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Dear Alumni and Friends,

Several years ago a graduate of Bridgewater presented us with a gift for the archives, a book published about the college 100 years ago, which contained a profile of the school at the close of the last century. Bridgewater was a far smaller institution then – the enrollment was just over 200 students, the faculty numbered about a dozen and the entire campus consisted of four buildings sitting on a quarter acre of land. Teacher education was the sole academic program offered.

Now we are about to close out another century, and as we all know, the intervening decades have brought us remarkable growth and change.

We are today a college of 9,000 full-time and part-time students – the largest state college in Massachusetts – with a full-time faculty that numbers 260. On a campus encompassing 240 acres, there are 29 academic and residential buildings, with a new residence hall, dining facility and athletic complex scheduled for construction over the next two years.

Then as now, teacher education remains our preeminent flagship academic program, but all together, contemporary undergraduate and graduate students can choose from among more than 100 majors, minors, concentrations and certificates. That list will expand again next fall when the current major in Management Science – with more than 1,200 students enrolled, and significant growth expected to continue – is separated into a major in Management Science and a major in Accounting and Finance.

But what has not changed at Bridgewater is just as interesting as what has, especially with regard to our core values and institutional priorities. For example, the little book contains glowing tributes from past graduates about the quality, caring and support provided to them by the faculty – the same expressions of gratitude that I hear so often about the faculty from our current students and alumni. Clearly, the talent and dedication of Bridgewater’s faculty are as recognized and appreciated in 1999 as they were 100 years ago.

There are also comments from leading citizens of the day praising the school as a valuable educational and cultural resource for its neighboring cities and towns. Although the region and its needs are vastly different today, Bridgewater’s commitment to serving Southeastern Massachusetts remains the focus of our mission. Even though our graduates have more geographic flexibility than those of an earlier day, close to eighty percent of Bridgewater’s alumni still choose to live and work in the Commonwealth after graduation. As a public college, we will always have a vital interest in the region’s and the state’s educational and economic health and prosperity.

Finally, in the book’s collection of remarks by the students, alumni and faculty of that day one cannot miss the enormous pride they felt as the school approached its 60th anniversary. Now that Bridgewater’s 160th anniversary is nearly at hand, we can affirm that our predecessors did not exaggerate Bridgewater’s profound influence for good. Before and since, thousands upon thousands of lives have been positively changed because of Bridgewater.

The college will soon commence service in yet another century. It is useful at such a milestone to reflect on where we have been, where we are, and where we are headed. For my part, I believe that respect for Bridgewater’s mission and stature will only continue to grow because that is the legacy we are all working so hard to achieve. At some point – perhaps when the turn of another century approaches – those of a future generation will look back at us, and at what we together accomplished. They will conclude, I’m certain, that we passed along to them, as was passed along to us, an outstanding institution of higher learning. I thank you for all that you are doing to make this possible.

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And They’re Working to Secure a Solid Future for Their Beloved Alma Mater —
Each in Their Own Unique Style.

by Paul E. Kandarian

Frederick Clark’s Contributions Are Remarkable

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redrick W. Clark says he is a rarity, a political science major who is actually knee deep in the science of politics, and has been ever since he was chief justice of the student court at Bridgewater State College in the early 1980s.

“How many political science majors actually get into politics?” he laughs from his corner office on the third floor of the spectacularly located U.S. Courthouse on the Boston waterfront that visually cozies up to the city skyline on one side and the shimmering harbor on the other.

And he remains entrenched in politics. As J. Joseph Moakley’s district director, he is the regional right-hand man for one of the most powerful men in Washington. Mr. Clark of Easton is a 1983 BSC grad who later went on to earn a law degree from Suffolk University. In June of 1998, he was named chairman of the BSC Board of Trustees. He is married to BSC graduate, Carrie Kulick-Clark, president of the BSC Alumni Association. The couple has two boys, Justin, 8, and Derek, 4.

“I was at BSC in 1982 and was running a state representative’s campaign,” Mr. Clark says. “Congressional redistricting at the time absorbed Bridgewater and Easton.

Joe’s people asked me to be his college campaign manager, handling places like Northeastern University, Stonehill College, the University of Massachusetts.”

Mr. Clark did such a good job, Congressman Moakley sponsored him for an LBJ Fellowship in Washington. He continued to work for Congressman Moakley in his regional offices while going to law school, and then began running the popular congressman’s re-election campaigns.

When Mr. Clark graduated law school, he became Congressman Moakley’s legal counsel and in 1994, when the former district director retired, Mr. Clark was tapped to be his successor. He is Congressman Moakley’s top aide in Massachusetts, running three district offices in Boston, Taunton and Brockton.

“Joe’s a great guy, that’s why I’ve never left the Moakley fold,” Mr. Clark says. “You can do a lot for people in a job like this. The way we work in district offices is less legislative and 100 percent constituent oriented. You get calls about barking dogs, a contractor wanting a multimillion defense department contract in the district, and just about everything in between.
Congressman Joseph Moakley and Mr. Frederick Clark

"The big thing," he says, "is you can make a difference in people's lives, from putting oil in their tank for heat to finding a lost Social Security check. A woman in South Boston called once about cars parking up on her sidewalk and wanted a cement pole put in so they wouldn't park there. I called around and pretty soon, there's a pole in the sidewalk. That's why Joe's been in office 25 years."

Mr. Clark has been on the BSC Board of Trustees for four years, and was vice chairman for three. He sees three major objectives for the board and the college.

"The first is to fight for a respectable level of funding from the State House," Mr. Clark says. "We now have the largest enrollment of any state college (9,161 graduates and undergraduates), but in per-student appropriation, we are dead last ($4,400-$4,500, according to BSC's Office of Institutional Research). That's wrong, and it needs to be overcome."

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The second challenge is testing, looking at the skill level of students who want to be in the teaching program. Those students are being helped to boost their skills, he says; the state mandates an 80-percent pass rate, but it is now 55 percent, he says, meaning a lot of work needs to be done.

"The third is raising the admitting standards to college," Mr. Clark says. "The Board of Higher Education is pushing it up, it's already harder to get in college. The state is shooting for a 1025 average SAT by 2001, but very few area school systems have averages that high. It's good to raise standards, but I worry about disconnecting from the ability to reach as many students as we can."

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Not by a long shot, it turns out. In the early '90s, he says he was troubled by seeing millions of federal dollars helping private schools and knew that BSC could use some. He called around, found out that there was actually $10 million extra floating around in the budget at a time when a technology center at BSC was being discussed that would cost, coincidentally, around $10 million.

Congressman Moakley came through and today the technology center on campus bearing his name is hooking up students and teachers worldwide. There is no other facility like it on the East Coast, Mr. Clark says, and it still holds the title of landing the largest federal appropriation of any college in U.S. history.

"The center," Congressman Moakley says, "turned this sleepy little college into an important technology center. People used to not make a big deal out of going to Bridgewater, but now I meet them all the time, they shake my hand and say they're a BSC grad and proud of it."

As is Mr. Clark. "BSC is opportunity, and that means something to me," he says. "We have to do everything we can to present that opportunity to others. That's why I'm involved."

Carrie Kulick-Clark Working to Get More Alumni Involved at BSC

The change in her life's mission was really a choice Carrie Kulick-Clark felt was easy to make. A 1985 BSC speech communication graduate and current president of the BSC Alumni Association, she was working for the state welfare department as a reform program manager, helping people but putting in insanely long hours.

"I loved the job, but the hours were crazy," says Ms. Kulick-Clark, wife of fellow graduate Frederick W. Clark, class of '83 and chairman of the BSC Board of Trustees. "Sometimes I'd get home at 2 AM and have to be back in the office at 7:30."

It was decision time, Ms. Kulick-Clark says, and a no-brainer at that.

"I decided that at the end of my life, what I do is what I want to be remembered for," she says from her office at Braintree High School where she's been a guidance counselor since September."
decided welfare would always be getting reformed, but that my kids would not remember that I was a piece of something. They'd just remember I was never home.”

Last year, Ms. Kulick-Clark graduated from BSC again, this time earning a master’s degree in education in counseling. She interned at Brockton High School and became a counselor in Braintree in September. She’s never looked back.

“I’ve never regretted it,” she says of a job that allows her much more time with the couple’s boys, Justin, 8, and Derek, 4. “Not for one second.”

She says her education at BSC (she gives special credit to speech communication professor Susan Miskelly) helped her enormously in her work.

“This job and my old one use all of my skills. Speech communication is basically a method of thinking, how you develop it and what I learned at BSC helps,” she says. “Being a guidance counselor is interesting, it’s something different every day. It’s scheduling issues, personal issues, the what-do-I-want-to-do-with-my life issue for a lot of kids. You help them, even if just referring them to other resources. You don’t open any doors for them you can’t close.”

Ms. Kulick-Clark considers herself as an aggressive person, always joining clubs and organizations at BSC, and admits she’s a list freak. At the couple’s Easton home, she hangs up an ‘a’ and ‘b’ list, the first being the top priority of things to do, with the second less important, but eventually moving up to ‘a’ status when tasks are accomplished.

“Actually, I’m the ultimate extrovert, while Fred is, or was, an introvert. He’s much more outgoing now,” Ms. Kulick-Clark says with a laugh.

How they met is testimony to her outspokenness. Mr. Clark was in his last year at BSC and his future wife wanted to ask him out. Their lives literally crossed paths as they’d traverse on the path across from what is now the Moakley Center going in different directions, and in spring of 1983, on Mr. Clark’s absolute last day as a student, Carrie Kulick stopped him and said, “If I asked you out, would you say no?”

Mr. Clark said he would not, to which Ms. Kulick responded, “OK, I’ll call you in two weeks. I’m kinda busy right now.” They were married at St. Clement’s Church in Ms. Kulick-Clark’s native Medford on July 11, 1987.

Ms. Kulick-Clark is forever grateful to her school, saying “BSC was, more than anything, open arms. They’d go out of their way to help you, even after you left. I came back to give back.”

She says there are 32,000 BSC graduates who live near the campus, a powerful base upon which to draw help for the alumni group.

“We have three basic things we’d like to do,” she says. “One is increase publicity in the form of a handbook for alumni, so they’ll know what’s available to them and how to get it.”

The second, she says, “is keeping the lines of communication open through a newsletter to alumni council members,” and also by doing a survey in the magazine that would ask graduates, “What would you bring back to BSC?” in terms of expertise or knowledge that could help others.

“We also want to do more outreach to the alumni, more reunions, activities, things like that,” she says.

Mostly, she says, “My goal is to get people (alums) who were never here before. We’ve got a lot of new people in the pipeline, and that’s good. The board has 18 alumni and the Alumni Association Council about 60 members. We want more people, active people with ideas who want to work.”

She says when she comes back to BSC, it reminds her of what’s important in life, “who you are, where you want to be. You see the students, the world is their oyster. It’s funny, but as you get older you feel your choices are limited. But you go back, see the kids, you know that’s not true.”

Her degrees are some of her proudest possessions, she says.

“You go into the world with a BSC degree, you stand in the same line as people with Harvard degrees, you make the same money,” she says, adding with a smile that “about the only difference is the size of the student loan you have to pay back.”

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BSC Alumnae Hoop It Up for a Career

by Karen White

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Barbara Stevens

12-year Bentley Coach Enjoys National Success

She stayed at Clark for seven years, then accepted a full-time coaching position at the University of Massachusetts - Amherst in 1983. She jumped over to Bentley in 1986, and there she's stayed. At Bentley, Ms. Stevens' Division II team has played in six Final Fours, eight Elite Eight tournaments, won nine Northeast 10 regional conferences and this month Ms. Stevens became the winningest Division II women's basketball coach.

Through her career, Ms. Stevens has discovered that the secret to coaching is not knowing the "Xs and Os," but in knowing people. "In order to effectively coach them as players you need to reach them as people," she said. "Get to know them, let them know you are behind them 100 percent. That old school of 'my way or the highway' doesn't work anymore."

Looking back, Ms. Stevens remembers being inspired by women athletes; her high school coach, Rita Castagna, also a BSC alumna, who demonstrated a love of teaching and coaching; and her BSC coach Regina Gross, who encouraged her questions about coaching.

In turn, Ms. Stevens shares her knowledge of sport and coaching with the younger generation. She talks at high schools, at captains' conferences and other athletic gatherings on the importance of leadership and the opportunities available to women in sports.

"If anyone calls me, I try to help out. Basketball has been very good to me, and I am glad to give back as much as I can to basketball," she said.
Cecelia DeMarco
Girls Have Always Loved Hoops, says Yale Coach

Plenty has changed in women's basketball over the past few decades, but one factor remains the same. "Girls today don't love it any more than we did 20 years ago," Cecelia DeMarco said.

At Yale University, where Ms. DeMarco has been head coach for eight years, women's basketball is skyrocketing and "everyone's jumping on the bandwagon," she said. "Basketball is a premiere sport for women athletes," she said. "We can't say we're step by step where the men are, but they had a big head start. As far as popularity of the sport, I say, 'The sky's the limit.'"

An East Boston native, Ms. DeMarco was drawn to BSC on the strength of the school's physical education department. She played on the lacrosse team and was involved in student government. But her biggest deal was basketball. Ms. DeMarco and her BSC teammates won four state championships and played in two national championships.

"It was a great time, a time when women were just getting involved on the national level. It was the beginnings of true competition," she said.

As a new graduate, Ms. DeMarco taught and coached at Bishop Fenwick High School in Peabody, leading her basketball team to an impressive 54-4 record.

"The reason I took that job was that I was arrogant enough to think I could be a head coach," she recalls, laughing. "I wanted to coach; I knew that. I enjoyed teaching in the class, but I couldn't wait for 2:30 to come."

She then coached for nine years at the University of New Hampshire, leaving to return to BSC as director of athletics. As much as she loved her alma mater, Ms. DeMarco just wasn't happy behind a desk. After three years she left BSC for the second time for the coaching position at Yale. She returned to BSC last fall to accept her induction into the college's Athletic Hall of Fame.

"Bridgewater continues to teach me things. When I was in administration, it taught me that I was missing out on that daily contact with the kids. When I was a student, it taught me about teaching, and coaching is all about teaching," she said. "I'll always keep Bridgewater close to my heart. My life would have been very different if I hadn't gone there."

Judith Blinstrub
Women's Basketball Means Business at Babson

Judith Blinstrub always knew she wanted to be involved in sports. She's taken that desire and molded herself a career that encompasses both the courtside and the administrative side of college athletics.

At Babson College, Ms. Blinstrub is the head basketball coach, head soccer coach and associate athletic director. She likes both aspects of athletics, and if she had to give up any part of her job, it would be the soccer.

"I'm happy at Babson. We had a new facility put in seven years ago, I've been promoted and have been doing administrative work for four years," she said. "The career has changed, but the location has stayed the same."

A Newton native, Ms. Blinstrub played on the BSC basketball team for three years, graduating in 1977. She spent a year teaching at a public high school before moving to Brimmer and May, a private school in Chestnut Hill. There she wore even more hats than she does today — she was a physical education teacher for grades K-12, the athletic director, and coach of the basketball, lacrosse and field hockey teams.

A former student who was attending Babson called up Ms. Blinstrub when the coaching position became available, and she moved to the college. Right from the
start, coaching the basketball team was a challenge.

"Babson is a business school. Only 35 percent of our student population is female," she said. "My first year we had eight women on the basketball team. When I first came here it was never even in the back of my mind that we would go to the NCAA."

But the team did, reaching the Sweet 16 two years in a row. Rather than scrapping for players, the school now actively recruits student athletes. More women are also becoming involved in business and heading to the school. Now Ms. Blinstrub has another problem — having to cut to keep the team at 15.

She’s happy to be a role model to her young charges. She encourages students to participate in sports not just for the physical benefits of athletics, but for the lessons it teaches about life.

"Being involved in a sport is the best thing you can do to become a total, overall person," she said. "People involved in sports are great leaders and work well in the workplace. They know about being on a team and playing with all the different kinds of people who are on the team. It teaches them to relate to people, teaches them how to deal with things in everyday life."

Kathy Delaney-Smith

Harvard Coach Has Always Made Great Waves

Kathy Delaney-Smith sums up her career simply. "I was a swimmer. I made waves," she said.

And those were pretty big waves. While teaching and coaching basketball for 11 years at Westwood High School, Ms. Delaney-Smith filed four grievances. She wanted equal opportunity for female athletes in the gym and weight room, equal coaching salaries and new uniforms for the girls' basketball team, which was forced to share the same set of woolen kilts with two other school sports teams. Her actions were not applauded by all. "I paid the price for doing that," she said.

