Great Communicators:
Counterclockwise from left: Mike Mullaney, '91 (seated); John Hoey, '83; Beverly Beckham, '68, '76; Jane Lopes, '94; Larry Marchese, '93; and Curtis Bailey, '87 trace the foundation of their success in the communications field back to their days at Bridgewater State College.
Alumni Weekend
June 2, 3, 4, 2000

Mark your calendars because we have a great weekend planned for you! Some classes have already started making plans to reunite on campus that weekend, but it is not too late if you want to get people together.

All classes ending in 5 & 0 will be celebrating significant reunions. However, if you want to have a club reunion, a chapter meeting or just get together with former roommates, Alumni Weekend is the time to do so.

If you would like to contact some of your friends to plan a reunion, please call Candace Maguire, director of alumni relations, and her office will assist you in planning your reunion.

Plans are being made for:

- 5K Road Race
- Saturday music on the Quad
- Sushi classes
- Yoga classes
- Internet classes
- Saturday dinner dance at the Old Forge Inn

And much more! Come on back and have a good time!
Bridgewater

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

Bridgewater aims to keep alumni, faculty, students and their families, staff and friends of Bridgewater State College informed about the college community and its impact on the region. The tri-annual college magazine is written, designed and edited with the needs of its varied audiences at heart and in mind.

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Dear Alumni, Parents and Friends,

As the college commences service in its third century, the front cover of this magazine reflects how the career interests of a new generation of Bridgewater graduates are expanding as new opportunities arise.

The alumni profiled in this issue — all of whom work in various communication industries — are representative of the many graduates of this college who are employed in fields distinctly different from their predecessors of earlier generations. Indeed, a good percentage of Bridgewater alumni, especially those working in the business, communications, information technology and science sectors, today hold positions that didn’t even exist as recently as 10 or 15 years ago.

Yet as I read the interviews in this edition, I was struck by the fact that no matter what careers our graduates pursue — those jobs created by the “new economy” or more traditional occupations — they feel a strong connection back to the faculty at Bridgewater, the men and women who were not only their teachers and but also their mentors. When you read the profiles in this issue, you will notice how often references to faculty appear.

There is a timeless quality to the gratitude that our alumni express about the impact on their lives by individual faculty members. I hear it on Alumni Day from the 50th anniversary class and I hear it just as frequently from our current undergraduates. To me, it speaks to the value and importance of the contact with faculty that a college like Bridgewater can offer to its students.

According to a recent study, two-thirds of all scheduled classes at Bridgewater have 30 students or less. Only one percent of scheduled classes have 50 or more students. As a result, our students have the opportunity to develop close bonds with the faculty, and this much I know from my experience of more than four decades in higher education: among all the things that count in making an exceptional college, I think this counts the most.

Bridgewater is extraordinarily fortunate to have so many dedicated and talented faculty and staff. These are people who genuinely care about the success and happiness of our students, and even though Bridgewater is now the largest of the state colleges in Massachusetts, we still retain a small college environment where students feel part of an intellectual community.

As a college we have changed and grown dramatically over the past decades, but at the beginning of a new century and a new millennium, I find it tremendously reassuring that from our founding in 1840 to this very day, the student-faculty relationship remains the cornerstone of our commitment to excellence in education.

Sincerely,

Adrian Tinsley
President
It had been a trying time for Beverly Beckham. She wanted to be a writer – really, really wanted to be a writer. But with three young children at home and friends who just didn’t understand and a wall full of rejection notices, a career as a writer seemed unfeasible and unattainable indeed.

But Ms. Beckham had something inside of her. Something stronger than all the naysayers and negative self-doubts. Something that would, very shortly, shout itself from the well-read pages of the Boston Herald. She had the undeniable urge to communicate.

Beverly Beckham

Communication is as old as man. Even before language, man communicated with gestures and howls and with fists. It was important then, perhaps more important now. Reach out, make a point, sell a product, change a mind, persuade, cajole, plea.

Today, in a world where billions of people have the technological ability to talk to each other, the need to communicate and communicate effectively is paramount. Companies need to stand out in the crowd. Messages need to be relayed. The time when silence was golden has passed. Man, speak up!

Hundreds of Bridgewater State College students have graduated from the school’s communication program and can be found across the country, working in the communications field. They are in radio, TV, newspapers, higher education and corporate America. Their work comes in the form of video pictures, interoffice memos, signals that shoot through the airwaves. Their careers are so varied and so diverse that they seem to have little in common – other than, of course, that primal urge to communicate.

Curtis Bailey remembers, as a small boy in Boston, staring at a photograph in a newspaper. The scene captured a toddler and a mother as they plunged past a useless, crumpled fire escape to the unforgiving ground below. It was a stark, unforgettable photograph, a photo that would go on to win the Pulitzer Prize.

Mr. Bailey was fascinated by that photograph. The photo captured such an incredible instant in time that it seemed almost unreal. From then on, Mr. Bailey was fascinated by photography.

As a videographer for Channel 5 news, all Mr. Bailey needs to tell a story is a camera, lights, tripod and a willing reporter. It’s a job that keeps him on the run, trying to figure out the main players in a breaking story, trying to get on the air before the competition, most of all trying to get the information and get it right. One day he’s covering the sliding Patriots, the next an inner city shooting. He was in Worcester – filming, watching – as the warehouse burned and a city began crying for its six lost heroes.

“I love news. News is in my blood,” said Mr. Bailey, a 1987 BSC graduate. “I’m blessed to do what I do, to travel to the places I go.”

It could have turned out differently. He was sliding toward a string of bad grades at BSC when a clan of communication professors including Dr. Nancy Goulart Owens, Dr. Susan Holton and Dr. Nancy Lynch Street, began to notice and
Mike Mullaney, Paula Cole and Sarah McLachlan spend some time before the Lilith Fair.

"The key thing for me was the internship program. That made a huge difference, getting on-the-job experience," Mr. Robichaud said. "Yet the communications department at BSC was outstanding. They pushed you and challenged you, gave you individual attention."

More than just facts, the BSC communications classes taught Mr. Robichaud to think critically, to improve his public speaking and debating skills. When he interviewed for jobs against graduates of private universities, Mr. Robichaud said, his BSC education stood the test.

Some communication students didn't have to leave campus to get on-the-job experience. WBIM, the college radio station, is just like the real thing. "Working at WBIM really helped my management skills," Mike Mullaney, a 1991 graduate of BSC, said. "Absolutely, I learned things there that helped me in my career. At WBIM I was a DJ, news director and eventually station manager. Once I got in front of the mike it was, 'wow, I have to have more of this.' It's the thrill of communicating with people."

Mr. Mullaney's career is enviable. As assistant program director and music director for MIX 98.5, it's his job to "keep the station in touch with the best music."

Translation: Mr. Mullaney picks the hits. Managers and promoters attempt to convince Mr. Mullaney to put their band's latest song into the station's playlist. If it's up to Mr. Mullaney to wade through the hype and figure out whether the song is a hit or a miss.

His is the glamour job at a radio station, he said. DJs are under a lot of pressure to deliver ratings. Other management figures have to deal with the advertising or marketing departments. Mr. Mullaney hangs out with the Barenaked Ladies and chats it up with Sting. He's golden, as long as he keeps picking those hits.

"There are two things you need for this job: a love of music and a conviction in what you like and don't like," he said. "It's a tough field, but if you work hard and show..."
you are the person, you will succeed.”

WBIM also touched the life of Peter George. Or, more accurately speaking, it grabbed at him and never let go. Mr. George worked first as a disc jockey at the college station and moved up to general manager before graduating in 1984. He was on hand for some of the station’s biggest moments—such as when the station went stereo, and when the new transmitter was turned on. After graduating he found plenty of work at Stonehill College, where he has been chief engineer at Stonehill radio WSHL-FM for 16 years and a vital employee in the college’s media services department for five years.

About three years ago, WBIM suffered a technical difficulty no one could fix. So they called up Mr. George, who returned to his old station to solve a one-time problem and decided to stay. Today he juggles his two Stonehill gigs with his part-time chief engineer job at WBIM.

“I’m very proud of WBIM; it’s come a long way,” said Mr. George, who founded the annual Alumni Takeover of WBIM. “When they called me three years ago, I jumped at the opportunity to get back to my old alma mater. I’ve been putting in new equipment, putting in new circuits. I’m still learning a lot. And I always considered the station to be my baby.”

