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Chuck Nechtem, ’76, with twin towers of New York City’s World Trade Center in background.

Charles Nechtem Associates is now a firm with clients around the world. It wasn’t always so. Story inside.
Mr. Eugene J. Durgin, Jr., Chairman of the Bridgewater State College Board of Trustees and Mr. David J. Messaline, ’65, Chairman of the Bridgewater State College Foundation, will host the annual Chairmen’s Dinner on Friday evening, May 3, 1996.

Dr. V. James DiNardo, ’39, Executive Vice President Emeritus, will be honored for his 60 years of service to the college. Dr. DiNardo returned to Bridgewater in 1957 as professor of education and subsequently served in a number of capacities, including Dean of Undergraduate Studies. He retired in 1983 as Executive Vice President.

Dr. DiNardo, who is a Life Member of the Alumni Association Executive Board, remains active also as a member of the Bridgewater Foundation.

DiNardo Hall, a campus residence hall, was dedicated in his honor in 1989, and the college’s highest award for teaching, the Dr. V. James DiNardo Award for Excellence in Teaching, is presented each year to a member of the college faculty.

“We expect many of Jim’s friends, classmates, fellow alumni and former colleagues to join us for this occasion,” said Mr. Messaline. “Few institutions are fortunate enough to have an individual of his caliber and commitment render such distinguished service over a period of six decades. It is highly appropriate that we recognize him on this occasion.”

Special guests at this year’s Chairmen’s Dinner will be former Boston Bruins’ hockey stars Bobby Orr and Derek Sanderson. Mr. Orr is presently affiliated with BayBank, Incorporated, which will be presented with an award for its leadership support of the Bridgewater Foundation in 1995-1996. Mr. Sanderson is affiliated with Tucker Anthony, a full-service brokerage firm located in Boston.

The program will be held starting at 6:00 p.m. on May 3 in the Flynn Dining Commons, Tillinghast Hall.

Tickets for the event are $100 each, with tables of ten available at $1,000 each.

Reservations may be made by calling the Davis Alumni Center at 508-697-1290.

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Put Your Name on a Bleacher Seat at Alumni Park

The Bridgewater State College Foundation is undertaking a fund-raising campaign to purchase bleachers for Alumni Park baseball and softball fields. For $85, you can have your name attached to this project.

“Creation of Alumni Park was the first major capital project of the Bridgewater State College Foundation,” says Dr. Richard Cost, Vice President for Institutional Advancement. “The campaign, which was spearheaded by Mr. David Messaline, ’65, chairman of the Bridgewater Foundation, and Mr. Lou Ricciardi, ’81, alumni trustee, was a great success. When the ribbon was cut last fall, we were able to open the largest privately funded facility at any state college in Massachusetts. Now our alumni and friends are offered the opportunity to have a bleacher seat at the park designated in a name of their choice.”

Dr. Cost says the campaign will continue throughout this spring. “Athletics at BSC have always been a family affair and we realize that many people would like to be part of this successful campaign,” he said.

The individual plates purchased by alumni and friends will be riveted to the bleachers and will look similar to the sample below. Those purchasing a seat have the option of choosing which field to have the plate affixed to — baseball or softball — and to choose from three types of plate: either Gift of______ or In Memory of______ or In Honor of______.

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A Publication for Alumni, Parents, and Friends of Bridgewater State College

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Charles Nechtem, '76, stands in front of the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City. Now a highly successful businessman with clients around the world, he spent a number of years building his company against odds that would have daunted and even deterred most people. His story begins on page 3 of this issue

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

The 1995-1996 Annual Fund Campaign will conclude just a few months hence, on June 30th, and our goal is to exceed last year's total, which reached more than half a million dollars.

Charles Stockbridge, '76, the chairman of the campaign, expressed so well the importance of the Annual Fund when he said in the last issue of Bridgewater magazine, "Even more than in the past, the college depends on its alumni and friends to be its 'margin for excellence.'"

We have come to a point in the life of the college when, clearly, we rely heavily on donations from private sources to strengthen Bridgewater academically, provide scholarship assistance to deserving students and support a wide range of projects that advance the college's reputation for quality and service.

Last October, for example, thanks to the generosity of alumni and friends of Bridgewater, Alumni Park was dedicated. This impressive new baseball and softball complex is the single largest capital outlay project ever completed by a state college in Massachusetts with funds raised from private sources.

This spring, for the first time in the college's history, our men's baseball team and women's softball team will play their home games on our own campus fields.

Also this spring, dozens of worthy Bridgewater students will be on hand to receive scholarships that are made possible through donations and bequests from alumni and friends. This is a long-standing tradition at Bridgewater, but never has the need been greater. Already this year major new scholarships have been created through gifts which exceed $100,000. This is very good news and we are truly grateful to our many alumni who support scholarships at Bridgewater.

There are more examples of the impact of the Annual Fund: several years ago, Terry Hart Cogan, class of '51, gave Bridgewater its first $1 million gift. That gift allowed us to purchase a key plot of land contiguous to the campus when it came up for sale. As a consequence, when the MBTA agreed to build a joint college and commuter parking lot on campus, but needed an access road to a nearby thoroughfare, we were able to negotiate a right-of-way through that piece of property which made construction of such a road, and the parking lots, possible.

As Dr. Richard Cost, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, has pointed out, Bridgewater once received better than 70 percent of its operating budget from the Commonwealth. The figure today is closer to 40 percent. Therefore, as Dr. Cost says, "Every gift, of whatever size, is important to the college. It has an immediate and lasting impact. Contributions from alumni and friends represent their vote of confidence in the future of this excellent institution."

The Bridgewater State College Foundation, created in 1983 to conduct fund raising for the college, working closely with our Alumni Association, has helped make the Annual Fund a cornerstone of our every effort to improve the college. Truly, the success of the Annual Fund is crucial to all of us.

Today, more than at any time in the past, the difference between a very good public college and an outstanding public college can be increasingly measured by its ability to raise private funds.

If you haven't yet made your contribution to the Annual Fund, I urge you to do so. Since the campaign closes on June 30, there is still time. Please help us in our continuing efforts to keep Bridgewater an outstanding public college.

Sincerely,

Adrian Tinsley
President
From a One-Man Shop to an International Business: Chuck Nechtem, '76, Believes in Following a Dream

By David Wilson, '71

For all of those who feel compelled to follow a dream, and who are willing to make any sacrifice to achieve that dream, even against relentlessly daunting odds, the story of Charles Nechtem, '76, will be an inspiration.

Today Charles Nechtem Associates, which occupies spacious quarters in an ultra-modern office building across the Hudson River from the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, is an organization with more than 4,500 contract employees in all 50 states, Canada and Mexico.

Chuck, as he's known to everyone, has built his company into a major provider of what he calls "employee assistance services for healthy companies," and his client list includes a host of the best-known companies in the nation, including: Nestle, Pepperidge Farms, Barnes and Noble, Phelps Dodge, State Farm Insurance, and American Home Products, to name a few.

Specifically, what these and other clients seek, and receive, is a combination of services from a team of "skilled and experienced psychologists, social workers and human resource specialists" to keep the employees of these businesses in good health, mentally, physically and emotionally.

An 800 number "helpline" is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by trained professionals who stand ready to help employees of any client company with personal problems, ranging from substance and alcohol abuse to addictive disorders such as gambling to crime victims and grief counseling.

Charles Nechtem Associates also offers its clients wellness seminars, outplacement and career transition services, data analysis, and employee and supervisory training.

In addition, a year ago Chuck purchased a medical insurance company called "Group Services Administrators," which had been in business for forty years. He changed
the name to Oasis Health Care, “so
now we can offer medical insurance,
claims processing, precertification,
utilization reviews, and stop loss
insurance.”

Also, as companies are inter-
ested, “we can integrate that into
our regular employee assistance
program. Now we can offer the
whole package, from medical
insurance to wellness programs.
Right now, I believe no one else is
doing it in this manner.”

But there is more.
“We’re also developing a
company on the Internet called
‘Corporate Resources’,” Chuck
explains. “This will allow companies
to get access to our training pro-
grams — for example, sexual
harassment in the workplace,
vioence in the workplace, managing
change in the workplace — and they
can dial up our home page to get a
summary of the latest information
available on the issues that affect
them.”

It’s a very impressive array of
business accomplishments, and
Chuck fully expects his company to
reach the $100 million mark within
three years.

None of this, however, was easy
to achieve. “Anyone who’s willing
to labor seven days a week for
sixteen or seventeen years can be an
‘overnight success’ too,” says Chuck.

He walked a hard road for a
long time to make it all happen.

It’s tempting to jump back to
Chuck’s early years in New York
City when, just after completing
graduate studies at Columbia
University, the idea of promoting
“wellness programs” first struck
him.

But he begins the story even
earlier, back in his native Chelsea,
Massachusetts, which is where he
was living when he first heard about
Bridgewater State College.

“I was a senior in high school
and didn’t know where I wanted to
go at that time,” Chuck remembers.

“I had heard about Bridgewater
from an associate in Chelsea, Leon
Weinstein, who had gone there. He
had played football at Bridgewater
and had said it was a good school, a
lot of green on campus, less people
and therefore less crowded than
other schools. It was a place where
I could live away from home. I drove
down to Bridgewater with my father
and we met with Dr. Henry Fan-
ing, who was then the Director of
Admissions. I had an interview
with him and I enjoyed meeting
him. I liked the area there too.

“I also went on other interviews
at other colleges,” he continues,
“but there was a nice feeling that I
had about Bridgewater. Also, the
price was right. You know, coming
from Chelsea, which is a working
class community, I was concerned
about that. So, I sent my application
in and SATs and I was accepted.”

His family could provide some
financial help, but while he was a
student at Bridgewater, Chuck
always worked two jobs. “I worked
for the Student Union — now the
Campus Center — and I also worked
as a drummer in a band on week-
ends at weddings and parties so that
I could make money while in
school.”

Chuck ran track in college and
won events in several meets. He
was also a student journalist. “As a
matter of fact, I used to write in the
Comment and The Hard Times. The
Hard Times was a ‘radical paper’
on campus then.”

At this time, he says, “I had no
inclination whatsoever toward New
York City. New York was only a
place I knew from being there as a
kid, and my father and I watching
the Giants play football on Sundays.
I always thought that New York was
crowded, and difficult to live in. It
was my opinion that, ‘If you want to
live in a city, you want to live in
Boston.’”

When Chuck graduated from
Bridgewater, he was uncertain about
which direction to take.

“I got involved with Columbia
through a friend with whom I
worked in summer camp. That
friend was attending Columbia and
he pushed me a little bit and said
that I should apply to a graduate
school that is top notch and that he
was going and that I should go and
set my sight on something high.
And he said he really liked New
York City,” Chuck recalls.

“So, he encouraged me and I
applied there. I was accepted and
received a partial loan and got a job.
Interestingly, when I arrived there,
my friend said he didn’t like New
York anymore. In fact, he couldn’t
stand it. He went back to Boston,
but I’ve been here ever since.”

The idea for what would
become Charles Nechtem Associates
came to him after he completed his
studies at Columbia and while
working as a staff psychologist at
Beth Israel Medical Center in New
York City.

“In the early 1980s some
companies had ‘in-house’ assistance
programs, developed usually by
someone in the human resources or
benefits office who would handle
counseling issues,” he says.

“Those businesses that were
hired to provide counseling services
were primarily involved with drug
and alcohol abuse intervention and
testing. I wanted to expand the
vision of the ‘employee-assistance’
program as a comprehensive or
‘broad-brush’ program that would
incorporate every issue — from
alcohol and drug abuse to marital
issues, family issues, adolescent
issues, job stress and violence in the
workplace.”

“A number of therapists with
whom I worked at Beth Israel
Medical Center in New York City were talking about industrial psychology, which meant counseling in corporations,” he explains.

“This was a relatively new field. Companies were starting to look for programs that would help employees who were going through some difficulty. Because many of these companies were self-insured, they had no experience in utilization review, which means reviewing whether or not the money being spent is being spent effectively. There was nobody monitoring the system. As companies became more savvy to the bills they were paying, this began to change.”

Chuck left his job at Beth Israel in mid-1980 to follow the dream.

“I realized that in order to start a business, it’s very difficult to do it half-way. Either I was going to go full-force and dive into it and see if it could work or not go into it at all. I knew that I wasn’t going to make it working full-time and trying to start a business full-time. I knew I had to give up my job to do this,” he says.

“I had no financial resources behind me. I had a meager savings account and a studio apartment in Greenwich Village. I used my savings to buy myself a couple of suits, a briefcase, and some brochure materials explaining what I was trying to sell. Basically, I started this business on a shoestring.”

And getting going proved to be a slow process.

“It took me eight months before I got my first paycheck from the business,” he recalls. “I spent seven-and-a-half months knocking on doors, sending out hundreds of letters, and making thousands of telephone calls to people who on the whole probably considered me a pest. I got rejected everywhere.”

