehow, even tho I live one hour from the Cascades, I’ll never know those mountains as well as I know and love the Elk Range. Here in Oregon I tend to be pulled to the water. It seems that I have traded my backpack for a sea kayak. I am a lucky grandmother, with David & his three kids, Noa, Rio & Jessica close in Hood River. I’ll be visiting Terra (formerly Terry) in Santa Barbara soon. She’s become a wonderful Garden designer.

Ron Matelich writes: Swithin and I moved to Bozeman this past August, after living in Whitefish MT for the past 15 years. We met in Bozeman nearly 29 years ago and have always loved Bozeman. It’s great to be living in a college town again. I am still working as a financial consultant with D.A. Davidson & Co. Swithin left the law profession a little over a year ago and now does community volunteer work. She is helping the Bridger Ski Foundation this winter as an administrator. Both our kids, Nick and Julia, are racing on the alpine ski team. Some things never change!

Corinne Platte writes: My husband, Mark, and I live in Ophir, Colorado. We had a daughter, Sonja, last April. She’s almost a year now and is a very funny, energetic little girl. I see Morgan Metzger (’95) from time to time but we’re usually in too much of a hurry to talk for long. And Peter and Cindy Mueller when we can find time. Next fall, 2009, Meredith Ogilby and I are publishing a book, *Voices of the American West*, with Fulcrum Publishing. We traveled the West together for the past several years interviewing people who are working toward hopeful solutions on issues such as alternative energy, land conservation, alternative ranching, cultural preservation, degradation from oil and gas, etc ... The book is a collection of inspiring individuals working hard to make the West a better place for all of us.

Barbara (O’Neil) Ross writes: Just returned from a snowy week in Colorado, which included treasured moments with Pat and Bill Fender (beloved sister and wicked brother-in-law), their family and wonderful Carbondale friends. Back in California now. I’m exhibiting a pastel series of endangered fish paintings: “Fish out of Water.”

Claire (Kerr) Zilm a former teacher of German at CRMS, is now living in Pueblo West, Colorado. I officially retired at the time my husband Gary sickened and died from brain cancer, but I’ve been preaching (yes, I’m fully ordained, non-traditional in the United Methodist tradition) in Buena Vista twice a month ever since. Once beyond the tangles of grief, life is full of joy and challenge,



family, and other connections. It astounds me how OLD everyone has grown!

## NEWS FROM THE 1950'S

Nora Fisher ('58) writes: The last two years I have taken a break from my ongoing studies in digital imaging and traveled. I took one six week trip to Sweden, Finland, and Iceland. Then I returned to India. I had a month in a wonderful village in the Himalayan Front Range: my own room and full support from a wonderful family. Last winter I took six weeks in South India in North Karnataka State, visiting with family I hadn't seen in fifteen years. My book, *"Mud, Mirror, and Thread: Folk Traditions of Rural India"* was re-published in 2006.

Catherine (Richards) Register-Murff (Cathy) ('59) writes: Still in Texas taking care of many four legged critters plus chickens and trying to paint.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1960

James Amos (Jim) is still working and seems to enjoy what he does, says he really can't retire just now anyway, given the economy. He plans to hang in there for the next couple of years. Life seems good.

William Caldwell (Bill) reports that it's been a tough several months because he is not getting cabinetry work. His sons are doing well, though one is going through treatment for cancer and seems too young for such things, but has come through it all very well. Another son is building bicycles in Harlem and still dancing.

John Chase writes that he has relocated to Belfast, Maine, is enrolled in computer science at the University of ME at Orono, and is working on getting his Greenwich house ready to sell. He is also in a local choral group.

Richard Durrance (Dick) writes: Retirement? Surely you jest. I am paddling furiously, launching a new career as a speaker. I just spoke to students at East High in Denver, the Basalt Middle School, and at a benefit for the Carbondale Council on Arts and Humanities (computer hard drive gave out so we had an improvised edition of the talk). Next week I will be the closing keynote speaker for the American Society of Media Photographers annual leadership conference in Detroit (with a new computer) and the week after that will be speaking to a gathering of Dartmouth alums in Vail, where I will be showing a picture our dad's filming in Sun Valley. Anyone who is interested can learn more about the talk (and laugh at the 3-5 min. video clips from the talk) at [www.dickdurrance.com](http://www.dickdurrance.com).

Ursula Goodenough writes: My fifth grandchild, fourth granddaughter, Zora Safia Morais, was born March 3; it's just as exciting every time. Flirted for a while with retiring but it didn't stick so still full-steam with research and teaching at Washington U. Some of the research entails coaxing the alga I've been working on all my life to make lipids for biodiesel; it's a great feeling to finally

be poised to perhaps do something for the planet after a career of strictly "basic" science, albeit it's because of the basic science that we have the tools to tackle the biodiesel.

Mary (Whitford) Graves writes: My own life and that of my kids, husband, and siblings are fine and connected thanks to modern technology. We will all gather together for a week in the high Sierra August 2009. Since several of my nieces and nephews have married and have kids, we have abandoned backpacking. We will base-camp and use a pack stations' mules to carry our dunnage to a couple of campsites at about 10,000 ft. Between my brother and sister, there will be six grand kids under the age of five having their first experience in the high country. We are grateful to still be able to make this family ritual work for all of us as we age and multiply. I remain busy and active physically. Nick and I travel frequently both internationally as tourists and within the US and California. There is always somewhere interesting to go and see and do. We travel for cultural events, tourist site-seeing, family visiting, and to have fun. We stay try to visit family members, cousins mostly, especially those we don't see frequently. When I'm home which is nice too, I fund raise for a couple of local non-profits, attend lectures, participate regularly in my book group, and generally have more projects on my list than time and energy permit. My life is full and with Nick's mostly retired status we have great freedom to be with friends and stimulate ourselves at will. I find this lifestyle very agreeable for the most part. Nick and I were active in the Obama campaign and some local congressional contests. We stay politically informed. We look forward to several weeks this summer in Napa enjoying the new house we finished constructing.

Andy Gould writes: I have continued exploring life with my partner Rita Bradley here in Flagstaff. In April we bought a Roadtrek camper van, which is our home away from home. It's great for overnight getaways to the Verde Valley. Our longest trip so far has been two weeks in Colorado in July. We included CRMS (of course), visiting Adele, Ditty Perry and the school. We also had a wonderful visit with Pat Spitzmiller in Dillon. From December 11 to February 18 we will be in residence in our camper as volunteer teacher/naturalists at Sonoita Creek State Nature Area at Lake Patagonia in the far southern of Arizona (12 miles NE of Nogales). This is one of North America's birding hotspots. Living in the camper for two months will be a bit like Thoreau's Walden experiment in that we will be paring down what we take with us to what is really important. With no cell phone coverage and limited access to email it will be much quieter.

Starr Lanphere writes: Last spring I was asked to be on the Honorary Council for Friends of the Dunes, in Arcata, California to providing leadership and the Lanphere name to their program. To quote my older daughter..."Your mom started it, NOW you are stuck with it" In 1973 our family donated our California property to Nature Conservancy as a coastal dune preserve. The Friends of the Dunes started in the early 80's as a 501(c)3 non-profit dune education and restoration agency to augment TNC. The family property is now part of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Preserve. The Friends of the Dunes continues acting as stewards for coastal dunes



and has consolidated over 1000 acres of dune properties adjacent to the Lanphere Unit of the Refuge. They are currently attempting to convert a historical house into the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center. The idea is to consolidate their ongoing dune restoration program, expanding educational and land stewardship into one public interpretive center. The center will provide easy public entry to the local coastal environment through a linked trail system connecting the 1,000 plus acres of coastal dune habitat. On the lighter side, I'm still fighting fires and vehicle mishaps on I-40 as a volunteer (no pay even at 1:30 am). I was voted off the board several years ago, which was a huge relief. Being the old grump on the department, I no longer rush into burning buildings. The younger testosterone set can do that. Only made 200+ responses last year. Also find time to be grandpa...or what ever a 1.5 year old thinks. Oldest daughter had a little girl critter 18 months ago. Plans are to introduce her to camping, kayaking, and fishing in the next year or so according to her mom. For some unknown reason my girls turned out to be, and still are, tomboys. I don't know what else to call a girl who gets a PhD in nanotech analytical chemistry so she can play with fancy "toys".

Lynn (Bradley) Leopold writes: I continue to serve as a trustee on my Village Board and will be running for another 2-year term. Am now on the board of a new, local reuse center that takes everything from architectural elements, building materials, housewares, furniture, computers, etc. and sells them at very low prices. We hear that reuse and thrift centers are thriving right now, undoubtedly as a result of the lousy economy. I still sing in two groups-one a 5-voice early music group and the other a chamber group at Cornell-and am even working on a joint recital with a friend who is a soprano. We will do some solo works, as well as duets. I'm still involved in the Cayuga Lake Floating Classroom and other watershed-related organizations. Skied in Colorado in January with my sons, grandchildren and daughter-in-law. We had a wonderful time. Carl and I are still involved in our Tropical Forestry Initiative project in Costa Rica, but are no longer traveling there. The going just gets too hard for Carl, now 89. Several of my classmates had nice memories of Hester Holbrook Abrams, who passed away in November 2008 [Full obituary in the Winter 2008 CRMS Newsletter]. Bill Caldwell recalled her fine singing. Michelle Lesser remember what a caring, helpful person she was, always there when you needed someone. John Chase remembered her verve and energy. And I (Lynn) remembered her awesome sports skills, wonderful husky laugh and great freckles.

Michelle (Rosenbaum) Lesser is recovering from a mastectomy she had just before Christmas, but was in very good spirits and is extremely hopeful for a good outcome. She keeps very busy and is happily a brand new grandmother. Her granddaughter arrived about 8 weeks ago.

William Moore (Bill) writes: Not much to report this year. Lorna and I are pretty well settled in to our new life in North Carolina. In retirement I've become a bit of a house-husband as Lorna is working full time (to say the least!) as Dean of the Wake Forest University Graduate School. I continue taking yoga classes, working out regularly, and have recently acted on a threat I've been making for

years to take Spanish lessons. We both look forward to spending as much of the summer as possible in Colorado at a cabin we have near Gunnison.

Suzanne Stanton is doing well in San Francisco, still doing art-mostly monoprints, pursuing some spiritual healing activities, such as drumming and shamanic journeying, enjoying her cats, working with young horses to accustom them to people, and glad that Obama is President!