Like a father who feeds and clothes an infant, as chief engineer Mr. George pampers and protects the technology that keeps the station functioning. Students get the on-air glory, but their efforts at communication would be for naught if it weren’t for Mr. George and his technical know-how.

He believes there is a place on the crowded airwaves for college radio. “Broadcasting can be so formulated, they (professional stations) consider college radio to have no commercial potential, but they are wrong,” he said. “People who start out in college radio get into bigger and better things. I learned so much from the engineers (at WBIM).”

Besides leading him to a satisfying career, Mr. George’s BSC education helped him through a major life crisis. Eight years ago he suffered a severe stroke that eradicated his ability to speak. It took months of effort, months of tedious therapy, before he was able to talk again. Through it all he remembered his lessons from BSC.

“Because of my English degree and based on my communications studies … if I had not gone the route I had, it would have been harder to get back into the real world,” he said. “Because I had gone through the curriculum at BSC, that was a major factor in regaining my ability to speak. It was a major help.”

The Boston/Southeastern Massachusetts radio and TV market is competitive and cluttered. BSC graduates who have elbowed their way in admit they must keep alert if they want to keep their jobs. The TV news market is particularly tough, known across the country for its keen competitiveness and high quality.

Mr. Mullaney likens it to major league baseball. Only so many teams, only so many players on each team. A limited field for a nation of dreamers. But there is always room for the next Roger Clemens. To stay alive in radio and TV, you must make yourself a Roger Clemens.

“You find out that with anything, it’s about how much enthusiasm you put into it,” Mr. Mullaney said. “What college does is help you hit deadlines, helps you learn problem solving, changes the way you use your mind. The discipline of thought makes all your hard work more effective.”

Like Mr. George, Mr. Mullaney and Mr. Robichaud are still connected to BSC. A huge fan of the BSC Bears football team, Mr. Mullaney attends as many games as he can fit into his work schedule. He has also offered to host at career days, to pass on what he’s learned to students. He fondly remembers voice and diction classes with Dr. Suzanne Ramczyk, one of his best professors, and the steadying guidance of Dr. Owens who taught him that when under stress, “relax and figure it out — the answers are out there.”

Mr. Robichaud has spoken at convocation, is a member of the Bridgewater Foundation, and always has a moment for BSC students who call on the phone looking for a piece of advice. On the job he’s constantly running into BSC graduates — MassPort officials, attorneys, politicians, firefighters—who are eager to admit to a shared college affiliation. That BSC graduates can be found in so many fields, he said, is a great testament to the school.

“I myself wear my school ring on my right hand. Each night when I hold up the microphone everyone can see it,” Mr. Robichaud said. “I tell everyone who will listen to me that Bridgewater is an excellent school.”

As for Mr. Bailey, he now works with Stanley Forman, the man who took the famed fire scene photograph. “I tell students, if their choice is to be in front of the camera or behind the scenes, you’ve got a long fight ahead of you. You gotta love
"it," he said. "You have to go to school, with technology advancing even as we speak. Bridgewater, with the Moakley Center ... that's what students in communications are looking for - cutting edge facilities where they can learn their craft."

Communications has invaded the corporate world. What a change. When Cornelius Vanderbilt made a decision that affected his railroad, he didn’t give a tarnation whether his rank-and-file employees knew about it, or cared or understood it - never mind the vast public. To thousands of businessmen, the only thing that mattered was whether the decision directly put money into their pockets.

To a certain extent, that’s the same today. The goal of business is still to make money. But to make money at the turn of the millennium, it takes more than making a product. You have to sell that product in an enormously competitive market. You have to sway consumers who spend their money at companies they “like,” companies they “trust.” You have to explain things to valuable employees who will jump ranks to the business across the street quicker than you can say “benefit package.” You have to keep customers, who are also stockholders, happy.

It’s still about selling, about pleasing the client, about profit. There’s just a lot more communicating going on.

As a sophomore at BSC, Larry Marchese didn’t have a clue what career he was pursuing. He found himself gliding toward the communications department - away from any other possible department that would have required classes in math. Here he ran into Professors Owens and Holton. “They had a profound impact on how I looked at communications and saw what you could do with it,” Mr. Marchese said. “They taught me what’s important for a good public relations professional.”

Mr. Marchese stuck with communications, graduating in 1993. Today he is an account supervisor with Arnold Communications, one of the top advertising/public relations firms in the country. He doesn’t necessarily consider himself a “communications professional” but, more accurately, “a businessman with communications as my product.”

“We’re not just selling communications, we’re selling creativity,” he said. “I have to deliver both on time and on budget. I have to satisfy my clients and my company. The business part of it is important and you shouldn’t lose that focus.”

As the beginning of the year rolled around, Mr. Marchese was working with a team on a Bell Atlantic campaign. The company was ready to enter the competitive long-distance phone market in New York State, and it was the team’s job to prepare the consumer for the big event. Or, as he put it, “we had to create a large splash of awareness.”

The team wants the consumer to know all about Bell Atlantic, about its quality products, about its service record, about its history and its future. They want the consumer to realize he can get all his telecommunications needs - from local phone service to satellite TV - from one reliable company. Getting the word out involves advertising, calling the media, arranging for interviews with the chairman of the company, chasing down consumer reporters. Such an unquantitative goal. How does the team know if their work is a success?

“At the end of the day, business exists to make money,” Mr. Marchese said. “We’ve done a good job of selling the company if the company is enrolling customers.”

Across the Arnold Communications office in the advertising department, fellow BSC graduate Elena (Puchol) Breen works as an account executive. She’s the person in the middle, the one who listens to the client, then communicates the client’s desires to the artistic elements in the office who will design the desired print advertisement or TV commercial.

Ms. Breen considers herself a marketer. It’s her job to work with the client to define goals and come up with a marketing strategy (through advertising) that meets those goals. The client talks, she listens. She processes the information, then relates it to the artists and
designers in terms they can best grasp. “It’s truly a 100 percent communication job,” she said.

“It’s very important to have strong listening skills and to comprehend what needs to be done; to bucket those thoughts and create a strategy to communicate it back,” she said. “When you talk about communications people think verbal, verbal, verbal. But it’s listening and trying to understand, digesting and processing.”

When she graduated in 1994 with communications degree in hand, Ms. Breen was initially frustrated. Communications in and of itself is a vast field. She knew a little about a lot, but didn’t know whether it was enough for any one job. She then worked in general marketing, undertaking projects in market research, brand promotions and public relations before ending up in advertising at Arnold.

It turned out that the knowledge she took from her various elective communication courses at Bridgewater now help Ms. Breen see how each piece of the communications pie fits together.

“BSC set the stage for me. It very much gave me an introduction into the professional world, of etiquette and professionalism,” she said. “Dr. Litvin was a personal favorite of mine. I enjoyed the element of human dynamics, how verbal and nonverbal communication can effect a situation.”

Mr. Marchese agrees that BSC gave him a “good foundation for thinking.” Despite its apparent newness, the building blocks for a solid communications career go back to the classics, back to Plato and Aristotle, who used science to create arguments that were used to sway the thoughts of their fellow Greeks.

“It’s not enough to have a good product on the shelf. You have to be a good corporate citizen or else you are not going to survive,” he said. “Communication allows the little guy to appear big. You have to figure out your point of differentiation and shout it from the rooftops.”

Leah Arruda does a lot of shouting about her company, but not from rooftops. As a senior communications consultant in the public relations department at Sun Life of Canada, her job is employee communications – or, making sure the company knows what the company is doing.

“We need to communicate with our employee base. A good company communicates with its employees so they don’t learn important information from external sources,” Ms. Arruda said. “You should communicate with your employees on a daily basis and honestly about what is happening company-wide.”

Keeping employees in the know is good for morale, for team building. All sorts of information, from industry news to changes in health benefits or casual dress policies, is fodder for Ms. Arruda’s PR mill. The company recently changed its traditional printed newsletter to an electronic version. The information is now relayed across the country to Sun Life’s thousands of employees electronically via the Sun Life Intranet site. This is a more efficient and cost-effective manner of disseminating information.

As she communicates, Ms. Arruda is doing what she always wanted to do – to write. When her initial idea of working for a magazine or newspaper turned out to be an ill match, Ms. Arruda accepted an internship in the BSC Public Affairs Office. She soon took a job there as well, and before long was spending 30 hours a week writing for “Bridgewater Today,” the college catalogue and other public relations projects. “I realized I could combine my passion for writing with my communication skills and I knew I found a match with public relations,” she said. She earned her undergraduate degree in English with a concentration in writing as well as a master’s in communication studies.