Occasionally colleges looking for a coach would call Ms. Delaney-Smith. She asked them all one question — what do you plan to do about gender equality? All the schools failed the test miserably.

When Harvard University called, the question was posed again. But this time, the answer was different. "I was one of millions with misconceptions about what Harvard was," Ms. Delaney-Smith said. "I thought they were not committed to their women’s athletic programs. After talking to them, I realized my perception about Harvard was wrong."

Ms. Delaney-Smith started with Harvard in 1982 as a full-time coach with two assistants. "I felt that I had died and gone to heaven," she said. Since then her team has broken old records and set new ones. Her Division I teams were the first to win the Ivy League basketball title, won a record six titles and accrued the longest winning streak in Ivy League history.

It’s an amazing accomplishment for a woman who never even played basketball. While at BSC, Ms. Delaney-Smith was a synchronized swimmer, a fact she doesn’t often admit. At that time, BSC didn’t have a women’s basketball team, only a basketball “club.” Upon graduation in 1971, Ms. Delaney-Smith sought out high schools with a pool, determined to be a swimming coach.

During her interview at Westwood High, Ms. Delaney-Smith was asked if she would coach the basketball team too, and with confidence she replied "Absolutely." After about seven years, she left the pool for good, deciding she preferred the communication and team chemistry found in basketball.

Perhaps she was fated for a career in basketball. Ms. Delaney-Smith’s mother, Margaret Delaney, was a high school and youth program basketball coach and referee. A woman ahead of her time, Margaret Delaney believed that girls should have equal opportunity in sports “long before there were any laws that said so,” her daughter said.

Her mother’s determination and focus has shaped her daughter’s life, through all the struggling and the grievances and the successes. “Our society still has to do a better job,” said Ms. Delaney-Smith. “I still see women athletes discriminated against. It’s changing rapidly, but I knew such enormous growth wouldn’t happen overnight.”

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M
arie A. Ficociello learned a lot about heartache while at Bridgewater State College. Not the kind of heartache associated with young love, moonlit nights and betrayed emotions, but the literal kind of heartache that accompanies heart attacks, strokes and cardiovascular diseases.

Ms. Ficociello, a 1992 BSC graduate, is operations supervisor of cardiovascular services at Morton Hospital and Medical Center in Taunton, a department that uses the highest high-tech equipment available to study and monitor the workings of each patient's heart.

Hook a patient up to an ultrasound machine and there it is – his heart. The heart beats, fluxes, moves and pulses clear as day on a monitor, just as if the technician put on a pair of Superman-strength X-ray glasses and stared right inside the patient's chest.

If there is a hole in the heart or a misworking valve, a cardiology technician will find it. Other tests can show how much damage a heart sustained during a heart attack, stroke or auto accident. Technicians can determine how strong the heart is and how healthy the arteries are. The information is as accurate as possible and can keep patients from experiencing life-threatening heartaches of their own.

While echocardiography is not new, such intense study of the heart due to advanced technology is new. The Morton cardiology department is an example of the emerging trend toward preventive rather than reactive medicine. Experts in the medical field are discovering that studying and treating health problems earlier rather than later can keep patients healthy and out of the emergency room.

"It's a quality-of-life issue," Ms. Ficociello said. "Some diseases are in your genes. You can't do much to prevent them, but you can make the disease less significant."

The field is so new that Bridgewater State College was one of the first area schools to offer study of the science, through the Department of Movement Arts, Health Promotion and Leisure Studies and the exercise science and health/fitness major program. The strength and good reputation of the program drew Ms. Ficociello to BSC, along with Jeffrey Desjardins, a 1993 graduate, and Kristy (Wilbur) Wyman, a 1998 graduate, two of her coworkers in the Morton cardiology department.

These three aren't the only BSC graduates to find their way to Morton Hospital. Alumni Elizabeth Anger and Deborah Michaud also worked in cardiology at Morton before moving on to new jobs. Ms. Anger is an echocardiographer at Rhode Island Hospital, and Ms. Michaud is a nurse and does rehab at Sturdy Memorial Hospital and Miriam Hospital.

Five of the department's six cardiac rehabilitation interns have also come from BSC.

How did so many BSC graduates end up at Morton in the same department? "It's simple," Ms. Ficociello said. "BSC graduates are experts in the affairs of the heart."

"The education at BSC really trained me well. When I was studying for my master's at Tufts and Emerson, some classes were so easy because I had such good preparation," she said. "We take people from BSC because we know what they know. They know the heart."

The graduates might have ended up in the same place, but they entered the program with far different expectations. Ms. Ficociello was into medical marketing, searching for a career that would allow her to tout the benefits of preventive medicine. Mr. Desjardins thought
his future was in sports medicine or athletic training. Ms. Wyman just wanted to get started in the medical field.

They were drawn into cardiology through their studies at BSC, along with experiences gained during college internships at area hospitals. They had high praise for their BSC instructors in the Physical Education Department, who encouraged the students to ask questions. Even in tedious subjects such as anatomy and physiology, the professors were “inspirational” and “motivating,” with one instructor daring to climb on top of his desk to rouse attention from the class.

From college to graduate school to hospital, the excitement of the emerging field has been contagious. “This is an up-and-coming profession,” Ms. Ficociello said. “Kids want something new and exciting and are looking to enter this profession right out of college. It also provides for good job stability.”

Ms. Wyman, a member of the ‘95 BSC softball team that came in second at the national championship, is enjoying her time in the cardiology department. To her, the profession is a foot in the hospital’s door. “This is giving me a good sense of working in a hospital,” she said. “I’m able to ask doctors any questions I want and learn a lot. From here I plan to go on, perhaps get my nursing degree.”

Mr. Desjardins, the department’s registered cardiac sonographer, was first exposed to cardiac testing while interning at Brockton Hospital, and later went on to receive his associate’s degree in cardiovascular testing.

“Physicians need to be tuned into the benefits of echocardiography and what it can do for them,” he said. “It can make diagnoses more accurate. Rather than just an EKG, the science and technology of an ultrasound allows for a really nice and accurate final diagnosis.”

The new field may be exciting for its students, but others are stumped about the use of studying “exercise science.” Mr. Desjardins and Ms. Ficociello heard the comments constantly – “So, what are you going to be, an aerobics instructor? A gym teacher?”

But the uses of exercise science studies go far beyond the gymnasium. Not only can it lead to demanding professional jobs in hospitals, such as in the Morton cardiology department, but the uses of a medical science background are endless. Others have gone on to become pharmaceutical sales representatives, worked at health clubs, run clinics and dispensed information on nutrition at health fairs. Graduates of the field have become health counselors for large industries or applications specialists who teach hospital employees how to work the latest piece of equipment.

There’s another point that people just don’t understand. Almost daily, the BSC graduates hear it. “You’re so young,” patient after patient proclaims.

The graduates just sigh and laugh. Sure they’re young, but after all, it’s a young field. “When I worked at Mass. General I was interviewed by the chief of cardiology. He said he liked younger people because cardiology is a changing field, and young people are open to change,” Ms. Ficociello said.

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Col. Kay Telford, ’50, USMC (Ret.), received a Special Recognition Award from BSC at a national reserve officers association convention in Boston on July 4th for her work on the Henry Reilly Scholarship Committee. The Committee awards scholarships to dependents of military personnel. Gathered at the presentation were Reserve Officers Association President Col. Herbert Harmon, USMCR (Ret.); award presenter Capt. Richard Cost, USNR (Ret.); BSC’s vice president of institutional advancement; and Col. Telford.
Meet Bridgewater State College’s Board of Trustees

By David Wilson, ’71

Under the leadership of Frederick W. Clark, the 11-member board is a blend of veterans and future leaders forming a uniquely diversified, yet coherent mix dedicated to advancing the mission of public higher education at Bridgewater State College.

As the student trustee, Kevin Doherty has taken a step beyond the Student Government Association he has served on in the past. But he said he would always keep in mind that he’s on the Bridgewater State College Board of Trustees to be the voice of the students.

“The focus (of the board) is more on issues pertinent to the college as a whole,” Mr. Doherty said. “But as a student, I definitely represent the body thereof.”

A psychology major in his junior year, Mr. Doherty is no stranger to student government and campus involvement. In the past, he has served as resident-at-large and commuter-at-large on the SGA. This year, he is a resident assistant on campus.

His experiences as both a resident and commuting student have given him insight into issues important to both groups. And whether they live on or off campus, all students are concerned about having a voice at the college, he said. One of Mr. Doherty’s goals is to improve communication between students and administration to make sure that voice is heard.

“I am hoping to open up more communication lines,” he said.

Toward that end, he is encouraging his peers to become as involved as they can in their student government, housing associations and other organizations. Such involvement from students will ensure that “information flows both up and down,” Mr. Doherty said.

Mr. Doherty plans to voice student concerns about the new alcohol policy to be implemented this year, and to possibly propose a midday break in the class schedule to allow time for lecture series or other extracurricular activities. Such a break would make it easier for commuters to take advantage of activities usually held at night, he said.

After graduation, Mr. Doherty is considering attending law school, an aspiration he hopes to marry to his interest in forensic psychology. For now, he is focusing on his academic career and service to other students as student trustee.

“I inherit a lot of responsibility just by having access to all these people (on the board),” he said.
Mr. Eugene J. Durgin Jr.

Mr. Eugene J. Durgin Jr. is among the most senior members of the Board of Trustees, having first been appointed in 1991, and he also served four terms as the board’s chairman.

Looking back to those early days, back to a time when he and Bridgewater were initially becoming acquainted, he recalls a series of pleasant surprises. “When I came on the board eight years ago I hadn’t realized up to that point how large an institution Bridgewater actually is, nor was I fully aware of the breadth and depth of its academic programs. In particular, I remember how very impressed I was by the quality of the college, and especially the quality of the student body. I enjoyed being educated about Bridgewater.”

In turn, Bridgewater was to benefit significantly from Mr. Durgin’s extensive business expertise (he has been involved in Boston’s financial markets for more than three decades and is currently senior vice-president of a major investment-banking firm). Mr. Durgin is willing, year after year, to lend his time and energy to helping strengthen the college and boost public recognition of its achievements.

“The reason I’ve stayed on the board so long is that I always come away from a Bridgewater visit feeling I know more than when I arrived,” he explains. “That’s true whether it’s a meeting of the board or a convocation ceremony or some event that I’ve attended. I’ve honestly never had one instant when I didn’t consider it a pleasure and a privilege to be involved in Bridgewater. It’s been an honor.”

Mr. Durgin was born in Boston, raised in Quincy and a product of private education. He graduated from Archbishop Williams High School in Braintree and earned a bachelor’s degree at Boston College. Mr. Durgin began his career at the Bank of Boston in the mid-1960s and then moved on to BayBank, where he worked for twenty years.

“In terms of the financial world, that was a very different time,” he says. “The level of awareness that the (Eugene Durgin continued on page 16)

Mr. Paul Finn

Mr. Paul Finn, Esquire, is among the most recent appointees to Bridgewater’s Board of Trustees – Governor Cellucci approved his nomination in June 1998. As a thirty-year resident of the area and the proprietor of a business based in nearby Brockton, he brings to the position strong local ties and direct, personal knowledge of the region and its needs.

“I look forward to the opportunity to serve as a trustee at Bridgewater because I know how important the college is to the educational and economic health of Southeastern Massachusetts,” Mr. Finn says. “I have to admit, however, that until I became a trustee I wasn’t aware of just how large a student body we have, nor how many different academic programs we offer. That Bridgewater had grown so much, and had such a diverse curriculum, came as a surprise to me. I was impressed.”

Mr. Finn is originally from Boston and is a graduate of Boston Latin School (his classmates included House Speaker Thomas Finneran, former Sheriff of Boston Dennis Kearney, and former Boston city councilor Larry DiCarra). He earned a bachelor’s degree in history from Stonehill College, a law degree from The New England School of Law, and a master’s degree in government from Harvard University.

After practicing law for more than a decade, Mr. Finn joined with two other lawyers in 1989 to establish a new company, Commonwealth Mediation and Conciliation, Incorporated, in Brockton. By January 1992, the business had grown to the point that Mr. Finn decided to close his legal practice and devote full-time to the firm.

“What we do as a company has been around for hundreds of years, but only in the last fifteen years or so has mediation and arbitration become for-profit enterprises,” Mr. Finn explains.

What is the difference between mediation and arbitration? Mr. Finn has personally mediated or arbitrated more than 2,000 cases over the past eight years. He explains: “In arbitration, parties to a dispute sign a (Paul Finn continued on page 17)
Mr. Paul Gannon

Gannon was hired immediately by Arthur Anderson, one of the world's premier management consulting firms, and then joined discount retailer Hills Department Stores as vice-president for information technology, where he stayed for nearly a decade.

In 1990, Shaw's Supermarkets—which was then already one of New England's largest and fastest-growing supermarket chains—offered Mr. Gannon the position of vice president for information technology. He was promoted in 1996 to senior vice president for finance, administration and systems. This past October he was appointed executive vice president of real estate and marketing for the firm, which has 126 stores in the Northeast and employs more than 22,000 people not including its recent acquisition of Star Market.

In this new position Mr. Gannon has overall responsibility for advertising and promoting Shaw's products—"what you sell and how you sell it"—and also for

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Mr. David Jenkins

Harvard Business School, followed by service in the Navy—went to work at the firm, but by then, he says, the company was already experiencing difficult times.

"The Jenkins Company originally made materials for a shoe industry. As that business started declining, however, we started making materials for the automotive and electrical industries in an effort to keep it alive," he says. "In fact, I had written a paper while in my second year at the Harvard Business School suggesting we take the business out back behind the barn and put it out of its misery because it was going to go fast anyway. That was in 1956, but it took another 25 years before the industry simply couldn't support an enterprise of that sort any longer."

The company was sold in 1974 and Mr. Jenkins moved to the Brockton Public Markets to work for Mr. Stanton Davis (for whom the Davis Alumni Center at the college would later be named). When asked if it was a

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Since his graduation from Bridgewater in 1959 with a degree in English, Trustee Richard Lombardi has been involved with public education as a teacher, coach, counselor, administrator or — since his retirement — as test administrator for the federal government. “I’ve always enjoyed working with young people. From my years in high school, it was known that a career in education would be my goal. Returning to the classroom as I have in the last couple of years after such a long absence is regarded as quite a privilege for me,” said Mr. Lombardi.

Mr. Lombardi began his career at Mansfield High School, and after five years of teaching, an unsolicited opportunity came his way. “The superintendent of schools stopped me in the corridor for a brief chat and announced an impending vacancy in guidance, extending an invitation to come to his office to explore it further if I were interested. I was happy as a teacher, but in a few days I became inquisitive about what they do in guidance and followed up on the invitation.” Within a year’s time, he obtained the required certification and spent nine years as a guidance counselor in Mansfield, a period he describes as “very satisfying personally and professionally.”

His first appointment to an administrative position was at Bridgewater-Raynham Regional High School, where he was director of pupil personnel services and special education. In his brief time there, he chaired the committee which redesigned the testing program, grades 1 through 12; saw the development of a special reading program; revamped the articulation program for incoming students into the high school; and wrote the initial program for special needs students to meet the requirements of the then brand new Chapter 766.

“My wife, Berle, and I were blessed with four very bright and capable children (Rick-American International ’82; James-Yale ’82 and B.C. Law School ’89; Matthew-Bentley ’86; Lori-Stonehill ’89), and we became highly concerned that my income may not keep pace with the needs of my family, especially as college years approached,” he explains. After three years at Bridgewater-Raynham, he left and entered into a

Dr. Judith Block McLaughlin brings to Bridgewater’s Board of Trustees a lifelong involvement with higher education and the expertise of someone who has devoted an entire professional career to the study of how colleges and universities function in our society.

“I literally grew up in higher education,” explains Dr. McLaughlin, who is on the faculty at the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University and is a nationally-recognized authority on higher education governance. “My parents were both faculty members at the University of Florida. My father was a chemist in the chemical engineering department and my mother was a writing specialist in the law school. My earliest memory of their work was my father’s participation in the founding of the state of Florida’s — and the University of Florida’s — chapter of the American Association of University Professors.”

Although she was very young, the recollection of those days remains fresh in her mind. “This was in the fifties when the state of Florida had its own equivalent of the McCarthy Committee, called the ‘Johns Committee.’” she continues. “Its purpose was to ferret out those suspected of being communists, atheists, homosexuals and other ‘evil influences’ in education. So my initial interest in higher education governance really had to do with the complexity of these issues, and my first vantage point on higher education came from the faculty and revolved around questions of academic freedom. I think I can say that if higher education wasn’t in my genes it was certainly in my environment.”