## MEMORIES OF HESTER HOLBROOK ABRAMS

Tony Cherin ('58): I distinctly remember how Hester and her good friend, Pat White, lit up my life. Her laughter and indomitable optimism could brighten the grayest day. It's funny that even though I haven't seen her since school, she often came to mind as one of those I missed most from those days.

Lynn Leopold ('60): I will always remember her wonderful, rather husky voice and marvelous laugh. She was, indeed, a singer and was in the madrigal group along with many of my classmates-Ursula, Robin Rymer, Pat Stein Spitzmiller, Vicky McClane, Bill Moore, Bill Caldwell, John Chase, Mary Whitford Graves, and others who are not coming to mind at the moment. We called Madrigals "Draggles" and totally loved Ted Rickard, the leader. Hester and Pat White were inseparable pals and went everywhere together. It's hard to accept that they are both now gone. Hester and I were on the CRMS girls' softball team the year we beat the Basalt high school girls and the Aspen high school girls, made up mostly of the high school alpine ski team. Hester was a formidable player, killer pitch and throw. She had a wonderful record (LP) collection and I remember listening to her Flanders and Swann Drop of a Hat comedy duo. She was way ahead of me in French, so I didn't get to be in her class, but I know she was very good.

Hester had a very difficult set of circumstances in her life, after one of her sons fell from a roof he was repairing and suffered brain damage. For the rest of her life, she was a powerful, motivated advocate for creating assisted living-type group homes for people like her son, who seemed to thrive in the company of others, but who could not live independently.

This is very painful. She's another of our wonderful class of 1960 to pass away and it makes me feel particularly mortal and fragile, no doubt as it will my fellow classmates. How fitting that her family requested donations to an endowment in her name to benefit the music program. I hope my classmates will honor her and make contributions.

Mary Graves ('60): I was very saddened to learn of Hester's passing - using the word "death" sounds harsh to me right now. I don't want to recognize that I will not hear her husky voice again. I spoke with her not many years back, and listened to her talk of her partner Jack's death. I know they took care of each other and heard in her voice the loneliness in the pursuit of life without him. I remember her joy de vivre all the while we were kids at CRMS. She was always perky, enthusiastic, a good athlete, a fellow singer in the madrigal group. Hester fit into the group - not a clique apart from the rest,



but the group that was all of us in school at that time. Our class was considered large and strong. We were 24 at graduation. Hester was a part of our strength. She was great friends with Pat White and other than Pat, she went along with whoever wanted to share in the fun she was having. Hester remained interested in CRMS throughout her life. She donated to the school's Annual Fund consistently throughout the years. I always appreciated her generosity. We shared in our loyalty and appreciation of CRMS.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1961

Joanna (Ganong) Beachy writes: I still live on Marrowstone Island, near Port Townsend, WA. My husband, Roger and I had the privilege of taking our 23' sailboat "Chickadee" for a three month cruise this summer and we headed north between Vancouver Island and the mainland and made it to the Broughton Islands, quite an adventure. Now gardening like crazy.

Katherine Gould-Martin (Kiki) still works at Bard College as the managing director of Bard in China, which by now should be called Bard in Asia, since she is working on exchanges with and organizing events about China, Japan, Korea, and several countries in South East Asia, especially Indonesia, Vietnam, and the Philippines. (She thinks Rolleen got her into this somehow.) She is still studying Chinese, though she has decided to focus on the reading, discussion, and film viewing of short stories, as her hope for becoming fluent or learned in this incarnation is in vain. In between, she swims, does yoga and weight training and walks an ever slower dog. Her children are all back in the US for now, from DC to San Francisco, and she has 4 grandchildren: Vincent, Edda, Felix, and Ruben. Her granddaughter is afflicted with Rett Syndrome. If any CRMSers are also touched by that tragedy, feel free to contact her. Her husband directs the Bard Conservatory of Music. If you know some terrific young musicians, especially playing cello, oboe, flute, or bass, let her know asap. They have gorgeous land in New Mexico but no time to build on it or even visit it, though she has been back to CRMS when they have been at the Aspen Festival. She stays in touch with Scott Stricker ('78) and Arthur Hughes ('62), and says hello to anyone else who remembers her.

Ted Hepp writes: The last year has been a busy one and one in which we have accomplished a lot. My main activity was to support Obama's election campaign since my main activity promoting renewable energy and conservation efforts would not have gone anywhere if he had not been elected. I believe, notwithstanding the economic disaster that with the new regime we will make quite a bit of progress in all areas of conservation and CO2 reduction. My video work continues with a documentary last year in the Ecuadorian Amazon and the Galapagos islands, which was very exciting. In addition, of course, the pleasure of visiting CRMS for the Board of Trustees meeting.

Dale Lasater and family are living on his ranch east of Colorado Springs. He is raising cattle on grass and sells his beef to Whole Foods (see great article this month in the NRDC spring magazine on grass fed beef). He has two sons and last year his first grandson.

Barry Schrupf writes: After a long career in forestry and at Oregon State University, he is now semi-retired and working on seed certification for the State University. He has two sons, one in New York and the other assistant Attorney General in Boston. He has been a grandfather for 11 years! They live on 7 acres 100 miles south of Portland. I (Ted) will never forget his leadership in calming the occasional chaos in the Sleepy Hollow in the Old Boys Dorm.

John Strance now lives outside of Las Vegas and is very active in photography. Recently he was busy photographing in the Nelson, Nevada area. He retired from teaching elementary school eight years ago. His wife, Carolyn is very active in beading and jewelry making.

Judith (Beil) Vaughan (Judy) works as a neurologist in the Sacramento medical program. She has three children and one grandson. One daughter is on the University of California Davis faculty, the other is a psychologist at the University of Indiana. Her son is in premed at the University of Albuquerque. She spends time helping to train cats and riding cross-country in a carriage, something we did not learn at CRMS.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1962

Carol (Rymer) Davis writes: Not much has changed. I am still working two weeks per month. This allows for skiing in the winter and I am still racing in the Masters. In the summer, I have time for hiking and bicycle riding. John and I enjoy all the time that we can get at our ranch.

Madge (Gordon) Gleeson is still teaching full-time at Western Washington University in Bellingham. She has two grandchildren who now live in Seattle which is an improvement over New York! Madge has made several trips to China as her other daughter lives in Shang Hai while working for Starbucks. Madge said that "everything in China is gigantic" but that there are still traditional neighborhoods remaining in Shang Hai.

Arthur Hughes writes: Ingrid's and my daughter has a year-old daughter, Iliana Melissis. Iliana also has two step grandparents, and two Greek grandparents in Athens. Stasha and her husband Sotiris live in the same East Village apartment where she grew up. Ingrid and her husband live on the top floor of the same building. My wife Lanie Fleischer and I visit twice a week, and will be going to Greece with Stasha and family this summer for the introduction of Iliana to the paternal family. I continue to paint and am in a Chelsea gallery, the Prince Street Gallery on West 25th Street. My work can be seen at arthurhughes.net. In December spent a delightful morning here in New York with Mike Flax ('63), who was visiting his daughter. These chats always reveal much about what one didn't know during our time at the school. (Arthur encourages class members to sign up on the CRMS alumni section of the website - crms.org)

Carol (Sanderson) Hughes and Dick finally built their new house and moved in the day after Thanksgiving 2008. They're now a maximum of 11 minutes away (at legal speed limits Carol pointed out) from their children and grandchildren. Carol is greatly enjoying her newest - and last - grandchild, 16 month old Henry. Dick is still



working at their Import Specialists in Boulder and when she's not minding grandchildren Carol works 20 hours a week.

Ingrid (Blaufarb) Hughes writes: The great pleasure of my life is having a granddaughter, now approaching her first birthday. She's Iliana Melissis, who lives in the same building with me in NYC, so I see her often. Ingrid continues teaching but plans to retire at 66 and move out of NYC. She spends summers in Maine, and is working on a book about her late son.

Christi (Mueller) McRoy writes: I am still enjoying living in this beautiful part of the state (South West Colorado). I am fortunate to be able to teach skiing/kids several days a week at Telluride, even as I close in on "Medicare". This, especially Telluride, is really one of the most beautiful places in the US. We are still raising horses, and despite our increasing years, even competed in Team Penning and Sort and Order (horse and cattle events) in Cheyenne this July. One advantage of being in this climate was being able to grow a fabulous garden...a real treat after living at higher altitudes. It is great to eat our canned and frozen veggies all winter. I sadly spent many days in Denver last winter and spring, as my 90 year old mother ended a fabulous life. At the other end of the spectrum, I'm enjoying my 5 grandchildren and my husband's grandchildren.

Helen Muller writes: Love being retired! Been working on my beach property in Bahia de Kino, Mexico - four hours south of the border by car. Come visit. Playing music, kayaking, helping local families. My grandson is now two and happy.

Jean (Alschuler) Reed is running the Ski School at Big Rock Ski Area in Maine. It's a non-profit and Jean's thoroughly enjoying herself! She has five grandchildren and this Spring, is publishing a new - and she says final - version of her Home Schooling book ([www.brookfarmbooks.com](http://www.brookfarmbooks.com)) which will have less than the previous 480 pages. It will be augmented by the Internet. Last summer, her family had a reunion in Chicago which was a very good thing and included a tour of Chicago architecture by members of her family - who had a propensity for being architects.

Catherine (Fanshawe) Rosenberg (Katie) writes: Life continues on it's merry way - it's all good. In the past few months, I have been developing a bookkeeping business which is allowing me to keep my skills up and be able to help a few small business owners. It works out well because I can call my own hours and don't have to put in an 8 hour day. Katie writes: During Thanksgiving I met Nellie Bracker (?76) in Tubac, AZ. We visit friends at Thanksgiving who live next door to Nellie and she came by to say hello to everyone. She was looking into a boarding school for her son and happened to mention that she had gone to a school in Colorado and I asked where she had gone since I had also attended one in Colorado. We were shocked to learn that we had both attended CRMS. It was wonderful to reminisce about our time at the school although we attended at completely different eras. Joel still has his tutoring business and, as always, I find time to be with my children and their children. That's about it...Hope all is well in your world.