“I was narrowly focused. I wanted to be a writer. I didn’t know these companies needed expertise in all forms of communications,” she said. “I didn’t realize how many
opportunities there were in the communications field.”

She credits Drs. Thomas Mickey and Street for showing her the wide range of theories and studies that are involved in communications, from intercultural communications to telecommunications management. As a person who loved writing, her English courses with Dr. Michael Boyd, Dr. Charles Nickerson and Dr. Thomas Curley were also favorites.

Ms. Breen also remembers Dr. Street, who “forced” her unwilling (but ultimately thankful) students to use a computer. But the most important skill that Ms. Breen took away from BSC was the ability to move information.

“I went back and forth in school whether to be a communications or business major,” she said. “I think the communications degree is more valuable. I can read up to 30 publications on my desk about what the market is doing. But to be able to change the way you communicate, that’s more difficult to do.”

Mr. Marchese is so pleased with his career at Arnold Communications that he has to “keep pinching” himself. For example, he knows he got the message out for Bell Atlantic when, at one minute past midnight, January 1, 2000, everyone and his brother didn’t pick up the phone to see if there was a dial tone. Y2K OK — on to the next communications challenge.

“BSC gave me a good solid background in dynamics and persuasion. You have to know your audience and know yourself,” he said. “I learn more and more every day about how communication works.”

Newspapers were the first and best means of communicating quickly with the greatest number of people.

On opposite ends of Southeastern Massachusetts, two newswomen toil in tiny newsrooms. Jane Lopes, 1994 graduate of BSC with a degree in history and philosophy, is publisher/editor of the Middleboro Gazette. Beth (O’Connor) Erickson, 1972 graduate of BSC with a degree in history, English and education, is editor of the Canton Citizen. Neither has a communications degree. Nevertheless, the communicating they do is communication at its most basic.

Ms. Lopes was born to be in news, her lineage jammed with writers and editors. Ms. Erickson remembers the late Dr. Barbara Chellis for her lessons in writing concisely and to
the point, skills that she uses every day at the Citizen. She also remembers the day at BSC when she met a fellow student, Jeff Erickson, who soon became her husband.

Ms. Lopes was already a professional journalist, having worked as a reporter at the Taunton Gazette and editor of the Middleboro weekly, before she enrolled at BSC. "I had taken courses at Bridgewater on and off, but never had time to seriously work on my degree until I was 40," she said. "Going to Bridgewater was the best thing I ever did."

"It made me a better journalist. In philosophy, you have to throw out the emotional appeal. You have to learn to present an argument based on logic and fact and back up everything you say. That helped me to focus. History and anthropology helped me better understand how we got to where we are and the differences between people."

Married, with grown children and careers that border on the celebrity (well, for Canton and Middleboro, anyway), the two women also share a common love of journalism and their jobs. "It's incredible. I get gratification every time I pick up a paper. There is a lot of pressure with deadlines, but I pick up the paper and have something to show for my effort," Ms. Erickson said. "It gives you a thrill."

"I keep saying I'd like to do something else, but I keep doing this," Ms. Lopes said. "I like the town, I like the writing. I like working to influence things in my town. I still get turned on when I see a controversy I can sink my teeth into, and I generally still get excited over taking pictures of the Christmas parade for the 20th time."

John Hoey understands the thrill and excitement that comes with many newspaper jobs. A 1983 BSC graduate with a degree in communications, TV and radio productions, Mr. Hoey saw journalism as a glamorous career. "I was confident that every day would be different and filled with interesting people," he said.

Now, as director of communications in the office of the president at the University of Massachusetts, it's a given that his days are different. And, since the president is the well-known and personable former Senate President William Bulger, there is at least one interesting person in his work life.

He met President Bulger while covering the State House for the Enterprise of Brockton. When President Bulger left politics for the world of higher education Mr. Hoey followed, ending 12 years as a reporter at daily newspapers.

"I loved working for newspapers. It was everything I expected it to be," Mr. Hoey said. "But then the opportunity came to do something very unique, work for and learn from a truly outstanding leader, and represent an institution that has a huge impact on the quality of life of the people in Massachusetts."

While a student at BSC, Mr. Hoey took to heart the lessons taught by Professor Street, who forced him to think critically, to not accept everything on its face value. They turned out to be invaluable skills for a journalist to have.

In his new job, Mr. Hoey manages the relationship between the president's office and the media. He composes press releases, contacts reporters and arranges events in an ongoing effort to "tell the story of UMass to the world."

Just as when he worked for a daily newspaper, Mr. Hoey still has to meet deadlines, deal with pressure, keep up a stiff pace, juggle a jungle of demands and manage his time efficiently. In such a busy world, one of his biggest challenges is just getting his audience's attention. Mr. Hoey needs to wield a certain amount of persuasiveness, enough to make the audience stop what it's doing and listen. Once he's caught their attention, his next job is to make sure they know the information he's relaying is credible and accurate.

He accomplishes it all through effective communication.

"Communication is the name of the game," he said. "It starts with putting thoughts down on paper in an appealing and persuasive manner. Even when dealing with the electronic media, you need to know how to write well. Often the first impression that people have of you, your institution, and the story you are trying to convey, is transmitted via the written word -- a press release, a news advisory, a letter of invitation."

This sentiment is echoed by Beverly Beckham. Through her thrice-weekly column at the Boston Herald, Ms. Beckham shares with readers her thoughts, her happiness, her hopes and fears. She talks about family members and her own life. She discusses topics pertinent to every man, such as encounters with ill-disciplined children or Grinch-like Christmas shoppers.

"Writing was something I always wanted to do since I was very young, but I did not have the confidence to do it. I was afraid of failing," she said. "Instead of pursing it, even in school, I went for
education. But I couldn’t be a teacher. I liked the kids but was the worst disciplinarian in the world. I’d say no, no, no, NO …. OK.”

She received two degrees from BSC, a bachelor’s in 1968 and a master’s in 1976. She was 30 with three children and still afraid to write when a sentiment in a book caused her to chase her dream. “It made me realize … It said if you have a gift you are supposed to be using it,” she said.

Thus began a long road of rejection, of submitting first attempts to Good Housekeeping, of the growing collection of “thanks, but no thanks” slips on the wall. Her first published works were letters to the editor. At times it seemed that no one but Ms. Beckham’s husband, Bruce, had faith in her. Finally, after some feature stories, she secured a freelance job as a columnist at the Patriot Ledger. Her work there caught the eye of a Boston Herald editor, who took her to lunch and offered her a job.

“On August 1, 1985 I went to the Herald. I really think August 1 should be a holiday,” she said.

Each week, her column is read by thousands. She receives plenty of responses from readers; unlike her early notes from editors, these responses are always positive. She published a book with Beth Erickson in 1991 called “A Gift of Time.” Her second book, “Back Then,” a memoir of her childhood, is due out in April.

All the success is a vindication of sorts for the woman who once was a scared little girl. “When I was little, I used to set up reasons for not doing it,” she said. “I would write, but I don’t have a typewriter. Now I have the typewriter, but not the right kind of paper. I have paper, but not the right kind of desk. You have to start practicing. You have to sit there and do it again and again.

“Sometimes I can’t come up with an idea. I get stumped, I get crazy. I hit a rut on the first line, on the middle lines, on the end lines. Writing’s not easy but it is necessary. I will do this until I die.”

So many careers, so many views of the world. From the boardroom to the newsroom, these BSC graduates inform, entertain, enlighten and enhance.

Despite their differences, the graduates all agree a communication revelation has engulfed modern-day society. Why, it was only a few years ago, Mr. Hoey said, when the public relations professional at a company was the first to go when times got tough. The job was seen as a luxury rather than a necessity. That philosophy has gone out the same door as the bowler hat, and much of the reason why can be found in the Internet.

Ms. Breen’s job involves “interactive advertising” for her client, www.wallstreetjournal.com. The net is changing the face of advertising, she said, changing the “typical media,” changing the way communicators communicate.

“I can see my traditional advertising approach spinning into a lot of different ones,” she said. “I see specialized marketing firms for Internet companies. The Internet is changing our lives, the way we get information. It is changing the sociology of the nation. It’s interesting to be a part of it.”

With the rapid changes also has come new opportunities. Hundreds of new communication-based jobs have been created within the last few years, from webmasters to editors and writers for company web sites. It’s been a huge learning curve for people such as Ms. Arruda, who began her career using a wax machine to “paste up” copy by hand. “Now that’s unheard of. It’s just amazing what you can do with technology,” she said.