His first sale was to a branch of Credit Lyonnais, a bank on Wall Street. “I walked in and was told, ‘We’re glad you came today. We have a problem.’ I remember thinking to myself, ‘The other 200 days must have been the wrong day.’ That was my first paid job.”

To help support himself, he took a job as a part-time track and field coach and women’s volleyball coach at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn. Other odd jobs — substitute teach-
ing, taking photographs at weddings — helped support him.

But he was a one-man corporation. "I was working totally alone in my little studio apartment in Manhattan. I didn't have a secretary and I spent most of my time making telephone calls, trying to sell myself. I remember waking up at 3:00 o'clock in the morning and saying to myself, 'In just a few hours I'm going to be back on that phone.' But I pushed on anyway because I had to."

Part of his inspiration came from what he saw as he trudged Manhattan's streets day after day. "In a city like New York, you see all these businesses, and I'd think to myself, 'If they can make it, why can't I?'"

His first full-time account turned out to be the Golden Nugget Casino in Atlantic City.

"I went down to Atlantic City to meet with the vice president for human resources and benefits," he remembers. "I had three interviews in one day. It was about 95 degrees outside. I only had one inexpensive suit and when I arrived I was drenched in perspiration, carrying a plastic briefcase I'd bought for eight dollars."

After making his presentation, Chuck was told, "Why should we hire you? I've got well-established companies with long track records competing for this business."

Chuck made the vice president an offer. "I don't know a lot about the hotel business or the gambling business, but if you put me to work here, I'll learn about your business and I'll develop a good program for you and your employees. And I'll work for a couple of weeks for nothing to do that." He made a good impression. "You're the first person who said he wanted to learn about us," said the executive, who agreed to give him a chance.

Chuck made good on his offer, working as a "bus greeter" for the busloads of tourists arriving at the casino, helping out in the kitchen, and using every opportunity to talk with casino employees to learn what issues concerned them.

The value of that experience is something Chuck never forgot.

"That was a technique I later used with all my clients. For example, at Pepperidge Farms, I worked the cookie line and at Smith-Kline-Beecham I worked the shaving cream line. Those contacts help me develop employee assistance programs suited to a client's special needs and the issues that affect them. Every company has something unique to its operation and getting to know the culture of the work environment is very important. It takes time, effort and energy to get to know a company's particular identity."

Even though his company has grown significantly, Chuck still enjoys having those kinds of contacts. "I'm off next week to Kenton, Ohio, on a project for International Paper. The plant there makes paper cups and other paper products, so I'll spend some time walking the production line to talk to employees and supervisors on the different shifts. I still go out as regularly as I can."

There other valuable lessons along the way, Chuck says. One such lesson, from his boyhood in Chelsea, was an aid to him in those early, struggling years when daily sacrifices were required.

"I was always very good at living frugally," he says. "I make do when I have to. I learned the importance of that years ago when I was a counselor at a summer camp in Chelsea. The camp didn't have any equipment. We used traffic cones to make an obstacle course and when we played baseball, the bats were often cracked and the bases were pieces of cardboard."

"A man named Sumner Bloom was the camp director, as well as my ninth grade teacher, and I remember saying to him one time, "We don't have any decent equipment," and he said, 'We have to make do. It's not perfect but we'll make do.' That always stayed with me. Things don't always come out the way you want — they rarely do — so you have to make do. I've never forgotten that."

An experience he had while a student at Bridgewater also was pivotal for him.

"I participated in a volunteer program at Lakeville Hospital, which was then a long-term care facility. Every Tuesday night a group of students from the college would go there to play with the children who lived at Lakeville. There were a lot of kids with very serious physical problems there, and being with them was good for me. I'd walk out of there every week convinced that if they could deal with their problems as well as they did, there was no problem I couldn't deal with. It was a real message about life for me."

Having climbed the mountain himself, what advice would Chuck offer for others with a dream?

"It's persistence," he answers. "It's like riding a horse. I had never gotten on a horse before, but I tried it once in Central Park. When I first sat in the saddle, and the horse started to trot, I said, 'I can't stay on this horse.' But I was told that once the horse begins to gallop, the ride goes smoother. And if you can take the bucking, and get to the gallop, the ride becomes more smooth. The same is true in life. If you can take the buckings — the disappointments, the rejections — you can eventually smooth out the ride. That to me is the joy of life."
For These Bridgewater Students, the Chemistry was Just Right

By David Wilson, '71

Sangeetha Raghavendra and her younger sister Sreelatha are members of the class of 1996 at Bridgewater who share more in common than most siblings.

Both are chemistry majors with biochemistry minors. Both have nearly identical grade point averages — 3.9+ out of a possible perfect 4.0, and both are Dean's List students who participate in the college honors program. Both work as tutors in the college's computer laboratory and as tutors in the mathematics laboratory.

And next fall both are going "Ivy League" — they have been accepted by the University of Pennsylvania and will enter dental school there in September.

“Our stories tend to overlap,” says Sangeetha, although further discussion reveals that separate career paths may lie ahead for them. Sangeetha is thinking about a career in oral surgery, and perhaps earning both a dental degree and a medical degree (Penn has a dual DMD-MD program); Sreelatha, meanwhile, is leaning more towards a career in general dentistry. “Neither of us is committed specifically at this point,” explains Sreelatha. “We’ll see what develops as time goes on.”

Whatever path they choose, the odds are that they will reach their goals. These are clearly exceptional young women.

They have remarkable academic records, achieved in what is acknowledged as one of the college's most challenging majors, even though neither locked herself in a laboratory in the process. In addition to their extensive work on campus, both also served as volunteers at Good Samaritan Hospital in Brockton, and each has many outside interests beyond chemistry.

And all of this was accomplished in a relatively short span of time — they arrived in the United States just three years ago from their native India, where they had lived with their mother in the city of Bangalore, capital of Karnataka, in the southern part of that country.

Called the "Garden City" for its lush green landscape and moderate climate, cosmopolitan Bangalore "is also called 'Silicon Valley' because it's very advanced in computer technology," says Sreelatha (Bangalore was visited last year by Massachusetts Governor William Weld, who made it the sister city of the Commonwealth).

Sangeetha had studied engineering for a year there while Sreelatha finished pre-university. Both were raised multilingual. “Our mother tongue is Tamil,” explains Sangeetha. “Kannada is another language we speak, which is the regional language of Karnataka. Hindi is the national language which many Indian people learn to speak and write, and English is the language we have spoken since kindergarten.”

“When we were in high school,
we had the option of studying another language, so we chose Sanskrit, which is the oldest language in the world," says Sreelatha.

Sreelatha's name means "Tree of Wealth" in Sanskrit, while Sangeetha's name means "Music."

As children, both had attended private schools. The chance to travel halfway around the world for a college education came about because of their father.

“Our father had lived in this country for many years and he wanted us to spend some time with him," says Sreelatha. “Both of us were interested in the medical sciences, and he gave us the opportunity to, first, study pre-medical courses in Antigua for six months and then to come here.”

Their stepmother, Dr. Uma Shama, is a professor of mathematics and computer science at Bridgewater, and she said, “Why don’t you come to Bridgewater? It’s a great college,” recalls Sangeetha. So they applied and were accepted.

Both shared a first impression that “the pace of life is very fast here.” Nevertheless, they adjusted quickly. “We had great friends and a great family,” says Sangeetha. “I was happy here,” agrees Sreelatha.

Both Sangeetha and Sreelatha miss their mother in Bangalore, but both made separate trips back to India within the past year to see her.

When they enrolled at Bridgewater, each was sure that science was the preferred field of study. In the beginning, they started out as biology majors.

“To be very honest with you,” says Sreelatha, “even though biology was my favorite subject in school, I am not interested in studying about plants. What attracted me to biology was the human aspect of it, which is why I wanted to become a dentist. When I saw Bridgewater had plant requirements for a biology major, I decided to look into chemistry.”

Sangeetha made the switch too. “I find there are many parallels between biology and chemistry. In many ways, they are almost interchangeable. I didn’t find the transition to chemistry too difficult. Chemistry is very challenging and also very interesting,” she says.

One course in particular gave Sreelatha quite a challenge. “My first semester at Bridgewater I had to take physical chemistry. This is a 300-level course which has a heavy math component. I had Dr. Henry Daley, [BSC, ’58] professor of chemistry. “He was a wonderful instructor. Thanks to him, I did well in the course but I had to study very, very hard. My sister and I both told him that anyone who passes physical chemistry ought to be given a math minor automatically.”

Sangeetha shares her sister’s enthusiasm for the faculty in the chemical and biological sciences departments, in particular Drs. Wilmon Chipman, Vahe Marganian and Walter Morin. “All of them have been outstanding teachers and very interested in us as people. I would recommend chemistry to anyone who is interested because the faculty at Bridgewater are so exceptional.”

Now, as graduation approaches, each contemplates leaving Bridgewater with some reluctance. “This has been like a safe haven for me,” says Sreelatha. “I am so glad I had the chance to study here.” For Sangeetha, Bridgewater was an “ideal place” to come to from so far away. “I will miss Bridgewater a lot next year.”

The sisters have made quite a mark during their two years on campus. Bridgewater is going to miss them too.

SreeLatha Raghavendra

SreeLatha Raghavendra
An "Unforgettable Professor" Retires, But Dr. Benjamin Spence, '59, Will Continue to Inspire Students

By David Wilson, '71

Dr. Benjamin Spence, professor of history, retired from the college in December after 33 years of teaching. Renowned among Bridgewater alumni for his teaching skills, keen sense of humor, and high standards, Dr. Spence is himself a graduate of the college, class of 1959. In 1969, two years after he began teaching at his alma mater, the editors of the College Yearbook named him the recipient of the "Horace Mann Award" for teaching excellence, and through the years respect for his teaching ability only grew. Said Katherine Mitchell, '94, "Dr. Spence taught 'The Progressive Era' in my junior year. His enthusiasm for that period and his teaching methods have stayed with me since. He was an unforgettable professor... I sat in awe of Dr. Spence!"

The following interview with Dr. Spence took place shortly after he retired:

Q. How did you happen to choose to attend Bridgewater State College?
A. "I grew up in Fall River as one of eight children and attended Durfee High School. I decided in the eighth grade that I wanted to be a teacher and I loved history, so I was fairly certain I would be a history teacher. I had heard about Bridgewater and its fine reputation in teacher education, and — this was in the 1950s — Route 24 had just opened up, making it easier to get here from Fall River. I commuted all four years."

Q. Do you recall your first impressions of Bridgewater?
A. "Bridgewater then had the intimacy of a small college. There were no more than 600 students and you could hardly walk anywhere on campus without being recognized. And students knew most of the faculty. I think my strongest, and warmest, memories of those days revolve around the instructors I had. For example, I recall having Charles Foth for history, Paul Huffington for earth science, Sam Sheinfeld for English, Irene Graves for biology, and John Davoren for mythology. Bill Wall was my physics instructor, even though he was a biologist. I was to have a number of history courses with Annabelle Melville, and she was of course a wonderful teacher. I knew Jordan Fiore as my department chair and fellow 'Fall Riverite' with whom I had so much in common.

"I got involved in music right away, because that's always been an activity I've enjoyed, and sang in the chorus as a soloist. In fact, I attended the annual Christmas concert in the Horace Mann Auditorium in December and as I sat there, I thought to myself, 'Forty years ago I was the soloist on that stage.' It was..."
the Christmas concert in December, 1955, and I was singing as the baritone soloist. I remember that Horace Mann was packed with people and of course I was nervous. But it went well and I felt a real part of this community. The memory of that to me is still very pleasant and moving.

"Academically, I knew by the end of the first year that I could do college work and that was a good feeling. I was earning high grades and was involved in a lot of different activities, in addition to working every weekend at a department store in Fall River. So I had to budget my time carefully but I enjoyed my years as a student here.

"Because the college was so small - by comparison to its size today - students of my generation at Bridgewater didn't have anywhere near the number of choices for courses that students today have.

Q. When you graduated from Bridgewater in 1959, did you ever think you would come back to the college?
A. "No I didn't. My first job was teaching history in Somerset — what a difference in those days. There were many jobs for people in teaching at that time. I was hired while I was in my senior year for the following September.

"I had done my practice teaching in Fall River at the Henry Lord School and had also done practice teaching at the Burnell School under Doris Sprague, who was the finest teacher at that level I have ever seen. I think part of my love for teaching came from working with her.

"I started teaching at the junior high school in Somerset in September of 1959 and I loved it. It was a great experience. In the middle of my second year I was asked to transfer to the high school, which I did. At that point I had begun thinking about earning a master's degree, so I decided to enroll at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, which I knew about because my brother was earning a Ph.D. in engineering there. I also knew that Wisconsin's history department had an exceptional reputation.