While Dr. McLaughlin has subsequently spent a good part of her life affiliated with both public and private colleges and universities, she emphasizes more her personal ties to the public sector. “I’m personally a product of public higher education. I earned my undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and didn’t experience private higher education until I attended Harvard University for my master’s and doctorate degrees.”

Whether in a public or private college setting, one constant in Dr. McLaughlin’s professional work is her interest in studying how the higher education enterprise

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Few of us know or have ever met anyone with as many facets to his life as Trustee John Rennie. This class of '58 U.S. Naval Academy graduate and former Navy test pilot (with more than 500 carrier-based landings to his credit) spent ten years serving his country. When he reentered civilian life in 1967, he joined with two high school classmates to build from scratch what has become a $120 million company. Meanwhile – in addition to all of this – he has devoted the better part of the last two decades to his dual passions: helping to support small business growth in America and strengthening public education in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

"I've led an interesting life," admits Mr. Rennie, who is currently vice chairman of AverStar, Inc., a new company formed last year as a result of a merger between Pacer Systems (later Pacer Infotech) — the company he and two other Matignon High School graduates formed with $10,000 in capital — and Intermetrics, Inc., a software corporation.

Although in terms of age Mr. Louis Ricciardi, class of '81, is among the youngest members of the college's Board of Trustees, he is the eldest member in terms of length of service – he is now in his tenth year on the Board, and served as its chairman for four consecutive terms. "It's been a long time but an immensely rewarding time for me," says Mr. Ricciardi, who is a senior vice president of the investment firm of Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, Inc. "Bridgewater is my alma mater. I've always considered it a privilege to serve the college."

Because of his longevity on the board, he has an unmatched perspective on the board's involvement in the many changes that have taken place at Bridgewater over the past decade. When asked which decisions or events he would identify as the "most significant," he doesn't hesitate in answering the question because he has extensive first-hand knowledge of each.

"When I look back and see how far the college has come under President Tinsley's leadership, it's clear to me that a major turning point occurred in 1989, which was the start of her first year at Bridgewater, when the board decided to accept her reorganization plan for senior staff," he recalls. "I don't think it's possible to overestimate both the difficulty with which that was put forward, nor the 'angst' which the president and the board experienced as they struggled with this, but it came down to affirming her attempt to move the college into a new era. It certainly forced some members of the board itself to assess their roles and why they were in those positions. In the end, the board's support of the plan enabled her to set the tone of her presidency, and significant progress followed. In retrospect, this was a watershed event."

On the academic front, Mr. Ricciardi points to the establishment of the three schools – Arts and Sciences, Education and Allied Studies, and, most recently, Management and Aviation Science – as "truly pivotal developments in the life of the college" with long-term positive consequences.

The oldest of nine children, Mr. Rennie grew up in the Neponset section of Boston, attended Matignon in Cambridge, and, after earning his commission from the Naval Academy, earned his wings as a naval aviator. Four years of duty with a carrier-based squadron in the Pacific followed, and then he was selected for the ultra-prestigious U.S. Navy Test Pilot School. After graduation, Mr. Rennie spent the next four years as a test pilot and flight test program manager. These were the early years in the development of computer-based airborne electronic systems, and while accumulating more than 5,000 hours of flight time, he became proficient in the application of advanced technologies to fighter planes and other aircraft.

When Mr. Rennie left the Navy he first went to work for Raytheon at the company's Bedford Laboratories as a senior systems engineer and program manager, involved with the development of
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If one were to look at the full list of community services, philanthropic activities, and projects of public benefit which have taken place in the greater Bridgewater area over the past several decades, the name of Matt Striggles would be identified with many of them.

A member of the college’s Board of Trustees for seven years, Mr. Striggles has also been a two-term member and chairman of the town’s board of selectmen, a Plymouth County Commissioner for twelve years, a 25-year member of the housing authority, a leader in the effort to build recreational facilities for area youth and an active participant in a host of groups and organizations which provide support for individuals and families.

He is also a chairman of the Plymouth County Extension Service, an executive board member of "Handi-Kids," which operates a camp for special needs children, is a member of the United Way and the Old Colony Planning Council, a former coach at the Scotland Field in Bridgewater, chairman of both the local and county Republican Committees and served a long term as the elected Lord Mayor of the Scotland area of Matt Striggles

Mr. Matthew Striggles

Bridgewater. He also served for fifteen years as a member of the Old Colony Council of the Boy Scouts of America and — in addition to all of this — is the recipient of a service award from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

“T’ve always enjoyed being involved in community activities,” says Mr. Striggles. “It’s a long tradition in my family. My grandfather used to work six months of every year to support his family and then devote the other six months to serving his community. My mother was a schoolteacher who taught for very little money and spent just about every waking hour helping anyone she could. It’s what is expected of me.”

For the past five years, Mr. Striggles has been the assistant director of the state’s Designer Selection Board, a job that takes him into Boston every day. Prior to that, he owned and operated his own business in town for more than 25 years while maintaining a wide range of community activities.

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public has, as well as the level of awareness that institutional investors have, about the dynamics of the equity market — domestic and international — has reached a height that would have been unimaginable even a decade ago. And the growth of assets has been just phenomenal.”

Now, as senior vice-president of Freedom Capital, an asset management firm that he joined five years ago, he says his position “primarily involves marketing our investment products to the institutional market. Freedom Capital is a very prominent player in providing investment services to the Massachusetts Public Retirement Fund Community and other assorted labor and institutional funds.”

This is not a line of work for the weak at heart, he admits. “Twenty or thirty years ago, if you were conservative and averse to risk, you invested mostly in bonds, and once in awhile in stocks, but only in the ‘blue chips.’ Now people consider a risk-averse portfolio to be diversified across bond portfolios, stock portfolios, international portfolios, real estate portfolios and even venture capital portfolios,” he says. But the rewards can be significant. “Last year we achieved the first three consecutive years of equity market returns better than twenty percent, and if things keep going the way they have been, we’ll likely add a fourth year as well.”

Although the rewards of being a college trustee are less tangible, they are by no means insignificant, Mr. Durgin says. “Seeing the college grow over the past eight years has given me a great sense of satisfaction. I value tremendously the chance I had when I was chairman of the board to shake hands with every graduate at Commencement as he or she crossed the stage and was handed a diploma. I enjoyed so much looking those young, and some not so young, folks in the eye and seeing the enormous sense of pride in their expressions. I’ll always remember those experiences with warmth and gratitude.”

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management of Shaw’s extensive real estate properties.

“Shaw’s is a terrific organization with very significant growth potential,” he says. “Over the past six years the company has doubled in size, and its future is extremely bright.”

On the personal side, Mr. Gannon and his wife, who make their home in Milton, have three children (ages 17, 15 and 10), all of whom attend Milton public schools. “My eldest daughter is starting to make her college plans now, so being on the Board at Bridgewater is helpful to me in learning more about current issues in higher education,” he states. Mr. and Mrs. Gannon have also welcomed foster children into their home.

As far as the college itself is concerned, Mr. Gannon says he enjoys being a trustee at Bridgewater because “I’ve been tremendously impressed by the people I’ve met here and the quality of the college’s academic programs. There’s so much more here than I knew about before I became a trustee. In my opinion, this is the jewel of the state college system.”
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contract in which they agree to submit that dispute to an impartial third party neutral, who listens to both sides and then gives them a written decision.

"Mediation," he continues, "is where parties to a dispute agree to submit the claim to an impartial third party, and that third party tries to help the parties resolve the disagreement through their own devices, rather than letting someone else make the decision."

Typically, his work involves "business disputes, partner disputes, construction claims, workmen's compensation, and civil injury claims," and he says he prefers this to the practice of law because "There's something new every day and, unlike my days as a lawyer, there are no disgruntled clients. Plus, I don't have to take the work home with me because the average case is settled in two hours. It's definitely a good business."

In addition to being a good business for him, Mr. Finn says it's also good for his clients. "In arbitration and mediation, as opposed to going to court, you have a date and a time when your hearing is going to take place. You know the matter is going to be settled, one way or the other. I hear the claim and then render a written decision within two weeks. If you go to court, you have a date but you can't be sure the case will be heard then, or when it will be settled."

What if one party doesn't like the arbitrator's decision? "It's contractual. Both parties agree to abide by the outcome," he answers. "The only way an arbitrator's decision can be overturned is if fraud or bias on the part of the arbitrator are proven, or if the arbitrator did something outside the scope of his or her authority. It's very, very rare for this to happen."

To be successful in this field, one must be adept at negotiation, and Mr. Finn hopes he can use this skill as a member of the Board of Trustees. "I like helping people resolve their differences, and I expect that, from time to time, issues will reach the Board that call for us - where appropriate — to make a decision in order to settle a problem," he says. "Since this is what I do every day, I'll certainly be willing to help negotiate an amicable resolution. A college community, like any community, works best when everyone works together."

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partnership in the field of construction to build homes. "What I did not see coming was the destabilizing effect on the industry of steadily increasing interest rates — eventually reaching twenty-one percent at a point — and the housing market disintegrated rapidly in the area," said Mr. Lombardi.

Mr. Lombardi, reversing an earlier decision, returned to the field of education. "I was fortunate in that I was offered the position of director of fiscal affairs in the Easton Public Schools, but within months of my appointment, Proposition 2 1/2 was passed by the Legislature. This exigency required my drawing a most austere budget for the system that was subsequently adopted by the school committee and the town. Many teaching positions and three administrative slots were eliminated, my own among them." He stated that, "This was the most devastating activity of my career and others in the field across the Commonwealth who were involved in a similar exercise."

Given a short reprieve of one year in Easton, Mr. Lombardi took a position of business administrator with the Harwich Public Schools on Cape Cod.

Over time, he would develop a broader set of skills and understandings of school administration and finance. Colleagues in another school system who were operatives together for many years sought his input into their end-of-year financial report. Mr. Lombardi related that "This multifaceted document can be likened to a very extensive tax return. Your ability to strategically place expenditures properly within it, may enhance, or limit, entitlement-reimbursement dollars to your city or town. I enabled them to considerably increase their dollar returns." Another avenue was opened and he established a full-time educational consultancy, correct this time that the endeavor would prove more lucrative for his family.

When he made the decision to formally retire in 1996, he thought his involvement with public schools would be finished. "It was not expected that I would return to education, but then I was contacted by a party in the Office of Personnel Management in federal government service and given the opportunity to become a test administrator for the abilities test which it supports," he states. Once again this new position has given him direct service contact with students. "I test most juniors and seniors in approximately forty-five high schools in southeastern Massachusetts," he explains. "I still enjoy working with kids. I didn't know how much I really missed the classroom."

Once again, the OPM has tapped Mr. Lombardi to be the site coordinator for the northeast section of the country who oversees the schedule of activity involved with the selection of candidates who have applied for positions in the Presidential Management Internship Program in Washington, D.C. He will perform his related duties full time during the month of February 1999. One hundred fifty-eight candidates will be processed. "These candidates come very highly recommended by their colleges and post-graduate schools for the program, resulting from strong academic performance and demonstrated high interest in the activity of government in Washington." Mr. Lombardi was first appointed to the Board of Trustees by Governor Weld in 1992 and reappointed by Governor Cellucci in 1997. He as been named to several subcommittees including budget and finance, academic affairs, facilities planning, presidential review and executive committees.

"As a member of the Class of '59, Bridgewater then had a student population of about 800. Now, the college with its highly expanded faculty supports a student population of nearly 9,000. As a trustee, I have been a part of the recent growth in several areas — the purchase of all the land parcels on and around Great Hill, the building of the Moakley Center, the reactivation of the Old Colony Rail Line with its station directly on campus, the computerization of all offices on campus and the remodeling of some of our older buildings. With the building program taking place within the next five years, another spurt of growth will be realized — and university status may be just around the corner."

"I am proud to be an alumnus of Bridgewater and to serve with Dr. Tinsley and her very capable team of administrators as a trustee of this great institution," Mr. Lombardi states.
Given his leadership of many years in town affairs, Mr. Striggles' presence on the board has been a decided asset in the building of good relations between the local community and the college. "I've always considered it part of my mandate as a trustee of the college to be a liaison with the town, to help each understand the other's position on issues," Mr. Striggles explains. "Both the town and the college have experienced tremendous growth in the time that I've lived here, and that growth will continue. I think town-college relations are very good right now and that's because people in Bridgewater and at the college work very hard to cooperate."

Mr. Striggles was born in Florida, educated in Georgia, and came to Boston right out of high school in 1944 to begin working in the dry-cleaning industry for several years before becoming a stockbroker. He moved his family to Bridgewater in 1960, after his attempt to build a home in Randolph was blocked by those opposed to a minority presence in that community. "So I came to Bridgewater, formed a corporation and started a construction company. We bought land and got a lot of options for more land. We wanted to give people of any color or race the opportunity to own property if they wished," he says.

In 1968 he opened his own dry cleaning business, which he and his wife Gloria managed as well as raising four sons. That was his occupation during the day – his evenings, weekends, vacations and holidays were filled with scores of public service activities.

Looking back over a half century of such involvement, Mr. Striggles is characteristically modest about his achievements. "I grew up in that kind of environment," he says. "I always understood that I had an obligation to give something back. I couldn't have lived my life any other way."

functions. Because of her special background, she can relate to virtually all constituencies.

"I've had a wonderful opportunity to view higher education from multiple perspectives, initially as a 'faculty brat,' but also as a faculty member myself and as an administrator. I served as dean of student affairs at two colleges, and prior to that worked in residence life and lived in the dorms," she says. "In addition, I do extensive consulting in the field of higher education, often with boards of trustees. So I feel very fortunate that I've had different experiences that help me understand higher education, and especially higher education governance."

At Harvard, Dr. McLaughlin is a full-time member of the graduate faculty — she teaches master's and doctoral students in the School of Education. She also doubles as an administrator (Harvard asked her this year to take the leadership in the creation of a new master's degree program in higher education).

In fact, it is thanks to her combination of skills that today Harvard has one of the country's most popular and innovative programs for new college and university presidents.

"Early in my career at Harvard I had the chance to work with David Riesman," she says, referring to Harvard's famed sociologist. "The research we did led to writing of a book entitled, 'Choosing a College President: Opportunities and Constraints,' which was published in 1990 by the Carnegie Foundation."

In the process of gathering information for the book, Dr. McLaughlin discovered how alone many new presidents feel in their positions. "In my research for the book, I spent a fair amount of time interviewing people after a search was concluded, including the new president and senior officers on the board," she explains. "I would ask, 'How are things going now?' and when I spoke with presidents, they were eager to talk because they really didn't have colleagues with whom they could share their issues."

That experience led her to develop the "Harvard Seminar for New Presidents," which offered its first session in 1990 and is now a well-established and highly praised program. "Every summer we bring approximately 40 to 45 brand-new college and university presidents to Harvard from all across the country to talk about the challenges they face in the presidency," Dr. McLaughlin says. "We bring together this extraordinary group of people at a critical moment in their professional lives. We introduce them to each other and to experienced presidents and others who can serve as resources. That's where I first met Adrian Tinsley, who participated in the first summer program we offered, and that's where one could say my relationship to Bridgewater began as well." With a schedule that's full of teaching assignments, writing projects, scholarly research, private consulting and raising a family (she and her husband, Ted, a clinical psychologist, have two school-age children), one might wonder how Dr. McLaughlin finds the time also to be a college trustee.

"Actually, at the time I was approached to be on the board at Bridgewater, two private colleges asked me to be a trustee at their institutions," she says. "The choice for me was very clear, even though being a trustee at a private college would have been much easier. Private college boards meet fewer times each year. Because there is no 'open meeting' law, it is possible for trustees to have candid conversations among themselves. Also, boards of trustees at private colleges often have triple the number of trustees, so one's absence from a meeting is unlikely to threaten the need for a quorum."

"But even taking all this into account, I knew that in this state, if I had to make a choice between contributing my time to a public institution of higher learning versus a private institution, I would choose the public college. I say this because I believe in the mission of public colleges and the need for a strong, vibrant system of public higher education. Growing up in the South, I saw that public higher education in that region is accorded a great deal more respect, appreciation and acknowledgement for its contributions than it is here. That's true for a lot of reasons but the point is, it's a fact," she states. "Consequently, I felt that if I were to contribute to any level of higher education, with the limited amount of time I have to do that, I would accept appointment as a trustee at a public college."