Alix (Mitchell) Sullivan writes: My husband still has severe wanderlust, so once again I'm writing from Sydney AU. Australia is wonderful, vastly better than the movie! And the Opera House alone is worth the trip. We saw Roberta Flack with the Sydney Symphony last week, and she was totally in charge, and 72! As always, if you're coming down, (or to Glacier National Park) let me know - I'm always reachable by email: [alixsullivan@hotmail.com](mailto:alixsullivan@hotmail.com)

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1963

Bonnie (Baldrige) Coryell writes: We're surrounded by gas drilling attempts. Semi drivers don't care for slow moving cows or sheep. Someday they will move on - whew!

Graham Lewis writes: This last year has borne much fruit. I was co-founder of the local ASSERT project; approved steps to supplement emergency responder training where people in mental health crises are involved. It was precipitated by the "Death by Cop" of a 19-year-old bi-polar lad who went to my son's school. Our coast vacation rental is doing well despite the economic crunch ([SeaRoseGuestHouse.com](http://SeaRoseGuestHouse.com)). I'll offer a CRMS discount of at least 20% for weeknights depending on availability. Also, great joy planting and tending our woody wonderland in Eugene, OR.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1964

Ellen (Clark) Anderson writes: I continue to live and work with my husband Paul in Riverside County in southern California. Run a non-profit. Website is [CaringForOneAnother.com](http://CaringForOneAnother.com).

Thomas Dehlinger enjoyed a recent winter vacation skiing with CRMS alum Pete Pitcher at Pete's ski area in Montana (Discovery Ski Corp.).

Christie (Huidekoper) Hakim continues to enjoy her work as an editor of educational books.

Jane (Wright) Pasipoularides and her husband love walking near their Asheville area home.

*As this newsletter went to press, we received the very sad news that Tom Adams passed away on March 26, 2009. Look for an In Memoriam in the CRMS Summer Newsletter.*

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1965

Benjamin Barney (Ben) writes: I stopped teaching at Diné College May-July 2008. I started computerizing my journal, reading books, visiting major Native festivals, and hosting friends and relatives. October to December spent most weekend nights at yeibicheii and fire dances throughout Navaho communities. Got to spend one night at the Zuni Shalako, a day at Jemez Pueblo Feast Day, a day at Jicarilla Apache Traditional Race, a day at Taos Traditional Race, and still find many common threads among the Native communities. The warmer weather of early spring will allow me to travel more; north New York, Rhode Island, New York City, Mexico City,



Santa Fe, Albuquerque, Phoenix, Tucson and Native communities. Beyond the warmer weather I am beginning to think of a new job in the health field.

Barbara Buchanan writes: I had a wonderful trip back East in October and got together with a couple of people I had not seen in 40 years, including John Bainbridge. He and I spent about 4 hrs together talking our heads off. It was great. He looked healthy and has lived a full life, with four kids and interesting work. Was like old times, only better because we're not quite as neurotic as we used to be. During this trip I also got to see Penny Muller ('66) and Susan Meiselas ('66). Penny and I are in regular contact, while I catch up with Susan every decade or so. I'm truly sorry to have missed her photo retrospective in New York. Penny said it was fabulous; unfortunately I found out about it too late. After not traveling overseas in 10 years, I decided last summer to join our community choir tour in Scotland and Ireland where we spent two weeks singing in old cathedrals. Being of Scottish-Irish descent, it was especially fun to learn more about my "family's" history. Life at Aspen Acres (our 5 acres near Mt. Shasta) continues to be a blessing. Watching the seasons and wildlife flow in and out of our valley is our daily meditation.

Vernon Eagle writes: It is cold and icy in Cambridge Mass, and more snow on the way. I am going back to Beijing, where it is also cold and icy. My wife, Xuemei, is preparing for her final Harvard exams, where she is in the first year of the PhD program in the Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology, so she is too busy to go with me. I will represent her at her family's gathering for the Lunar New Year in Shandong province, Laiyang, where she is from. We spent a week in New York after Christmas and during solar New Year visiting my mother and my son, who both live there, and seeing the Wang Hui exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the Van Gogh exhibit at the Museum of Modern Art, both really great. Once back in Beijing I intend to go every weekend to the used book market at Panjiayuan, which I do rain or shine, hot or cold. If anybody who reads this is in China, my cell phone there is 135220152494, by all means get in touch. PS - My daughter's band (she is the lead singer), Stroamata, recently won the Harpoon Beer Boston best local band contest; and my son's architecture firm (he is a distinctly junior architect there, i.e. working very hard for low pay) beat out Rem Koolhaas and other firms of international fame for some big project in Boston, hence I feel vicarious victory - no personal victories to report, however.

Deirdre (Dole) Golani writes: So, all is proceeding in a chaotic, yet exhilarating fashion. I continue to work in the Emergency Department and still find it interesting, challenging, and sometimes boring. My sons are all on their own elsewhere so I am truly independent now and feeling very spoiled by not having to support anyone else for the first time in 34 years (not that I minded). I went skiing in New Zealand last September (it was early spring down under); a ski run at Mt Hut was dedicated in memory of my brother, Jon Dole, who ran the race dept there for many years. I plan to go back next September and travel around the South Island for three weeks in a camper van. Next month I will be doing the Rome Marathon with Team in Training; raising money for the Leukemia and

Lymphoma Society. I cannot think of a more perfect location for an endurance event. I know that I will feel the ghosts of the gladiators, the centurions, Julius Caesar and many other historical persons as I try to put one foot forward for one more step towards the finish line. Life is grand! There is so much that I want to do! After the marathon I am going to Israel to visit my youngest son, Joe who now lives there. I am in touch with Lolly Lewis ('69), Bretta Rambo ('67) and Dave Strouse from school and I am grateful for the connections.

Judith Phibbs writes: This has been an up and down year for me. After four hard years, my daughter graduated from medical school and "matched" at her first choice of a surgery residency at the University of Chicago Hospital (in Barack's neighborhood.) My low-key son graduated with a degree in history. And so, everything looked bright and promising. Then my daughter started her residency, feels lonely and exhausted much of the time, and doesn't know how she can keep up this pace for 5 years. My son found that a degree in history means nothing in this job market and is now rethinking his career options while taking odd jobs to pay the rent. (He is having a great time.) And my husband of 32 years left unexpectedly the end of August. I am now over my initial shock and trying to create a good life as a single woman. I have gotten together with John Bainbridge and Leighton Davenport ('69) which was great. So, if anyone is in the D.C. area, I would really love to hear from you.

Timothy Shelton (Tim) writes, "I continue to work as an appellate lawyer in Chicago. My wife, Jane, continues her library work. Our lives are happily all about our kids; Clara who will turn 17 in January and Sam who will turn 11 in March."

Benjamin Barney's Personnel Summary on the Class of 1965:

John Bainbridge keeps me connected to Ivar Sandvik and many other classmates. George Davenport is getting slightly bored with legal work as is Tim Shelton though they find their work meaningful. Tim is in Chicago and George is in Anchorage. I hope to visit with George in Santa Fe, New Mexico where I visit with his brother and sister-in-law, Dave and Beth. Where is Roger Fritz? I have not heard from him for months. I believe he is a "brother" to Tamin Ansary, and clearly west of Kabul. Teresa Graedon stays in touch with me but I have not heard from her recently. She might be too busy with her work. Margaret Graham is till north of Bay Area caring for plants. I think she must be touching every plant she's sprouting from seeds. I still see her walking and identifying plants with her husband as she did when they visited me a few years ago. Christopher Harkness, you are so hard to stay in touch with. Who do you connect with? I think Art Davis might be going to or returning from South America. Who is Dave Harper? I do not hear from him? Does any know where he might be? Well, there are also Mike Kitchens and Michael Leary; I email but get no messages from. Peter Rambo told me some years ago that he rather attend to his art and his family than write. I believed him, and I still have him in heart when I drink tea from the beautiful cups he gave me. Dancing with his sister, Bretta, at CRMS brings him to heart that much more. Ivar Sandvik has to be Oslo, Norway and in his wonderful wood house. His email address that I have does not connect; it might be the colder air in Oslo than Lukachukai. Trying to keep

track of David Strouse is like trying to track California events for me. He is out there as California is. My new laptop changed everything so did I lose a person?

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1966

Mir T. Ansary (Tamim)

Tamim writes: "My new book *Destiny Disrupted: A History of the World Through Islamic Eyes* will be in bookstores May 4. My youngest daughter Elina is applying to art schools, mostly in the east coast: our whole house has turned into her studio, it's insane, and that's the main thing going on right now. I was delighted to see a number of CRMSers over the last year--Wendy Stagg, Bretta Rambo, Lolly Lewis, Beth Grobman. We all seem to be fairly busy, cheerful, and old."

Edward Chapin (Bart) writes, "Just in from a sunny walk on the frozen salt marsh out in front of the house. Can't walk there in the summer because it damages the marsh and the bugs are outrageous. What is up with us? Well daughter Margaret and I built a 9' 6" sailing pram this winter. She is studying to become a nurse practitioner. Son Miles is at College of the Atlantic and loving it. Lucy is at the tail end of a large fund raising campaign for Chewonki Foundation, a local environmental organization. I continue to design custom machines for several companies in the area. A year ago last fall we bought a folding 27' trimaran and rebuilt it over the winter. We had many wonderful sails aboard last summer and look forward to many more to come. Can't wait for the end of winter so we can launch the boat. Lucy, Margaret and I are off to Peru in a couple of weeks for the first real vacation we have had since Lucy's mother died two years ago. So that is the short version of life on Arrowsic."

Wick Moses reports: "I'm still living in Carb, still a VERY happy cat parent w/ 5 very amazing kitties w/ lots of personality, Annie and I are still married, I've now been at KDNK public radio for 12 years and I'm staying 'til I retire (if that's possible), still very much into riding motorcycles after 43 years, and, most important of all, really into listening to music mostly on vinyl which has made quite a nice come back over the last few years. I find listening to music, since I wasn't destined to be a musician, to be a great escape from the travails of real life. Thanks to the financial shelacing that I took back in the '80s, I've learned how to weather shit storms really well. I think that CRMS is still working its magic. The folks that I know who have kids there are really happy with what's going on."