From his wide-angle view at Arnold Communication, Mr. Marchese sees the Internet as a fine way to pay bills or buy a book, but believes nobody has yet determined the full strength of the Internet as a business. And what about its impact on communication, on the way we receive our information? Ms. Beckham spoke of a “book” smaller than a wallet that can download and display up to 10 novels.

“Maybe we’ll get newspapers in a different fashion, but people will always need newspapers for information and for corroboration of feelings,” she said. “The writing doesn’t change.”

Other than the fact that the Middleboro Gazette now has a web site and some residents fax, rather than mail, information to the paper, technology hasn’t yet made an impact on local news. Neither Ms. Lopes nor Ms. Erickson believe any technological gadget will take the place of hard copy.

“The Internet is good, but I don’t think it will ever replace sitting down with a cup of coffee and the newspaper,” Ms. Erickson said.

In TV land, Mr. Robichaud sees the Internet as the “single biggest threat” to the nightly news. Newspapers will always be important for long, thoughtful pieces and opinion columns, but people watch the nightly news for the latest, breaking news. Who will wait for 11 PM when they can turn on the Internet now?

And in radio, Mr. Mullaney sees on one hand, new opportunities such as webcasters and radio web sites, and on the other hand, less on-air jobs due to consolidation that comes with the recent mergers of radio networks. With less jobs, only the on-air and behind-the-scenes talent that shines the brightest will have a chance, he said.

But who really knows? “The only thing you can be certain of is that, whatever the situation is today, it’s going to change 100 times in the next five years,” Mr. Mullaney said. “The biggest thing is to be in the world and to be happy about it.”

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Passing The Test

Students of BSC Grads Ace Controversial MCAS Tests

by Karen White

Just as recess was, for sure, the very best part of fourth grade, taking tests was probably the worst. The tension, the tough questions, the clock ticking away the time – there was nothing more horrible. Except, of course, getting a bad grade.

Paula Clinton’s and Bettina Fredrick’s fourth graders at Bridge Elementary School in Lexington needn’t have worried about bad grades. Their students, along with two other classes of fourth graders at Bridge, are so adept at taking tests that they aced the controversial MCAS tests two years in a row.

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System, or MCAS for short, was created as part of the 1993 Education Reform Act and required all 4th, 8th and 10th graders to be tested annually in English, math, and science/technology. It’s part of a testing system that will be expanded to many more grades this year, and eventually be used as a determining factor for high school graduation.

The tests are controversial because not everyone in and out of education agrees that a standardized test is the best way to judge what a student has learned, or to judge how well a teacher teaches. In the two years the tests have been administered there have already been some changes made, and special attention is being paid to assure that bilingual and special needs children are tested fairly.

Despite the questions and discussions, there is no doubt that Bridge Elementary students know how to take a test. Bridge fourth graders scored an average total of 756 on the 1998 test and 760 in 1999.

While the state Department of Education refuses to use the scores to “rank” the Commonwealth’s schools and towns against each other, The Boston Globe determined that the scores were good enough to place the Bridge School second in the state both years running. That’s second out of 1,042 elementary schools – pretty impressive.

The Globe also ranked the Lexington school district (all schools, all grades tested) as number one in 1998 and in fifth position in 1999. The ranking included 280 school districts.

Ms. Clinton, a 1961 graduate of Bridgewater State College, and Ms. Fredrick, a 1962 BSC graduate, have had stellar careers in education. Ms. Fredrick, a Woburn resident, has spent her entire 38 year teaching career in Lexington schools, working at the Hastings School until 1982 and the Bridge School since then. She is an avid historian with a passion for Lexington’s famed history, and has been qualified as a tour guide through the International Tour Management Institute.

A resident of Medford, Ms. Clinton taught in Andover and Lawrence for several years before joining up with Bridge Elementary in 1969. She was named Lexington Teacher of the Year in 1991 and is a member of the Iota chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, a society for women in education.

The two share the honors for the MCAS accomplishment with fellow fourth grade teachers David Lambert, a graduate of Salem State College, and Pam Michael, a graduate of UMass Amherst. “It’s wonderful that we are all graduates of state colleges,” Ms. Clinton said. “I thought that was very significant, and a wonderful plug for state colleges.”

“We were trained well by Bridgewater,” Ms. Fredrick said. “We know what we are doing. We have an instinct for it.”

The honor is also shared, of course, with the 83 students who actually sweated out the test. “We tested all our children. We included every single child with a full range of abilities,” Ms. Clinton said.

Before the 1998 test was administered last spring, there was much talk statewide about the upcoming event. Behind closed office doors at the Bridge School, other important discussions were taking place. “It was the first year. We really didn’t know what to expect,” Ms. Clinton said. “Indeed, we handled the testing special.”

The district dispatched its language arts coordinator, Ann McCusky, to find out exactly what kind of work would be required on the test. They discovered a great portion of the test would be writing, and students would be required to show their comprehension of stories
been impressed by the children's belief. She reminded them that throughout Bridge School, other whole school took the "we are in this together" mantra to heart.

The test was to include science, so they practiced responding to science questions in writing. They followed state models for math. They studied.

Perhaps more importantly, the students and the teachers talked about the test to come. "I did something else with my students," Ms. Clinton said. "I did psychological work. I let them know we are all in this together, that we are the guinea pigs, and that every fourth grade in the state is taking this test. I told them we are going to take our best shot. It was a real pep talk."

She encouraged the children to give themselves "self-pep talks," to keep repeating "I can do it, I will give it my best shot" until they believed it. She reminded them that when they apply to college or interview for a job, absolutely no one will ask them their score on their fourth grade MCAS test.

"I told them there are three things in life you can be certain of: death, taxes and taking tests," she said. "They got a kick out of that."

When the day for the test came, the students were ready. Ms. Clinton told a few jokes to keep the atmosphere light and handed out a few pats on the back, but admits that even a college professor would have been impressed by the children's concentration during the test. Just as an added kicker, she handed out "Smartsies" candies during breaks.

The importance of the test was felt throughout Bridge School. Other grades took the long route to get to lunch, keeping unnecessary noise out of the fourth grade wing. The whole school took the "we are in this together" mantra to heart.

Despite all the extra effort, Ms. Clinton knows the Lexington students did so well on both years of the test because of the commitment to education felt by both the school district and the community. "I think it's the way we approach learning from kindergarten on," she said. "We're a terrific school. It is fair to give it my best shot."

"We're a terrific school with dedicated people and parents who value education. There is a love for learning throughout the whole school and the whole community."

Since the first year, the tests have changed. The length is shorter, some of the questions easier. The fourth grade will no longer be tested in social science. Despite the excellent showing of her class, Ms. Fredrick is dismayed over the MCAS and feels the tests are not a good indicator of what students are learning. The test asked questions that her students had not yet studied in the year's curriculum, and required skills far and above the grade level, such as asking fourth graders to compare similarities between a poem and a Greek myth.

"What did you do that was so special?"

To Ms. Clinton, a veteran of 35 years of teaching, the answer is simple. "We put ourselves in the children's shoes," she said. "It's not about pounding on the work. We try to make it as natural as possible, that's all. If they know you are on their side, you just have to encourage them to go and they fly."

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Any alumni making a return visit to campus would probably notice the “BSC Safe Zone” stickers that are displayed outside some offices and student rooms. Those stickers, with their pink and black triangles, send the message that the people within will be non-judgmental, understanding, trustworthy and supportive should anyone need help or advice regarding issues of sexual orientation.

The Safe Zone program began about five years ago as a way to make the heterosexual population more aware of the people who comprise the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered (GLBT) community.

“The climate at BSC, though not overtly homophobic, was, like our culture, clearly heterosexist,” said Robert Haynor, outreach education coordinator at the counseling center and co-chair of the Safe Colleges Task Force. “It was not necessarily inclusive of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered population.”

After speaking with a colleague at the University of Rhode Island who had launched a similar program, the Safe Zone program was born. People who were interested in becoming allies of the GLBT population were asked to educate themselves about the dynamics of gender and sexual orientation and then display the sticker outside their office or residence hall room, identifying themselves as people who would be non-judgmental and supportive of members of the GLBT community.

It is, Mr. Haynor said, a passive educational program, but it does require a certain amount of courage on the part of people who become allies.

“We’re asking people, in some ways, to take a risk,” Mr. Haynor said, noting that others may assume anyone displaying the sticker is part of the GLBT population themselves, which may make the ally subject to the same types of discrimination the GLBT population endures.