"Within that," she continues, "I was happy to be part of Bridgewater's board because I've admired this college for a long time, and in particular I've admired Adrian Tinsley's leadership and the strength of the community here. I'm proud of my association with Bridgewater, and as a trustee, I think it's essential to feel a close bond with the institution and have a real commitment to it. As someone who studies higher education, what I see happening at Bridgewater is very exciting. There are high quality people and programs here."

Such words of approval, coming from a trustee who is also one of the nation's most respected and knowledgeable higher education authorities, is indeed an important endorsement.
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hard adjustment to move from shoes to food, Mr. Jenkins has a quick answer: “Actually, the transition wasn’t hard at all. It was wonderful to go to a growing business like food after being in a shoe business that by then had just about disappeared from this region. I enjoyed the supermarket business very much.”

The feeling must have been mutual because in 1977 he was asked by Mr. Davis to become president of the company, as well as a similar company operated by Mr. Davis’s brother, Halsey, in Portland, Maine, called the George C. Shaw Company.

“I declined those separate jobs but said I would consider becoming president if they would put the two companies together,” says Mr. Jenkins. “They agreed it was probably time to put the two companies together anyway, and that’s how Shaw’s Supermarkets came into existence.” Mr. Jenkins served as president, chief executive officer, and later chairman of Shaw’s during the years when the company expanded dramatically.

After retiring from Shaw’s in 1995, Mr. Jenkins began devoting more of his time to serving non-profit organizations and also began working in the venture capital field. “My wife is very active — for the past seventeen years she’s been a volunteer at the Cranberry Area Hospice and she also has her own business, ‘Little Folks Limited,’ making clothing for small children. Neither one of us is retired in any formal sense,” he says.

From his home in Duxbury where and he and his wife settled after his discharge from the Navy and then raised their family, Mr. Jenkins maintains a busy and demanding schedule. “I want to use my time where I can be most helpful,” he states. “I’ve been a trustee at my alma mater, Wesleyan University, for a dozen years and am an emeritus trustee there. When the invitation to become a trustee at Bridgewater came along, I was interested to see how my previous experience could be useful.”

Now in his fourth year as Bridgewater a trustee, he is satisfied he made the right decision to join the board. “I have a great admiration for President Tinsley and the team she’s assembled,” he explains. “I think the progress that the college has made under her leadership has been remarkable. It’s been rewarding for me to be a part of the board during this period.”

Several decades of managing the growth of a large-scale business in a highly competitive market has given Mr. Jenkins a keen eye for organizations that work successfully. “I am very optimistic about the college’s future, both short-term and long-term,” he says. “Bridgewater has in place the people, the programs and the facilities to remain a leader among its peers. Plus it has a clear vision of where it wants to go. That’s a very impressive combination of factors.”

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shipboard and airborne systems for the Navy.

Over the Christmas holidays in 1967, he and his high school classmates, one a lawyer and the other the manager of a family-owned nursing home, decided to form a new company that would capitalize on Mr. Rennie’s engineering expertise. “We didn’t have much money but we had an idea, and that centered on the introduction of general-purpose digital computers into airborne operations. Because of my background — I had been writing Fortran code since 1964 — we were, fortunately for us, far ahead of everyone else at the time in this aspect of the business.”

With an initial contract from the Navy, Mr. Rennie and his classmates “bootstrapped the company up from that,” eventually building Pacer Systems into a professional and technical services company that sold systems to the government. “Basically, we designed, developed, tested and supported computer-centered systems, initially mostly in aircraft and in particular having to do with the anti-submarine warfare mission, which I knew the best.” Over the years Pacer’s work expanded to ships, land-based command and control centers and other systems.


Once Pacer had achieved financial stability in the 1970s, Mr. Rennie, its chairman, agreed with his partners that an appropriate role for the CEO was, in his words, “to give back to the community.” He initially became involved with the Smaller Business Association of New England, a regional organization active on behalf of small businesses, regionally and nationally, and eventually became its chairman. Later he became chairman of National Small Business United, which had a broader national focus, and he spent what he describes as “a lot of time” in Washington, D.C., advocating on behalf of small business interests. A term on the board of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the chairmanship of the Small Business Foundation of America came later.

In the early 1980s, Mr. Rennie combined his work on behalf of small businesses with another area of interest — public education. “Pacer was located in Burlington, Massachusetts, and we teamed up with the Burlington Public Schools to form an educational partnership that flourishes today,” he says proudly. Impressed by the results of that partnership, officials at the state’s Department of Education asked him in 1985 to serve on a committee to foster small business-education partnerships in other parts of the Commonwealth. By the early 1990s, there were more than 6,000 such partnerships across the state (making Massachusetts second only to California in number).

In 1988, working with other civic-minded business leaders, Mr. Rennie helped form the Massachusetts Business Alliance for Education, an organization whose main goal was, he explains, “to generate school reform — a real effort to change the system.” Ten years later, the Alliance remains one of the state’s key private sector supporters of quality public education for all of the Commonwealth’s students.

As the father of five grown children — “all of whom went through the Bedford public schools” — and grandfather of four, he says the years he has spent in the effort to improve education are “probably the most important investment I’ve ever made.” He feels that way, he says, because “As someone who’s been in business for thirty years, I know how crucial it is to have skilled, knowledgeable workers,” he explains. “But as a parent and grandparent, I care even more about the need for high standards in our schools. If we’re going to give our children and grandchildren all the opportunities they deserve, we have to begin by giving them the strongest educational foundation possible.”
BSC Employees Honored at Performance Recognition Awards

This year marked the 15th annual Performance Recognition Awards Program Dinner during which we celebrated the accomplishments of employees who, through their ingenuity and dedication, have developed unique ways to provide high quality services to the citizens of this commonwealth.

This year, four individuals and one group from Bridgewater State College have received this award for their outstanding achievements as exceptional public employees. They are: Mary Delgado, continuing education; Dr. Vernon Domingo, earth science and geography; Dr. Susan Holton (who has also been nominated for the Manuel Carbello Governor’s Award for Excellence in Public Service), communication studies and theatre arts; Catherine Parris, facilities department; and the user support division of information technology, which includes Jim Kirby, Linda Beith, Fera Karakaya and Marie Hopkins.

On Thursday, October 8, these employees, along with recipients from other state agencies, were honored at a dinner at the Sheraton Hotel in Boston where political dignitaries thanked all the honorees for their service. Each recipient received an individually engraved marble pen set (groups receive a plaque) a Commonwealth Citation for Outstanding Performance signed by the governor and President Tinsley, and a Performance Recognition key chain.

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"Whether this will lead eventually to Bridgewater gaining university status or not is, to me at least, not as important as the very fact that creating three schools within the college was an excellent move, both strategically and organizationally," he says. "As a result of this, Bridgewater is far better able to respond to the needs of students and faculty and, on a broader scale, to the needs and expectations of the region and the state. In the years to come, I think historians of the college will rank the establishment of these schools high on the list of Bridgewater’s most important milestones."

In a similar way, Mr. Ricciardi believes that the campaign to raise private funds for the construction of Alumni Park, the opening of the Moakley Center and the purchase of land for future growth—all of which took place between 1993 and 1997—also mark turning points in the life of the college.

"These developments followed some hard years for the college, years when our budget from the state had been cut dramatically and public support seemed to evaporate," he says. "We needed a boost. I was chairman of the board at the time, and in the conversations the Board and I had with President Tinsley, we agreed that we ourselves needed to start making things happen."

In relatively short order, things did start to happen. "When Congressman Joe Moakley was able to secure a $10 million federal grant to build here what became the Moakley Center—one of the finest educational technology facilities in the nation—that was a major turnaround for us," he continues.

"Then we mobilized our alumni and friends to fund the construction of Alumni Park, which was the largest single privately supported construction project ever undertaken by a state college in Massachusetts at that time.

"The third event—the purchase by the college of more than 40 acres of land to assure space for the college’s future growth—was another significant, long-range event, and we have the diligent planning and better cash management by our senior administrators to thank for that," Mr. Ricciardi states.

"We learned some important lessons from these developments," he says. "The success of these efforts taught us that we could take charge of our destiny. We gained a large measure of self-confidence in our ability to accomplish what has to be done in order to make the college stronger. Our philosophy became, ‘you’ve got to beat us because we won’t quit.’"

For himself, Mr. Ricciardi says what he has enjoyed most about his years on the board is participating in what he refers to as "the changing expectations of trustees," which he describes as a maturing process.

"There has been a marked change in how trustees view themselves and their responsibilities over the past decade, and I think that’s been enormously healthy," he says. "At board meetings, the trustees, president and her vice presidents all engage in helpful, sometimes ‘spirited’ debate that moves the right issues in the proper direction. Not only do the trustees see themselves differently, but also I believe the administration, the faculty and the campus community as a whole relate to us in a better way than they did previously. People may disagree with us, but I don’t hear many of them saying we’re aloof, or that we’re not involved, or that we don’t understand the issues. There is a professionalism to the way the board conducts its affairs that genuinely makes me proud to be a member."

After two five-year terms as the Alumni Association’s representative on the board, Mr. Ricciardi’s service as a trustee will be completed this spring, but he will still have a prominent presence on campus because two years ago he was elected chairman of the college’s foundation. "This has been such a positive learning experience for me. I don’t look forward to leaving the board, but knowing we have so many competent and caring people on the board, and a great chair in fellow alumnus, Fred Clark, now makes the transition easier for me. A lot of good has happened and I believe that more is on the way."
Academic Year Opens with Convocation

Convocation is among the oldest and most cherished of academic traditions, dating back to the founding of the first universities in Europe. Here the faculty, students and staff gather to celebrate the opening of a new academic year. Convocation at BSC provides an opportunity for the campus community as a whole to express its pride in the accomplishments of its seniors and to extend to them best wishes for continued success and achievement.

Members of the class of 1999 received good wishes and encouragement not only from the college administration, but also from alumnus Charles Nechtem. A 1976 graduate of BSC, Mr. Nechtem went on to attend Columbia University and to found a company now known as Oasis Health Care which employs more than 4,500 people in the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

Mr. Nechtem said BSC students should never feel as though they are second best compared to students who attend Ivy League schools. Initially concerned about making the transition from BSC to Columbia, Mr. Nechtem said his fears quickly evaporated.

“You know what I found out? They’re no smarter than you students at Bridgewater,” he said. “You guys have it all over them, because you’re not spoiled and you work hard ... It’s not where you went to school, it’s your depth, it’s your integrity, it’s who you are and what you can give.”

Mr. Nechtem recounted the jobs he held to support himself during his years at Columbia, as well as the many rejections he suffered before finding his first client after graduation. He shared with the students seven points he said could help them achieve success, including practicing meditation, watching less television and holding on to their dreams.

“Always believe you can make a difference,” he said. “And you know what? You will.”

Senior class president Kerri Frotten urged her classmates to enjoy the coming year, their last at BSC. “Make the most of this year,” she said. “Before we know it, it will be a memory.”

Faculty and staff who have been with the college for 25 years were recognized for their service to the college and their accomplishments. “As 25-year veterans, you are the true heroes of Bridgewater State College,” said Chairman of the Board of Trustees Frederick Clark.

Mr. Charles Nechtem, ’76

The honorees were presented with a commemorative silver medallion, designed by Professor John Heller of the Department of Art. Each medallion bears a likeness of the Boyden Hall bell tower on one side, while the reverse is inscribed with the name of the recipient and their starting date of employment. The following members of the campus community were presented with medallions.

Tracy A. Baldrate, Professor
Department of Special Education and Communication Disorders
August 26, 1973

Dr. Baldrate earned his bachelor's degree from Bridgewater State College, his M.Ed. from Boston College, and his Ed.D. from the University of Alabama. He is especially proud of the work he did in developing a special education program for adults that has met weekly on campus for more than 10 years. Many students volunteered for the program that served mentally retarded and other special needs adults. In the future, Dr. Baldrate plans to do further study and research in the area of classroom management. He says he has remained at BSC for 25 years because he very much enjoys working with the group of students who attend the college.

Dale Crowley, Staff Associate
Department of Biological Sciences
August 26, 1973

Dale Crowley earned his bachelor's degree in biology from Bridgewater State College and is responsible for teaching freshman labs at the college for both biology majors and the general student population. In addition to teaching the labs, Mr. Crowley has also been involved in designing the labs for students enrolled in BI 100 and is co-author of the manual "Doing Biology," which goes along with the course. Dr. Walter Hewitson is the other author of the manual. In addition, Mr. Crowley has written all the exercises included in BI 122, a class for freshman biology majors.

Joseph H. Huber, Professor
Department of Movement Arts, Health Promotion and Leisure Studies
August 26, 1973

Dr. Joseph Huber earned his bachelor's degree from West Chester State University, his M.A. from the University of Maryland and Ph.D. at the Ohio State University. He developed and is director of the college's Children's Physical Developmental Clinic (CPDC). Since 1974 the CPDC has fostered professional development and community service skills of BSC students while addressing the physical and motor needs of children with disabilities. Among his other honors, Dr. Huber is the recipient of the William A. Hillman Jr. Distinguished Service Award by the National Consortium for Physical Education and Recreation for Individual with Disabilities.

Margery A. Kranyik, Professor
Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education
August 26, 1973

Dr. Kranyik holds a B.S. and M.S. in Music Education from Western Connecticut State University and a Ph.D. from Boston University. Her greatest pleasure in the past 25 years, she says, has been watching her students transform from student to teacher. Dr. Kranyik delights in supervising their practicum experiences and sharing their growth process with cooperating practitioners throughout the region.
Michael J. Kryzanek, Professor  
Department of Political Science  
August 26, 1973

Dr. Kryzanek received his B.S. from Marquette University and his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He is the founding editor of *The Bridgewater Review*, the college's scholarly magazine. He is the author of six books on Latin American politics. A resident of Whitman, he is also the long-time host of a Media One television program which features interviews with public and elected officials. The program raises thousands of dollars annually for college scholarship funds that are distributed to area high school students. He and his wife, Carol, are the parents of three daughters.

William C. Levin, Professor  
Department of Sociology and Anthropology  
August 26, 1973

Dr. Levin earned his B.S. and M.S. from Boston University and his Ph.D. from Northeastern University. In the years he has been at Bridgewater his research and writing interest have focused on issues of discrimination and prejudice, including two monographs on the topic, which have led him to publish on the topics of prejudice against the elderly and, most recently, on educational late-blooming in America. He has enjoyed using the lessons he learns as a teacher at Bridgewater State College to publish texts for classroom use in the areas of social psychology, introductory sociology and statistics.

Marie C. Murphy, Assistant Director  
Office of Public Affairs  
December 17, 1972

Ms. Murphy earned her bachelor's degree from Bridgewater State College. Over the past 25 years she has held several positions with the Public Affairs Office where she has worked on publications, media relations, and marketing and advertising for the college. In her current position as part of the marketing team, she works on college publications that will enhance the visibility of the college. She has served on numerous college committees.

Charles C. Nickerson, Professor  
Department of English  
August 26, 1973

Dr. Nickerson earned an A.B. in English from Harvard College and his B.Litt. and D.Phil. from Oxford University, also in English. Dr. Nickerson developed the Honors Program at Bridgewater State College which attracts academically talented students from all areas of study. He also developed and coordinates the Bridgewater-at-Oxford Program.

Dorothy M. Pulsifer, Associate Professor  
Department of Art  
August 26, 1973

Professor Pulsifer earned her B.S. and M.Ed. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. She came to the college with broad experience teaching art to special needs students. Working with art education majors continues to be one of her responsibilities, but she has taught extensively in ceramics and foundation courses as well. She has also taught a course sequence in glass, which she developed. She has served three times as the chair of the art department. An active potter and glass artist, an exhibition of her work was recently displayed at the college.

Delija J. Valiukenas, Professor  
Department of English  
August 26, 1973

Dr. Valiukenas earned her B.A from Hunter College and her Ph.D. from Brown University. Dr. Valiukenas' primary focus is Shakespeare studies; however, her interest in multicultural studies led to articles in Lithuanian language journals and the development of an English course in non-western literatures. She is presently involved in the development of an interdisciplinary Holocaust studies program at BSC.