Wendy Pieh writes: "Same old same old at this end. Still run Springtide Farm with 100 plus Cashmere Goats ([www.springtidefarm.com](http://www.springtidefarm.com) <<http://www.springtidefarm.com>>), recently got a breed started, the North American Cashmere Goat, which we are hoping will help spread and grow the industry. We need more local Cashmere! Also still in the state legislature, still the House Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry. Lots of fun, hard work, Maine is a great place to make a difference, since we are small and more like a large family than anything else. Peter Goth is still my husband, our son Dave Hall,

recently wed and they are expecting a baby in July. I am sure I will like being a grandmother."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1967

Brad Ansley reports on life from Happy Valley, TN: "I'll be getting a pair of bionic knees come March 9th. Without my wonderful wife, Kathy, this would be and even more daunting than it already is. I also had my carotid artery reamed out last August because of the evil lifestyle I've been living since kindergarten. In Dec. of 2007 we finally finalized the conservation easement on the beautiful 96 acre farm that Kathy and I live on in E. Tenn. next to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The bittersweet news is that we finally moved my mother, Jeanne, into assisted living at age 90. I'm still building furniture and repairing the occasional row boat or canoe. I've been turning bowls on a lathe, and have begun making greenwood chairs from split hickory, red and white oak. And, of course, Barack! We celebrate our new President."

Kat Bradley Bennett continues her work as an English as a Second Language teacher. She was honored to have received the Virginia French Allen Award for Excellence in Teaching last fall. (Congratulations Kat!) She celebrated her 60th by taking a cruise with Air America celebrities and said it was great fun. Like many of us, Kat is ecstatic with the Obama victory and is looking forward to seeing our democracy thrive under some real leadership.

Debra Brittenum lives in Memphis still now as the caregiver for her mother. It is fun and filled with her mother's many stories of Mississippi and years raising a family. Her daughter and son have produced a son and daughter. She facilitates a formation for ministry covenant group at a local seminary and leads a community conversation and study of the theological, social and spiritual dimensions of race and reconciliation.

Katherine Clendening (K.C.)

KC is proud that she is celebrating 25 years of sobriety. She continues her counseling career working with gambling clients. She enjoys daily walks with her dog, which has kept her in good shape.

Sarah Cooper-Ellis lives in New Hampshire and works in a university childcare center as the lead teacher, instructing students in early childhood education. Her grown sons live in NYC.

David Douglas writes: All's well in Santa Fe (and Washington DC). Our two daughters are in graduate school, with one headed toward marriage in the fall. Deborah and I live in Santa Fe, but I spend half the month (through the end of 2010) in DC working with Water Advocates ([www.wateradvocates.org](http://www.wateradvocates.org) <<http://www.wateradvocates.org>>). It was great to see Warren this past autumn for a climb of Lake Peak above Santa Fe.

Scott Ellis writes: "Lydia and I live on our 40 acres in the foothills north of Fort Collins, sharing the land with wildlife large and small. I continue to manage the environmental permitting for large infrastructure projects across the country. I'm currently working on



the EIS for a large wind energy project (1000 turbines, 2000 megawatts) near Rawlins, Wyoming, and an EIS for a very controversial project to pump groundwater in northern Nevada, and then flow the water by pipeline to Las Vegas. I have more global responsibilities now, so I'm headed to Malaysia and Australia next month. With a little luck, I may be able to make a side trip to Borneo. On a historical note, I received an e-mail from Chuck Boothby, who was on one of our spring trips in Utah. David Douglas remembered that I tossed the chuckwalla we found at Lake Powell into the vehicle where Chuck was sleeping, with astonishing results. I recall this to be true, but I believe there were co-conspirators."

Tracy Fitz is in NYC where she continues her acupuncture work (healing@innerbeing.net) She is also involved in the community garden where she is working to get a grant to install a solar system. She continues to play her flute with the Brooklyn Brandenbergers and other groups.

Stan Gibbs (Stan)

Stan (and Mary Janss '66) continue to enjoy living in Aspen where they take advantage of the many opportunities the area affords for hiking, biking, skiing and swimming. He was happy to have reconnected with Rowdy Yates ('66) and to have shared some time on the slopes with him. They are also happy that one of their offspring is living and working in the Aspen area: Stan continues: "Mary and I have had a wonderful year. The highlight was a 3-week trip to Norway in May/June. We started and ended our tour of the magnificent fjords staying with Ivar and Kristin Sandvik ('65) in Oslo. The occasion was Mary's 60th, and we both had never been to Norway. What a wonderful country and people! I still work for HP (28 years this August), telecommuting from the house and looking forward to not working for HP when I can afford health care. I am a member of the Aspen Planning and Zoning commission, which is always interesting and sometimes tense, given the huge amount of money that pours into Aspen in an attempt to leverage it into something bigger. Mary's latest art form is making knitted, felted, seamless Möbius strip rimmed bowls and bags. She also plays her flute at the hospital to soothe the 'guests.'"

Christopher Landry (Chris)

From Chris: "Snow science goes on, just, at the Center for Snow and Avalanche Studies in Silverton, Colorado, despite the economy. They have just occupied a new Center facility, "... a great opportunity to realize our dream that came with the worst possible economic timing". The facility offers all the elements of a true "national" center for snow science and=20even features scheduled train service to the front door, in the summer, courtesy of the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge, steam-powered railroad! Chris hopes that CRMS alums will check out the CSAS at [www.snowstudies.org](http://www.snowstudies.org) <<http://www.snowstudies.org/>> ... another unique product of the CRMS entrepreneurial spirit."

Bretta (Rambo) Maack

Bretta Rambo is still in Healdsburg, CA: I'm always happy to see CRMS friends. I spent a nice evening with Sarah Swinerton ('70) and Lolly Lewis ('69), and also enjoyed joining a group of alums to

hear Tamim Ansary ('66) do a reading for the Once City One Book program at the San Francisco Public Library. Last summer I met Emily Rosenberg Pollock in Seattle for the world premier of Shrek, The Musical. Emily's son, Philip, is a lighting designer for the show, which is now on Broadway. We enjoyed catching up with Roger Fritz ('65) in Portland. 2008 was a difficult year. We lost a number of friends to untimely deaths, which makes you realize that we are entering that phase of life where our contemporaries are starting to have serious health problems. Our son continues to worry and vex us, so we've been attending Alanon where we are learning to "detach with love". Our daughter is in her final semester of nursing school and will graduate just when nursing jobs in the area are getting scarce. Nonetheless, we're holding out hope that she will be financially independent before too long. Walt had hoped to retire in the near future, but like many others, our retirement savings aren't what we thought they would be. Luckily, he still enjoys his work as an ER doctor. A highlight of our year was working with the Obama campaign in Nevada and helping to turn that red state blue. These are difficult times, and we are thrilled to have someone bright, visionary, and articulate at the helm.

Kathy (Lovett) Moritz

Kathy writes from Boulder: "This has been a busy summer, fall, and winter. After trying to recover from my son's wedding in June, I spent most of the rest of the summer working on my book, which is going well, but never quickly enough! My son moved to Glenwood, so it's nice to have an excuse to spend more time in the valley again. Work has been busy, and I continue to try and find enough time for work and research and writing. There have been many trips to the Lodge in Silverton where my son was married; snowmobiling, hiking, and way too many trips to the new Rum Distillery there! Congrats, Harry and Susan!"

Peter Mullen

Peter lives in SE Pennsylvania. He is married to Edell and they have three sons, ages 19 to 27. He has been working as a financial planner for 20 years and tries to have a lot of fun. He just turned 60 and spends time in St. Louis taking care of his elderly mother.

Warren Perkins

Warren writes: I'm still a family doctor in Flagstaff, mostly Native patients, about 30 hours a week, and trying to write fiction. New Mexico will be publishing my novel Putrefaction Live in August about a Navajo death-metal musician. Ellavina and I are enjoying our grandson Arthur (Charlie's son), who will be three in May. We would like to see old CRMS friends who might be passing through here.

Emily Rosenberg-Pollock is still hanging in Tucson with her three cats...still working multiple part time jobs...quilting... and enjoying the ripe old age of 60. My oldest son, Philip, is taking me to Greece sometime this summer to celebrate...an amazing gift. My parents moved next door and I have to say... I love the convenience of being so close. Max is in his first year of a Radiology Residency. He is in Tucson now and will be in LA at Cedars-Sinai for the next four years. Noah is writing copy for an ad agency in Long Beach.



Philip is still in NYC but getting itchy and thinking about where he might like to live next. Life is good. I have to take a moment to thank our class for being so responsive to Brett's and my plea for information. You guys are great! I love this job. I love re-connecting to voices from our past. I spoke with Bernie Brown who is living in Montrose, CO and I'm having dinner with Art Davis ('65) as he blows through town on his way back from Chile and Mexico. We get Adele here for the winter/spring and amazingly I have connected with many CRMS people on Facebook... Noah made me do it. I've heard from Patty Ramsey Lynn ('68), Evelyn Petschek ('68), Tamim Ansary ('66), Victor Zurcher ('68), Lolly Lewis ('69), Jim Ostrem ('71), Deirdre Dole Golani ('65), and Catharine Kim Woodin ('81), Sands Hall ('70), Brad Ansley, Kat Bradley, Jeff Smith ('69), and Harry Van Camp... for starters. So... thanks to those who make the effort to stay in touch... and hopefully, those we don't hear from will try it one of these days... you might like it... I know we would.

Patty (Kern) Shelton

From Patty: "Basically I feel very fortunate in my life. I am still married to my same honey; we live in the same house we've been in for 30 years (yikes). Our three kids were all just here to help me celebrate my 60th - that 60 mark must be happening to many of you as well! I love nothing more than being surrounded by my family; we laugh, dance, walk, solve the world's problems and of course eat yummy food. We have no grandchildren yet, but that's okay. I work part time in a teacher training program, and play more than part time..... Anyhow, we welcome visitors anytime - drop in and chat awhile!"

Christopher Thomson (Chris)

Chris lives in New Mexico and reports: "I am looking forward to returning to campus in March to do blacksmithing with students during interim. In the summer of 1972 metal sculptor Elliot Norguist taught drawing in the loft of the adobe and I taught pottery downstairs. Now Elliot is running the Blacksmith program at CRMS. It will be fun to work together again."

Jo Anne Valens

Jo Anne is married and living in Great Barrington, MA where she is a Kindergarten teacher at the local Waldorf School. She loves her work and feels blessed to have meaningful work, good health, and a loving family. Her son recently graduated from the Juilliard School of Music and has returned home while he figures out his next step. She would welcome any CRMS friends who are passing through her area.