The Safe Colleges Task Force was founded a year ago to both revitalize the Safe Zone program and to do more outreach programs regarding GLBT issues in the BSC community. The task force received a $2,500 grant from the Governor’s Commission for Safe Colleges last spring. Lisa Evaneski, assistant director for campus judicial programs, is co-chair of the Safe Colleges Task Force and is also adviser to AWARE, a student group that raises awareness about issues of the GLBT community.

The “Safe” in “Safe Colleges” is key to what the task force is working for — a safe environment for GLBT students, faculty, staff and administrators. Unfortunately, surveys of college students across the nation show that students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered often do not feel safe on campus, and have reported everything from verbal insults to threats of physical violence.

“A lot of what the Safe Colleges program has done has been to raise the awareness of students and everyone else,” Ms. Evaneski said. “The gay and lesbian students feel more validated.”

Last year, the task force supported AWAREness week. Held in April, the weeklong event featured a variety of educational programs that were intended to help the general population increase awareness of issues facing GLBT people. Programming highlights included discussions about homophobia and the benefits of being an ally and a lecture from Dave Pallone, a former major league baseball umpire who was forced to leave his profession because he is gay.

The weeklong series of events garnered a good deal of attention on campus. Ms. Evaneski said some faculty members showed their support for the programming by assigning students to attend and write about the events. Resident assistants interested in fostering a more supportive atmosphere for their GLBT residents also attended.

The task force also worked with Dr. Alan Comedy, assistant to the president for affirmative action/minority affairs, to rework the language in the Bridgewater State College Handbook to be more sensitive to the GLBT population. For example, references to “sexual preference” were changed to “sexual orientation,” which is the preferred term to use when describing a person’s sexuality.

In the coming year, the task force will continue its efforts to further raise awareness within the BSC community of the GLBT population. Another AWAREness week will be planned, although the dates have not yet been set. The task force also hopes to collaborate on programs with high school student gay/straight alliances, which are being established in more and more high schools around the Commonwealth as a result of the work of the Governor’s Commission for Safe Schools Program.

The fact that such groups are flourishing in high schools indicates that colleges must work on providing a safe and accepting atmosphere for GLBT students.

“More kids are coming from high schools that have groups like this,” Mr. Haynor said. “Why would they bother going to a college that doesn’t recognize and support them?”

Ms. Evaneski said she knows it will take more than just a year or two to foster the kind of environment she is hoping will exist some day.

“I used to think tolerance was good,” she said. “But I’d like to see us move from tolerance to celebration.”
Dr. Sandra Faiman-Silva Named First Fiore Scholar

Dr. Sandra Faiman-Silva, professor of anthropology, was named the first Fiore Scholar at Bridgewater State College.

The award will help support her research for a book-length monograph entitled The Courage to Connect: Gay-Straight Community-Building in Provincetown, Massachusetts. With approximately 3,500 year-round residents, Provincetown is well known for being a diverse and successful community.

Though gender issues are often the cause of conflict in the community, residents manage to join together—through church, government and social organizations—for the good of the town.

“I wanted to find out what is making that community work, when so many communities are mired in conflict,” Dr. Faiman-Silva said.

In 1998, working with Susanne H. Fiore, Dr. Fiore’s widow, the college created this award. Applications are submitted by faculty to the provost and vice president for academic affairs and the prize will be awarded each spring by the provost following consultation with the academic deans and the president.

Tommy Chosen for Prestigious Competition

The BSC Theatre department’s production of The Who’s Tommy was chosen for the Region 1 finals of the American College Theatre Festival Competition 2000. Tommy was one of only six productions from a field of 45 to win this honor.

“BSC is the only public college to reach the regional finals, joined by Brandeis, Wellesley, Franklin Pierce, Regis and Stonehill,” said director Dr. Stephen Levine. “I hope everyone in this community realizes how good our theatre program is.”

A benefit performance of Tommy was held to help offset the cost of taking the production to the competition, which was held earlier this winter. Results of the competition were not available when Bridgewater Magazine went to press.

Employees Honored with Commonwealth Citation for Outstanding Performance

This year marked the 16th annual Performance Recognition Awards Program dinner during which several members of the BSC community received the Commonwealth Citation for Outstanding Performance.

Recipients were nominated by their co-workers, recommended by the BSC selection committee, and then designated by the president as having made an outstanding contribution to the college.

Recipients from Bridgewater State College were Elizabeth Chappuis, staff associate, biological sciences; John Harper, director of athletics and recreation; Geraldine Krappe, maintainer I, facilities; Mary Ann McKinnon, director of accreditation, certification and field placement, School of Education and Allied Studies; Elaine Viveiros, accountant I, budget office; and the Office of Public Affairs.

Employees from BSC pose for a photo outside the Hynes Convention Center, where they were honored with Commonwealth Citations for Outstanding Performance. From left to right are Marie Murphy, Roberta Harris and Eva Gaffney, all from the Office of Public Affairs; MaryAnn McKinnon; Elaine Viveiros; John Harper; and Elizabeth Chappuis.

Music Professor Henry Santos Retires

A large segment of the campus community turned out to say farewell to Henry Santos, a longtime professor of music at Bridgewater State College.

A surprise reception was held in his honor in December after Professor Santos presented a lecture-recital on Beethoven’s use of Sonata form in his piano music. Faculty, staff and students from many departments attended the event, during which Professor Santos was presented with a Bridgewater State College chair.

Music professor Henry Santos and President Adrian Tinsley share a laugh at the surprise reception held in his honor.
Moakley K-12 Coordinator
Ms. Jennifer Joseph is the new K-12 program coordinator. Ms. Joseph, who came to Bridgewater from Westport High School where she was academy coordinator for business technologies and an English teacher, is organizing and creating educational programs, especially in technology, that will appeal to educators, students and parents.

“We want to offer courses ranging from how to use basic computer software applications to how to integrate technology into the classroom,” said Ms. Joseph. “Teachers today are looking for courses that will help them to create technology integrated lessons they can take back and use in their classrooms. We want to try and meet those needs.”

Using her teaching experience as a guideline, Ms. Joseph, who has a bachelor’s degree in English with a minor in secondary education from Utica College of Syracuse University in New York, is visiting area schools to talk with teachers about courses and programs of potential interest.

Director of NCATE effort
Mary Ann McKinnon has been promoted to director of accreditation, certification and field placement. She has been working with staff and faculty to prepare the documents necessary for education programs to apply for national program recognition through professional organizations approved by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Seeking continuing accreditation through NCATE, which happens once every five years, is always quite an undertaking. This year, however, the undertaking is especially important. In previous accreditation cycles, the Massachusetts Department of Education’s agreement (protocol) with NCATE allowed for certification programs to be approved by the state alone. But this year, in order to seek continuing accreditation from NCATE, programs must first gain approval from the appropriate professional national organization.

Programs that do meet the standards will have an additional measure of prestige. Students who graduate from them will be able to tell future employers that they completed a program that met the guidelines of their national professional organization.

Mine Action Scholar-in-Residence
The Government of Canada has named Christopher Kirkey, professor of Canadian Studies and political science, Mine Action Scholar-in-Residence. Dr. Kirkey will be working to raise the level of awareness in the United States of recent international efforts to rid the world of land mines.

The United States has yet to make a full commitment to that goal, exemplified by the decision not to sign the 1997 Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction. The Convention has 135 signatories, and has been ratified by 84 countries.

Dr. Kirkey’s core duty will be to make sure the issue does get that scrutiny, by making certain that mine issues are a notable feature of several keynote academic conferences and by visiting colleges and universities on a lecture/discussion tour.

Special Olympics Directors of the Year
For the past five years, Bridgewater State College has hosted the Southeast Sectional Aquatics competition for Special Olympics. Every year without fail Mr. Harper, BSC athletic director, and Susan Crosby-Tangen, assistant athletic director, help to rally and organize the campus troops for this enormous undertaking. This year, their exceptional efforts were recognized by the Special Olympics organization when they were named Massachusetts Games Directors of the Year.

Mr. Harper and Ms. Crosby-Tangen were chosen from a field of over 100 Games Directors for this honor.

“Both John and Sue are outstanding role models to the students they supervise in this event,” said Special Olympics Section Director Joe Siegel in announcing their selection. “Their work ethic, attention to detail, and commitment to our Special Olympians is superlative. We feel this is one of the best organized events we have seen.”