David K. Wilson, Staff Associate  
August 5, 1973

Mr. Wilson earned his B.A. from Bridgewater State College and his M.A. from Harvard University. He has worked in several different campus offices over the past 25 years, including public affairs, institutional advancement and the president's office. He and his wife, Elizabeth, are the parents of two children, Timothy, a senior at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst and Beth, a sophomore at Bridgewater.
Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees

On October 16, 1998, the college inducted six alumni into the Athletic Hall of Fame at the 12th annual ceremony. These individuals were chosen by a selection committee based on their contribution to and participation in Bridgewater State College athletics. Excerpts from the evening’s program follow:

**Gary Camarillo** was the punter and placekicker for the Bears football team from 1984-86. During those three seasons he accounted for 113 points (27 field goals, 32 PATs) and was selected to NEFC All Conference team each season. His kicking talent was a major offensive weapon for the Bears during those seasons when Bridgewater was more known for its defense than offense. He still holds school records for best punting average in a season (37.5 ypg, 1985) and a career (37.2 ypg). He holds the record for most field goals in a game (3), season (12) and career (27). He also made the longest field goal from 49 yards in 1985 vs W. Connecticut State. Today, Gary and his family reside in his hometown of Pico Rivera, CA where he is a fireman.

**Cecelia DeMarco** played both basketball and lacrosse for four seasons at BSC. She led both teams in scoring as a junior and senior while leading the women’s basketball team to three state championships. Basketball was her love both as a player and soon-to-be coach. Following her graduation in 1973, Cecelia went on to be head coach at Bishop Fenwick High School (1973-76). She joined the college ranks in 1976-77 as an assistant coach at Washington State where she earned her master’s degree in sports psychology. She then returned to New England to become head coach at the U. of New Hampshire for the next nine seasons. There she compiled a 135-86 record earning Converse District I “Coach of the Year” honors in 1983 after a 24-7 season. She left UNH in 1987 to return to Bridgewater State as the Director of Athletics until 1990. Then, in 1990, she returned to the coaching ranks at Yale where she is now entering her ninth season as head coach. She is presently Yale’s all-time winningest coach and has an overall career coaching record of 233-197 in 17 seasons. She resides in New Haven, CT.

**Dr. Thomas Knudson** had been a fixture at Bridgewater State College from 1966 until his retirement in May, 1998. A professor in the movement arts, health promotion and leisure studies department, Tom also coached men’s basketball for 14 seasons at BSC from 1966 until 1980. He is the winningest head coach in the men’s basketball program which dates back to 1905-06 with 145 wins. His winningest season came in 1974-75 with a 21-6 record. Off the basketball court, Dr. Knudson has been active in international studies during his tenure at BSC. He has made numerous trips to England, India, China, Vietnam, Korea and Russia to teach both physical education and athletics. He and his wife, Daphne, currently reside in Bridgewater, MA.

**Tim Mann** is the most honored male track and field athlete in Bridgewater history. A four-year participant in the track program, he went on to earn NCAA All American honors in the long jump (1988, ’90, ’91) and the 100m and 200m dash (1991). He still holds the BSC records for the triple jump (45’ 8.25”), long jump (24’ 10”), and 100m dash (10.75). He was also the anchor leg of the BSC record-setting 4x100m (42.66) relay team. Since his graduation in 1992, Tim competed in the Bay State Games and now resides in Chestnut Hill, MA.

**John McSharry** was a four-year member of the Bears basketball program from 1971-75. He is currently ranked 10th all-time in scoring with 1,230 points. He was both the team captain and team MVP during the 1974-75 season when the Bears went 21-6 and played in the NAIA tournament. He even had a professional tryout with the Indiana Pacers following his collegiate playing career. Today, he works with his brothers as part of McSharry Bros., a construction and development company that builds single family homes and condominiums in the area. He has lived in Abington since 1979 with his wife Nancy (BSC ’76) and their four children: John, Thomas, Brian and Lisa.

**Mary Jane Muello** was a three-sport athlete at Bridgewater in tennis (1978), basketball (1977-78) and lacrosse (1976-78). Lacrosse was her first love. She was selected an all star and participated in post season tournaments all three years. She was even selected to the USWLA Lacrosse squad in 1977, 1982 and 1983. Following her graduation in 1978, Mary Jane went on to become a successful teacher and coach at Haverhill High School (1979-81), Dana Hall School (1981-88) and the Wareham Public School system (1988-present). She now resides in Middleboro, MA.

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**Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Form**

The Athletic Hall of Fame selection committee has made applications for nominations available. The form may be found on the college web site under the Alumni section (www.bridgew.edu). To receive a copy, please contact the Alumni Office at (508) 697-1287 of the Athletics Office at (508) 697-1352.
BSC’s Hockey Bears Are Back
By Paul E. Kandarian

They’re not a powerhouse about to break any long-standing collegiate records. They don’t play one of the “in” sports that provide centerpiece games for those backslapping, warm-and-fuzzy alumni weekends. There’s not a lot of glamour in the sport that forces them into the cold three days a week at the ungodly hour of 6 AM to practice in a place that would make most people think they’d stumbled into a huge meat locker.

But the players don’t care about all that because they have their game back: Hockey has returned to Bridgewater State College. And although it’s a club sport, the Bears out there don’t play with anything less than full intensity, especially guys like Greg Rich, team captain and defenseman, a tall, lean and well-spoken young man who, at 6-feet, 4-inches and 200 muscular pounds, hits like a runaway freight train.

It was Mr. Rich, 19, who spearheaded the drive to get hockey back at BSC, according to volunteer head coach Andrew Holman, Ph.D., a native of Canada and assistant professor of Canadian studies.

“He was the ringleader, he got people together to see if he could get up a team,” Dr. Holman said. “He just put out some feelers and then 25 kids showed up.”

Mr. Rich had played the previous season for the Bridgewater Bandits, the local entry in the Eastern Junior Hockey League, a collection of teams with players 16 to 20 years old eager to catch the eye of a college scout in the hopes of landing a scholarship. But Mr. Rich, now a BSC sophomore, knew his Bandit days would be over soon when he hit 20. He knew BSC had had a team way back when, and set out about putting a squad together.

“I went to the athletic department, but didn’t get anywhere, so I just put up a bunch of flyers around campus,” said Mr. Rich, a business major. “People called and it started happening.”

The players who did get involved had all played youth and high school hockey, Dr. Holman said, in places like Rockland, Milton, Canton and Pembroke, all local hotbeds of youth hockey. But then they got to BSC resigned to the fact they’d probably not play organized hockey again for awhile, at least not in college, he said.

“They figured they’d be hanging up the skates forever at BSC, with no team to play on,” Dr. Holman said. “But I didn’t anticipate how deep hockey roots are in Southeastern Massachusetts, and not just the players. We have non-players helping us out in organizing things and doing administrative stuff.”

Mr. Rich had done his homework before tackling the job of reinstituting a long-dormant sport at BSC. He went to yearbooks and saw other teams the Bears had played, and called around to try figuring out what to do. He also found out that long ago, BSC had a good team; many Canadians had come here and landed on the squad, he said.

But it was in 1981 that the ice melted under the Bears, according to Harold Lehmann, retired director of men’s athletics at BSC.

“We just flat ran out of players,” he said. “We had a bunch of good kids from Canada, good players and students, but only ended up with about a half dozen.”

He said the team was a good one, too, playing in the East Coast Athletic Conference (ECAC) against other Division IT schools.

“We had no business being in Division II, though,” Professor Lehmann recalled with a laugh. “Army would come in on Friday to play Boston College, BC would beat them up, and then Army would come get us on Saturday.”

Things went bad after Christmas break in 1981, he said, when several students were ineligible to play due to bad grades, and the team also lost some members to injuries. A few others up and quit, he said, dwindling the team roster to an unplayable number.

“We had to disband,” Professor Lehmann said. “No one wanted to, but we had no choice. We didn’t have the players.”

But they do now, some 17 years later, thanks to the leadership efforts of Greg Rich and the dedication of the more than two dozen other young men on the squad who don’t mind skating at the Bridgewater Ice Arena at 6 AM, three days a week. The schedule is not an easy one. The Bears, in their inaugural season, have found themselves playing (continued on next page)
teams like the Bridgewater Bandits, the Tyngsboro Huskies (another Eastern Junior League squad), Mass. Maritime Academy, Connecticut College, Westfield State and others. All these teams have long-established programs, deeper collegiate pockets to pay for it all (the Bears fork over $260 each to play for their school, not counting out-of-pocket expenses) and more extensive and experienced coaching staffs.

Dr. Holman’s done a good job, but readily admits he’s no Pat Burns (the Bears have lost more than won this season). He had played for his city team in St. Catherines, Ontario, then for an intramural squad at McGill University in Montreal, but only coached a little youth hockey after all that.

“The kids have a lot of experience,” Dr. Holman said. “My role is bringing out what they know and tossing in my experience.”

But the win-loss record doesn’t matter. What does is that the Bears are on the ice again, clawing their way to the occasional victory in hard-hitting, slam-banging style. On the ice for the first BSC homecoming in 17 years, the Bears last November steamrolled their way to an impressive win over Mass. Maritime, with Greg Rich at one point putting his bulk into a crunching blue-line check that flattened an opposing player and turned up the volume even higher on the hometown crowd’s screaming enthusiasm.

“It’s about time Bridgewater got hockey back,” said a raspy Heath Carafa, a BSC senior who with several hundred other students at the Bridgewater Ice Arena was screaming himself hoarse for his team. “These guys worked hard to get it back.”

Search for New Alumni Director In Progress

Upon the departure of Mary Tiernan in October, the college embarked on a search for her replacement. Mary, after serving three years as alumni director, accepted a position as director of donor research for the Archdiocese of Boston. Dr. Richard Cost, vice president for institutional advancement, charged the search committee by stating, “Mary Tiernan set a very high standard of performance for this vital position. I am eager to fill the post with an enthusiastic alumni professional who will continue to work to establish a strong, active program at Bridgewater. We need someone who is good at both charting a course and engaging others in the process.”

At the time the magazine went to press, the search committee had invited several candidates to campus for on-campus interviews and hopes to be able to announce the new director in the next issue. The members of the search committee are John Harper, director of athletics; Carrie Kulick-Clark, president of the Alumni Association; Marie Murphy, assistant director of public affairs; Michelle Poirier, director of major and planned gifts; and Brian Salvaggio, director of career services.
Teacher Testing is the College’s “Most Important Conversation of the Moment”

The good news about teacher testing is that it has prompted national conversation on the issue—a conversation that will likely result in better teacher preparation.

The bad news is the fallout of high-stakes testing, especially the untested teacher test that’s being administered in Massachusetts.

Those issues and others were discussed at the first Bridgewater Institute of the 1998-99 academic year held last fall. Dr. Mary Brabeck, dean of the School of Education at Boston College, was the keynote speaker at the Institute entitled “Helping Our Students Succeed.”

President Adrian Tinsley opened the afternoon by saying, “There’s not a more important conversation we could be having at the moment” and went on to outline external “imperatives” which are converging to create a sense of urgency on the issue.

The teacher testing tops the list. “Not passing is a punishment to those students,” President Tinsley said. “We have got to assist them to pass it at higher levels.”

She also discussed the Board of Higher Education plan adopted in October that calls for higher admission standards for public colleges and establishes acceptable pass rates for all education programs in the state. An 80 percent pass rate has been set for the year 2000, with a 90 percent rate for 2001, with state accreditation of schools of education at stake.

The teacher test is also driving actions about high-stakes testing, said President Tinsley. BSC has been awarded a $250,000 grant by BHE to explore teacher testing issues as well as the possibility of a rising junior exam that would test communication and literacy skills of all education school candidates prior to their entry into the program.

President Tinsley said she has “serious concerns” about high-stakes testing that relate to reliability and validity.

“All standardized tests, even when they are good, do relate in a ladder way to external variants” such as parental income, the president said. “This raises serious questions about the kinds of students we serve and how we can serve them.”

Dr. Brabeck echoed many of President Tinsley’s concerns. “It’s extremely important to hold these conversations across our campuses. The issue is much larger than the teacher test.”

The Massachusetts teacher test and fallout political rhetoric have put the issue on the national agenda, Dr. Brabeck said. “But this is a country that wants to get the simple answers—a pill for a health problem, a test to measure complex capabilities.”

She said the time was ripe to reform teacher education, a movement that has been happening for quite some time. Dr. Brabeck cited several reports on the subject which began with “A Nation at Risk,” authored in 1983. Ten years later, the Commonwealth enacted its Education Reform Act.

Reports authored during this decade suggested reforming teacher education in the following ways:

- Develop a cohort or community of teacher education students—learners integrated into a coherent whole with content including pedagogy;
- Eliminate back-door entry into teacher education programs;
- Mandate teacher tests prior to entry into the field;
- Develop partnerships with K-12 school districts;
- Create more program coherence and experiential learning opportunities.

Concerns brought to the attention of the BHE by the Commonwealth Deans of Education have been largely ignored and questions of the firm that devised the test, NES, have gone largely unanswered, she said.

“Education programs must be held accountable for students they admit and for students they graduate,” Dr. Brabeck said, but there also must be responsibility for the proper use of “indicators of competence.”

“This whole conversation across the country is good news,” Dr. Brabeck said. “If we can ride out the storm of the teacher test… prepare better teachers… this can turn out all right.”

A panel discussion, “Putting the Results in Context,” featuring Dr. Patricia O’Brien, director of Institutional Research at BSC; Dr. Iain Crawford, chairman of the English Department; and Dr. Ann Lydecker, provost and vice president of Academic Affairs, followed.

The audience, comprised of faculty, administrators and staff, then broke into small group discussion panels to address the question “How can we help our students succeed?”

Dr. Susan Holton, professor of Communication Studies and Theater Arts, is the organizer of the Institute.
The Hall of Black Achievement's eleventh annual heritage celebration was held Saturday, January 30, in the campus center ballroom. HOBA, founded in 1987, inducted its first members in 1988 and is dedicated to recognizing the accomplishments of people of color.

Each year, two black historic figures who represent this success are posthumously inducted into the Hall, and other individuals who have had outstanding success in their career fields and represent the goals and missions of the Hall are awarded the Mary Hudson Onley Achievement Award.

The Mary Hudson Onley Achievement Award, named after Bridgewater's first graduate of color, was presented to Mr. Robert C. Hayden. Mr. Hayden is a historian who has contributed to African-American historiography and its literature for thirty years.

His research and writings have been used extensively in public school curricula development and professional development for teachers throughout New England and the United States. Mr. Hayden is president of RCH Associates, a part-time faculty member at the University of Massachusetts – Boston, and a lecturer at Northeastern University, Curry College, and the Art Institute of Boston. He is the author of 14 books and publications on African-American life and history.

Past recipients include the Right Reverend Bishop Barbara Harris, U.S. Attorney General Wayne Budd and international opera star William Brown.

This year's inductees into the Hall, joining such luminaries as inventor Lewis Latimer and Roberto Clemente, were U.S. Olympic athlete Louise Stokes Fraser and choreographer Danny Sloan.

Louise Stokes Fraser, born in Malden, Massachusetts, was a track star in high school. She broke the American record and equaled the world record in the standing broad jump with a leap of eight feet, five and one-half inches at a women's meet held in Roxbury. She is remembered as one of the first two African-American women to earn a place on the U.S. Olympic track and field team in 1932 and 1936.

Danny Sloan, an award-winning jazz-dance choreographer, began his professional dance career in Philadelphia and New York before moving to Boston in the late 60s. He founded the Danny Sloan Dance Company in 1976, which was compared, in style, to New York City's Alvin Ailey Dance Company. Sloan took ideas from the Black experience and used the art of dance to express them to a multiracial community. He elevated the art of jazz dance in a city and region that knew very little about it before he came along. At the time of his death in 1988, he was one of the most prominent African-American choreographers in the region.
For Susan Crowley, class of '74, the time was right to return to school. She set her sights, with certification in grades K-8 and a belief that all teachers need to be computer literate, on the Instructional Technology graduate program at BSC.

There was only one problem. Susan had very little experience using a computer.

"I was apprehensive about entering the program, but Dr. Zilonis assured me that the students in the class had various levels of computer competency," Susan explained.

The Instructional Technology graduate program, which began in the spring of 1998, focuses not on how a computer works, but instead emphasizes how technology can be used effectively in the teaching and learning process.

"No one can be an expert in all aspects of the ever-changing world of technology," said Dr. Mary Francis Zilonis, chairperson of the Department of Secondary Education and Professional Programs and coordinator of Library Media Studies and Instructional Technology graduate programs. "The teachers in this program develop the leadership skills and knowledge to be able to adapt to those changes."

Teachers, working with the state's curriculum frameworks and common core of learning as a base, learn how to integrate technology into their classroom curriculum.