Harry Van Camp

Harry writes: "As many of you know, I married Susan George about 4 weeks ago. My first wife, Ellen died of ovarian cancer in 2002. Susan has two boys, ages 9 and 10. We have them half time. I'm getting back into hockey, baseball and fishing with them. It is great fun! Susan and I have worked together for about 23 years so we have had plenty of time to decide that we can get along. My three kids are all over the place. My oldest, Wesley promises to finish his PhD at the Univ. of Maryland in May. Eli, is an attorney

in Portland, OR. Kate is in Argentina doing a pre-med internship and trying to learn medical Spanish. At work Susan and I are crazy busy doing primarily patent, trademark and copyright litigation. Our work takes us all over the place. We've connected with several CRMSers on our travels but if we knew where more of you live, we would love to have lunch or dinner and share tall tales. We live in Madison, WI. If you are close, please come see us."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1969

F. T. Allen (Towne)

Towne and his wife are still living in Centerport, NY, and both still practicing psychotherapy, Towne primarily leading men's groups. They are participating for their 15th year in the Diamond Heart Approach, a spiritual school, and come to California or Hawaii for meditation and study each year. They went to Buenos Aires this past year, and plan to go to Greece to go cruising with Jim Seferis this summer.

Warren Anderson reports: "I'm retired, single and my daughter is a student at U.C. Davis. I just got back from a week of skiing in Jackson and I'm beat."

John Blake is still working a lot, but runs, meditates, and hopes to do some fishing trips. Mary Kuntz-Cote saw John, his wife Daisy, Brett Rambo, and Lolly Lewis at the Tamim Ansary reading in SF (and hung out in café later) that Lolly and Brett organized this past fall. We discussed trying to get a late June Northern California rafting trip together... Anyone game?

Paul Gibbs writes: "I am still managing some programs for the Denver Regional Council of Governments. My daughter Alice graduates from Boulder this spring. We are meeting in France for a little celebration afterwards. My son Stuart is selling snowboards and teaching theatre and other things to little guys, thinking about grad school. Ravi tried to call me from Africa or someplace recently. Keep trying!. My cell is 303-396-2200. Welch, stop by and visit next time you are down. I'm a pretty good snowboarder these days if anyone wants to come join me. I still have a big, pretty empty house in Denver. You are all welcome."

Linda Gore is working too much, like many of us, at the clinic in Denver, but keeping her spirits up by playing folk music and singing with her band.

Mary Kuntz-Cote reports: "I am here in Berkeley with my two daughters 17 and 21. After dealing with many difficulties over the last 2 years, my husband and I have separated. I've gotten involved in doing Insight meditation and an Awakening Joy class, hiking with my two dogs, and as much exercise as I can with two scarred rotator cuff tendons. I'm trying to remain grateful and in touch with the simple pleasures in my life, cooking for family and friends, the fun of working in the library with students, and looking forward to exploring some new places in life. I am organizing and will chaperone another school trip to Shimada, Japan in June, so 16 of our students can attend school and do a homestay there for 2 weeks."



Lolly Lewis reports: "I have swum from Alcatraz twice since the last news blast - most recently on New Years Day, with the water 49F and wonderful big swells. I get in the water at Aquatic Park cove at sunrise here in San Francisco, and no matter the weather, it is glorious. This last week I have had everything from crystal-clear skies under a full moon to this morning's driving rain. But there are other things going on: I am managing "New Visions/New Vistas," a cross-genre commissioning project of the Oakland East Bay Symphony. Our winners are going to be announced this week so I'm coordinating the press conference and it's very exciting. Also have released the second CD in what I hope will be a long-term project with the New Esterházy Quartet, who are performing all the Haydn string quartets, on period instruments for the first time in America. I am going when they perform in New York City on May 1 and am looking forward to hooking up with Melanie Wyler while I'm there. Anyone in the area come on out!"

John Lovett writes: "My two children, 13 and 15 are the center of my life. The rest of my time is spent between Vail where I live, and Boulder where I am CEO of a fascinating business that makes instruments for atmospheric, pollution, and weather research. We are the only facility in the world that makes and services these research grade instruments. The scientific projects are fascinating and at the forefront of these areas of study worldwide by most major Universities, Governments, NASA, NCAR, NOAA, NSF, Scripps, DOE etc."

Alex Morley writes: "I'm working full time in emergency medicine as well as just starting a brand new Urgent Care clinic in Eugene, and running our occupational medicine clinic, too. I'm just a workaholic it seems... The ER is getting rough because we are overwhelmed with more and more patients who don't have medical insurance or access to health care anywhere else, and we are the only safety net. I'm into photography, as always, and recently started my own photo website [www.alexmorleyphoto.com](http://www.alexmorleyphoto.com) <<http://www.alexmorleyphoto.com/>>. I have images for sale, but don't really care if I sell much. It's just a passion and release from medicine. My wife and I still have our hay farm just south of Eugene, and raise and train Labrador Retrievers."

Bruce Ourieff states that all is going well on the central California coast and he is still "working like a dog" (every other night and week-end) though his practice is hoping to add two new docs soon. He has no hope of retiring in the next ten years. Like many of us caught in the squeeze of shrinking savings, inadequate healthcare, and declining home values, we think we'll never stop working! But he sounds basically content because he's still happily married and still flying a lot. "Just got a new plane before the economy tanked. It is a real pleasure, a prop-jet converted pressurized single engine Cessna." His 3 kids are mostly staying out of trouble and doing well. One daughter has graduated from college and plans to work as a pacemaker representative, his middle daughter is a high school senior who will graduate in June despite struggling with a learning disability, and his youngest, a junior, is playing football. Bruce ends by saying he thinks of returning to the CRMS board, perhaps, and visiting Sopris and the valley.

Richard Smith (Jeff)

Jeff writes: "The last year has found me traveling to Alaska for the second time. Drove the motorcycle up the Cassiar Highway and then returned via the ferry from Skagway. Went backcountry sea kayaking out of Ketchikan for six days. Returned to Colorado and worked for Barack Obama here in Grand Junction. Attended the last night of the DNC at Invesco Field and ran phone banks and canvassing operations here in Western Colorado. I started the process of dealing with my hip osteoarthritis in July and had a left total hip replacement on October 3, followed by the right on January 9. I am recovering well and look forward to get back to pain free hiking, bicycling and skiing. I am still involved as a volunteer for a variety of groups here in Western Colorado and stay very busy. My family is well and constructively contributing to their community."

John Sutherland (Robin)

Robin wrote: "The SF Symphony has just returned from a West Coast tour which commenced in Seattle on Inauguration Day. I think we may have played better than usual that night! Anyway, we've just inked a new four-year agreement containing far from everything we'd hoped for, but we have jobs through 2012, and that's way more than what can be said for far too many folks these days. Looking forward to dropping in on campus this summer, and would love to explore doing a benefit for the School, either in the Barn or upriver at Redstone Castle."

James Welch (Jim) in Boulder discussed the great strides Colorado is making in expanding solar energy use, and appears to be a leader in the drive toward greater renewable energy.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1970

Edward Merritt (Ed)

Ed writes: With all the problems in the world, I am blessed with a wonderful wife of 35 years. Both of our kids are married and employed - and I became a graddad thanks to my daughter giving birth to twins. Still President of a great independent bank that did business the old fashioned way - so we don't have to worry about all the problems that the Wall Street Bankers have.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1971

Kristin (Harding) Dubick

Still a Feng Shui Consultant... her clients lives are less cluttered than her own.

Lisa Foster

Doing well... horseback riding a lot... working in a tack shop... 3 kids--Tory, Dustin and Amanda. Is going to be a grandmother this year!

David Gault reports that on Feb 14 the time in seconds on the Unix system since Jan 1, 1970 reached 124567890 seconds. He wrote "Happy to say I am exactly where I wanted to be... in the middle of a

tidal wave of craziness just North of the Golden Gate Bridge.”

Catherine (Wyler) Hayden writes: “Both kids have graduated college. I sold my house of 24 years in San Francisco and am renting in Sausalito. I am still in expressive arts. I am in training with the Miracle Project in Los Angeles.”

Anne (Woessner) Macquarie

Anne reports: “The nest is empty... one kid graduating from college this year, the other a sophomore... doing well... working part time for now... has fond memories of the CRMS pigs.”

Michael Mitchell (Kent)

Class rep reached him at the airport on his way back from sailing in Caribbean.

Jonathan Siegel

Jonathan reports: “Significant greying is greatest change. Economic meltdown has hit us (architects) and somehow i’m entirely cheerful & optimistic. I’m waist-deep (maybe deeper?) into the local political scene, currently serving as a City Planning Commissioner & much enjoying the process & input - our architecture has long been solar & socially oriented, now at the urban level working on mass transit, water harvesting, agricultural enhancement, cluster housing and free love. oops. last part not a part of the agenda. Call it all sustainability, and the economic morass is a bloated system retching on the poisons of past excess. Off to play on nearby slickrock in southern utah next weekend.”

David Thomson writes: “2 very nifty kids.. Jamie and Mikey.. my wife Annie and I own and run Riverbend Animal Hospital.. I do only surgery now, spending much of my days repairing the knees of fat labrador retrievers. We try to get to the Grand Canyon as often as we can. Finally got a private river permit in 2004 and had a fantastic trip with family and friends... then hiking the north rim fall of 2007. The door is always open for any CRMSers venturing western Massachusetts way.”

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1973

Duncan Hansson spent Thanksgiving and celebrated his birthday with Susanna Block ‘73 this year.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1974

Kim Anker-Paddon writes from LA: “I am settling into life in Los Angeles. It has been a great place to be for my organizing work, where the main focus continues to be helping people who have Attention Deficit Disorder. Two of my three daughters live in Los Angeles and my third lives in New York City. Parents are near Yosemite, so traveling is very work and family oriented.”