New Assistant Director
Lauren Cushing is the new assistant director, special programs in the Office of Career Services. A 1993 graduate of Stonehill College with a bachelor’s degree in psychology, Ms. Cushing earned a master’s degree in mental health counseling from Suffolk University in May 1999.

While pursuing her degree at Suffolk, Ms. Cushing was employed

Names and Faces In the News at BSC
Jean Charest, leader of the Official Opposition and leader of the Quebec Liberal party, presented this year’s Distinguished Canadian Annual Address in October. He discussed Canada, Quebec and national unity.

Prior to his position with the Quebec Liberal Party, Mr. Charest was a cabinet minister and a member of Parliament with the Progressive Conservative party. Before the 1993 federal Canadian election, there were 153 Progressive Conservatives in Parliament – the election saw only two of them voted back in, and Mr. Charest was one of them.

The Canadian Studies program at BSC, under the direction of Dr. Anthony Cicerone, sponsored the event.

More than 100 administrators, faculty and staff members listened there as the recruiting coordinator in the career services office. In her position at Bridgewater, she is in charge of coordinating events including alumni career panels, networking events and the Disney program to recruit interns. She also does career counseling and manages the alumni CareerNet database.

Career services has a lot to offer students and Ms. Cushing hopes they will take advantage of it. “I’d like to educate students about our office,” she said. “We have resources for students at all stages of the career planning process.”

Ms. Cushing has planned a pilot event called “Senior Year Experience” which she described as a “program to help seniors make the transition into the real world.” The event, planned for Feb. 15 and 16, will feature useful information on class rings and caps and gowns, as well as programs about managing finances and negotiating salaries/evaluating job offers.

BSC Hosts Special Speakers and Visitors

Jean Charest

as two noted speakers in the field of higher education, Dr. Judith McLaughlin and President Adrian Tinsley, framed the issues that will face everyone in higher education in the 21st Century at the first Bridgewater Institute of the 1999-2000 academic year.

Dr. McLaughlin, a nationally recognized authority on higher education, is a member of the BSC Board of Trustees and director of the New Presidents Program at Harvard University.

Massachusetts Board of Higher Education meeting at BSC.

The Massachusetts Board of Higher Education held its November meeting at Bridgewater State College, with more than 150 faculty members and librarians greeting them with an informational picket to inform them of the Massachusetts State College Association’s displeasure with their lack of contract after more than 20 months of negotiations.

Faculty members poured into council chambers as the board meeting began. Both Chairman Stephen P. Tocco and President Adrian Tinsley acknowledged the hard work and dedication of the union’s bargaining team and their hopes for a resolution in the near future.

President Tinsley provided the board with a brief overview of the college’s service area and the exciting programs and projects that are taking place at the state’s largest public college. She described Bridgewater as “a college on the move” and outlined four areas the college will be focusing on, capital projects, endowment campaign, student life and academics to serve the area’s growing population.

The State College Building Authority approved plans for a new 300-bed residence hall during a meeting held on campus in November, allowing the project to move forward to the design and development stage.

“This is a very special and happy day for Bridgewater State College,” said President Adrian Tinsley as the meeting convened at BSC last month. Discussion about a new residence hall began in 1992, Dr. Tinsley said. In the past five years, occupancy rates in existing halls have exceeded 100 percent, and there has been a waiting list of 300 students annually.

Approval for the new residence hall, which will be located on the east side of campus, brings to $51.5 million the amount being invested in capital improvements at the college in the next three to five years. The other projects planned include a new dining hall, field house, the renovation of Harrington Hall and a new Academic Achievement Center in the Maxwell Library.

Representatives from the architectural firm Goody and Clancy of Boston displayed sketches of what the proposed dormitory and an adjacent dining hall will look like. Half the rooms in the four-story residence hall will be designed for single occupancy, which will enable the college to increase conference business during the summer months.

The hall will also feature private bathrooms, air conditioning and a view of the nearby athletic field. The dining hall has a capacity of 750, and is being designed with spaces that can be used for social activity after regular dining hours.
Dear Fellow Alumni:

On behalf of the Bridgewater Alumni Association, I would like to wish you a happy and healthy new year! Since it is the start of a new calendar year, I felt that I would take advantage of the moment to inform you of some significant events that you, as alums are invited to participate in.

On May 19th, the BSC Foundation will be sponsoring their annual Chairmen's Dinner. This is a first-class social event that promotes many of the college’s missions, which includes lending financial support to the institution. This year’s co-chairs are Fred Clark, ’83 chairman of the college’s Board of Trustees and Mr. Lou Ricciardi, ’81 chairman of the college’s Foundation. The guest speaker will be WBZ news reporter and BSC alum David Robichaud, ’83.

On May 20th, the college will be celebrating Commencement and the BAA will welcome our newest members into our fold, the class of 2000.

On June 2nd and 3rd, the BAA will host its annual Alumni Weekend. You and your family are invited to participate in our campus-wide alumni takeover. All alums are invited to participate in this fun-filled weekend. Look for future mailings with more information regarding this event. If you would like to plan a reunion, call the Office of Alumni Relations and you will get all the help you need to help you have a great weekend with old friends!

Should you wish to assist in the planning of any Alumni Association events or would like information on how to become involved in the BAA, please contact the Alumni Relations Office at (508) 531-1287 or e-mail me at ddcarcy@bridgew.edu.

Lastly, I would like to welcome all of the new members who have volunteered for the Alumni Association over the past six months and offer a special word of thanks to those that have supported the association over the years.

Sincerely,

Dan Darcy ’88
Bridgewater Alumni Association President

Massachusetts Distance Learning Consortium Founded

A Distance Learning Consortium, established by several higher education institutions including Bridgewater State College, launched its first cooperative effort last fall to jointly publicize distance learning courses available at member institutions.

The booklet, which was available at each member institution, provided information on distance learning courses held at Bristol Community College, Bridgewater State College, Cape Cod Community College, Massasoit Community College, Salem State College, UMass Dartmouth, and UMass Lowell. Organizers hope this is just the beginning for this joint venture.

“The current members of the consortium hope other higher education institutions will join us in the future,” said Dr. Mary Fuller, BSC’s director of distance learning and technology programs.

Several types of distance learning courses are available at the different schools. They include interactive video courses delivered via two-way audio and video to various sites with the necessary equipment; telecourses utilizing on air television programming or videocassettes; and, Internet/email/Web/TeleWeb courses, which have an Internet component that is often combined with either a television or email component.

This is the third year that BSC has offered two-way interactive distance learning courses. Plans for offering more web-based courses are in place. The International Center for Distance Learning, in the summer of 2000, will be conducting a national seminar on distance learning courses at the Moakley Center.

The growing popularity of these courses is easy to explain.

“Distance learning courses provide students with a flexibility not offered through a standard college course,” said Dr. Fuller. “They can take courses tailored to meet their schedule. This is especially attractive to students with full time jobs, family responsibilities or who live too far to commute to campus.”

Students register and pay tuition to the member institution offering the course and receive credit from that same institution.
Alumni Update

Alumni who attended Hyannis Bench Dedication.

Hyannis Bridgewater
Physical Education Alumni Association

Bench Dedication October, 1999
Approximately 60 physical education alumni gathered at Veterans' Park in Hyannis, for the dedication of an inscribed bench at the site of the former Camp Howes. Life at Camp Howes was an important component of the Health & Physical Education curriculum from 1942-1948. Many alumni who attended the dedication ceremony brought photographs of their days at Camp Howes to a reception that was held at the Hyannis Golf Club. The sharing of these memories brought smiles to so many faces. It was an afternoon enjoyed by all!

Area Receptions

Boston Alumni Chapter Reception
Bridgewater State College has an official Boston Alumni Chapter! Director of alumni relations, Candace Maguire, and the vice president for institutional advancement, Dr. Richard Cost, met with alumni on Oct. 14 at the Boston Museum of Science. After viewing the film "Mysteries of Egypt," everyone gathered for a cocktail reception. Dr. Cost brought the attendees up to date on what has been happening at the college and the chapter's first president, Kevin Kindregan, '87, spoke to the group about what he would like to see happen in the Boston area. Kevin encouraged those in attendance to contact him if they wanted to become involved in future event planning. If you could not attend the event and would like to contact Kevin, he can be reached by e-mail at KevinK@irelandmail.com. Kevin has a great deal of enthusiasm about this chapter and with so many alumni living within the Boston area, this could become a solid alumni group.