"Teachers have been working in the solitary environment of their classrooms for so long. Now, using electronic mail, satellite transmissions, and the Internet, they can open up their classrooms to the world," said Dr. Zilonis.

Ms. Crowley, a member of the Abington school committee, has watched the school system's spending increase significantly in the area of technology.

"I relied on school department personnel for guidance with our technology plan," Ms. Crowley said. "Now, as a result of my coursework, I know the decisions the school committee has made, regarding technology, are the right ones for the students in Abington."

Ms. Crowley, according to Dr. Zilonis, is an excellent example of someone who will benefit from this program on several levels.

"Ms. Crowley's expanded knowledge, having entered the program with little computer training, will impact her classroom, her own children, and the parents and students she represents as a school committee member," Dr. Zilonis said.

"I want to teach my students to love learning and to give them the tools they need to be lifetime learners," Ms. Crowley said. "That is the best gift I can give to them."

Bridgewater is the second institution in Massachusetts to offer a master's degree and certification in instructional technology.

"Teachers who want to learn how to integrate technology into their classrooms, expand their horizons, and take a leadership role in their schools are ideal candidates for this program," said Dr. Zilonis.
Close Ties to College Maintained Through Charitable Giving

When Johanne "Jo" Smith first began talking to her financial advisor about getting her estate in order, she didn’t know the difference between a CRUT or a CRAT and little about how charitable giving could benefit both her and the institutions that were meaningful to her. A few, brief conversations later (as noted in the accompanying testimonial), Jo was able to make the informed decisions that resulted in a generous gift to Bridgewater State College.

Jo’s long involvement with the college, culminating in the announcement of her special gift, began many years ago. She came to Bridgewater in 1966 as a faculty member in the Physical Education Department. Assisting Dr. Joseph Huber in the Children’s Physical Developmental Clinic from 1973 until her retirement in 1991 was a highlight of Jo’s career. She was honored for her work at Bridgewater State College in 1989, named as a recipient of the Dr. V. James DiNardo Excellence in Teaching Award.

Since retiring, Jo has many interests to fill her time. She is committed to social ministry and is active in the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in North Quincy. Singing in the choir, working out at the local YMCA and traveling to her log cabin in Maine and a winter retreat in Florida bring Jo enjoyment.

Jo looks forward to many years of continued involvement with Bridgewater and expects to enjoy the benefits of her gift for some time. Jo notes, "I was in physical education and expect to live a long time and see my investment grow!"

If you would like more information about establishing a charitable remainder unitrust or any other life income vehicle that will benefit you and the college, please contact Michelle Poirier, director of major and planned gifts, at 508-697-1200 ext. 2694.

A Donor Shares Her Thoughts...

Someone once asked me, "How much do you value what you believe in?" Well, just recently I made some major decisions regarding my will/trust and what I valued in my life. After meeting with my financial advisor and Dr. Richard Cost, BSC vice president for institutional advancement, I decided to include Bridgewater State College as beneficiary in a charitable remainder unitrust. In it I stated that I wanted the invested money to be given to the Children’s Physical Developmental Clinic (CPDC).

As an individual I have always felt it is better to give than to receive and I wanted to give something to the CPDC in appreciation for all it has given me throughout the years.

In talking with advisors and Dr. Cost, I learned that a CRUT (charitable remainder unitrust) or CRAT (charitable remainder annuity trust) would be of much value to me. I chose the CRUT and the advantages included the fact that you can:

- Receive a charitable contribution deduction
- Receive a lifetime income and/or income for your family
- Bypass the capital gains tax
- Provide a larger estate for your family
- Generate income in the trust that compounds tax-free. (Have you ever considered how much faster an asset grows when its income is not subject to any tax?)
- Most importantly, you can provide a meaningful legacy for Bridgewater State College for years to come

I encourage you to think about these options as you plan ahead.

Well, getting back to the original question, "How much do you value what you say you believe in?", my answer was the Children’s Physical Developmental Clinic at BSC. I believe in the mission of the clinic founded by Dr. Joseph Huber 25 years ago.

I am reminded of a quote from an anonymous person:

"Some people come into our lives and quietly go, some stay for awhile and leave footprints on our hearts and we are never the same."

And so... when you examine your heart you ultimately give to those people, those institutions that you value, the ones that have given your life meaning and purpose.

Thank you Bridgewater State College. Thank you Joe, group leaders, clinicians and staff of the clinic. Thank you children for leaving footprints.

Johanne "Jo" M. Smith
Retired Associate Professor of Physical Education
Career Services Calendar of Events

For information on any of the following events, please contact Career Services at 508-697-1328

Get Working with Networking

Alumni Career Exchange (ACE)
March 2, 1999
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Campus Center Ballroom
The Alumni Career Exchange is a networking event designed for seniors to obtain career-related information from our valued alumni. Don’t miss this opportunity to serve as a professional contact for current BSC students.

Gearing Up for the Education Job Search
March 4, 1999
3:30 PM-6:00 PM
Oliver Ames High School, Easton, Massachusetts
"Gearing Up for the Education Job Search" is a program for our education majors seeking their first professional level teaching positions. Superintendents, principals, and hiring officials from the Southeastern Massachusetts area will speak with candidates on the job search, interviewing and the firing process. A networking fair will follow.

6th Annual Job Fair
March 31, 1999
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Campus Center Ballroom
It's time again for our annual job fair! Seniors, alumni, and the Bridgewater community will have the opportunity to meet and interview with over 40 employers from a variety of fields.

Massachusetts Education Recruiting Consortium (MERC)
April 20-21, 1999
This annual education job fair is open to certified alumni and graduating seniors in education. School districts from all over the United States will interview candidates for a variety of teaching and education positions. In order to attend, you must participate in a MERC orientation session. Sessions will be held in the Science Lecture Hall on March 25 and April 5 at 6:00 PM.

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Fall Networking Event — Seniors and Alumni Meet to Talk about the Future

By Wayne Rose

The Office of Career Services, in cooperation with the alumni relations office, sponsored their annual senior-alumni career networking event in November.

This evening of networking, held in the campus center ballroom, provided Bridgewater State College seniors an opportunity to meet with alumni to exchange information, develop professional contacts and share expertise and interests. It puts students seeking information in touch with those who have it.

"This event is for the students. It gives them information they cannot get in a classroom," said Jennifer Datres, assistant director of special programs for career services.

The alumni in attendance were ready and willing to discuss their experiences in a variety of career fields. The returning graduates acknowledged how important the training and education they received at BSC was to their success and expressed their gratitude.

"The reason I am here is to give back to the school and to help students," said Jon Dahlborg, who holds a bachelor's and master's degree from BSC and is the human resources director for Bristol Elder Services, Inc.

The students questioned alumni about the structure of a typical workday, how various professions have changed, and the responsibilities of a "real" job. "I came here to find out what path to take and how the alumni became who they are today," said Scott Curley, sociology major.

Spotlight Panel Series

Every semester, the offices of Career Services and Alumni Relations cosponsor several alumni panel discussions.

These events have been created in an effort to bring together our current BSC students and our valued alumni. The panel discussions offer a forum for obtaining career information and an opportunity to share ideas and make contacts within the field. During the Fall '98 semester, two care areas were highlighted: careers in school and college counseling and careers in aviation.

Left to right: Tony Gonsalves '79, Philip Roberts '78, Christine Tetreault '97, Priscilla Lyons '67 and Bruce Palombo '66 took part in an alumni career panel on school and college counseling October 7th. The event gave students a chance to learn about the job search techniques, trends and hiring procedures in the field of school and college counseling.

The careers in school and college counseling panel was held on October 7 and the aviation panel was held on November 9. Both panels were a great success and we would like to extend our warmest thanks and appreciation to the alumni participants in each of those events.

Professor Michael Farley, standing on the left, was the moderator for the alumni career panel focusing on careers in aviation. The panelists from left to right are Thomas Moreau '97, Brian Wagner '96, Kevin Moriarty '97, Chris Crowley '92 and William Grable '62.

If you are interested in participating in events such as the career panels or the Networking Events, fill out the CareerNet registration in the front of the magazine, or call Career Services at 508-697-1328.
Crimson Ambassadors

Members of the Crimson Ambassadors student alumni association served as volunteers during spring Commencement. Pictured are, back row: Janine Tomucci ‘00, Colleen Clark ‘00, Deonna Camarda ‘01, Bridgette Bilodeau ‘01, Julie Smith ‘00, Katie Bergeron ‘01. Front: Erin McLaughlin ‘01, Kerri Robitaille ‘00, Amanda Rondinelli ‘01.

Golden Bridges

Spring 1999 Schedule of Events

Wednesday March 3: 10 AM – 1 PM
Join the Golden Bridges and Ruth Farrar for a Book Talk. Each semester the group gathers together to discuss and share thoughts about a new book. This is one of our favorite events! Call the Davis Alumni Center for more information. Don’t miss this!

Wednesday March 24: 10 AM – 2 PM
Do you have a family you would like to share your history with? The Golden Bridges will be gathering to Write Our Memoirs with Cynthia Booth Ricciardi ’81. This is a most delightful workshop that will bring back many fond memories.

Wednesday April 14: 10 AM – 2 PM
Feeling out of touch with the fast growing world of technology, or do you need more practice with your computer? The Golden Bridges are getting ready to surf the net and explore e-mail. Join us while we learn to send letters to our friends and family over the computer, and to find information of the World Wide Web.

Wednesday May 19: 11:30 AM
The Annual Golden Bridges Spring Luncheon. This is one of the most important events of the year. Join us to share ideas and opinions about program­ming for the fall. Do you want to see a specific workshop next semester? Come for lunch and tell us about it!

The BSC Golden Bridges are alumni who have celebrated either their 50th reunion or their 70th birthday. The group was created for the purpose of continuing the connection with BSC and alumni friends. The group welcomes anyone with an interest in the workshops to join them for learning, laughing, and lunch. Guests are welcome. Bring your friends: the more the merrier!

Most of the workshops are $17.00, including lunch. The Annual Spring Luncheon costs only $7.00.

Help Wanted
- People to fill Alumni Council Member Positions
- Class reunion Committee 1924-1964
  (4’s and 9’s only)
- SGA Reunion Committee
- Alumni Council Member Positions

The Class of 1951 was saddened by the loss of its class president, Dr. Thomas J. Daley on November 2, 1998 in Somerset, Massachusetts. Throughout the years his interest in Bridgewater and his class never diminished. He continued to lead the class by focusing on communication and interaction to keep the class a viable social and productive entity. “A friendly cause” motivated telephone call was not unusual.

His appointment of a class reunion committee was the catalyst for the class reunions every five years. Along with his example, these reunions fostered a commitment of interest in many classmates who continue to be involved in class and Bridgewater activities to this day.

In 1991, Tom, with good foresight, organized a class gift committee to conduct a ten-year fund-raising effort to enable the class to present a substantial commemorative gift to the college on the class’s 50th anniversary in 2001. He was delighted with the significant progress the committee has made.

His commitment to Bridgewater was not limited to his class. For six years, he served as a director of the Bridgewater Alumni Association and a member of the Alumni Council.

As chairperson of the Membership Services Committee, Tom was instrumental in the contracting for an income-producing Bridgewater Visa Card, making available auto, life and health insurance at group rates for uncovered alumni and installing an 800 number for the convenience of alumni.

Tom retired as a superintendent of schools in Somerset, Massachusetts in 1990. As a classmate, a friend and a leader he will be missed.
The Class Notes received in this issue were received by December 11, 1998. Information received after this date will be held for the next issue.

1919

Congratulations to North Sagamore resident Bernice Philbrick Blackwell who recently celebrated her 100th birthday with her family and friends.

1927

At 89, Mary Rosalie Gervais Glenn is still active in a church ministry and serving as the community member on the Education Reform Council of the Bedford High School. She says, "I still love the kids."

1929

Helen Powers is enjoying retirement. She would be pleased to hear from any classmates or a note telling where you are.

1931

Irene Goody Tuttle sent a thank you to BSC and says being able to study at Bridgewater State has made her life happy, worthwhile, and interesting.

1936

Barbara Albret
28 Highland Ave., Box 1075
East Dennis, MA 02641
Phyllis Esau
45 Bryant Ave.
Milton, MA 02186

Charles and Phyllis Colby Whitcomb '37 celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 30, 1998. They met each other in the sixth grade and began dating their junior year of high school. They came to Bridgewater together and were married shortly after. They have seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. They are both very active during their retirement. We wonder how many can equal Carol Farr's record in the teaching profession—"and still counting," she reports. For the past seven years she has been employed by the Belmont School System as a tutor for homebound children. During her career she has achieved several honors, among them a listing in Who's Who of American Women, in 2,000 Women of Achievement, and in Distinguished Services in Education and Community... In October Connie Nash Hartwell, Phyl Esau, and Barb Albret took a trip to Wolfeboro, New Hampshire to visit Peggy Gilliatt Raymond and husband Bob before the Raymonds left for their winter home in Florida. On the way back they stopped to visit Bunny Ludden Robertson, who has returned from California to be near her daughter Lois and family... Among the classmates we have lost in 1998 are Henry Shaw, Thomas Michelson, Carol Coulter, Dorothy Westgate Briggs, and Thelma Wolfson Montovani. We also realize that some classmates have lost their lifetime companions and longtime friends, but since we do not know all that have, may we send sympathetic thoughts to all who are bereaved.

1937

Ruth Metcalf
104 Pleasant Street
Bridgewater, MA 02324

1939

SAVE THESE DATES: June 4-5, 1999 is Reunion Weekend for the class of 1939... Dr. V. James DiNardo reports a pleasant chance meeting with Philip G. Auglis '81 at the Hallamore Corporation main office in Holbrook, MA. Philip has been named Operations Manager for the well-known Transportation and Rigging Corp. The Corporation has been a generous corporate sponsor of our BSC Foundation.

1940

Mrs. Janice Brennan Sprogell
41 Linwood Drive
West Hartford, CT 06107-1237

Barbara Prince Meade traveled to Scotland with "The Valley Putters," a group of 25 golfing friends from Palm Desert, CA. A highlight of their 12-day visit was a putting match at the prestigious St. Andrews Golf Club, competing against three Scottish groups: the St. Andrews Lady Putters, the St. Rule Club, and the St. Ragulus Club. The venue was a three-acre putting green, known locally as the Himalayas. Barbara is also a long-time volunteer at Guide Dogs of the Desert, one of only 10 guide dog schools in the US. Her own golden retriever, Geri, is a former "student" of the school... Eleanor Murphy McIntyre has moved to Messiah Village Retirement Community, not far from her former home in Camp Hill, PA. Her new address is 978 Messiah Village, Box 2015, Walnut Way, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.

1941

Ms. Louise Forsyth
75 Monroe Road
Quincy, MA 02169-1924

1942

Mrs. Loretta Kennedy Dexter
15 Buckwood Drive
South Yarmouth, MA 02664-1805

Tony Perry splits his time these days between Illinois and California. His daughter Joan is the author of the successful book A Girl Needs Cash. He and his wife have traveled extensively and Tony has served on numerous boards.

1943

Violet Porta Elmer and husband Raymond have been married 55 years. While enjoying retirement, they travel and keep active in Optimist Organization, retired teacher group, police group, church activities, and a quilting group... Joe and Rita Kilroy would like to let everyone know that they did not move to Georgia as was stated in our last issue. We are sorry for the confusion.

1944

Phyllis Powell MacMillan proudly announces that her daughter, Roberta Karim, has had her second children's book published, This is a Hospital, Not a Zoo.

1946

Mrs. Phyllis Clayman Friedman
30 Washington Street #713
Brookline, MA 02146-1423

Colonel Edward Wojnar and his wife Isabelle had planned a trip to Kinshasa, Congo, to visit their daughter Andrea who is Relief Program Coordinator for the International Red Cross, but the visit was postponed because of new outbreaks of fighting.

1948

Mary "Munya" Wisotsky Miller recently enjoyed a trip with friends to Alaska, cruising on the Norwegian Wind.
1949
Mrs. Jacqueline Killen Weyand
34-40 94th Street, Apt. 1C
Jackson Heights, NY 11272
**SAVE THESE DATES:** June 4-5, 1999 is Reunion Weekend for the class of 1949.

1950
Mr. Burnham Miller
21 Sunset Drive
Whitinsville, MA 01588-1042

1951
Mrs. Jean Collins Fletcher
6745 Patrick Lane
Plano, TX 75024

**E. Jane Cliggott Fisher** welcomes her first grandchild, a girl, Margaret Jane, born November 5, 1997, in New Hampshire.