William Anschuetz (Bill)

Sarah’s in the middle of her second school year at the American School of Sao Paulo and now teaching English as a Second Language primarily to fourth and fifth graders from Brazil, Korea,

Mexico and India. Rather than managing one classroom, she’s enjoying the challenge of seamlessly assisting students in four classrooms as they learn in a new language. Sarah’s accepted the school’s offer to teach the upcoming 2009-2010 school year as well. Bill is still doing long distance research, reporting and editing projects, mostly in the U.S., but also as far flung as Albania and Ethiopia. We’ve been extremely fortunate in our travel opportunities during the last year. In July, what we dubbed our greatest hits tour of Brazil took us to the diverse wonders of Rio de Janeiro, Iguazu Falls, the Pantanal wetlands, Manaus and the Amazon, and Salvador. We celebrated Christmas in northeastern Brazil on the remote and beautiful island of Fernando de Noronha (closer to Africa than Sao Paulo), visited the colonial town Olinda and the beaches at Porto de Galinhas - all near Recife. Some long weekend explorations led us to Florianopolis on the island of Santa Catarina, the neighboring state of Minas Gerais -- once to ride mountain bikes and another time to comb 17th century colonial towns. Back in the U.S.A., we had winter and summer visits with friends and family in Colorado (Greeley, Denver, Winter Park, Carbondale, and Crawford) and a great adventure in the west of Wyoming as well. Life in Sao Paulo is often defined by its immense size and epic traffic. As an example, the streets only quiet down enough to consider riding bicycles on Sunday mornings or weekday evenings, when groups of determined riders pedal the streets together, beginning at 9pm. That option has been of more interest to Bill than to Sarah. The cultural offerings in Sao Paulo are endless, often publicized at the last minute and all in Portuguese. So we’ve learned to be nimble and approach life here as a mysterious treasure hunt. We’ve attended special exhibits, film festivals, bargain concerts, and partake of incredible restaurants in the downtown area which is a 45-minute bus ride from our suburban location (that’s without traffic). Our favorite cafe happens to be Bistro da Sara and its Saturday buffets are well worth the 90-minute bus, subway, walk to get there. We welcome visitors from near and far. Bill’s sister Mary and brother-in-law Terry returned to Sao Paulo twice in 2008 and impressed all with their Portuguese and their tales of living in Sao Paulo 30 years ago. We’re looking forward to some new Brazilian adventures in June with Sarah’s folks.

Cate (Hayden) Barrera-Freeman

Cate and husband, Ben are still in Carmel Valley. She writes: “Terry and her wonderful husband Guy were just here for a visit while down in the area to attend the A.T.&T. golf tournament. We had a fantastic time catching up and making plans for the next adventure. Life is good. Always trying to keep the balance between work and play. Staying closer to home these days. But, when you live in paradise that’s o.k. We did make it to Lake Tahoe for some skiing and snowshoeing with Erin (Connell) Tsconas before she headed back to the islands. What a blast. I just joined face book, mainly to view Adam’s photos while on his South American trip. Just trying to figure it out but would be happy to have more “friends”.

Terry (Friedman) Gelfenbaum

Terry writes: “Guy and I just returned from a fantastic weekend visiting Cate and Ben Barrera in Carmel Valley. We were down watching a friend playing at the AT&T in Pebble Beach. We spent



2 nights at their beautiful place, eating, drinking and sharing stories. Photos were taken hoping to send for this bulletin but somehow were deleted. You'll just have to imagine how wonderful we all look. All is well here finally enjoying some rain and snow in the mountains. I'm still working with 5th graders and throwing pots. Kids are fine. Josh is still loving MSU in Bozeman. At least I think he's going to school. Between skiing, hiking and fishing, it's hard to tell. It's a great place to visit. I'd move in a second if Guy wasn't so involved in coastal research. My daughter Alex is going to school here studying early childhood development and working a bit. So we're not quite empty nesters yet."

Gina (Barnhart) Hardin

Gina is living in Denver and still very active in the environmental movement working on climate change issues. She writes: "I continue to be concerned about climate change and to that end, am attending a "Power Shift" Conference in D.C. in a couple of weeks, along with a non-violent action against the Capitol Coal Plant, at which I will assiduously avoid arrest. I have great hopes that our country will use this economic crisis to reevaluate whether prolific consumption really is the road to happiness - and to transition to an efficient renewable energy economy. My husband's daughters are attending CRMS so I have lots of contact with CRMS and spend lots of time in the valley. We are planning a backpacking trip on the Big Island in Hawaii over Spring Break. I look forward to seeing everyone at our next reunion and wish you all the best."

David Harvey

David is repatriating after 15-20 years of life abroad and writes: "We are packing up our things to move from the Ukraine to Spirit Lake, Idaho in March. Our baby Kira is 18 months now and really a lot of fun. Last March, we took Kira back packing in Utah, with my wife Ira carrying Kira in a back pack and my son Evan, who graduates from CRMS this June."

Louis Hunt

Louis writes from the wilds of Michigan. He had a year of travel and study: "I had a good year off from teaching at Michigan State. Last spring Connie, Tim and I spent two exciting weeks on vacation in Vietnam. Our "adventure" travel guide was an Aussie expatriate who took us driving on motorbikes through the back streets of Hue, hiking in the northern mountains near the Chinese border, and boating down the Mekong river. This fall I spent a month in India at the Central Institute for Higher Tibetan Studies in Sarnath, India, near Varanasi (formerly Benares). I lived in a guest house run by a very friendly and welcoming Jain family. No Western amenities, but comfortable and overlooking the park where the Buddha gave his first discourse. I was also able to visit Kathmandu for several days. I arrived right in the middle of an exuberant Hindu-Tantric Buddhist festival. Connie and Tim are both great. Connie is teaching and writing about literature and politics. Tim is playing basketball, lacrosse and tennis. (He inherited his athleticism from his mother's side of the family!)"

Alicia Keshishian

Alicia our resident magic carpet rider writes that she continues to produce beautiful cover-ups for modest floors and writes: "My

custom, made-to-order, hand-crafted rug business continues to grow and thrive. It was a good year and I'm looking forward to an even better year - though the economy says otherwise. If we can't dream what's the point of waking up every morning? Fortunately I'm going to Thailand - then on to Nepal in April to visit the weavers. Who can complain? I continue to be amazed that some of my closest friends are people from CRMS days. Many more than any other period of my life -Kim (Anker-Paddon) was here yesterday, I see Peter White semi-frequently (he calls from the Whole Foods parking when in town). Still in touch with Sue M, Melina, Susannah Baldwin '75 etc."

Sue (Maffei) Plowden looks up from doing her taxes long enough to send this note: "Still managing media (writers, photos, TV) for events in the sailing world. Best part is traveling all over the world (Philippines, HK, Sardinia, SF, Miami this past year) and working with a different team each time. While I'd like a change, I feel lucky to be working these days. All's well in little Rhody, enjoying what's been a pretty good real New England winter...lots of snow even here in the Ocean State. Dug out some x-country skis. Yes, 3-pins of course, seemed a bit narrow, or maybe the balance is going. But it was great to slide along the golf course, into the woods, and then out onto the beach - that was a first. Brought back memories of skiing UP Tick Ridge in a full moon with Melina - where did we think we were going? Anyway, look forward to seeing my CRMS friends sooner than later. Don't need to remind anyone how fast time goes by now."

Ellen (Boswell) Schiefer is living back in Cincinnati with her family. She still does some real estate business but works at helping her husband's business grow. They're raising a couple of kids and enjoying being back in Ohio. She's still doing some art. These days in stone sculpture.

David Tanner writes: "Still up here in Minnesota, looking out over the frozen lake and blue sky. Daughter Sarah is graduating from St. Olaf College this June and we plan to immediately head out for Italy. Our last chance to do a family trip, we suppose. Carol and Sarah did some travel together in France last year and I headed for Hong Kong a couple times for work. Otherwise we have been pretty much working a lot - me as a print production manager in an ad agency, Carol as a clinical psychologist. Make the birding rounds with Caroline and Dutton Foster on a regular, if occasional, basis. They're retired and having a fine old time. Stay in touch with Chris Link who is trying to hustle some real estate deals in a very unfriendly market. His sons are 15 and 20 and they all live in Stanwood, WA, still."

Erin (Connell) Tsaconas

Erin emerges from the mists of island life to resurface with some news. She writes: "I have been in Honolulu for the last 6 years as a single mom raising my two teens. My daughter Natasha is now in her first year at Columbia College of Chicago and my son Sean will be going into his senior year at Chapman University majoring in business and planning a semester abroad in Dubai next year. I am an empty nester! I have a condo back in Lake Tahoe and am

working towards the goal of being able to spend winters in Hawaii and summers in Tahoe. Cate and her husband came up to ski in January which was a blast. I have worked in all areas of art, design and business over the years. I am currently consulting with some friends who are considering start-up businesses in this questionable economy. I am taking it as a good sign. Having been diagnosed with breast cancer a few years ago, I do my best to live each day to the fullest, outdoors, hiking, the beach, the gym, with friends and family. It would be nice to find “the one”, but life is short and doesn’t always go the way we thought it back in the good old days when all we had to do was climb a few mountain passes on Wilderness Session!”

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1975

Emily Bray writes: “Still living on our farm north of Boulder. We had a great gardening season this year. Many veggies to put up this fall. I’m continuing my work and research at CU and have also expanded our private research lab.:

Mila (Brooks) Brenner

Mila is back in the D.C. area. Her husband is teaching at Sidwell Friends School. Her children, Max, 8, and Sonia, 20 months. She is back working full-time, the adjustment is challenging.

Cecilia Goin-Harding (Peggy)

Cecilia writes: “I have a new love in my life who I am moving in with in Cleveland in December. I played on a concert grand piano in my home for the past eight years and loved doing so. I am giving music a rest for a while so that when I return to it I will be refreshed and renewed. I made a film of my ballet pointe shoe work in costume and had great fun making it. I rode horses in England in 2005 and had a great time and corresponded with Chris Link and David Tanner (both ’74) beforehand. I received two superior degrees from The Alliance Francaise in France and have been a member of this organization since I moved to Miami in 1995. I am looking forward to taking my French to a further advanced level in Cleveland.”

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1976

Nellie Bracker writes: “I have an incredible 13 year old son, Robert Kelly Bracker. His deceased father, Sean Kelly, was also a ’76 CRMS alum. Robby has an affinity towards music, especially the piano, sings with a strong pitch on key. It looks like he has taken after his father in that respect. I am still in touch with Tim Foote, Josh Stevens ’75, and Karen Spevak. I remember CRMS for great adventures, for a strong spirit, and for enhancing my life.”