Bridgewater State College Travels to Portsmouth, New Hampshire
The second chapter to be established in New England is in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Thirty-five alumni who live in the southern New Hampshire and southern Maine areas met at the Sheraton Harborside for a Sunday brunch on Oct. 17. Frank Rapisardi, class of 1969, has volunteered to be the

Marie Hayes, class of 1944, shares her Camp Howes memories with group.

Bench at the site of former Camp Howes.
Getting ready to board the Isles of Shoals ferry in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Alumni who met in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

Rhode Island Alumni
Meet in Providence
On Dec. 6, 35 alumni and friends met at the Trinity Rep Theater in Providence to see a performance of "A Christmas Carol." This was the first official meeting of the Bridgewater State College Rhode Island Alumni Chapter.

A reception followed the performance and Dr. Richard Cost, vice president for institutional advancement, spoke to the group about the latest projects that were taking place on campus.

Ann Morris '54 volunteered to be the chapter's first president. If you would like to become involved with this chapter and help with planning future events, please call the Alumni Office at 888-BSC-9555.
7th Annual Job Fair
Wednesday, April 5, 2000
12-3 PM
Campus Center Ballroom
Mark your calendar for our annual job fair! More than 40 organizations will be on campus to interview BSC seniors, alumni and members of the Bridgewater community for full-time professional-level opportunities with their organizations. If your employer is interested in participating in this year's job fair, please contact Shannon Finning at (508) 531-1328.

Massachusetts Education Recruiting Consortium (MERC)
April 18-19, 2000
This annual education job fair is open to BSC alumni and graduating seniors who are certified 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 21 and March 27 at 6 PM.

Career Services College News
Spotlight Panel Series
Every semester, the offices of Career Services and Alumni Relations cosponsor alumni panel discussions. These events have been created in an effort to bring BSC students and our valued alumni together, offering a forum for obtaining career information and an opportunity to share ideas and make contacts within the field.

During the Fall '99 semester, two career panels were highlighted. The Careers in Information Technology Panel was held on Oct. 13 in the Campus Center Green Room. Dr. Peter Georgelas moderated and assisted the 35 students in question- ing the panel. Five Bridgewater graduates with various experiences in the field served as panelists: Debra Avtgis, '86, senior software engineer at Alphatech, Inc.; Gail Boudreau, '90, quality assurance coordinator at EUA Service Corporation; Richard Farrell, '86, Boston Globe director of integration; Adam Baily, '85, software engineer/analyst at Alphatech, Inc.; and Matthew Maderos, '94, assistant microcomputer specialist at Bridgewater State College.

The Public Relations Career Panel was held Nov. 15 in the Alumni Davis Center. Dr. Thomas Mickey moderated the event, which drew more than 45 students. The four Bridgewater alumni who served as panelists were: Esta Jacobs, '81, risk manager at Pro Mutual Group; Kristen LaCivita, '96, recruiting at The Creative Group; Cheryl Botieri, '82, president and owner of Time Out; and Leah Arruda, '94, sr. communications consultant at Sun Life of Canada.

We would like to extend sincere thanks to our alumni participants and faculty moderators.

Fall Networking Event
The Office of Career Services, in cooperation with the Office of Alumni Relations, held its annual Fall Networking Event Nov. 16 in the Campus Center Ballroom. The first portion of the evening was a dining etiquette presentation given by Carol McGuiggan, an expert in the field. Students were able to apply these tips at a formal sit-down dinner. Following the dinner, alumni from eight different career fields were on hand to meet and connect with students from all majors. Students had the wonderful opportunity to network industry information and develop professional contacts. The evening was enjoyed by all! Thank you to all our alumni who volunteered their time for this valuable event.

A student enjoys dinner following the dining etiquette/networking event.
Homecoming 1999

The weather started out pretty rainy, but what a glorious day it turned out to be! The annual Homecoming parade was outstanding this year! The judges were impressed with the creative efforts that went into the float building contest and it was difficult making the decision for the top prize. Theta Phi Alpha & Sigma Pi were chosen as the winners of the 1999 Homecoming Best Float!

After the parade, many alumni stopped at the alumni tent to see Poppy the Clown and to have portraits drawn by a caricaturist. The first 50 alumni to visit the tent received a free travel mug from the Alumni Association. Some put them to good use immediately by filling their cups with complimentary hot chocolate or coffee before taking their seats at the football game.

The day ended with another victory for the Bears as they defeated Westfield State 49-19!

Following the game some of the alumni gathered in the Rathskeller for a victory celebration.

Football Alumni Reunion

The 20th Annual Football Alumni Reunion will be Friday, April 28, at the Charlie Horse Restaurant in West Bridgewater. A registration form and detailed information regarding the morning golf tournament and evening dinner program will be mailed in March.

Golden Bridges

Attention Golden Bridges Members:

Prepare for an exciting spring schedule! Join us on March 22 for our annual book discussion with our own Dr. Ruth Farrar. April 19 marks the day for our trip into Boston to tour the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum. Take a walk with us as we explore one of Newport’s most famous mansions, The Breakers, on May 10. Please call Melissa Magrath, graduate staff assistant for Alumni Relations at (508) 531-2946 for further information.
Homecoming Weekend provides graduates with a great opportunity to return to the campus, reunite with friends and spend time with today's students. Please contact the alumni office if you would like to plan a special reunion next year.

**BSC Pride Network**

The Office of Alumni Relations and the Safe Colleges Task Force invite gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered alumni to become charter members of BSC Pride Network. If you are interested in any of the following opportunities — professional networking, mentoring a current BSC student, or social events, contact co-chairs of the Safe Colleges Task Force: Lisa Evaneski, (508) 531-6177, e-mail—levanski@bridgew.edu; Bob Haynor, (508) 531-1331, e-mail—rhaynor@bridgew.edu.

You may also complete the following information and return it to Bob Haynor, Counseling Center, Bridgewater State College, 131 Summer Street, Bridgewater MA 02325

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We invite you to attend an on-campus reception during AWAREness Week (April 10 - April 14).

For more information on the BSC Pride Network and the Safe Colleges Task Force visit our website: http://www.bridgew.edu/Depts/counseling/SCIT.htm

All responses and correspondence will be kept in confidence.
The 35th reunion was held October 22-24 in Plymouth. Weekend events which allowed us to get caught up with all of our classmates included a Friday evening cocktail gathering, a duck tour, winery tours, a visit to Cranberry World, antique shopping and a Sunday morning brunch buffet. Our dinner celebration at Issac's restaurant on Saturday evening was a huge success. All through our delicious meal, one could place bids for items at our Silent Auction. Awards were presented to Gail Appiani Lamb for traveling the farthest and to Alan and Claudette Marvelli for having changed the least. A few of our classmates have retired and some are about to do so very soon. After dinner a live auction was held and our president, Tony Sarno, was an excellent auctioneer. Keeping track of the bids were Pat and JackMorrissey, our class treasurer. The good news is that this event was enjoyed by all and raised more than $1700 for the kickoff of our fund-raising campaign for the Class Gift Fund. We are still looking for volunteers to work on a committee and to ultimately decide what our gift to the college should be on our 50th anniversary. For those of you who came, we thank you. For those of you who couldn't make it, hopefully we'll see you at the 40th. Faculty who attended included Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mish, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Morin, Miss Marian Nelson and Dr. James Brennan. Kudos to co-chairs Martha Jones, Nancy Sarno and Susan Thevenin. A good time was had by all.

P.S. We are still waiting to hear from Gil Simmons who won the high bid for the 64 lottery tickets donated by Susan Thevenin. We'll keep you posted.
Athletic Hall of Fame Inducts Graduates

The Bridgewater State College Athletic Hall of Fame, established in 1986, recognizes the contributions of the developers of and participants in the heritage of athletic excellence at Bridgewater. On Oct. 22, more than 160 people attended the annual Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet. Six outstanding graduates were inducted that evening.

Eligibility for the Hall of Fame induction is based primarily on the athletic prowess of an individual combined with personal integrity, high standards of sportsmanship and good character. Individuals are also eligible on the basis of outstanding contributions to the Bridgewater State College athletics program.

The 1999 inductees were:

Bob Colangeli was a four-year starter at defensive tackle for the Football Bears from 1978-1981. He was named to the NEFC All Conference team in 1980 & 1981 and to the ECAC All Star team in 1981. He was also a co-captain for the Bears in 1981. Following his graduation in 1983 he joined the BSC coaching staff as a defensive line coach (1983-84). Today, Bob is a computer consultant for Atticus Systems and Programming, which specializes in systems management and software development. He and his wife, Maria, along with their three children, Bobby, Katie and Joseph, now reside in Pembroke.