1952
Mrs. Helen O'Connor Keegan
53 Sadys Lane
East Falmouth, MA 02536-6268

1953
Ralph Fletcher Jr.
6745 Patrick Lane
Plano, TX 75024

**Claire Golden Mulready,** vice-principal of eighth and ninth graders at Hudson High School, was named "best teacher" in Best of MetroWest newspaper poll.

1954
Hazel Lake Varella
121 Center Street
North Easton, MA 02356-1801

**SAVE THESE DATES:** June 4-5, 1999 is Reunion Weekend for the class of 1954...
Forty-five years have vanished!!! Have you visited the campus lately? A visit will definitely be very informative about the growth of the campus and the facilities. Are you planning to return for Alumni Weekend in June? If you are, could you send a note to Hazel at the above address by March 31st? Please indicate what type of reunion, formal or informal, you would be interested in attending...

**Jean Corey Ford** is looking for classmate **Jean Dumont Brunini** and asks if anyone else in the class served in the Peace Corps? She was a teacher trainee in St. Lucia in the West Indies from 1992 - 1995.

1955
Paul Sprague
PO Box 521
Hinsdale, NH 03451-0521

**Francena Warren Smith**
32 Mellen Street
Needham, MA 02194-1202

The North River Arts Society was hosting a show of **Patricia Smith's** ornamental trays, quilts, and oils this past July through September in the Hingham Public Library. Patricia also currently teaches ornamental painting.

1957
Beverly Tunstall Shawinsky
19 Drexel Drive
Jackson, NJ 08527-2327

1958
John Lonergan
21 Westminster Road
East Weymouth, MA 02189

**Dr. Robert MacLauchlin** retired on January 1, 1998, after having served for more than 28 years as Professor of speech communication and director of television-radio instruction at Colorado State University...

**Mildred Berkowitz** has moved to Silver Springs, MD, and would like to hear from friends...

After serving in education for over 40 years as teacher, principal, and superintendent, **Bernard Ryder** has retired. We are sorry to learn of the loss of his dear wife of 42 years.

1959
**SAVE THESE DATES:** June 4-5, 1999 is Reunion Weekend for the class of 1959...

**Charlotte Sowa Alves** retired from Somerset Public School after teaching reading/literature for 30 years. Leonard and Charlotte are living in New Port Richey, FL, and spending a few months in MA. They would like to hear from Bunnie and Maryann.

1960
**Dr. Darrell R. Lund** has been appointed interim superintendent of schools in Darien, CT...

**Virginia Jewett Hogg**
159 Crescent Street
Bridgewater, MA 02324-2413

**Dr. Darrell L. Lund** has been appointed interim superintendent of schools in Darien, CT... The late **Donald W. Failes** was honored by Northern Essex Community College. A frequently utilized conference room located in the library was dedicated in his name.

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1961

Eugene Thayer, retired superintendent of the Framingham and Erving school systems, has been named interim superintendent for the Concord-Carlisle Regional School District... Dover
principal James Argir retired in July.

1962

Canon Street in New Bedford is to be renamed Manuel P. Costa Sr. Memorial Way... This January Suzanne Rivers retired from her position as assistant principal at Oliver Adams High School, where she has worked since 1962. She plans to spend her time golfing and learning to bake cookies.

1963

Judith Williams Millar
10 Presidents Lane, Apt. 11
Quincy, MA 02169-1952

Bonnie Pooler Elsten is looking for her former roommate Mickey Sullivan...

Sara Nan LaMonica is looking forward to retirement in June 1999 after four years in Abington Public Schools and 29 years in North Reading Public Schools.

1964

James Nidositko
54 Lakeview Avenue
Falmouth, MA 02540-2830

SAVE THESE DATES: June 4-5, 1999 is Reunion Weekend for the class of 1964...

Linda Carpenter is a very busy woman these days. Along with the time she sets aside to walk, read, garden, and tutor at the Middletown Jail, she has managed to squeeze in a wonderful career as a regional adoption and foster care development unit supervisor. Her mission is to recruit foster families.

1965

Ralph Rubin was honored by the Town of Norton as a community member who has indeed made a difference.

1966

Geraldine Murphy Wright
229 Windcrest Drive
Camillus, NY 13031-1945

Congratulations to Armand Marchand, an English and theater arts teacher at New Bedford High School, who was recognized as Teacher of the Year by the Wal-Mart Foundation... Elaine F.

1968

Donna Daley Brown
PO Box 366
Braintree, MA 02127-0366

The Herald News' summer-long Sports and Leisure page was edited, in part, by Warren Preti, the highly successful head coach of the men's and women's program at UMass Dartmouth... Sheila Rudick Lindsay and her husband David celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on October 27 in Paris and London... State Representative Robert Correia was named Portuguese-American Person of the Year by the Portuguese American Business Association.

1969

Carol Ethier Pappas
44 Tall Timbers
Berwick, ME 03901

SAVE THESE DATES: June 4-5, 1999 is Reunion Weekend for the class of 1969...

Brook Shinnamon received her master's degree in Higher Education Administration from Boston College recently and accepted a position as assistant director of Campus Activities and Leadership Programs at Butler University in Indianapolis, IN... Dr. Louise Sheinman was remembered in her eulogy as a dedicated, creative, and highly professional educator. She had served the Spencerport, NY School District as assistant superintendent for instruction... David Gnong of Marshfield, MA is the newly appointed assistant principal of Weymouth Junior High School.

1970

Joseph Hackett
48 ledgeview Drive
Norwood, MA 02062-5806

North Attleboro resident Kathleen McCarthy has been named principal of the Cumberland Hill/St. Joan's Elementary School... John F. Aylmer is semi-retired and president of the New England Steamship Foundation which is involved in the restoration of Steamship NOBSKA for the NE Coastal Operation.

1971

Mr. Gerald Swift
3 Great Hills Drive
East Sandwich, MA 02537-1546

Ann Brassard Koczera
119 Jarry Street
New Bedford, MA 02745-2518

Michael B. Hochman was appointed director of guidance and pupil personnel for New Bedford Public Schools... Math teacher and class adviser, Elena Rovani Menize, was featured in a local newspaper as #1 teacher. She is currently enjoying her career at Franklin High School teaching pre-calculus and trigonometry.

1972

Philip Conroy Jr.
85 Bridle Road
Bridgewater, MA 02324-1001

Patricia Witham Bryant has been appointed as a mathematics and science teacher in Wakefield, MA...

Dr. Michael J. Donnell, assistant principal of Hingham High School, has been appointed to a term on the National Association of Secondary School Principals Committee on the Assistant Principalship...

Ronald A. Wilbur, the president and chief executive officer of Merrimack County Savings Bank, will serve on the American Banker's Association's Community Bankers Council...

Sharon Reed Eramian is working as a physical education teacher in Marshfield, MA and is very active in "grassroots" South Shore Tennis Association.

1973

Bruce Gaines
2308 West Cullinan Street
Inglewood, CA 90301

Claire Broce Cullinane attended a two-week workshop at NASA/Langley Research Center in Hampton, VA, working directly with NASA's engineers, scientists, technicians, and educational specialists. This program is available to all teachers, and she highly recommends it... In August Randy Cobb and his partner of 13 years, Daniel Clenott, moved from Boston to New Zealand, where they will open a bed and breakfast. Randy would love to hear from Ann Ronhok Stenfeldt '74, Steve Tuck '74, and Elaine Sears '73. If you are thinking of traveling to New Zealand send him an e-mail at randan@hotmail.com or mail to PO Box 161, Carterton 5951, New Zealand...
Class Notes

South Easton resident Diane Hayward Biggieri was recently appointed principal of the Halifax Elementary School... Gary W. Crook is the interim school superintendent in Richmond, ME... Thomas E. Moore has been appointed to the Board of Trustees at MGH Institute of Health Professions... Rev. Henry S. Nickerson was appointed to the Ashland and Weirs United Methodist Churches as of the summer of 1998... Raymond McNulty has been selected to be the chairman of the 1998/1999 campaign of the Windham County United Way.

1974
Veronica Galianek Wainwright PO Box 660 Oxford, MD 21652 SAVE THESE DATES: June 4-5, 1999 is Reunion Weekend for the class of 1974... Maureen Rogers was promoted to executive vice president of the Neponset Valley Chamber of Commerce... Stephen F. Banks has been promoted to senior vice president/operations at Ben Franklin Bank in Foxboro... Linda Franchi Loiselle is the assistant principal of the Chandler School in Duxbury, MA... Jim Forest has been promoted to the position of assistant manager of the senior mental health center in New Hampshire... Matthew M. Delaney led a session entitled “Education, Internet, and Society” at the 2nd Annual Meeting of National Board Certified Teachers in Charlotte, NC. Mr. Delaney is a fine arts instructor at Whitman-Hanson High School.

1975
Helen Gomes Turner 51 Purington Street Somerset, MA 02726-4637 Bradford, VT, Postmaster Paul Jewett was featured in a local newspaper article for his post office’s community participation... Michael Vetros has been named principal of the Clinton Middle School... Richard C. Morse has been the director of the Norfolk County Agricultural High School since August of 1975, and is still enjoying his work... Richard Fontaine has been hired as director of computer resources at the Community College of Rhode Island.

1976
Nancy Kipp Florence 444 North Street Bridgewater, MA 02324-1220 Jacqueline Sylvia Wheaton P.O. Box 235 Swans Island, ME 04685 Mary Kruger is pleased to announce the arrival of her daughter Samantha, from China in June 1997. Mary’s next book, Beyond the Sea, will be published by Topaz Books in 1999 under her pseudonym of Mary Kingsley... Middleboro resident Jody Battistini received a master of science degree in education with a certification in special needs at Simmons College... Kathleen Weeks was recommended for the position of math teacher at Walpole High School... Matignon High School has Mary Tranah as its new assistant principal. Until her recent appointment, Mary had been a guidance counselor in Matignon... Laura A. Pinoe Macs has been elected assistant vice-president, Westwood branch manager of the Dedham Institute of Savings... Dan Davis is the Vermont State’s Attorney and is currently enjoying the job and all its challenges.

1977
Robert Mansur 1933 Alcante Street Davis, CA 95616-6566 Patricia Murphy was appointed vice president of customer service at Physicians Health Services in Fairfield County, NY... Daniel Burns has been assigned as deacon to Holy Family Parish in Duxbury, after completing his internship at the Faulkner Hospital... Susan Leonne Ambrozavitch is the principal of the Ivan G. Smith School in Danvers, MA after taking time out of teaching to pursue interests in the area of high finance. She loves going to work everyday and is enjoying herself and the students.

1978
Elizabeth Gallagher Duvall 148 Colonial Drive Quincy, MA 02169-1849 Barbara Ibbison Cinorelli is working as a day program Coordinator with MR adults in a worksite setting with many difficult institutional behaviors. She says hi to Carol Bolduc and Erin Condon... Janet Kelly Clifford has been selected to serve a three-year term with the Patriots’ Trail Girl Scout Council’s Nominating Committee. Janet is director of the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Women’s Health Initiative and the policy coordinator for New England Women’s Health Care Forum... Stephen LeShane is the new principal of Frisbee Elementary School in Kittery, ME... Kevin Soraghan is the new assistant principal at Haverhill High School after a long career as a Haverhill schoolteacher.

1979
Barbara Carolina Lubly 1 Ontario Street Worcester, MA 01606-2115 Margaret Lineham Szostek 26 Woodhaven Street Carver, MA 02330 Coach Ginny Walsh led her Ashland High School softball team to a 21-4 record. James Ferrera & Sons of Canton recently named Stephen Patt as director of produce sales and merchandising. He is a past member of the Board of Directors of the Produce Marketing Association and Chair of the Retail Training Task Force. The American Legion’s Northeast Regional Tournament had as their banquet keynote speaker James “Lou” Gorman, a former major league baseball executive... Dr. Nancy Hughes Young, superintendent of Holliston schools, has returned to competing in horse shows this past year. She is an accomplished rider in New England... Peter Akeke has been named human resources director for Sturdy Memorial Hospital and Sturdy Memorial Associates.

1980
M. Scott McDonald 101 Highgreen Ridge Peacotree City, GA 30269 Patricia MacEachern was appointed merchandising manager for Gordon’s Pies... Manchester resident Andrea Knight, has been appointed as a new special education teacher in Lynnfield... Christine Convery Taylor is director of the Framingham Adult English as a Second Language program... Christopher Sullivan received a Juris Doctor degree cum laude from New England School of Law on May 29... Roger Whidden was featured in a local paper recently for his commitment to teaching martial arts. He is the current world kung fu tai chi fighting champion, and is constructing a building in Marshfield where he and his wife will both instruct... Atty. David J. Correira has been recognized as a legal scholar in the area of estate tax planning and elder law. His article entitled “Using Private Annuities and Installment Notes in Medical Planning” was published in the October ’98 issue of Estate Planning
Class Notes

Journal, which is published by Warren Gorham & Lamont Publishers and the Research Institute of America.

1981

Cynthia Booth Ricardi
PO Box 222
Taunton, MA 02780

Upton resident David Loeper received a master of science degree in education with a certification in special needs from Simmons College... Kathleen Tyrell was appointed school superintendent in Foxboro... Michael MacPherson has resigned as Wareham Fire District Water Superintendent... Paula Squires has been appointed to the Frontier Group as senior vice president of human resources... Karen Olshaw Bancroft has accepted the position of special needs teacher at the Heath Brook School in Tewksbury, MA... Eric C. Taylor is a licensed clinical social worker for The Group and Family Center, a private practice. He is vying for a position on the Bangor School Committee... George Mitsiaris is looking to get in touch with some old friends. Life as the father of three-year-old twins has been keeping him busy, but he would like to hear from Steve Brayman, Gerry Belliveau, and Jim Kane, and any other college friends. He can be reached in the Taunton area phone book or at gmitsiaris@metlife.com... Laurie Grant of Pembrook, MA received her juris doctor degree from Southern New England School of Law.

1982

Laurie Silva Ward has been recently appointed as the executive director of Westfield Child Center in Brockton... The ninth Annual Carol Mulloy Cuttle Memorial “Walk for ARC”, was a wonderful success raising $25,000 for recreational, social, transportation, and family support services for children with disabilities in the North Central area... Lisa Pettrica Soldi is now a guidance counselor at Bromfield School working to prepare high school students for their future ventures... Judith Kirwan Kelley, M.Ed., in 1982, recently received her Ph.D. in Medical Sociology from Brown University. Dr. Kelley also holds a bachelor’s degree from Boston State College, a master’s in Public Health from Boston University, and a master’s in Sociology from Brown University. She is currently a sociology professor at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, MA and is an adjunct professor at Curry College... John Sullivan, B.A., English, was recently promoted to class secretary for the Class of 1982! What this means to you is that if I don’t start getting some mail from you, my fellow classmates, I may have to start making stuff up! And those of you who remember me know that I will enjoy doing that very much! So come on, we always have the least news of any class! Let’s get vocal! Hope to hear from you folks soon.

1983

David Robichaud
35 White Road
Wayland, MA 02778-2416

Nina Roberts has been accepted to the doctoral program at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, where she will pursue a Ph.D. in the department of Natural Resource Recreation and Tourism. Robert Adams was appointed president and chief operating officer of Home Care America Inc., of Meredith, NH... Elizabeth Palmer is a sixth grade teacher at the Rowe School in Maine after spending her last 14 years teaching in Savannah, GA... Margaret Inman Lane is following in the footsteps of her mother as a half-time teacher of consumer and family studies at Foxboro High School... McKay Public Relations has acquired TurnStyles Public Relations, a Boston-based firm, and has named TurnStyles owner, Colleen Turner, director of account services... Karen Croteau completed the requirements for her Ed.D. this past summer and was hired as an assistant professor of sports medicine at the University of Southern Maine... Sue Crosby is currently the assistant athletic director at BSC where she has worked since 1987. She is also the president of the Massachusetts Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women, planning tournaments, sponsoring athletes of the week, and awarding achievement.

1984

Peter George
33 Stetson Street #2
Whitman, MA 02384-2439

Christine Oồenshaw Tempesta
40 Columbus Avenue
Brantree, MA 02184-7104

After living overseas and in RI, Suzanne D’Olimpio Falco, husband, and four children have returned to MA. She loves being a stay home mom in Quincy... Suzanne Basalik Lillie received a Master of Health Professions from Northeastern University and is employed as a management consultant by West Hudson, Inc... Kevin Cobban is enjoying himself as the head coach of the Plymouth North football team. He has lead his team to victory two years in a row and is hoping for another winning season.