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1977

Margaret (Stevens) Blake

Margie writes: “Life in Portland is good. Family travels to China last year and Central Europe were amazing. Our 3 children are moving on to college and their own paths. Sam is 22 in Alaska, at school and working. Nick is 19 in BC Canada starting college. Anna is 14. My husband Larry is busy in the legal work, enjoys a

1939 Indian motorcycle and rugby. I have been involved in local schools and some board work, continue to sing in Aurora Chorus, try to stay in shape, and find any reason to go outside and play in the dirt. My best to the class of ’77.”

Walter Salas-Humara

According to Scott Stricker: Walter and his band “The Silo”s are headlining several shows. His new album, “I am not Jim” is fantastic.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1978

Amy Daggett writes: “I had two great trips to Austin this summer seeing Scott Stricker and his brothers along with Walter Salas-Humara ’77. We danced our butts off to 27 awesome bands at the Austin Limits Music Festival. Walter and I saw Carol Shure ’77 in Eugene, OR this summer too. Life is good, and I’m still loving Flagstaff.”

Nicholas Lensen (Nick) after years of saving our planet, is taking a practical approach with a job at Vestas, a global wind energy company.

Peter McWhinney is still at NYC Parks - one day at a time.

Oliver Platt

According to Scott Stricker: Oliver is busy reprising his role as Nathan Detroit in “Guys and Dolls” on Broadway. He took the theater sign from the 1977 CRMS set and put it on our cabin the summer we toiled at Dan Sherwood’s “7 Lakes Ranch.”

Daniel Sherwood (Dan)

According to Scott Stricker: Dan has done a massive remodel to the house at his fish farm in Montrose, and has kept the business successfully afloat at the same time.

Scott Stricker writes: “I am still in Central Texas, running Shohorn Design, loving my life, my wife Sheila and 13 year-old son Joshua. We met up with Amos Daggett and Walter Salas-Humara ’77 for The Austin City Limits Music Festival in October, and they will be back for SXSW Music Festival in March.”

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1979

Adam Liff lives in Nashville with his youngest child, Jonathan, who is 16. Daughter Emily attending CU at Boulder and daughter Natalie is at Indiana Univ. He works in the juvenile justice system, advocate for children, and volunteers on the crisis suicide hotline. Also a businessman. He was able to see Sandra Cannon when he completed the Alcatraz Sharkfest swim in San Francisco with her love and support.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1980

Andrew Reeves (Andy) has been appointed Medical Director of Specialty Care with IJJ/Mayo Health System.



## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1981

Andrew Floyd (Andy), professional chef and cooking instructor, was featured on Denver Channel 9 News on January 8, 2009.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1983

Abe Geasland

Abe writes: "As I get older I realize that everything I learned, I learned from those two years in 'Bonedale.'

Lee Hall writes: "Despite some tough knocks in the last few years, I have greatly enjoyed living in Boulder for twenty years now (WOW!) I am moving to Lyons (15 miles north) this spring. I look forward to being in a smaller town again. Lyons is a beautiful place and is chock full of great folks and a bunch of dear friends. I also hope to transition into the renewable energy industry this year - as there are many exciting developments here in Colorado. I enjoy keeping in touch with the Piburns, Devon Daney, Bob Ford and Matt Davies, as well as so many others at reunions and Carbondale Mountain Fair. It's always fun to occasionally run into local folks like Ann Hodel, Brie Stranahan, Naomi Flint-Winicki '84 and Josh Thompson '80. My best to all."

Nelson Jay enjoyed connecting with the classes of the 1980's last June on his way back to Seattle after attending auctioneering school in St. Louis. "While I still have a day job in the world of marketing, auctioneering is a fun way to release my inner extrovert and help raise money for worthy causes. I have a couple of benefit gigs this spring in the Seattle area. My wife of 13 years, Tiffany Jay, is fabulous and must feel like she's raising four kids (I'm resistant to growing up). Daughter Amelia is now 11 and in her fifth year dancing at Pacific Northwest Ballet. She's remarkable and keeps us busy with over 20 Nutcracker performances between Thanksgiving and New Year's Eve. Sons Tobias (almost 8) and Booker (nearly 5) are Lego building demons, as well as all around sporty guys. Toby successfully descended his first black diamond run in the Cascades this winter, while Booker has mastered the power wedge and is fearless. I wonder if I scared my parents like this when I was learning to ski? A highlight over the past six months has been refurbishing an old building on the Fox Island farm where I grew up. My mother, Sandra Mowry, and sister, Hannah Jay, and our family embarked on a Quixotic mission to save an 80-year old brick and log turkey barn. Much of the wood for the building came from Douglas Fir from the property that was salvaged following a 2006 wind storm. The trees were milled locally, then brought back to the property and assembled. We sourced doors and windows from the Restore in Seattle and Tacoma, and it's wonderful to reuse materials that otherwise would've gone in the landfill. The building has a lot of soul and reflects many of the qualities that I associate with CRMS: sturdy, utilitarian, authentic, well-built, natural, beautiful, inspiring, and useful! The space will be used as an art studio and weekend getaway with friends.]"

Will McCall writes: "Had to close our manufacturing company at the end of last year."

Dan Piburn writes: "I'm celebrating my seventh year as a massage therapist/body worker, watching my kiddos Coleman and Amelie dive into this world, loving my wife Giselle more each day and trying to live more simply and peaceably each year. I still love to play jazz on the radio, ski, retreat into the garden, spoil the chickens and explore the possibilities of a healthier and happier planet with friends, family and even strangers in the grocery line. I'm reading the 'Gospel of Thomas' and 'The Tibetan Book Of Living and Dying' simultaneously with 'Shantaram' on deck. I enjoy hearing from alums and hope to see many of you at the Carbondale Mountain Fair this 23rd, 24th and 25th of July! Thanks very much to those of you who helped Nelson and me this year with the latest fund raiser! Please check in with the school and update your contact info. You are missed if you are lost!"

Michelle Pulsifer wrote in a New Year's letter of a wonderfully busy year full of house restoration, gardening, yoga, motorcycling and eating locally-grown foods (and locally-caught fish) with her partner John. Sounds as though life is good.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1984

Charlotte (Quack) Kroher

Charlotte writes from Germany: "I am still working in the so called financial industry - which is far less about loving to crunch the numbers than about understanding what is happening and trying to contribute a bit to support the good guys which are also out there."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1985

Tiare (Pitts) Flora writes: "Moved to Durango last year, working with my husband Eric on a new sustainable development Twin Buttes and also on getting my Real Estate license. My son Zachary is in 6th grade and having a great time doing karate and riding his dirt bike. My step daughters: Jessica is graduating from CU this spring, and Monique is working as a model in Orange County. I worked really hard on the Obama campaign and was lucky enough to be at the Inauguration in January...truly one of the best moments of my life."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1989

Erik Persson writes: "Much to my surprise I am a father of three (two boys: Nico & Sigi one girl: Anni). I have been in Boulder since graduation. Currently I have a job in a small startup company that tracks social media content on the internet."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1990

Paolo Bacigalupi writes: "In addition to the release of my short story collection 'Pump Six and Other Stories,' I've also recently sold several novels - two books to Little, Brown Publishers in a series about global warming and sustainable technologies for young

adults, and another stand-alone Science Fiction novel about GM foods and peak oil to Nightshade Books of San Francisco.”

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1993

Joshua Lange (Josh) writes: “I have relocated to NYC! I’m in the thick of the hustle and bustle but have plans to move to a mellower Brooklyn in the coming weeks.”

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1994

Jack Dant wrote, “I am in Santa Fe, a papa to two beautiful girls, and patrolling at ski santa fe. In the summers I run a water catchment business and try to take my fam to distant lands... which is kinda working but not quite perfectly because making cash is the trick, eh.”

Adria (Davis) Hartman recently moved back to Phoenix from the east coast with her husband and daughter, Cameron Elisabeth.

Ashley Krest writes: “Still growing flowers and kids Helena 3, Alyster 5 and re-focusing away from Farmers’ Market and towards weddings and events, check out our new website and new name: FieldFlorals.com”

Erin Kunkel writes: “Life in San Francisco is great- I’m married to an amazing guy and enjoying my life as a freelance photographer. Life as a photographer is hectic but wonderful. We’re hoping to have kids soonish, but we’re focused on work and travels for now.”

SaSaDi (Boothe) Odunsi

SaSaDi writes: I am still in Brooklyn with my husband and our two boys, Ethan - 3 years, and Zachary - 14 months. I co-own a maternity boutique in the neighborhood (Bump Brooklyn - [www.bumpbrooklyn.com](http://www.bumpbrooklyn.com) <<http://www.bumpbrooklyn.com>>), that touch wood seems to be withstanding the current economic meltdown. Sadly, I haven’t seen any of the other CRMS alumni who live in the city, except for my brother Bobby Boothe ’98 who lives in here with his girlfriend Amy Szegda.

Sabrina Sadeghi is living in Paris and getting married in 2009.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1995

Naomi Alfini has moved to Washington, DC and works for a Charter Prep school in the enrichment program.

Ian Armstrong writes “The end of 2008 was fun when it came to CRMS, largely in thanks to Facebook. I have been back in touch with several friends and have spent time sharing drinks and stories with Dan Bischoff ’93, Dave Hermele ’93 , and Jessie Olson Gunderson ’93; two of them are local but Dan was just in for a week. I don’t think Dan had ever seen anything like the burning man decompression party in SOMA. I’d send a picture of his saucer eyes but he was too busy gluing them to his camera. Dave is lots

of fun and rides a fast bike. Jessie is still every bit as adorable as she was her senior year of High School - not even kids could knock the spunk out of her. I keep hoping to get up to the mountains and see Lorenzo Worster ’94 one of these days but somehow that drive has dissuaded me. I can’t even blame gas prices anymore so there went my last excuse. Soon Lorenzo, hide now or forever hold your peace! Other than that I’m living in San Francisco where I work in legal information systems - which has absolutely nothing to do with my advertising degree or marketing/production background. The upside is that it’s fairly recession proof. 2008 wasn’t an exciting year for news in terms of what I’d share but it was a good year. If I knew I’d be this happy by 32 I would have smiled more along the way. Hopefully someone in their teens or twenties reads this and takes that lesson to heart. I’ve got lots of plans for 2009 and so far have made a great start on them. Hopefully not too many unemployed friends will be forced to make a temporary home out of my couch this year with the economy in the dumps. Hang on everyone, hopefully the worst will be over soon - good luck!”