"Specifically, I wanted to work at Wisconsin with Merle Curti, who had won the Pulitzer Prize for his book on the growth of American thought, and I knew he was an esteemed social and intellectual historian. I can remember being interviewed by him to enroll in his seminar, and he said, 'Oh, Bridgewater, that's where Annabelle Melville is,' because he was familiar with her work."

Q. It must have been a difficult decision to give up a teaching position to go back to school.
A. "Well, I was in my early twenties so I was prepared to take that chance. I knew there would be other jobs when I came back. As it turned out, I did everything in a year — finished my course work and wrote my thesis on Eleanor Roosevelt and her work with refugees.

"While I was finishing the thesis at Wisconsin, I received a call from Dr. Fiore who asked me if I'd be interested in teaching at Bridgewater."

Q. Were you surprised?
A. "Yes I was. Somerset had wanted me to return there when I finished my master's degree work, but I was definitely interested in coming to Bridgewater. In those days, there weren't the search committees and other structures in place for soliciting applications and reviewing candidates that there are today. I was offered the chance to come back and I said 'yes.'

"In September of 1962 I started teaching at Bridgewater and I really enjoyed it very much. That was, incidentally, the same month that Adrian Rondileau began his tenure as president of Bridgewater.

"About halfway through the year I realized how much I loved what I was doing but I also knew I couldn't stay here without a Ph.D. Until that time, I hadn't even considered the idea. So I said to Dr. Fiore, 'I'll have to leave Bridgewater to study for my doctoral degree,' and he knew that and was willing to grant me a leave of absence.

"So I went back to Wisconsin for two years to complete my course work for the Ph.D. When I came back to Bridgewater in 1965, the course work was finished and I had taken my comprehensive examinations. I was ready to begin writing my dissertation."

Q. What was the subject of your Ph.D. dissertation?
A. "I started out working on David I. Walsh, the first Catholic governor of Massachusetts and a senator in the years following World War I. He was a 'progressive reformer' who survived politically in the 1920s, which was quite a phenomenal accomplishment. But after doing several years of research I discovered that someone else had already written a full book on the very same topic, so I had to begin all over again.

The next topic I chose was John W. Weeks, a conservative in the progressive era who had been a U.S. representative, then a U.S. senator, and ultimately Secretary of War. I was given access to his papers by his son, Sinclair Weeks, who had been Secretary of Commerce in the Eisenhower administration. So the topic of my dissertation became the national career of John W. Weeks."

Q. How much time did you lose?
A. "At least two years. But I wasn't discouraged. I thought to myself, 'Well, I'm going to be doing research in my own field and I like the topic,' so I plunged ahead. I earned my doctorate in 1971."

Q. When you first returned to the college, did it seem strange to be here?
A. "It did in a way because you always treat your former teachers with a certain amount of deference. But it really wasn't long before people were saying, 'Call me this' or 'Call me that.' They were very accommodating and welcoming to me.
"Last semester, as I was preparing to retire, and thinking, naturally, of all the wonderful experiences I've had at Bridgewater since I came here, I would come out the main door of Boyden Hall and come down those broad stairs that lead to the main quadrangle. Every once in a while I would say to myself, 'I've been doing this since 1955. I've been walking down these stairs since then.' The realization hit me quite strongly. My ties to Bridgewater do indeed go back a very long way. However, I don't feel old!"

Q. What aspects of teaching did you enjoy the most?
A. "There have been so many wonderful students I've encountered, and I don't mean just all 'A' students or 'B' students. I still think we're very well off at Bridgewater in terms of the students we have. I think the best of our students match the best students anywhere. I've taught the seminars and the professional courses, which the top students tend to take, so I'm confident about making that statement."

"What I've enjoyed most, however, was having such a variety of students. This is, to me, one of the strengths of a state college. We have standards of admissions, but I wouldn't want to see Bridgewater become exclusive. I think we have to give a lot of students the chance to prove themselves, to show they are capable of doing intellectual work at the college level."

"I believe strongly in public education and I believe in affordable education because these two are the twin pillars of American democracy. Part of this is my own background. My mother and father worked hard in the factories of Fall River, and without a public college, I doubt if I'd be here today."

Q. Generations of Bridgewater students speak with great enthusiasm about your teaching style. Is there a way to define how you approach teaching?
A. "I've said to many students over the years that in the final analysis, the process of learning is up to the student. I mean, a teacher can do a lot, but if a student doesn't see his or her self-interest in what they're doing, either intellectually or economically, then it isn't going to work. If a teacher is successful in helping a student see, 'This is for you,' then that's a major step forward."

"I've had students say to me, 'Can I do extra work for you?' And I always answer, 'Whatever extra work you do will be for yourself.' Most students see that, and when they do, oh, what a transformation that is! It's really uplifting to observe that. It doesn't always work, of course. Usually it does and that's wonderful."

Q. Teaching is still exciting to you, isn't it?
A. "I've never lost my love for teaching, I enjoy being with people and I'm fascinated with my subject — history. I can't imagine ever tiring with either teaching or the study of history."

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Cheryl Nelson, '79, on Her Life in the Corporate World: "Every Day I Have Used the Skills Taught Me" at Bridgewater

By David Wilson, '71

When Cheryl Nelson graduated from Bridgewater in 1979 with a degree in physical education, finding teaching jobs, she recalls, was "difficult." She had hoped to do some substitute teaching that fall but that avenue didn’t seem to offer much in the way of a future either.

“So I went to work for Avon Products in Mansfield that summer,” she recalls. As time went on, “I kept looking for new opportunities within the company and Avon kept rewarding me with promotions and new things to learn.”

Initially Cheryl worked as a laboratory technician, and learned about jewelry making, electroplating, and creating a testing database for incoming products. “Then Avon closed its facility of 400 people and asked about a dozen of us if we would consider relocating to New York. I was single and not tied down and took the opportunity to move to New York City.”

That turned out to be a good career move. Subsequently Avon had Cheryl working in research and development, as an inventory control analyst, and then as a purchasing agent for jewelry gifts items. Currently Cheryl is purchasing manager for cosmetics, fragrances and toiletries with a commodity purchase of material at roughly 25 million dollars annually. Avon, a Fortune 500 company, had annual sales last year of 4.5 billion dollars.

And Cheryl has seen a lot more than New York City. “Recently I returned from a two-year assignment in Hong Kong where I was responsible for the setup of a local purchasing team that would directly purchase products from the Asia Pacific Region. In the course of that time I had to teach the basics of doing business with large American companies like Avon and understand and explain our cultural differences as they apply to the way we do business in the process.

“I spent a lot of time traveling and working within different countries and again became a student, learning the many different cultures of the region,” she says. “It was one of the most rewarding experiences I have had in my life and one that I feel would not have been available to me had I not had the skills learned in Bridgewater as well as my family upbringing.”

Specifically, her job in Asia was to recruit and train staff in systems that were unavailable to them and to “give them a western point of view in how we do business.” In return she feels she gained an education herself. “I will say that by the time I
An "Unforgettable Professor" Retires, But Dr. Benjamin Spence, '59, Will Continue to Inspire Students

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Q. In addition to teaching, what are some other dimensions of your professional life that have been important to you?
A. "From the time I arrived at Bridgewater as a member of the faculty, I’ve seen three distinct roles for myself. First, of course, as a teacher. Second, as someone who kept up-to-date with developments in my field of scholarship. And third, I’ve always thought it very important that a faculty member be committed to working actively on behalf of his or her academic department and on behalf of the faculty and the college in general.

"Over the years I tried to maintain those connections and involvements. For example, I was a member of the local chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP); I served on the Faculty Council in the years before the Massachusetts State College Association (MSCA) came to our campuses; I served on many college committees including a number of search committees for both faculty positions and senior administrative positions, including the search committee that recommended President Tinsley; and I also served as a member of a number of accreditation committees. In the last several years I have been very active in the MSCA, serving as a member of the local chapter’s executive board.

"With regard to the latter, I feel it’s important, especially for younger faculty, to understand the role of the MSCA and to work in support of the organization. A good contract that spells out the rights and responsibilities of faculty, and in particular the role of faculty in the governance system, is beneficial to everyone. I viewed my work with the MSCA as a continuation of my commitment to the faculty as a whole."

Q. Was it a difficult decision to retire now? A. "People obviously have different ideas about retirement, but I came here when I was in my twenties and I think that’s a sufficient career. I thought about staying longer, but I will teach a course from time to time at Bridgewater. But now I’ll have time to do some traveling and more time to read for pleasure. I consider myself a lucky person. As I said, I knew in the eighth grade I wanted to be a teacher and I got to do exactly what I wanted to do, what I love to do.

"People have asked me, ‘how do you think you’ll adjust to retirement?’ Well, I don’t know. That’s one of the reasons why I’m going to continue teaching some courses. I still sing with groups and on occasion I do solo work, and that’s an activity I’ll stay with. I also plan to spend part of each year in Florida, and travel when I have the chance. So I’m really looking forward to retirement!"
"The World Has Changed a Lot Since We Left Bridgewater," says Gerry Swift, President of the Class of 1971

By David Wilson, '71

Gerry Swift is president of the 25th anniversary class at Bridgewater State College, and when he and his classmates return for their reunion this spring, they will find a campus that is much changed from the one they left in June, 1971.

There are, for example, several thousand more students here now than there were back then, and the academic program has far more options for those students (undergraduate majors such as management science, aviation science, and social work, to name a few, weren't even on the horizon in the early '70's). Physically, a half dozen new buildings have been constructed since they left and the college's land area has nearly doubled to 235 acres.

But for most class members, it will be the changes in each other that interest them the most. Like many of his classmates, and other alums profiled in this issue, Gerry's life has gone through several cycles since graduation. Today — as a successful business owner on Cape Cod — he finds himself enjoying a career much different than the one he originally embarked on.

Swift Associates Financial Services, established in 1985 and located in Hyannis, offers clients a full range of services and products, including financial planning, retirement planning and estate planning. Gerry, who holds CFP (Certified Financial Planner), CLU (Chartered Life Underwriter) and ChFC (Chartered Financial Consultant) designations from the American College of Financial Planning, has twenty years' experience in the financial service industry.

None of this was in his plans when he earned his bachelor's degree 25 years ago.

"I had wanted very much to be a teacher, and for the first six years after I graduated, I taught English and speech at West Bridgewater High School," he recalls. "But, frankly, given the amount of time I had to invest in order to do a good job, and the relatively low rate of pay that teachers received in those days, I decided to make a change. In January, 1977, I left teaching and became an agent for New York Life."

Gerry first assignment for New York Life was in sales, and later that year, in December, 1977, he and his wife Nancy (Hollins), class of 1973, became the parents of their first child, Karen. They also purchased a home in West Bridgewater that year. Within two years New York Life promoted Gerry to the position of assistant manager at the company's Wellesley office.

"I spent four-and-a-half years in Wellesley and then New York Life offered me the position of..."
associate manager of its Worcester office," he says. In 1985, having spent eight years in the employ of New York Life, Gerry decided to strike out on his own.

"Looking back, it was a very scary move," he admits. "Our second child, Laura, had been born in 1980, so I had a growing family to support. The first year, establishing a brand-new business, was traumatic. But I never regretted the move."

Gerry chose to open his business in Sandwich. "Cape Cod looked to me to be the right place for a financial services company," he says.

Prior to opening his office on the Cape, Gerry and Nancy had purchased land there and "we were making plans to build a home there." For the first nine months, Gerry commuted to the Cape. When he sold his West Bridgewater house in 1986, he and Nancy rented a home on the Cape while a new home was being constructed.

"When I first began the business, the Cape was booming, especially the real estate market," he says. "Within a few years, though, that market experienced a steep decline and many businesses suffered as a result. I was fortunate to be in a field that wasn't affected by the downturn. By this time I had identified my main client base as retirees, and this was a group that wasn't impacted as severely by the economy's problems."

Indeed, says Gerry, many retirees were relocating to the Cape after selling their homes when prices were peaking in the late '80's. "These were people who had originally bought their homes at relatively inexpensive prices and then made substantial profits when housing prices soared and they sold those homes to come to the Cape. Therefore, many of them had assets to invest to secure their retirements," he explains.

His focus has remained on retirement planning for "baby-boomers" and retirees in the ensuing years. "Today more than half of my clients are retired people, and I concentrate on the issues of greatest concern to them," he says. "Those concerns, by the way, are different now than when I first came here."

In 1985, he says, "people in general didn't seem to be very concerned about the future. Everyone seemed to be living for the moment. Real estate was seen by many people as the main investment vehicle." When the bottom fell out of the real estate market several years later, "a lot of people became skittish about investing their money anywhere at all."

It's a different story today.

"The real focus now is on planning for the future. I find people are better-informed about the issues they're likely to confront as they get older. From so-called 'baby-boomers' to older people, there is a heightened awareness of the need to plan ahead.

"The biggest concern of most of my clients is that, first, they remain independent and, second, they are able to pass their assets on to their loved ones or charity of choice, rather than to the nursing home or the government. They want to protect what they have."