1985

The class of 1985 is in need of a class secretary. If anyone is interested please contact the Davis Alumni Center. Robert E. Littlefield left his job as assistant principal at South Kingstown High School in RI to accept the position as principal of Portsmouth High School, also in RI... Marine Major Antonio J. Mattaliano recently participated in a training exercise while on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf with the 22nd Marine Expeditionary Unit... June T. Roy Martin is currently the mother of two boys and enrolled in the UMass Amherst MBA program. She is looking for friends Paul Silva (fizzio) ’86, and Mary Jay Reming Doe ’85... Marianne Arruda has been promoted to vice-president of Quality Improvement at the May Institute... Scott Levison (aka Scooter Livingston) of WBIM fame is still alive and well in Tamarac, FL. He is freelancing while finishing his MA and trying to re-enter radio. He would like everyone to know that he has not cut his hair since graduation and can be found on his web page: http://www.netwr1.com/ linda_oconnor_scott_levison.htm He is looking to get in touch with Pam Hardy and Tony Fagen... Jean Campbell is looking to get in touch with anyone who may have pictures, stories, or memories of David Keon that they would want to share. Jean is gathering memorabilia such as this for a book she is making for the Keon family to celebrate David’s life. She can be contacted at 20 Telo Rd. Windham, NH 03087 or at JFDC@iname.com.

1986

Jim Lennon and wife Mary Kay Fischer ’86 are enjoying living in Jacksonville, FL, with their two daughter’s... Paula Vogel Quill, mother of Molly and Shea, is a special education integrator at the Newburyport Public School System and is studying for a master’s in education at Salem State College.
1987

Kevin Kindregan
1459 VFW Parkway #B-12
West Roxbury, MA 02132

Kelly Swain DeCosta is teaching fourth grade at the Congdon School in New Bedford. She and her husband have three sons... Timothy Pappalardo was recently commissioned as Lieutenant Junior Grade in the Navy... Sharon Guilmet Fries and her husband Robert Fries '88 are living happily in Whitman, MA with their three children: Morgan Kasey and Zachary. Bob is a state trooper and Sharon is working for Optimum Real Estate as a real estate agent... Jim Belliveau is the new owner and manager of Top Music in Fairhaven. He is enjoying his love for music after eight years working in finance... Michael Nelson was a guest speaker for the Norwood Evening Garden Club, sharing his expert knowledge on the subject of soil and landscape operations.

1988

Daniel Darcy
PO Box 446
Bridgewater, MA 02324

Susan Sullivan
2 Daley Road
Ponaganset, NY 12603
The Providence Biltmore Hotel has recently promoted Lisa Cervantes-Agular to sales manager. She was formerly a market research coordinator for the Biltmore... Melissa M. Dansereau is a new teacher of social studies at Milton High School. She is also looking to locate Paul Fitzpatrick, her debate partner from BSC... Leann Thompson graduated from Vermont Law School this past May.

1989

Renee Ladurantaye
6 Nemasket Street
East Taunton, MA 02718

Ray Puglisi was recently promoted to Senior Staff Consultant with Benchmark Inc... Alisa Safley-DeAvilla and husband Michael have two children, Kacie and Joseph. She is self-employed as a home day care provider and works as a consultant to programs such as Londonderry Family Network's Parenting Education program. She sends congratulations to Lynn Zaker on her June wedding. She would like old friends to drop her a line at 2A Boulder Driver, Londonderry, NH 03053... JoAnn M. Rung is busy in Central FL. She is enrolled in a registered nursing program and currently working as a patient care technician and a mom. She would love to get in touch with “the greatest 4th grade teacher” Linda Harding Schmidt. Her e-mail address is johannahl15@adelphia.com.

1990

Darlene Costa
9 Race Course Road
Lakeville, MA 02347-1827

Sheila Valicenti Finnegan received her master’s degree from BSC in Elem. Ed. in 1995 and is working as a fifth grade teacher in the Southborough Public School System in Southborough, MA... Whittenman social worker Michelle Kelty-Keppler has been appointed Holbrook’s health agent... US Navy Lt. Comdr. Carolyn McGee, a Melrose native, has joined the staff at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego... Wendy Rapson accepted a position this summer with the Kids in Action before and after school program for kindergarten children in Hingham, MA... Kimberly Trotter-Geiger has recently moved to Florida with her husband and has accepted a position as Director of Social Services for Brevard Harborside Healthcare... Julie Flynn Norton has recently bought a home, given birth, and attended the Gamma Phi Beta/Kappa Phi Omega Reunion... Kathleen P. Kelley Napels and her husband Bill have three children, Liam 5, Connor 3, and Fiona 1. They are still living on Cape Cod. She is working at UPS and teaching fitness to children at the local YMCA and Community School. She sends warm hellos out to Steve Thomas, Bill Green, Chuck Zizzo, Doug Musto, and all cross-country runners.

1991

Kerry Barnes
5 Fairlawn Avenue
Burlington, MA 01803

Laura Ouellette
60 Linden Street, Apt. 1
Salem, MA 01970

Joseph Weathers lives in Breckenridge, CO, and has a successful general contracting business building custom homes in the mountains of Vail, Beaver Creek, and Breckenridge. He invites friends to come out and ski the Rockies... Boston resident Deborah Orlando Stone is pursuing her master’s degree in arts administration from Boston University. She misses friend and roommate Emily Leman LaValley '90. Warren Richards graduated with whom he lost touch while in law school. His email address is wricha3981@aol.com... Mayor Michael C. Williams participated in an Atlantic Joint Task Force Exercise off of the Southeastern United States. He is scheduled to deploy to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf.

1992

Pamela Murphy
57 Sagamore Street
Brainard, MA 02184

In 1996 Paul Sanford accepted a position at Bryant College. Smithfield, RI, as the assistant director for international admissions. Presently, he is the Assistant Director of Admission Operations at Bryant... Carol Flynn Humphrey earned her Master of Arts in Mathematics from Boston College in 1995 and is a senior actuarial analyst for
1994

Lauren Farina
30 Pond Street, #3
Braintree, MA 02184
Jennifer Comeau Boris teaches grade 3 in New Fairfield, CT. First Lieutenant Marc Skinner is assigned to a four-month tour in Bosnia. New Bedford resident Valerie Gamble works as a training instructor at Genzyme Tissue Repair in Cambridge, which produces laboratory-grown skin and knee cartilage. This August, First Parish Church in Taunton was host to performances of “Apocalypso!,” a new play written by William Donnelly. Derrell David Leo Wood recently graduated from Weston Jesuit School of Theology with a master’s degree in theological studies. Stephen Goldman is the new guidance counselor at Algonquin Regional High School in Northborough, MA. Christine Carlin has accepted the position of first grade teacher at the Center School in Hopkinton, where she has worked as a teaching assistant since 1996. Jennifer Grunzweig was recently named to the University of Delaware Athletic Training Staff as an assistant trainer, where she will also teach classes in the athletic training curriculum. Timothy Burns has accepted the position of science teacher at Tewksbury Memorial High School. The scoreboard on the football field at Tiverton High School honors the memory of Bill Byrne, who died of cancer in 1996. Kristin Murray was featured in a local paper for her work as an athletic trainer at Amesbury High School. Paul Key has been promoted to division director of Office Team, Westborough.

1995

Kate McDonough
16 Verchill Street
Quincy, MA 02169

### 1997

Roger Limoges  
5 West Glebe Road #B7  
Alexandria, VA 22305

Anne Barber is working as a behavioral therapist with children diagnosed with autism and plans to continue working with children with developmental disabilities as a behavioral consultant. Roger Limoges is living in Arlington, VA and working as the account executive at the Conover Miller Group, a Democratic media consulting group on Pennsylvania Avenue.... Scott Deeter is a new hire with the FAA as an air traffic controller in Dallas, TX.

### 1998

Leon T. Tai has relocated to Kansas City, MO where he will be working for AMC Entertainment Inc. as a movie theater manager trainee. Once his training is completed he will be returning to Japan to open a movie theater there... Fancois Joseph of Waltham is breaking into a film career. He was pictured in a local paper with celebrities such as Denis Leary, Jason Barry, and more with whom he worked while making Monument Ave., a new hit movie. Look for him in “Iron Man Rain” which will be filmed in Boston.

### Corrections to the 1997-98 Donor Honor Roll

- Eugene Ace was excluded from the honor roll of contributors who made a contribution in memory of Rose Leonard Coveney ’39.
- Incorrectly listed: Bonnie Troupe ’92 was listed as an undergraduate alumna and should have been listed as a graduate alumna.
- Carolyn McSweeney ’93 was excluded from the honor roll of graduate alumni who contributed to the Annual Fund.

### Omissions:

- Susan Holton was excluded from the honor roll of faculty and staff who contributed to the Annual Fund.

### Marriages

- Debra Bogue ’94 to Marc Levesque on October 11, 1997
- Paula B. Cataldo ’94 to Robert J. Maxwell on August 15, 1998
- Maura Durgin ’94 to David Scully
- Pamela Flatley ’94 to William Keating ’95
- Julie Giovannelli ’94 to Frank Novio
- Deborah Gosnell ’94 to Joseph Rogers Jr. on October 3, 1998
- Jennifer R. Johnson ’94 to John F. Polacek on April 4, 1998
- Sven Lange ’94 to Deborah Peckham on July 25, 1998
- Jodi L. Lanza ’94 to Patrick J. Fortuna
- Scott Ouellette ’94 to Tara Ridings ’95 on June 19, 1998
- Vanessa Rizzi ’94 to Aaron Hillebeitel
- Julie A. Steidinger ’94 to Derek L. Maxim on June 20, 1998
- Vanessa Villegas ’94 to Ryan Donovan
- Brenda Lee Belville ’95 to George Daniel Young on May 2, 1998
- Sharon Rachael Anne Blanchard ’95 to Kevin Greeson on May 16, 1998
- James Francis DeTerra ’95 to Nicole Marie Turgeon on July 18, 1998
- Gina L. Delloro ’95 to William G. Hines on July 11, 1998
- Artley Hamilton ’95 to Devon Ryder on June 27, 1998
- Matthew Pessia ’95 to Tammie Guy on June 13, 1998
- Lt. William George Shears ’95 to Alissa Marie Knowles on May 30, 1998
- Robert S. Tatro ’95 to Sharon Jennifer Kingsley on June 27, 1998
- Karen Yelle ’95 to W. Eric Wimer
- Brian R. Barrett ’96 to Kerry A. Shannon
- Scott Borowicz ’96 to Alison Levasseur on May 9, 1998
- Amy Elizabeth Chiocca ’96 to Peter Michael McCarthy on May 30, 1998
- Erin M. Furey ’96 to John R. Shea on June 27, 1998
- Dung Nguyen ’96 to Amy M. Boris
- Christopher Paniccia ’96 to April Letendre on May 2, 1998
- Chad R. Rapoza ’96 to Carmen D. Mattos on May 30, 1998
- Susan Turcotte ’96 to Davis Smolski on September 26, 1998
- Sarah Brookshire ’97 to Edward Wilcox on July 20, 1997
- Jennifer Wickson ’97 to Robert Brown ’97 on May 23, 1998
- Jennifer A. O’Connell ’98 to Eric F. Mueller
- Cristina Viveiros ’98 to Mr. Raposo on May 23, 1998
To Suzanne D'Olimpio Falco '84, a daughter, Isabella, on January 27, 1997
To Jim '85 and Mary Kay Fischer '86, a daughter, Emily
To Paul '86 and Kelly Mahoney Holland '88, a son, Christopher
To Kelly Swain DaCosta '87, a son, Jacob, on December 19, 1997
To Richard and Shiel a Valicenti Finnegan '90, a daughter, Molly
To Julie Frank '90 and Marilyn Gomes Cunha '91, a daughter, Shannon Margaret, on August 26, 1998

Deaths

Thomas J. Daley '51 on November 2, 1998
Robert W. Lawson '51 on September 15, 1998
Allen R. Flechsig '54 on July 8, 1998
Barbara A. Kilcoyne MacDermott '55 on October 29, 1998
Mary Lou Hill Winslow '56 on October 16, 1998
Robert M. Mcguirk '58 on September 13, 1998
Phillip J. Peters '58 on September 29, 1998
Rev. Robert J. Goode Jr. '60 on October 1, 1998
Yetta Fischman '62 on September 12, 1998
Carol Viens Zerofsky '64 on November 16, 1998
Patricia Ann Rumney '65 on September 15, 1998
Arvid R. Anderson '68 on July 29, 1998
James M. Concannon '68 on October 22, 1998
Dr. Louise Sheinman '69 on June 13, 1998
Marilyn H. Harrison MacDonald '74 on June 29, 1998
Lois G. Tierney Kelly '77 on October 29, 1998
Eileen C. Lavin McLaughlin '77 on August 17, 1998
George M. Sherman '77 on September 11, 1998
Ruth L. Harlow '79 on August 3, 1998
Leonard C. Houlker '82 on September 2, 1998
Loretta A. Haviland Butman '89 on August 14, 1998

A Man Who Made a Difference

Leonard C. Houlker, Jr, class of 1982, passed away suddenly on September 2, 1998, leaving behind his wife Dawn, his 6-month old daughter Surrey, his mother Virginia, and scores of grieving students and colleagues at Southeastern Regional Technical High School, where he served as science teacher, athletic director, coach, and, in the words of a tribute in his honor published at the school, “exceptional person.”

While a student at BSC, Mr. Houlker founded the BSC rugby team as well as a number of good friendships. When he went on to become a teacher at Southeastern Massachusetts – where this fall’s homecoming game was dedicated to him – his impact was profound.

“His was the first classroom up the stairs from the lobby,” wrote one of his former students. “When classes changed he stood outside his door like some great powerful totem, dispensing looks, advice, hellos, instructions, reminders of tasks undone, smiles and love... And in the process he saved a lot of kids.”

Terrence Downing, writing in the region’s daily newspaper, The Enterprise, described Mr. Houlker as “extraordinary,” and quoted school director Dr. Patrick H. O’Neil, who said, “I don’t think there is a student here that he hasn’t met or hasn’t been touched by him. He never left anyone out. He taught to the whole audience. If someone was struggling or failing, he went the extra mile to bring them back. I’ve been in education for 27 1/2 years, and Lenny was the consummate professional.”

Several students spoke at the service for Mr. Houlker, and one of them, Christopher Bagge, who had been a wrestler on the championship team coached by Mr. Houlker, said, “He was more than just a coach. He was a friend, someone to talk to when you had a problem, or if you just needed to talk. He listened to everything you had to say and helped you out the best he could... I would never be the same person I am today or amount to as much as I have if Mr. Houlker was not there to help me out and go through everything with me.”

Mr. Houlker was 38 years old.
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Payment & Shipping: Check or Money Order Enclosed (Make check payable to Bridgewater Alumni Association)

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Name: ___________ Daytime Phone: ___________

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This adjustable **white baseball cap** with BAA logo costs $10.00

**Bridgewater State College Woven Coverlet** is red and natural white and features 10 college buildings. 100% cotton, custom-woven. $49.95

This Bridgewater **umbrella** is only $15.00

**A Bridgewater polo shirt** can be yours for $25.00 (sizes L or XL)

This Bridgewater **mirror**, featuring a picture of Boyden Hall, is available for $165.00

Chrome BSC Alumni license plate holder is $10.00

A handsome **Bridgewater arm chair**, black with college seal in gold, is $250

Carry your laptop computer and more in one of our cases for $32.00
Save These Dates:
June 4-5, 1999.

Special evening reunions will be celebrated by the classes of 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969 and 1974 at the Holiday Inn in Mansfield.

The classes of 1939 and 1944 will hold their gatherings during the luncheon on Saturday, and the 50th Anniversary Class of 1949 will celebrate with a dinner on Friday evening on campus. Invitations will be mailed in March with further details.
College Stages 12th Annual MLK Breakfast Celebration

"I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word," was the theme of the 12th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration and Breakfast hosted by Bridgewater State College. Nearly 400 people attended the event on Jan. 18, on what would have been Dr. King's 70th birthday.

In photo at left: Love Divine, a gospel group representing the Brockton-Taunton area, perform a musical selection as they stand before a grouping of portraits of inductees into the Hall of Black Achievement at Bridgewater State College.

In photos below, from left: Congressman Barney Frank, who attends the breakfast regularly; Tanisha Stephney, president of BSC's Afro-Am Society; and Professor Henry Santos, professor of music at BSC and roommate of Dr. King while at Boston University, were among the speakers.

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