Omar Bou-Matar writes “All is well, Hannah (my wife) and I are currently living in Grand Junction, we moved back from Tulsa with work and are happy about living back in Colorado again. No news on any kids yet.”

Sarah-Scott Brett

SarahScott writes “I am still in New Orleans, still in medical school. We made it through Gustav unscathed -- I think the most traumatic part was evacuating 8 hours with four cats, two people, and everything we could shove into the car. (After Katrina, I went a little overboard and packed just about everything!) In June, my sweetheart Michael proposed while we were on a cruise in the Caribbean. Starlit night, big ocean, alone on the top deck -- quite romantic. Once I caught my breath I said yes, and we’re planning a New Orleans wedding this year in October. Happy Mardi Gras!”

Katie Browne writes: “Things on Maui are great! Though I’m far from friends and family, I live in a beautiful place...which means I get lots of visitors! “I don’t have anything very exciting to report, but that’s ok, because I’m very content. My boyfriend and I live in a very cute home in the jungle of Haiku (on the island of Maui) and I’m a happy owner of a loud, colorful parakeet. I have an art studio (technically, it’s my kitchen, but there’s enough room for more than one endeavor) and am constantly working on multiple projects, like sewing, painting, collage, printmaking, drawing, etc, etc. I’ve been taking pattern-making classes, so I’m finally learning how to create the clothes, bags, bikinis and other designs that swirl about in my head. When I’m not being creative, I’m at the ocean. I love living on a tropical island!! It’s never boring to go to the beach. I surfed a lot last summer and fall, but with the winter storms here, I spend more time on the shore than out in the waves. Of course I miss Colorado...but only the summer months!”

Sarah Kelly writes “Things are good here. Working for a clothing company called Prana as an assistant designer. Due to have a baby girl at the end of March, and then my world will really change! We are so excited to embark on the parenting path! Still enjoying living in San Diego, and days like today where it is 75 and sunny in winter. Wish I could be out in it instead of at the computer, but the weekend



is almost here! We are having our baby shower this weekend (Feb8) and a few CRMSers will be there! Neely Ricehill is coming from Kauai and Amanda Perez lives here in San Diego. It is going to be a fun day."

Hanni Keyser to start a Master's degree in Education and Curriculum Development.

Morgan Metzger is still living in Telluride and running the Sawpit Merchantile - they're looking for buyers if anyone is interested!

Miranda Terwilliger writes: "I made it safely to back to Alaska [after about a year home in Basalt, CO]. I accepted a position as an ecologist at Wrangell-St.Elias National Park & Preserve. See <http://www.nps.gov/wrst/> for more information on the park which is the largest in the National Park System. It was a long drive - eleven days! The weather was fabulous on the ferry which spelled trouble because it got really warm after the -60F degree weather. I got stuck in Haines, AK because Chilakot Pass (made famous during the Klondike Goldrush) was closed due to ice - when they finally opened it there was one of those massive plow/ gravel trucks off the road with all it's 6 tires in the air. Needless to say it was a slow drive past Haines! But I made it, as did Pancit & Moppet, and we are all getting used to our new digs. The weather has settled into a nice 0F degrees and we are gaining 5 minutes of sunlight a day!"

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1996

Bryan Ezra writes: "I'm still in Denver and still at the Pepsi Center, currently the Manager of the Club Seats department. Bought a house in the Highlands neighborhood in April and absolutely love it. My girlfriend Marie and I live there, and are able to walk to several restaurants and shops and both work within a few miles of the house. Reunited with Tom Duane recently, who is living Boulder and enjoyed catching up with other classmates during the recent phonathon in Denver as well."

Olivia Foulkrod and her husband Jon live in Boulder and are both teachers. Jon is a middle school ESL teacher and Olivia is a bilingual special education teacher in the elementary school. They have a daughter Cecilia (aka Ci Ci) who is 2 1/2 and a blast. She is bilingual and so full of fun. Olivia enjoys yoga, running the trails and the mountains and gets up to Carbondale as much as possible.

Claire Jacobs writes: "I'm still in LA in grad school, but the rumor is that I'm defending my doctoral thesis in a few weeks. I'll probably be back in Chicago this fall to finish med school, but am not so sure where I'll be or what I'll be doing between March and October. There's a decent chance I'll be in Boulder, at least for a few months, and I would love to catch up with folks in the Boulder/Denver area! ([jacobs@caltech.edu](mailto:jacobs@caltech.edu) <<mailto:jacobs@caltech.edu>>). Other than that, not married and no kids or pets, but I do have the best nephew ever."

Ariana Lowe writes: "I am entering my 13th year of river guiding. After guiding in the greater Moab area for 8 years I transi-

tioned to working in Idaho on the Middle Fork and Main Salmon during the summer months and the Grand Canyon in the spring and fall. During the winters I've been living, working and skiing in Salt Lake City. Last winter my man and I traveled to South America for 4 months. This spring and fall I will be working on the Grand again, but throughout the summer I will be working on our new house in Moab. We plan to start building in March."

Kayla Shelton is living, working and traveling in California with her boyfriend Phillip.

Parker Stephenson lives in California and writes "spending quite a bit of time at the office (as a recruiter in the pharmaceutical field) but still finding opportunities to surf when I can. Life in San Diego is treating me well."

Prema Trettin got engaged this summer to her long time boyfriend Josh Mulry. They both live in Los Angeles where they work in the advertising industry.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1998

Robert Boothe (Bobby)

According to his sister SaSaDi, Bobby works freelance in the film world on everything from commercials to his latest project filming for the new show "Extreme Jobs" on DIY network. He lives in New York.

Gina (Cuseo) Vitali reports: "Sons doing well, Kameron is 6 and Ferris is 2, making my hair grow gray and my heart swell every day. Still working in mental health field and husband, Scott running our construction company. Trying to stay viable in the unsteady economy. Bought a couple properties in Santa Cruz to fix up. Took a 3 week trip to Europe this fall: Italy, Switzerland, Croatia and Austria - had a fabulous time! About to embark on our own remodel. Also considering third child."

John Vaughan is currently an instructor pilot with VFA 122 in LeMoore, CA.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 1999

Kelli Keith still resides in Orlando, FL with her husband, Jonathan. Kelli still works for Disney at the Beauty and the Beast show. She recently completed her first play as one of the main characters of "A Christmas Story."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 2000

Vanessa Carter is living her dream of training horses and people to ride them all over the country and Canada.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 2001

Moorea Morehart is living in Santa Fe and planning on moving back to CA in a few months to start working in the film/reality tv industry.



## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 2002

Satomi Sugaya writes: "I am a second year graduate student at the physics department at New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, which is located at Socorro, NM. It's a small town an hour south of Albuquerque. I work with a professor who researches critical phenomena in the weather."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 2005

Marion Loring (Mallie)

Mallie writes: "Finishing up the semester at Rhode Island School of Design. I have been doing a lot of glassblowing, silversmithing, printmaking, and writing, and I am working on developing my work for my thesis show in the spring."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 2006

Michael Chock will be attending the University of Edinburgh, Scotland beginning January 2009.

Leana Schwartz has been doing a research project in Tanzania this past semester. She's studying alternative ways for villagers to burn materials for fuel. She will be climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro and visiting game parks over Christmas. P.S. Leana just finished four months studying with the SIT program in Northern Tanzania. She lived with the Masai and has learned to speak swahili.

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 2007

Angus Bohanon writes: "I'm currently taking a semester off Whitman, not looking like I'll be going back in the fall. Right now I'm the editorial intern at Rock and Ice Magazine, which will last a few months. I also am looking for a job. I'm keeping people posted through [angusbohanon.blogspot.com](http://angusbohanon.blogspot.com) so if you feel like seeing what's going on, check that or give me a call sometime."

Sadye Harvey writes: "I'm still at Sarah Lawrence, trudging my way through cold gray February. I have been working on a year long dance project with choreographer Janet Werther, and will performing in her MFA piece "Flying Into the Wind" this April. I was also fortunate enough to design the costumes for that piece, which were inspired by loons. (Super cute birds, if you feel like googling something right now). I will back in the valley this summer interning at the Wyly community art center, and fixing up my school bus for another trip to Burning Man. Yee Haw. I also just bought an Otis Redding album and all I have to say is: That's how strong my love is. I miss everyone."

Remy Huerta writes: "I am at the University of Minnesota Morris. It's a tiny town that makes c-dale look large. I'm currently a double major Psychology and Political Science. After a moment of insanity I was talked into mock trial but luckily recovered and am back to belly dancing. Amazingly I am involved with student government and am the representative from the E-Quality group.

I'm also a member of the Queer Issues Committee, and the Multi-Ethnic Experience Committee. Between planning Pride week and taking far too many credits I can honestly say that I am happy."

You-Jeong Jeong (Lily)

Lily writes: "I'm having a lot of fun in Boston! This is my second year at Emerson College as a radio major, and I started working for both radio stations we have at Emerson. I write for WERS, which is the best college radio station in US according to the Princeton Review, and I am the assistant program director of WECB, a smaller radio station Emerson has. I'm keeping myself busy with school, extra curricular, and of course socializing, and I am having the best times of my life!"

Kayla Lieblick writes: "I got into the CSU design program last spring (Only 40 people are accepted/year and it is now one of the BEST programs in this state) I traveled to Australia, planted 1624 trees, Scrubbed a lot of CONvict bricks and did some amazing hikes! I also went skydiving in Fiji and bought my first house."

Lilla Safford Smith (Lily)

Lilly writes: "I am at Union College in Schenectady, NY. I declared my major as a Mechanical Engineer, which is awesome. I am on the Ultimate Frisbee team and I am going to Vietnam next fall to study abroad. Today is one of those rare sunny days in the month of February in Upstate, NY so I am enjoying the Vitamin D."

## NEWS FROM THE CLASS OF 2008

Soo Woon Lee writes: "I'm doing good here at SCAD (Savannah College of Art & Design). Savannah, George is a real beautiful city, but it's very dangerous at night. I'm actually not taking any art studio class yet because I'm an ESL student. SCAD offers a very good ESL system here (level 2 - Level 6). At Level 6 students can start taking art studio classes. There are always lots of art events going on such as art discussion, distribution, art fairs, film festival, etc."