The typical client has $100,000 or more to invest. In addition to being a certified financial planner, Gerry is a registered stock broker and sells all investment packages. "I help my clients develop a plan that meets their objectives and then I'm able to help them implement the plan and manage their assets," he explains.

Gerry has particularly honed his expertise in two specific areas relevant to retirement planning: financial planning and estate planning.

"With financial planning, I show my clients how to meet their monetary objectives, such as reducing income taxes, increasing interest on savings, planning for retirement, and increasing the return on their IRA's," he says.

"With estate planning, I help my clients with issues such as reducing state taxes, saving court and legal fees, and passing assets on the way they want to. I also show clients how to protect their assets from prolonged nursing home stays, or how to avoid capital gains taxes on the sale of appreciated property."

He finds the work enormously satisfying. "In many ways, I'm still very much an educator, helping people understand concepts that are important to them and to their futures. I'm grateful for the preparation Bridgewater gave me in that regard because it's so fundamental to what I do."

How about his own retirement, years down the road? "I really enjoy this business and working with people and I can't imagine ever not being involved," he answers. "At some point, a long way from now, I may slow down. But the best thing about helping my clients with their financial decisions is that with all of the advances in communication and technology, I can advise them from anywhere in the country. Consequently, I may never really 'retire' as such."

"What I am sure of is this — for my goals in life, I made the right choice to do this. I've never regretted taking the risk and opening my own business. I am very fortunate that Nancy and our two daughters gave me so much support and I'm very grateful to them."

The class of '71 will return for its reunion just weeks after the class of '96 marches off to face its future. "I'm sure there are many of my classmates who've been through transitions such as mine," says Gerry. "I hope we're positive role models for a new generation of Bridgewater graduates. The world has changed a lot since we left here, and I believe most of us have done just fine." •
Alumni Update

Dates, Programs, and Events

Football Alumni Reunion
All former athletes, especially football players, mark your calendars — the 16th annual Football Alumni Reunion will be held on Friday, April 26, 1996. A golf tournament at the Easton Country Club will "kick off" the day and a Reunion dinner at the Holiday Inn in Taunton will close the event. The dinner will honor the 25th anniversary team of 1971. Invitations will be mailed to all players, and reservations are required for both the tournament and the dinner. For specific information, please contact Rich Florence '74, at (508) 697-4680, Joe Verria '80, at (508) 697-3786, or the Alumni Office.

Charting Your Course With Career Net
Thank you to all who responded to the recent CareerNet mailing, sent to members of the odd years of classes of 1975-1995 (1975, 1977, 1981, etc.). We were thrilled by the response and are happy to say the CareerNet database is up and running. To officially launch the CareerNet program, which is designed to provide students and alumni with career information through the rich and varied work and life experiences shared by alumni, the Office of Career Planning and Placement will host a networking program for students and interested alumni.

The evening, titled "Directions: Charting Your Course With CareerNet," will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 1996, in the Bridgewater Dining Room in the Rondileau Campus Center. All alumni are encouraged to attend and share information on the job market with current students. For information or to attend, please contact the Office of Career Planning and Placement at (508) 697-1328.

Preparing for Alumni Weekend
Plans are underway for Alumni Weekend, May 31 and June 1, 1996. As part of the weekend, the classes ending in a "1" or a "6" from 1931-1971 will hold special Reunions. Included in the weekend's festivities are the Annual Meeting of the Bridgewater Alumni Association; a Luncheon for All Classes; a performance by the Alumni Chamber Choir; a reception for the 50th Anniversary Class hosted by President Tinsley; tours of campus, including the John Joseph Moakley Center; and a lecture on Charles Dickens by Dr. lain Crawford, Professor and Chairman of the English at Bridgewater State College. Contact a classmate and make plans to attend! If you would like more information, see the cover of this magazine or call the Alumni Office.

Membership Services Committee Needs Your Help
Please take a moment to complete the Membership Services Alumni Survey located on the back page. Your responses will help the Committee, which is part of the BAA, offer services to appropriately meet your needs.

Dr. Mary Jo Moriarty Lecture to be held May 31
The Hyannis Bridgewater Physical Education Alumni Association will sponsor the Dr. Mary Jo Moriarty lecture on May 31, 1996, as part of Alumni Weekend. This year's session will be presented by Dr. Marcia K. Anderson, Professor of Movement Arts, Health Promotion, and Leisure Studies at Bridgewater State College. Dr.

Taunton was the site of an alumni area gathering in December, and the office of Congressman Joseph Moakley was made available for the occasion. In photo above, from left, are Mr. Fred Clark, '83, who is vice chairman of the college's Board of Trustees and legal counsel to Congressman Moakley; Mrs. Martha (Drinkwater) Jones, '64, Alumni President; State Representative James Fagan, '69, who represents the 3rd Bristol District; President Tinsley; Mr. Louis Ricciardi, '81, member, college's Board of Trustees (Mr. Ricciardi, a former chair of the Board of Trustees, is the alumni trustee on the Board); Dr. Richard Cost, vice president, institutional advancement; Ms. Mary Tierman, director of alumni relations; and Mrs. Cynthia (Booth) Ricciardi, '81, first vice president of the alumni association.
Anderson also serves as the College's head athletic trainer and is a respected authority in the field. The lecture, which will be held in the Davis Alumni Center at 6:00 p.m., is free and open to all; however, reservations are suggested.

Physical Education Major Program Book to be Published

The Hyannis Bridgewater Physical Alumni Association is pleased to announce the impending publication of the History of the Physical Education Major Program at Bridgewater State College, written by Dr. Catherine E. Comeau. This volume will include historical information, anecdotal comments, and photographs. The book will be presold beginning in the fall of 1996; copies will be available in early 1997 in celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Physical Education Major Program.

Alumni Directory

The Office of Alumni Relations plans to produce a Bridgewater State College Alumni Directory in the fall of 1997. A questionnaire asking you to update address and career information will be mailed to all graduates this summer and fall. Please take a minute to complete the form and help us make this Directory a success. An alumni directory is an great way to keep in touch with your classmates and network with fellow alumni in your field. If you would prefer not to be included in the Directory notify the Alumni Office, or mark and return your form.

Become a Bridgewater Volunteer!

If you have thought about becoming more involved with your alma mater, now is the time!

The Alumni Association welcomes volunteers from all classes to act as their class liaison when planning Reunions or as their Class Secretary for the magazine; to help host an area gathering for fellow alumni; to be members of the Alumni Council; and to serve as mentors for Career Planning and Placement or for fellow athletes and future alumni. To learn more about possible volunteer opportunities, please contact Mary Tieman, Director of Alumni Relations, (508) 697-1287, or Associate Dean of Student Affairs and BAA President Martha Drinkwater Jones '64, at (508) 697-1276.

Dorothy Tisevich, '77, was the Convocation Speaker at ceremonies officially opening the 1995-1996 academic year on Friday, October 13. Ms. Tisevich is the director of the Office of Legislative and Congressional Action of the National Cancer Institute in Washington, D.C.

Subscribe to the JobTrakker

The Career Planning and Placement Office is offering subscriptions to the twice monthly job news bulletin, JobTrakker, which contains listings of entry-level through upper-level positions in career field from accounting to sales & marketing. Produced by the Office in conjunction with the JobTrak Corporation, the piece is available for $10.00 for each subscription period (four months). For recent graduates, the first subscription period following graduation will be available for half price. For information, please contact the Office of Career Planning and Placement at (508) 697-1328.

Looking Ahead to Homecoming '96

Bridgewater State College alumni and students will celebrate Homecoming this fall on Saturday, November 2. Plan to join fellow graduates under the tent as Swenson Field as we cheer our football team on to victory!

Congratulations to Tim Hassett-Salley, who received his master's degree in 1983, and Alice Ryan '94, the first male and female alums to finish at the Carol Mulloy Cuttle Aloha Classic 5K Road Race to benefit the Children's Physical Developmental Clinic at Bridgewater State College. The race is held annually as part of Homecoming Weekend.

For more information on any of the dates or program mentioned, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at (508) 697-1287.
1912

Mabel Sidelinger, who turned 104 last July, earned a “golden cane” from the community of Nobleboro, Maine, where she resides at Fieldcrest Manor. Known as the “Boston Post Cane,” the tradition was started in the early years of this century by a Boston newspaper, which gave more than 600 canes to towns in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island. The eldest person in each community was to hold the cane, and Ms. Sidelinger is the 10th recipient of the cane in Nobleboro. After graduating from Bridgewater, she was a teacher for 44 years in Massachusetts, Kentucky, New York and Maryland.

1924

Katharine Turner McWilliam writes, “I’m wondering if there’s anyone else of the class of 1924 alive! I’m fine and living alone. I have a daughter in New Hampshire, who is a teacher, and a daughter in Tucson, Arizona. I also have four grandchildren.” Mrs. McWilliam was a teacher for 29 years.

1928

Eunice (Moore) Clark retired in 1968. “I taught two years in a private school in Florida,” she writes, “and since then I’ve been traveling as much as possible. At 87 I’m still going!”

1929

Dorothea (Lindstrom) McFerren writes that she is “still alive and kicking at 87+ and keeping busy with the things that keep me going. I have two wonderful kids and five grown grandchildren.”

1931

Bernice Fountain was honored last May by the town of Raynham, which presented her with the “Albert Porter Citizen of the Year Award” for “a lifetime of outstanding and dedicated service to the town of Raynham.” She is a long-time member of the Council on Aging and former Conservation Commissioner. Selectman Donald McKinnon said, “She continues to work for the senior citizens, helping them in any way she can.”

1933

Dorothy (Chatterton) Carter (pictured above at her 85th birthday party on October 2, 1995) lives in Piedmont, California, with her husband Carl. Her family held the party for her birthday and in attendance were family members Dorothy and Ken Paige, Christine and Matt Paige (Stanford grads), her son Dick and his family, including wife Mary, daughter Cathy (age 10), and twin four year-old boys, Mike and Bill.

1934

Anna Ginnetty writes that three of her nieces have also attended the state colleges. Paula Ginnetty Hartman graduated from Bridgewater and taught in Massachusetts and Maryland; Diane Ginnetty Sheehy is at present a student at the Massachusetts College of Art; and Erin Sheehy is a student at the University of Massachusetts-Boston. Anna sees Alice Homer Merrick and Glenda Gaven Good, classmates at Bridgewater, frequently as both live in Randolph. Both Alice and Glenda taught before their marriages. Now each of them is enjoying visiting children and grandchildren. Anna had a long and happy period of service as a teacher and also as principal in Randolph.
1936
“Calling all loyal ‘36s!” begins a note to the magazine from Phyl Esau and Barb Alpert, class representatives. “Several Floridians plan to celebrate with us on June 1st. Among them are Trudy (French) Hunt, Peggy (Gilliat) Raymond and Muriel (Eyre) Morrison. Ruth (Flaherty) Lovett, our Veep, promises to be with us if possible. Ruth is slowly recuperating from a total knee replacement in late 1995. Before her operation she enjoyed a trip to Italy even though, as she says, the Sistine Chapel steps and the cobbled-stoned streets of Pompeii put finishing touches on the ailing knee. Barbara (Smith) Huff is thinking seriously of coming from San Francisco. If these classmates and others can make the long trip, we who live much closer to Bridgewater can make the short trip, can’t we? There’s only one chance to celebrate the 60th!”
The editors thank Phyl and Barb for providing the following news items. Classmates can contact them at address/telephone numbers below.

Following a severe leg injury necessitating convalescence in both hospital and nursing home, Nat (Dean) Funkel has returned to the Assisted Living Complex of her retirement community near Seattle, Washington. Despite physical limitations, Nat is an active community member, serving as representative for her complex to the Executive Council and the Resident Council. She is also a member of the Administrative Advisory Committee and continues her participation in church work. Though it’s physically impossible for Nat to be here for the reunion on June 1st, “she’ll surely be with us in spirit!” say Phyl and Barb.

Bunny (Ludden) Robertson, who moved from Massachusetts to a retirement community in California last year to be near her daughter Lois and family, recently took a California-Oregon coastal tour with Lois. Bunny’s reaction to the scenery and the tour itself: “Wonderful!”

CLASS ALERT! Reunion time will soon be here. Hard to believe, but it is our 60th. It’s a major milestone so don’t miss the chance to celebrate. Join your classmates on June 1st. If you have any questions, contact Phyl Esau at 45 Bryant Avenue, Milton, MA 02186 (617-698-0963) or Barb Alpert at P.O. Box 1075, East Dennis, MA 02641 (508-385-9518).

1937
Two members of the class of 1937, Thelma Westerling French and Marie von Bergen Tolander (Marie was editor of the Campus Comment newspaper in 1936-1937), not having seen each other for about forty years, are now neighbors and have renewed their friendship. They are living in a Concord, New Hampshire, retirement community, Havenwood-Heritage Heights, which is under the management of the United Church of Christ and where Marie was once the Chaplain. She was ordained in that denomination in 1974 after twenty-three years of teaching in Needham, Massachusetts.

Thelma had spent most of her post-Bridgewater years with her family in North Carolina and on Cape Cod where she often was happily involved in early childhood educational activities and teaching. Last year they invited Acis Brown Cushman, Phyllis Colby, Charlie Whitcomb and Marge Candy Jackson to a mini-reunion luncheon party here at Heritage Heights. They would enjoy hearing from any other friends.

1938
Maryrose (Kirdon) Larkin writes that Richard and her would like to say “hi!” to all their fellow octogenarians.

Dorothy (Lipman) Salk writes that her granddaughter is a sophomore at Bridgewater and is in honor’s classes. Her father and uncle received their masters at the college. She has been retired from teaching since 1980.

1939
Dorothy (Boyle) Breor was recently honored when an elementary school was named after her in Hatfield, Massachusetts. She had taught in the Hatfield school system since 1940 and was principal of the newly named "Dorothy M. Breor Elementary School" from 1957 until the year 1981, when she retired. In September the school celebrated the 35th anniversary of its founding, and she was invited back as a special guest. School principal Geraldine Smith said she was pleased that Mrs. Breor was present. “I was very happy that we had the opportunity to honor Mrs. Breor,” she said. “We wanted to give the children a face behind the name.”

Gertrude (Currier) Wirling sent Jim DiNardo “a nice Christmas message and a generous check to be added to the class of 1939 fund.”

1940
Irina (Wall) Dobbyn reports that she and her family have moved to a temporary home while their earthquake damaged home is being repaired nearly two years after the last quake. They are not alone, she says, “but it is still discouraging.”

1941
Carey Brush and Tinker of Richmond, Virginia, maintain their interest in history and are active in the Virginia Historical Society. They enjoyed study tours of the battlefields at Chancellorsville and the 1862 Peninsula campaign around the Richmond area. They also participated in a conference on Southern Literature in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Carey is completing the writing of the centennial history of
the State University of New York, College at Oneonta.

The Quincy High School class of 1937 recently held its annual reunion at the Neighborhood Club in Quincy and noted at the June luncheon were Edna Brown Mills and Norma Wolfe Pinkerton. Edna visited for ten days with Louise Forsyth in Quincy and earlier traveled to her son's home in Pennsylvania and to her daughter's in Massachusetts. In May, Louise participated in the convention of the American Counseling Association in Denver, Colorado, and visited family in Lawrence, Kansas.

Doris Burrell Clifford and husband William celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on July 28th at Saint Catherine of Sienna Church in Norwood. A dinner reception at Concannon's Village was hosted by their children. Among those attending were members of the class of 1941: Edna Brown Mills, Mae Havens Ovaska and William Kearns.

William Edgar and Betty Milne Edgar of Old Greenwich, Connecticut, traveled in the spring to the lake country of Italy and returned home by way of Rome, Florence and Sienna. In August, Bill and Betty met with their daughters (Beth and Anne) and families in Sun Valley, Idaho, and engaged in fishing, rock climbing, river rafting, swimming and other active sports. Beth and her family live in Florida; Anne and her family live in Washington state.

Louise Forsyth writes "it was good to have notes at Christmas time from a few class members and I wish more of you would add my name to your mailing lists. Several of our classmates expressed the wish that more would communicate because they would like to have news of more of you. Several wrote that they are looking forward to our 55th anniversary this spring at Bridgewater." Louise's address is 75 Monroe Road, Quincy, Massachusetts, 02169-1924. [Editor's note: we are grateful to Louise — most of the class notes for '41 came to us through her].

Shirley Thompson Hadley writes that her husband, the Rev. Dr. J. Harold Hadley, died November 11, 1994. They were married for 47 years. Shirley now lives in Hadley House, a retirement home for senior citizens named for her husband, Minister Emeritus of Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock Manhasset, NY. She tells us, "I have come through a difficult two years. I am fortunate to have my old friends, Church and community nearby and my two adult children and their families near also. Lucky to be alive at 73."

Eliza (Filipson) Helgerson and Arthur have been very active working for their church and the new building in Lexington Park, Maryland. A highlight was a trip to Pacific Grove, California, and Crater Lake, Oregon. They have recently been able to visit with all four of their children and their families.

Elizabeth (Wood) Smith of Plaistow, New Hampshire, is the president of the Vermont/New Hampshire American Baptist Women's Ministries for a three-year term. She has been busy attending regional meetings and also meetings in New York and Wisconsin. She also participated in an Elderhostel in Sarasota, Florida. Her Christmas tree farm requires work in all seasons. Elizabeth travels often to Idaho and Washington state to visit two of her sons and their families. She was credited with being the oldest person to complete the CROP walk in May.

1943

Helen Winslow Chase, historian of First Congregational Church, Nantucket, Massachusetts, is writing articles about the Ladies' Union Circle which will appear in Historic Nantucket and The Congregationalist magazine. Founded on January 6, 1846, the Ladies' Union Circle is the oldest continuing women's church organization in the United States. Virginia Mayo recently attended the Massachusetts State Grange session in Plymouth, Massachusetts, where, she writes, "I was a member of the
Rose Drill which we performed as part of the 6th degree. This degree was conferred on 47 candidates. Lately many Granges have become dysfunctional, but we are trying to get new members. We do many services for communities and organizations even though many farms are no longer in existence.” She is now the Master of Middlesex North Pomona Grange #16.

1944
Mary Catherine Iannoni retired from her position as head guidance counselor at the Central Middle School after five decades of working with students. Her official retirement date was on December 22nd. She first began her career in education after receiving her bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Bridgewater State College and the former Hyannis State College respectively. She also received additional education from Harvard University, Boston University and the former Colorado College For Women, which has since been absorbed by the University of Denver.

1946
Alice Sullivan, one of the people responsible for the tremendous growth of girls’ sports in Rhode Island over the past 25 years, has announced that she will retire from her position as assistant executive director of the league effective July 31, 1996. It has been through her foresight and planning that today over 400 girls teams compete in annual competitions. In 1950, when she started, there had been none.

1948
Martha (Walsh-Anderson) Noble’s mailing address from May 1-Nov 1 is: RD3 Box 347 Montrose, Pennsylvania, 18801. She is currently retired.

1949
Jean (Boyden) Lisowski is currently residing at 138 North Main Street in South Deerfield, Massachusetts, 01373-1027.

1951
Audrey (Rosha) Gough and her husband celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary in June and their oldest son was married in the spring.

Barbara (Holub) LaCambria wishes to thank her classmates who have kept in touch with her throughout her bouts of illness. Cards and calls are always welcome because they make her days brighter.

Chester Smolski has retired from teaching after 42 years at Rhode Island College. He is still active as co-director of the National Geographic Society-funded Rhode Island Geography Education Alliance which works to improve geography instruction in schools in the state. He also writes on urban issues for Providence newspapers.

1952
Ruth Donnelly writes that she does active volunteer work for the “Kids at Risk” program and is a Board Member of the Palo Alto Foundation for Education in California. She has taken an early retirement as well.

1953
Carol (Daly) Crook writes that it’s great living in an area where people are concerned about reducing federal spending. She writes, “The new mayor of Prescott is Paul Daly (no relation unfortunately) and he comes from Massachusetts.”

1954
Anne (Kenneally) Hynes has retired from the East Bridgewater Public Library System after 48 years of service. Many of those years were spent at East Bridgewater High School’s library.

Betty Mitchell retired in 1994 after 40 years of rewarding experiences in teaching in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. She spends her leisure time in Florida during the cold winter and in her residences in Wrentham and South Yarmouth the rest of the year. She has traveled extensively and on one of her recent trips she walked along the Great Wall of China.

Madalyn-Ann Crawford Wollwic has just finished her second book, The Art of Pastel Portraiture for Watson-Guptill, to be published this May. Mickey was nominated for Who’s Who in the East (she is already included in four other Who’s Who books, including Who’s Who in the World. Three of her articles on pastel have been published in The Artist’s Magazine in 1995, with two more to be published in 1996. She has two “one woman” exhibits this year and had work shown in national exhibits in Texas, California, Arizona, New York, and Massachusetts. Her work will appear in 1996 in Julia Castle’s Showing Movement in Nature, London, England. Her first book, Pastel Interpretations (1993) has been published in a French edition, Asnieres, France. Mickey will teach a one-week outdoor workshop in pastel landscapes for Sagamore Institute July 7-12 on the site of the old Vanderbilt camp, Raquette Lake, New York. A master panelist with the Pastel Society of America, she was recently honored with a signature membership of the International Society of Marine Painters. She will be the judge and juror for the Fourth Biennial National Exhibition of the Pastel Society of North Florida and teach a four-day pastel landscape/still life workshop for the Pastel Society of North Florida in April.

1956
Gary Getchell spent 25 years in K-12 and now is completing his thirteenth
year at Cape Cod Community College. He was the keynote speaker at the 1995 annual convention of the New England Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges and recently conducted a "math/comedy" workshop at the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges' convention held in Little Rock, Arkansas. He has been invited to run an updated version of this humorous event at AMATYC's next convention in Long Beach, California. Gary and wife Judy's oldest daughter, Wendy, is married to the Methodist minister in Amesbury, Massachusetts, and is a registered occupational therapist at the Whittier Rehabilitation Hospital in Haverhill, Massachusetts. They have one daughter, Emily Ruth. Daughter Janine is on the staff of the Mattacheese Middle School in West Yarmouth, where Gary used to be the principal. Son Glenn teaches health and physical education in Rome, Georgia and plans to begin doctoral studies at Springfield College. Gary and Judy are looking forward to seeing all members of the class of '57 at a 40th reunion weekend during the spring of 1997. "If you missed the 35th or were not part of it at all, please plan on fully participating in our 40th!" writes Gary.

Winfred (Murray) Leary writes that after careers in education and retail banking—as well as a "mommy" career raising eight children—another change was made. Since 1983 she has been helping individuals and families achieve their goals and dreams as a personal financial advisor with American Express Financial Advisors, Inc. In leisure moments she enjoys her nine (soon to be ten) grandchildren.

1958

Nancy (Duarte) Coon writes that she is teaching fine arts at Glen Ridge High School in New Jersey. She was awarded a mini-grant from Arts Alliance of New Jersey and the John F. Kennedy Foundation for creating a program which interrelates the study of art with social studies, English, math, and foreign language. She has also traveled with groups of students to several European countries, Mexico, and the former Soviet Union. This summer she plans on going to the British Isles for two weeks. She writes that her family is fine. One son is a computer graphic designer and the other son is a communication major at the University of North Carolina. Her husband Bob is looking forward to retirement. She would love to hear from BSC friends of the past.

1961

Cynthia Tower Huddy has been working as a substitute teacher while pursuing a master's degree at the University of Massachusetts-Boston. She should receive the degree in 1996. She has also recently become certified to teach math (her first love) for grades 5 through 9. She has two grown sons.

1965

Allen Brown is now the Superintendent of Schools in North Attleboro, Massachusetts. He and his wife Jane (Dubiel) Brown have been happily married for 30 years. Their oldest daughter Kristin works at Interleaf Corporation in Waltham, and their other daughter Kara works as a research microbiologist at MIT. He writes that he and Bill DuPaul, '65, still keep in touch.

1966

Sheila Lancaster Youd is a safety educator for the Massachusetts Electric Company.

1968

Helen Worcester Bendell and her husband Robert spent two months traveling in Alaska last May and June to visit their daughter. She retired from teaching after 28 years and reports she loves retirement. She and her husband traveled to Hawaii in July of 1994 to visit their son. Helen enjoys quilting and plans to teach quilting.

Francis (Fran) Delage and his wife Sheila (Sessums), '69, live in Northboro, Massachusetts. Fran works for Hanover Insurance Company as a New England Regional Claims Operations Manager. Sheila has taught since graduation at the J.F.K. Middle School in Hudson, Massachusetts. They have two daughters—Shannon, a freshman at Harvard University; and Megan, a junior in high school.

Diane (Pettey) Finucci is a first grade teacher for the town of Westport, Massachusetts.

Lyman Goding is principal of the Plymouth Community Intermediate School in Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Susan (Reed) King was recently appointed market manager of the Brattleboro (Vermont) branch at Chittenden Bank. In her new role, she is responsible for coordinating business development, overseeing quality customer service, managing a portfolio of consumer and business loans, and managing the operation of the branch. Previously branch manager of the Fleet Bank in Bridgewater, she started her banking career with Plymouth Home National Bank in Brockton.
Emmet Morrill has been coaching baseball for 29 years, and recently the Westfield Evening News in Westfield, Massachusetts, where he moved in 1969, published a feature on him. Emmet has coached both Little League and American Legion ball, and is currently at the helm of Westfield’s Post 124, a team he started in 1973. He and his wife Jeanne have two sons, both in college.

Jane E. Nugent, photo above, was recently promoted to senior vice president for research at the United Way of Southeastern New England, which is located in Providence, Rhode Island. Jane graduated from Leadership Rhode Island in October and was named commencement speaker for the class. Fifty community leaders take part in this project each year. Last March, Jane visited the White House and spoke with two of President Clinton’s senior policy staff, Ira Magaziner and Bruce Reed, about several health and human service issues, including welfare reform.

1970

In photo above, taken at the Holiday Inn in Taunton, members of the class of 1970 celebrate their 25th anniversary. They are, from left, Kathy (McDermott) Clifford, Nancy (Sayward) Boardman, Patti (Tucker) Haggerty, Diane Desmond, Jan Dayton, Elaine (Prekarski) Slaney and Linda (Falcone) Stavris.

John Royce is a teacher of grades five and six at the A. F. Maloney School in Blackstone, Massachusetts.

Julie (Lafour) Raposa has been elected vice president of Citizens-Union Savings Bank, according to an announcement by Thomas A. Ryan, bank president. She originally joined the bank in 1970 as a teller and subsequently served in the bank’s media relations and mortgage departments. In 1983 she became the bank’s marketing officer and two years later assumed additional duties as personnel officer. In her new position she has responsibility for the overall promotion of the bank and its services.

Leo V. Sciarappa writes that he was appointed in November, 1995, as the new principal of the Robinson Elementary School in Mansfield, Massachusetts, by Dr. Donald Nicoletti, superintendent of Mansfield public schools.

1971

Thomas Kilduff was appointed principal of the Furnace Brook Elementary School in Marshfield last July. Tom has worked in the Marshfield school system for 23 years, and was acting principal of the school before that. A resident of Scituate, and married with three children, Tom is a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

Nancy (Needham) Burns is now a grade five teacher at the Grinnell School in Derry, New Hampshire. She and her husband Richard have three children.

Robert Drapeau is the director of the police and security department at the University of Rhode Island. After earning his bachelor’s at BSC, Bob went on to earn a master’s degree in criminal justice from Northeastern University. He came to URI in 1993 from a similar position at Dean Junior College in Franklin, Massachusetts.

Sharon (Bowie) Morgan and her husband are living in Topeka, Kansas, and are the parents of three children (Patrick, 21; Seana, 20; and Meghan, 17). Sharon writes: “Dana and I eagerly await our ‘first’ college graduation (University of California, San Diego) and our ‘last’ high school graduation (Topeka West High School) come June of ‘96! Can it really be 25 years since we donned those crimson robes? Dana is celebrating his seventh year at Hills Pet Nutrition, a division of Colgate-Palmolive, with headquarters in Topeka. Last year I began substitute teaching and just love it! I’m so busy, I actually have to plan a day off.”
Deborah (White) Trust writes to say “hello to my classmates” and to tell us that her daughter is a freshman at BSC, living in Shea-Durgin Hall. Debby says her daughter is enjoying Bridgewater, where she is busy with academics and is also a cheerleader for both football and basketball. Debby has been living in Medway since January, 1977, and sees other BSC grads occasionally. “I’m looking forward to our 25th reunion this spring,” she says.

1972

Harold Card has retired from teaching mathematics after 22 years at the Bristol County Agricultural High School and is now growing cranberries.

Elaine (Brennan) Lewis was recently promoted to assistant vice president of Nynex Information Resources Company headquartered in Middleton, Massachusetts. Elaine resumed her career at Nynex in 1988 after taking ten years off to raise her children, Joseph, now 18, and Brendan, 16. She works in the sales channel management group at Nynex. Elaine is the proud aunt of Mike Morris, a BC senior and a member of the men’s varsity basketball team.

Michelle (Dion) Orabona served as co-chairperson of the Berkshire County United Way’s Campaign Associate Division. She is a graduate of the New England School of Banking at Williams College and the School of Commercial Lending at Babson College and is employed at City Savings Bank of Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

1973

Lenore (DiZio) Purington and her husband recently relocated to the Portland, Oregon, area, where husband Eric is an instrumentation field engineer with Hoffman Mechanized Corporation. Lenore plans to teach social studies.

Tobias Vasconcellos was awarded the “Commonwealth Citation for Outstanding Performance” by Massachusetts Governor William Weld last October for his work with the state’s Department of Mental Retardation.

Patricia A. Walls and her husband Dick added 14,000 miles during the summer of 1994 to their motor home, travelling to Fairbanks, Alaska. They are active members of Good Sam, and upon attending the Oklahoma State Jamboree in October, 1995, have now camped in 49 states and 7 Canadian provinces, for a total of 95,000 miles on their motor home.

1974

Barbara (Giard) Campanella has been named vice president of customer services for Westwood Advertising Associates in Chicopee, Massachusetts. Prior to joining Westwood Advertising, she had served for nine years as director of public relations at Springfield College.

John W. Condlin has been appointed assistant principal at Masricola Elementary School in Merrimack, New Hampshire.

Robert Gay is serving in his first year as principal of Whitman-Hanson Regional High School, where he started teaching social studies in 1974. Bob also holds a master of education degree from the college. He had been assistant principal since 1988 and as the school’s wrestling coach was named the Boston Globe’s Coach of the Year in 1994 after his team won 47 consecutive matches.

Kathleen Lavin, president of Olde New England Real Estate Management Company, last summer achieved the Certified Property Management (CPM) designation from the Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM), a professional organization headquartered in Chicago. Olde New England Property Management specializes in condominium and multi-unit residential property management.

Theresa Pratt Wang has been appointed vice president of engineering at Summa Four Corporation in Manchester, New Hampshire. Previously she was with Motorola ISG, where she was vice president and general manager for the Network Access Systems Products Group. She was also a vice president of engineering at Artel Communications Group. Summa Four makes open, programmable switching platforms.

1975

Marie (Castro) Angeley is serving as the new dean of students at Coyle and Cassidy High School in Taunton, Massachusetts. Previously she served as a mathematics teacher for 16 years and chair of the mathematics department for four years.

Barry Lew is artistic and general manager of the Central Massachusetts Repertory Theatre, a professional theater group, which launched its maiden season last June. Barry describes the Central Massachusetts Repertory Theatre as “regional theater that uses professional people.”

Judith Moran has been named director of human resources at the Rehabilitation Hospital of the Cape and the Islands. She had previously served as vice president for human resources at Vanguard Health Services, and prior to that was vice president for human resources at Oakwood Living Centers, a long-term care and rehabilitation company.

Thomas St. Thomas is now a kindergarten teacher in the town of Marion. He lives in Bridgewater with his wife Sue and children Lydia, Kyle and Chloe.
1976

"The Babes from '76 Annual Cape Cod Weekend Continued for the 15th Year!" was the inscription on the photo above sent to us by the above members of the class. Starting left to right, front row, Carolyn (Sheehan) White, who works at the Weymouth Library and lives with husband Bobby and children Bobby (15), Kate (12), and Brad (8); Donna Mansolilli is living in Marblehead with her two children Brandon (12) and Ariana (8), working in sales and marketing and "last seen flying American Airlines"; Ginny Musante is working and living in Seattle, Washington, and running her own video production company. Ginny reports that she "is never sleepless!"; Marie (Thibault) Jerome resides in Walpole and works for Polaroid in Waltham in material management. Back row: Bev (Dau) Harris is "still married to Craig, '75," and living in Westboro with their three children, Todd (12), Kristen (10), and Brett (8). "In her free time she has been mountain climbing to satisfy Craig's 'mid-life crisis'"; Patti (Kosciuszko) Landine is living in Shrewsbury with husband Michael and three daughters, Andrea (14), Meghan (12), and Laura (10). "She continues to host her annual summer pool party to reunite the BSC girls and their children!"; Nancy (Kipp) Florence "has officially been declared a 'townie' after living in Bridgewater for over 20 years now. Some of us don't know enough to go home after graduation!" She married Rich, '75, and "is living on sports fields with their four children," Richie (12), Collin (10), Casey (8), and Elizabeth (6). She teaches kindergarten in Hanson. Missing from the picture are Mary (Campbell) Tegan, who is still teaching physical education in Cambridge and living in Arlington with husband Jack and their two daughters, Callie and Erin, and Jeanne (Carroll) Giordano, "still Gio's girl after all these years!" She and her husband are residing in Franklin with their three children, Lisa, Billy, and Laura.

1977

Bruce Cookson was appointed this past summer as director of athletics at Case High School in Swansea, Massachusetts. He joined the Case staff in 1977 as a physical education teacher. The last eight years he has served as director of health education for the Swansea schools.

Dale (Parker) Ferris has been elected Clerk of the Bristol Community College Foundation. She is executive manager of Ferris Realty in Fall River.

David Forrest, a physical education teacher in the Foxboro, Massachusetts, public schools, last spring was chosen as the "Outstanding Elementary School Physical Education Teacher of the Year" by the Massachusetts Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. He received the award at the state convention held in Marlboro, Massachusetts.

Paul MacMillan was chosen last summer to be principal of Kennett High School in Conway, New Hampshire. After graduating from BSC with a degree in art education, he went to Kennett High School and, in addition to his teaching duties, served for many years as part-time athletic director. In 1993 he was appointed assistant principal.

Nancy (Reed) Imai now lives and works in Tokyo, Japan, doing freelance indexing, narrating, transcribing, and editing. She reports that she was fortunate to get "lots of practical advice from Mike Brown, '88, before moving there in 1991. Nancy also forwards some other class news to us: Gordon D. Andrade is living and working in Dillon, Colorado, managing a FILA shop and an Oshkosh shop. Lynn (Dunn) Christensen is principal of Lynn School in Missouri Valley, Iowa. She is working on her doctorate in educational administration at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Lorraine Simon earned an M.Ed. in Counseling in 1982 and was certified in Reality Therapy in 1989. For the past 13 years she has been employed as the fulltime counselor in the LATCH program at Massasoit Community College and has supervised many Bridgewater graduates during their master's practica. Lorraine also enjoys traveling to England, Russia, Italy, France, Switzerland and throughout the United States, and spending time with her husband, children and five grandchildren, including five year-old twins John and Thomas Simon and three year-old twins Joyce and Patrick Simon. Daughter-in-law Sandra Garceau Simon is a graduate of the class of 1983. Lorraine also is active in the community, serving presently as vice president of Self Help Incorporated, a community action agency in Brockton.

Richard Tonner is a senior associate at Cassidy and Pinkard, Inc., a Washington, D.C.-based commercial real estate firm. Rick lives in Alexandria, Virginia, with his wife Elizabeth Adams Tonner and their daughter, Mary-Margaret Kilpatrick Tonner, age 18 months.
In photo above, graduates from throughout the '70s gathered at Homecoming 1995. Among those present were Missel O'Connor McManus, '76; Lynne Borski Tufts, '78; Kathi Hopkins Carlson, '77; Valerie Kemp, '78; Lisa Lovitt, '78; Jim Daley, '75; Kim Henderson Gehrke, '78; Maureen McClellan Daly, '75; and Ray Oberg, '78.

Dr. Patricia Carlson was named the Superintendent of the Laurel, Delaware, School District, effective from July 1, 1995, after nine years as Superintendent-Director of the North Shore Regional Vocational School District in Middleton, Massachusetts.

Carolyn (MacFarland) Cribbie writes that in October her children David, 13, and Marie, 10, traveled with her to New Orleans for the wedding of Wendy (Taylor) Harris, '78, and Gary Gutierrez. He spent a total of three-and-a-half weeks of the summer of '96 in Italy, Austria, and Hungary. Carolyn writes that she will be anxiously (and jealously) waiting at home.

Doris R. Gagnon has been named director of alumni relations at Notre Dame College in Manchester, New Hampshire. Most recently, she had been director of training for Central New Hampshire Community Mental Health Services in Concord.

Janet Kelly writes that she married Bill Clifford on May 27, 1995 at the Coonamessett Inn in Falmouth, Massachusetts. BSC alums Barbara (Wilson) Maffeo, '78; Julie (Tobojka) Hird, '78; Sue Lawson, '78; and Debbie (Galarneau) O'Neill, '78, were guests. Sue just finished a term as chair of the Melrose School Committee, and was the top vote-getter in the last campaign. Julie is married, is the mother of Joseph Patrick Hird, and just moved back to Connecticut after stints in Maryland and Washington state. Julie's husband is an officer in the U.S. Army. Barbara is the mother of Thomas and Jillian, and they live in Medway, Massachusetts.

Susan J. Lawson has been named senior communications consultant for Alexander & Alexander Consulting Group's (A&ACG) Northeast region. Sue is based in Newburyport, Massachusetts, and is responsible for all aspects of employee communication, including compliance, organizational change, education/training and other human resource issues. She brings to A&ACG more than 15 years' experience in human resources, marketing and organizational communications.

Daniel Morgado and his wife Luanne (Perry) Morgado tell us that Dan continues as town administrator in Grafton, a position he has held for the past eight years. He is also an instructor at Clark University's master of public administration program, where he received his MPA. Luanne works at Grafton Suburban Credit Union. Dan and Luanne are the parents of a son, Daniel Perry Morgado, who turned 13 in January.

Art Vuilleumier recently returned to the Northeast to join Asea Brown Boveri Environmental Services (ABB-ES). He has been appointed Information Technology Manager for the newly formed Information Technology Team. He most recently was a senior consultant with Management Analysis Corporation (MAC) of San Diego, California. His last project with MAC was as the project manager for development of a comprehensive environmental database designed for the Department of Energy in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Kimlee (Lindgren) de Ruyter writes that she married Luke de Ruyter on November 4, 1995 in San Diego, California.

Joanne Lamothe was appointed director of the Duxbury Free Library this past summer. She had been acting library director for the past year. Jane Bradley, chairwoman of the library's board of trustees, was quoted in the Patriot Ledger newspaper praising Joanne's performance as acting director prior to her permanent appointment: "Joanne, in the course of this year, has in her performance exceeded everybody's expectations — by a mile."

Donald Marsan writes that he and Mary Loretta Taksar were married on October 28, 1995. They are both graduates of Western New England College's School of Law, and work as attorneys in Washington, D.C. Mary is with the Federal Election Commission and Don is with the American Managed Care and Review Association.
1980

Attending Homecoming '95 were the above members of the class of 1980: Paula Hutch Enino, Carol Meyer Grip, Sara Hoague Cassin, and Lesley Osler Perreault.

Maureen Lynch Burke is moving back East after fifteen years! She writes that they are in Lexington, at least temporarily, and added a new baby, Bridget, to the family in July. Bridget is the family's fourth child.

Joseph Gonsalves is principal of the Redan Elementary School in Redan, Georgia.

Scott McDonald and his wife Kathy are the parents of a baby girl, Frances Ann, who arrived at 4:35 a.m. on February 10, 1996. She weighed in at 6 lbs., 3 ozs., and was born at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia. Frances Ann is their first child.

Jean (St. Andre) Remillard has joined the staff of the Southeast Coastal Massachusetts Prevention Center in New Bedford as a comprehensive health education specialist. In her new duties, Jean is responsible for a variety of outreach and prevention projects throughout southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod and the Islands. She has a master's degree from Boston College.

Karen Woronicz has been appointed personnel director for the town of Wayland, Massachusetts. She began her career in municipal service in 1980 as affirmative action officer for Weymouth, Massachusetts, and in 1984 became its first executive secretary.

1981

Father Daniel Lacroix has been appointed parochial vicar at St. Mary's Parish in Mansfield, Massachusetts, by Bishop Sean O'Malley. Father Lacroix, a native of St. Mary's Parish in New Bedford, was parochial vicar at St. Patrick Parish in Wareham prior to his new appointment.

Mary Love is working at Community Health Link in Worcester, Massachusetts, as a program coordinator in the rehabilitation department, serving individuals with persistent mental illness.

Ronald Murphy and his wife Cynthia (Harrats) Murphy, '82, will celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary this year. Ron is vice president of Merrill Lynch's corporate institutional client group and Cindy is a real estate appraiser. They are the parents of two children, Brendan, age 2, and Alanna, age 4.

Mary Ann Pessa and her husband Marc are the proud parents of a new daughter, Giovanna Maria, born October 10, 1995. The new baby's brothers are Danny, Joey, and Gregory. Mary Ann is on leave from her job at New England Health and Racquet Club in Hanover, Massachusetts. She works in the child-care facility doing pre-school programs.

Terry (Crowell) Warner recently earned her registration as a professional land surveyor for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Dr. Mary E. Yakimowski is an adjunct instructor in the Educational Leadership Department at the University of Connecticut and district-wide administrator responsible for student evaluation, research, and all compensatory education programs.

1982

Karyl (Ferreira) Benoit has joined the staff of Gold's Gym as director of aerobic programming. Karyl lives in Swansea with her husband George and their three children.

Maura Cullen received her doctorate in education from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst last May. Self-employed, Maura travels throughout the country and Canada providing diversity training. She lives in Ithaca, New York, with her partner.

Christine (Spangler) Evans is a consulting teacher/interpreter with the Whitman-Hanson Regional School District.

Lynn (Haffner) Feingold and Jeff are pleased to announce the birth of Hannah Grace Feingold on June 20, 1995. Hannah was "7 lbs., 10 ozs., cute as a button and lots of hair!"

Geralyn Hafey was recently voted "Employee of the Year" at Women and Infants Hospital of Rhode Island, where she is administrative coordinator for the hospital's senior vice president.

Patricia (Szczesny) Kaupinis has two boys, ages 12 and 9, and a girl, age 2. She married a man from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and has settled there. She writes that she manages a travel agency as well as a family. She would like to hear from anyone who remembers her—especially her tennis teammates! Remember Ralph's? She would like to know where Carol Coletta, '81, is, and would like to say hello to her and Donna Corio, '81. Please write or call!

Jack Nicolas and his wife Kris (Johnson) Nicolas, '88, are celebrating the birth of their second child, Kelly Ann, on October 28, 1995. Jack, a senior account executive with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Massachusetts, is currently serving on the Board of Directors of the Old Colony United Way and acting as chairman of the
United Way's Loaned Executive Program. Recently he finished a term as chairman of the Norton Town Finance Committee and plans to continue active service with that committee. During 1995 he and his wife organized a successful golf fund raiser for the David Jon Louison Center in Brockton, Massachusetts, which is a shelter for women and children. Jack is also co-chair of the Cardinal Spellman High School Alumni Fund and Kris plans to return to her position as the controller for the Northeast Public Power Association.

Christopher White has been appointed a part-time professor in Northeastern University's graduate program in counseling psychology. Chris holds an Ed.D. and is a licensed psychologist, specializing in cognitive/behavioral psychotherapy at North River Counseling in Marshfield.

Donna Ramos-Würzburger was featured by the Taunton Gazette newspaper last summer for her work with the Star Players as an interpreter for that group's production of the musical "Nunsense." Donna, a speech pathologist with the Reads Collaborative in Middleboro, studied sign language while at Bridgewater.

**1983**

Anthony Asci is employed as supervisor of computer operations at SunGard Brokerage Systems in Waltham, Massachusetts.

Robin (Lacouture) Dobson accepted an appointment as senior account executive at Sterling Hager, Inc., in December. Sterling Hager is a full-service high-technology public relations company. She was formerly a senior marketing specialist at Banyon Systems, Inc., in Westborough.

Francis Fagan accepted the position of regional director at the regional office of Easter Seal Home Health Care this past summer. He has worked in the home health care industry for the past fifteen years. Easter Seal Home Health Care provides nursing, physical and occupational therapy, speech therapy, and home health aide services to individuals in their home.

Linda J. Glynn was appointed last June as communications director for the Ellison Center for the Arts, which is affiliated with the South Shore Conservatory. Prior to that she was a marketing communications and public relations consultant, and had formerly been employed as a marketing manager for the Williamsburg Company at Merchants Row in Hanover. Her background also includes advertising agency, nonprofit, and fundraising experience.

Jeanne (Grasselli) Ionata is teaching third grade at the Waldorf School in Bourne, Massachusetts.

Marc Pelletier and wife Eileen recently celebrated the arrival of their second son, Thomas, to join the elder son, Matthew, "to form Coach Pelletier's pitcher/catcher battery."

Patti (Morse) MacLennan sent us a note advising that she has been working in the Duxbury Public Schools since graduation, and is a third grade teacher. She has "three great kids": Billy, 5; Kerri, 3 1/2; and Patrick, 14 months.

Janet (Dasilva) Rando was appointed last August as a teacher at the Methodist Nursery School in Milford, Massachusetts.

Steve Walsh was recently elected to the Fall River City Council and his term will continue through 1998. He was also elected to the Spencer Borden Elementary School Council, where Steve and wife Mariann's two children, ages 9 and 7, attend school. He is employed by the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department as general counsel and director of legal services. In his spare time, Steve coaches a youth hockey team, is a postsecondary law instructor, plays ice hockey in an "over-30" men's hockey league, and operates a small private law practice.

**1984**

Richard J. Vacca graduated from law school in 1994 and is now an attorney specializing in environmental law. He heads the conservation department for the town of Franklin, Massachusetts, and was formally employed by Stone and Webster of Boston.

**1985**

Dean L. Johnson is working as a biomedical technician in Madison, Wisconsin.

Kristine (Towne) Leahy and her husband, Major Peter Leahy (USAF), are the parents of a third son, Jacob Peter, who arrived on April 15, 1995. In photo above, taken at Anderson Air Force Base on Guam, are Andrew, Tim and Jake. She writes that soon after, the family moved to Guam for a two-year tour. Kris and the family are enjoying the 85-degree year-round temperature and the wonderful snorkeling. They are also hoping to do some traveling to Asia.

Steven Lewis and his wife Lisa (Casile, '83) are expecting their first child in July of 1996. Lisa, a psychology major, has been employed at Old Colony Elderly Services in Brockton for the past seven-and-a-half years as the senior member of the information and referral department. Steven
1986

Glenn T. Benne, II, recently moved from Connecticut to Manhattan, Montana, where he bought a working cattle ranch. He is also employed at Garrity Development as a senior housing development superintendent.

Karen (Houghton) Kane has been married to David Kane, '87, for seven years. They live in Pt. Meyers, Florida, where Karen teaches special education at Pt. Meyers High School and David owns Coconut Pools. Karen's twin sister Kathi, '86, lives in Pt. Meyers and she is a sales representative for the Community Directory Company. Kathi is engaged to Mike DeAlmeida from North Attleboro, Massachusetts. Their wedding is set for April. Karen and Kathi would like to say hi to all their old friends at Bridgewater!

Lisa Medeiros writes that she is planning to marry Salvador Morano on February 10, 1996, after which they will reside in Corona, California.

1988

Sonya Evancho is in her first year of teaching high school mathematics in the town of Carver.

Bradford Kilby was elected to the School Committee in Fall River in last fall's election.

Tara Roark writes that she received her master's degree in physical therapy from the University of Massachusetts-Lowell in October, 1995. She is currently working as a physical therapist at Catholic Medical Center in Manchester, New Hampshire.

1989

Jane Aube Caruso graduated from the New England School of Law in May, 1994, and passed the Massachusetts Bar and was sworn in December, 1994. Her first child, Beatrice, was born on June 30, 1995, and Jane reports she is staying at home with Betsy now but is still doing some legal work from home.

Christopher Michael Daly married Constantina Hajioennou on July 18, 1996. Chris is a petroleum plant manager for Agway Energy Products in Washington, New Jersey. He has been employed with Agway since graduation and has lived in Vermont, New York, Rhode Island, and now New Jersey, because of steady promotions. He also coaches Pee Wee football (defense) in Washington, New Jersey.

Ellen M. Lennon is currently attending Simmons College in Boston in the communications management program. She works in the communications department of Nellie Mae, a nonprofit student loan provider/service, both for the director of the Nellie Mac Fund for Education and the vice president of Communications and Public Affairs. She recently traveled to Vancouver, British Columbia and Bermuda, and she also took up the challenging game of golf.

1990

Sean Carey accepted a position as a physical education teacher in the town of Carver public schools.

Kevin Cusack is a lieutenant with the Boston Fire Department.

Steve Goodyear has been working for Gerber Products Company since graduation. Gerber is the manufacturer of baby food and baby care accessories. Steve writes, "I have held four positions with Gerber over the past four-and-a-half years and am currently category account manager-sales development. I am based out of my home which is now in Elkton, Maryland. I have lived in Rochester, New York, and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, while working for Gerber." Steve married his wife Colleen in 1991 while working in Rochester. She is originally from Sackets Harbor, New York, and is a graduate of Bauder College, Atlanta, Georgia, and the State University of New York, College at Oswego. She is currently working at the Museum of Natural History in Wilmington, Delaware, and also as the buyer for a gift shop and art gallery.

Ivo Karmely has been promoted by Continental Cabledvision to the position of programming director at its Revere station. Previously, Ivo was the video technician at the studio. As program director, he will supervise Revere studio operations, recruit, train and advise programming volunteers, participate in television productions and serve as Continental's front-line liaison to the community.

Beth Empey-Morley got married on November 25, 1995, to Robert Morley, a 1990 Stonehill College graduate. She is currently working as an administrative assistant for Pilgrim Associates, Incorporated, in Brockton. Her husband is a computer analyst for the Massachusetts Environmental Police.

Eileen Murphy writes that she has been teaching second grade for four years in Andover, Massachusetts.

This year's Annual Fund ends June 30. Is your gift in?
She is also incorporating a non-violent conflict resolution component to the curriculum and is teaching in service courses for teachers.

Kathleen Patricia (Kelley) Naples and her husband Bill moved to Cape Cod in August, 1995, with their son Liam. Baby number two was expected around Christmas, 1995. She would like to send her hellos to Steve Thomas, Bill Green, and Chuck Zizzo, and to tell Cheryl (Corbett) Marcoux, '88, that she is “still running long distance.”

Suzanne (Norris) Silvia writes us, “After graduating with degrees in social work and history, I have found a way to combine them! I work at a homeless shelter (Family Resource Center) as an aftercare counselor and spend all vacations down South, haunting Civil War battlefields, collecting Civil War art, and learning as much as possible about that era. I also got married in 1993 and have converted my husband Jim into a true Civil War buff!”

Michele (Ranese) Redding and Chris Redding, '91, were married on September 30, 1995, and are living in Bayfield, Colorado. Michele is a bookkeeper for a real estate development firm and Chris is a manager for Albertson's Grocery Store. Kelly Powers, '90, and Cathy McCabe, '91, were attendants to the bride.

1992

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1993

Isabel "Catia" McCusker writes that she has had two daughters with her husband Tom since she graduated in January, 1993. Their daughter Camila was born in July, 1993, and their second daughter Dominique was born in September, 1994. They built a house in Franklin and for the time being, Isabel is at home with her daughters. She is trying to start a translation business from home (English to Spanish, Spanish to English.).

Lauren (Sanguedolce) Garozzo married Orazio Garozzo on July 2, 1995. She taught in Guam for one year and is now home teaching emotionally disturbed students at a private school. She is pursuing an M.Ed. in bilingual/ESL at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell.

Matthew Hibbert is a chemical technician and principal investigator for Springborn Laboratories.

Kristin Mahoney is working in advertising sales for The Boston Globe.

Jeffrey M. Denton is a 2nd Lieutenant in the Air Force, and is currently in pilot training at Columbus AFB, Mississippi. He is half-way through the program and will eventually fly the F-15C Eagle Fighter aircraft for the Massachusetts Air National Guard based at Otis ANG Base on Cape Cod. He is also currently qualified in the T-37B aircraft and will be in the T-38 Talon high-performance trainer by Christmas.

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James Connell, who was the subject of a feature story in the spring, 1995, issue of Bridgewater magazine, is currently studying in Germany as a Fulbright Scholar at the Max Planck Institut for Verhalten Physiologie in Seewiesen and the Max Planck Institut for Human Ethologie in Andechs. Jim, who is a doctoral candidate in neuroscience at Princeton University, is engaged in neuroanatomy research. He will return to Princeton at the end of this academic year. Bridgewater magazine will publish a follow-up article in a forthcoming issue.

1991

Marlene M. (Pluta) Adamsky married Bill Adamsky from Ware, Massachusetts, on June 24, 1995. They bought a home and are currently renovating it. She resigned as accounting manager from World Sports International, U.S., to join the family business G.B.G. Propane Services in Ware, Massachusetts.

Anna (Asselin) Bibeau and her husband Stephen are the parents of a son, Adam Stephen Bibeau, who was born on September 1, 1995.

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the Marine Corps in August, 1993.

Brendan Stack is a special police officer with the Dover, Massachusetts police department.

1994

Susan Adams is an activity planner for social day-care at the Middleboro Council on Aging.

Megan A. Buckley is an elementary school teacher in Stoughton, Massachusetts.

William Cardinal is an account executive at J.M. Perrone Company in Weymouth, Massachusetts.

Jennifer Grunzweig received a master of science degree in sports medicine from Indiana University last June and has accepted a position at Boston College as an assistant athletic trainer working with football.

Melissa Horman is an exercise technician at the Heart Center in Hyannis, Massachusetts.

Marilyn Jonas is a speech and language therapist for the Ayer, Massachusetts public schools.

Kirk Marshall is teaching high school mathematics in Acton, Massachusetts.

Zachary Pelchat, a 2nd lieutenant in the U.S. Army, graduated from the U.S. Army Military Intelligence Officers' Basic Course at Fort Huachucha, Arizona, on June 14, 1995. He is currently attending the University of San Diego School of Law, studying public interest law. "Right now I'm enjoying the perfect San Diego weather," he writes.

1995

Lori Sousa is enrolled in the master's program at Kent State University in Ohio studying speech pathology and audiology.

Amy Warren has been appointed the first field hockey coach at Stonehill College. Field hockey will become a varsity sport at Stonehill in September, 1996. Amy played varsity field hockey and lacrosse at Bridgewater and captained both teams her junior and senior years.

Paul Ricciardi is a coordinator of volunteer resources at Victory Programs, a non-profit, multi-service agency that specializes in residential treatment for people who are in recovery from addiction to drugs and alcohol.

Bridget Roche is a first-grade teacher at the Delaney School in Wrentham. She is the third generation of her family to teach in the town's elementary schools. Her aunt, Jeanne Rush, teaches sixth grade and Bridget's late grandmother, Loretta Roche, taught first grade at the Delaney School from 1965 to 1972.

Sherri Stewart is a first-grade teacher at St. Peter's School in Boston.

Class Notes

Class Representatives Needed

The recent change in the Alumni Association by-laws allows for two representatives from each class to serve on the Alumni Council. If you are interested in being considered for the position, please contact the Alumni Office at (508) 697-1287.

Addendum to 1994-1995 Donor Honor Roll

The following individuals/organizations were inadvertently omitted from the Donor Honor Roll of the 1994-1995 Bridgewater Annual Fund, published in our last issue. Their gifts are very much appreciated:

President's Club ($1,000 or more)
- Marilyn (White), '51, and Dennis Barry
- Lynne M. (Briscoe) Wisneski, '69
- Frank F. Dunn, Jr., '49, '51

Class of 1938

- Rita M. (Murphy) Bleakney

Class of 1946

- Elizabeth M. (Cate) Johndrow

Corporations and Foundations

Barnes and Noble, Incorporated Student Government Association
Tribute: Stanton Davis

On Alumni Day in 1991, Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Davis were present when the "Davis Alumni Center" was officially dedicated. It was their gift that made it possible for the college's oldest continuously operating organization — the Alumni Association (founded, 1842) — to have a permanent and very impressive home.

Last summer Stanton Davis passed away, but his legacy lives on at the college. His support of the college, an institution with which he had previously had only limited ties (Mr. Davis was a graduate of Dartmouth College), was an important milestone for Bridgewater. His faith in Bridgewater's mission was instrumental in helping the Bridgewater Foundation develop and sustain a strong fund-raising record.

"Stanton was a remarkable man," says President Tinsley. "Shortly after I was appointed president in 1989 he and I had a lengthy conversation and I recall how truly interested he was in the welfare of Bridgewater. I came to value personally his friendship and appreciate greatly his care and concern for the college and particularly its students. He believed fully in our mission. He was a very modest man who initially resisted our attempt to name the Alumni Center for him. I'm very glad we finally persuaded him to let us do that because future generations should know about the key role Stanton Davis had in the history of the college."

A successful businessman, Mr. Davis was Chairman of Shaw's Supermarkets when he first became affiliated with the college in 1983. At that time he agreed to serve on the Management Science Advisory Council, a group of area business leaders which was created to help faculty and administrators strengthen what was then a brand new major in Management Science. After he retired from Shaw's Supermarkets, Mr. Davis remained involved in the life of the college and he and Mrs. Davis regularly attended campus events and programs.

The entire campus community is greatly indebted to Mr. and Mrs. Davis. Our condolences go to the family.

We were saddened to learn of the death of Paul Monaghan, class of 1970, a longtime newspaper reporter, who died in September 1994, after a battle with brain cancer. After working for The Patriot Ledger in Quincy for a number of years, Paul worked in the Washington bureau of the Griffin-Larrabee News Service covering the federal government for newspapers in Massachusetts and Maine.

FACULTY

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Gift Items

**The Bridgewater Chair** ...

- **Arm chair or rocker** $240
  - Laser engraved w/ college seal
- **Arm chair** $240
  - Black with gold college seal
- **Boston-style rocker** $240
  - Black with gold college seal
- **Thumb back side chair** $134
  - Black with gold college seal
- **Optional chair personalization** $20
  - Available up to 2 lines

**BSC Mirror**
Featuring Picture of Boyden Hall
$165

**BSC Stoneware Mug**
White stoneware mug with red college seal
$5.00

**Other items for sale!**

- **Crewneck sweatshirt** - 90% cotton, 10% acrylic; athletic cut, grey with red Bridgewater Alumni Association (BAA) logo; L or XL - price is $28.00; **Bridgewater Polo Shirt** - 100% cotton white with embroidered BAA logo; L or XL - price is $25.00; **Bridgewater Portable Umbrella** - Red/white nylon panels with BAA logo; price is $15.00

To order fill out name and address form below then indicate item and send a check including shipping (Add $2.00 for purchases under $35.00; $4.00 for purchases $36 to $65; and $6.00 for purchases $66 to $100; $35 for chair shipping.) Mass. residents add 5% sales tax. Send to BAA, P.O. Box 13, Bridgewater, MA 02324. Make checks payable to the Bridgewater Alumni Association. To order with VISA, MasterCard or American Express, use form below or call us at 508-697-1290. Expect 6-8 weeks delivery for mirror and chairs.

**Membership Services Survey**

The Membership Committee of the Bridgewater Alumni Association (BAA) exists to maintain the integrity of outside services offered to alumni. In order to assess the current system, the committee would like to know more about what type of services our alumni may be interested in. Please take a moment to complete the survey below and return it to the Bridgewater Alumni Association, P.O. Box 13, Bridgewater MA 02324. Please check off the items you would be interested in seeing the BAA provide to all:

- Life insurance Options
  - Individual
  - Family
  - Medical Insurance
  - Automobile Insurance

- **Purchase of College Merchandise** - what items would you like to see available?

- **Credit Card Services**
  - Yes
  - No

- **Use of College Facilities**
  - Kelly Gym
  - Moriarty Swimming Pool
  - Maxwell Library
  - Moakley Center
  - Career Planning and Placement

I am interested in serving as a volunteer
- to help plan alumni events in my area
- to act as a class secretary
- help fundraise for my class
- work on my class reunion committee
- represent my class on Alumni Council
- to be a mentor for Career Planning and Placement
- to help the Admissions Office (identifying or meeting or corresponding with prospective students or hosting a reception)

Please be sure to include your name, address, and telephone number. If you check an item, a member of the BAA will contact you with more information. Your comments and suggestions are most welcome!
Friday, May 31, 1996
2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. - Welcome Back Reception
plus Registration for the Class of 1946
Davis Alumni Center, 25 Park Terrace
Alumni and guests are invited to come by!
Guided tours of the campus will be provided

4:00 p.m. -- Dedication of Stearns Memorial Gate
(across street from Rondileau Campus Center)

6:00 p.m. -- Dr. Mary Jo Moriarty Lecture
Dr. Marcia Anderson, professor of movement arts,
health promotion and leisure studies at the college,
and head athletic trainer, is the featured speaker

6:30 p.m. -- 50th Anniversary Dinner, Class of 1946

Saturday, June 1, 1996
9:00 to 11:00 a.m. -- Registration for All Classes
Flynn Dining Commons, Tillinghast Hall

9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. -- Continental Breakfast for All Classes
and Alumni Council
Flynn Dining Commons, Tillinghast Hall
Update from Louis M. Ricciardi, ’81, Alumni Trustee

11:00 a.m. -- Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association
Horace Mann Auditorium, Boyden Hall
Martha Drinkwater Jones, ’64, Alumni President, presiding

12:15 p.m. -- Parade of Classes to Tillinghast Hall
Lunch in Tillinghast Hall

Immediately Following Luncheon -- Class Meetings

2:00 to 4:00 p.m. -- Art Building Open for Special Exhibit
2:30 to 4:30 p.m. -- Alumni College Session
"It Was the Best of Times . . .," a lecture on the life of Charles Dickens by
Dr. Iain Crawford, chairperson, Department of English
Davis Alumni Center

Following the Session -- Formal Tea
Hosted by the Class of 1946 in the Davis Alumni Center

4:00 p.m. -- Reunion Celebration for Social Work Graduates
and the Bridgewater Professional Network Group
Social Work and Management Science Graduates Invited,
Rathskeller, Campus Center

4:00 p.m. -- Alumni Mass, Catholic Center

5:00 to 6:00 p.m. -- Presidents' Reception for All Alumni
Davis Alumni Center

6:30 p.m. -- Individual Reunions for Classes of

For more information call 1-508-697-1287.
Bridgewater students Arthur Cox and Angela Luna are the 1996 recipients of "Student Achiever Awards" which were presented at the seventh annual Hall of Black Achievement (HOBA) ceremonies on Saturday evening, January 27. Mr. Cox and Ms. Luna, who are active in many campus organizations, were recognized for their many contributions to student life at the college. More than 300 people attended this gala event.