Kathy Delaney Smith played basketball at Bridgewater during the infancy of the women's basketball program from 1967-71. After her playing days, she went on to a stellar career as a coach that began at Westwood High School where she compiled an incredible 204-31 record. At Westwood her teams went undefeated for six consecutive regular seasons and won one Massachusetts state title. In 1982 she became the third head coach in Harvard women's basketball history. She is also the winningest, (247-193) as she enters her 18th season at the helm of the Crimson program. Her teams have won six Ivy League titles and have made three NCAA appearances (1996-98). She was named the first woman to the Massachusetts Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame (1986), the New England Northeast Hall of Fame (1998) and the Westwood High School Hall of Fame (1996). Kathy resides in Newton with her husband, Francis, and son, Jared.

Patrick Galvin played ice hockey at Bridgewater State from 1973-1977. He led the team in scoring in both his junior and senior years and accumulated over 160 points during his career. He was also named team captain in his senior year. A 1977 political science graduate, Patrick is presently president of Pro Software Alliance, Inc., a software-consulting firm he began in 1991. He is active as a coach in both youth hockey and little league baseball in his hometown of Hingham. He is married to Patricia Morgan Galvin and is the proud father of Timothy, age 14, and Jennifer, age 12.

Phil LeFavor played football at BSC from 1968-1971. A four-year starter in the offensive line, he was named to the NEFC all-star team in 1969 and was captain in his senior year. Since 1972, he has been teaching at Wareham High School in the social studies department and was named chairman of the department in September 1999. He has also coached football at Wareham, as an assistant coach from 1972-1983, and head coach from 1983-1995. He also coached spring track from 1972-1995. Phil earned his M.Ed. from Bridgewater in 1976 and is still active with the BSC football alumni advisory committee. He resides in Rochester with his wife, Cindy and their two sons, Will and Sam.

Kathy McGough was a two-sport athlete at BSC, excelling in both field hockey from 1986 to 1989 and softball from 1987-1989. Playing the link position in field hockey, she was named to the MASCAC all conference team in 1988 & 1989 and to the Sauk Valley New England Region All American team in 1989. She was their team captain in 1988 & 1989. In softball, she played second base and was named to the MASCAC all conference team in 1989. She returned to her alma mater in 1993 as assistant field hockey coach and later took over as head coach for the 1996 & 1997 seasons. An exercise science major at BSC, Kathy began her professional career as a physical therapist assistant and is currently a physical education teacher for grades K-8. Kathy resides in Fall River.

Joe O'Connor played guard on the Bears basketball team from 1990-93. During his career, he scored 1784 points which at that time broke a 30-year BSC record. He was named to the MASCAC all conference first (1993) or second (1990-92) team all four years he participated. He averaged 182 points per game during his career and he holds all the BSC records for shooting 3-point field goals. Prior to Bridgewater, he led Dedham High School as their all-time leading scorer with 1114 points. Joe now works for Bell Atlantic and resides in his hometown of Dedham.

Athletic Hall of Fame Nomination Form

If you would like to nominate someone for the Hall of Fame, a nomination form can be found on the college web site under the Alumni Section (www.bridgew.edu). Or, if you would like a nomination form sent to you, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at (508) 531-1287 or 888-BSC-9555.
The class notes printed in this issue were received by December 15, 1999. Information received after this date will be held for the next issue. The deadline for the next issue is April 15, 2000.

1918
Marie Fernandes Harding recalls a century of memories in the September 1, 1999 issue of the Standard Times; she celebrates her 103rd birthday on Dec. 12.

1921

1933
Stella H. Krupka
7 Fitch Terrace
Randolph, MA 02368

1935
George Higgins
20 Deerfield Road
Osterville, MA 02656

George E. Higgins of 20 Deerfield Road, Osterville, is looking for classmates Harry Bracklin and Olive Smith from the class of 1934.

1936
Barbara Albret
28 Highland Ave., Box 1075
East Dennis, MA 02641

Phyllis Esau
45 Bryant Ave.
Milton, MA 02186

Despite some health problems in recent years, Barbara (Smith) Huff, living in California, plans to fly to Cape Cod in the spring to visit Belle (Barsky) Levin in Centerville. Barbara and Belle have been friends since their days in Tillinghast... In the fall, Connie (Nash) Hartwell enjoyed a trip to Hawaii with her daughter Becky and family.

1937
Ruth Metcalf
104 Pleasant St.
Bridgewater, MA 02324

1940
Janice Brennan Sprogell
41 Linnwold Drive
West Hartford, CT 06107

1942
Loretta Kennedy Dexter
15 Buckwood Drive
South Yarmouth, MA 02664

1946
Phyllis Clayman Friedman
30 Washington Street #713
Brighton, MA 02135

1949
Jacqueline Killen Weyand
34-10 94th Street, Apt. 1C
Jackson Heights
Long Island, NY 11372

1950
Burnham P. Miller
21 Sunset Drive
Whitinsville, MA 01588

The following notes were received from Burnham Miller... Our 1950 class reunion committee under the leadership of Jean (Grant) Prendergast and Mary (O'Neil) Carey continues to meet several times a year planning our 50th reunion. Mark your calendar for the weekend of June 2-4, 2000 and join with your former classmates for this special occasion. We will have the opportunity to reside on campus for our 50th reunion. A 50th class of 1950 yearbook is being prepared so we can share with each other many of our life experiences since we graduated from Bridgewater State Teachers College in June 1950. If you have not updated your post Bridge water experience sheet, please call Jean (Grant) Prendergast at (508) 543-2777 or write her at 21 Phyllis Road, Foxboro, MA 02035 as soon as possible.

1951
Jean Collins Fletcher
91 Riverboat Village Road
South Hadley, MA 01075

1952
Helen O'Connor Keegan
53 Sadys Lane
East Falmouth, MA 02536

1953
Ralph J. Fletcher
91 Riverboat Village Road
South Hadley, MA 01075

The following class notes were submitted by Sallee Twichell Bielski '50... Carol Daly Crook writes that she and her husband Al, toured the Pacific Northwest this past summer. In September they attended their annual F.A.A. retirees reunion held this year in Albuquerque, New Mexico. On the way they visited son #4 in Breckenridge, Colorado where he owns a video shop.

1954
Hazel Luke Varella
121 Center Street
North Easton, MA 02356

1955
Plans are being made for the 45th year reunion. Mark June 2 & 3 on your calendar.

Francena Warren Smith
32 Mellen Street
Needham, MA 02494

Paul Sprague
P.O. Box 521
Hinsdale, NH 03451

After retiring this year, John P. Hackett, assistant superintendent of Weymouth High/Vocational Technical High, was inducted into the Weymouth Hall of Fame after spending 44 years with his hometown school system as a teacher and an administrator.

1956
Carlene Dodd Brown
58 Nelson Road
South Weymouth, MA 02190
The following class notes were submitted by Eleanor Lydon Olson. Our class extends prayers and sympathy to Lorraine and Doc Blanchon on the passing of their son, Robert, in October... As summer began, so ended some outstanding teaching careers... Laura Baptista Crocco gave new meaning to the concept of “giving back to the community” this June when she retired from the North Falmouth Elementary School after thirty-three years. Rather than a big bash for the occasion, she requested that her friends hold a simple Career Celebration Day at her school and help her kick off a fundraising drive for the North Falmouth Playground Committee. Laura plans to continue her work for the playground drive, as well as to take some painting courses, get her real estate license, take an accounting course and travel. Suffice it to say that Laura will still be a very busy lady!!! Some of the other newest retirees are: Rosemary Sweeney Davies, Joanne Smith Hathaway, Andy Miller, Romeo Lafond, Prickilla Walters Olson and Alice Murphy O'Neil. All are making a great adjustment to the leisure life!!! Many of these folks are living on the Cape... Carlene Dodd Brown is a permanent Cape resident. She moved to Yarmouth and continues to work as a travel agent... Vinny Sullivan and his wife Jane, have sold their antiques business in Quincy, but continue to do estate appraisals... In August many of our members gathered for an informal luncheon at the Yarmouth House on the Cape. About thirty people attended. Marjorie Courant Lopes and Norma Goyetche Munroe traveled from Cape Ann for the occasion... Carol Girard Valeri was proud to claim 42 years in teaching. She is now retired and enjoying her free time... John Shields ’57 joined us and reports that he’s retiring again. This time he is leaving a furniture business in Cotuit... We’ll try a similar gathering next year, perhaps we’ll “go over The Bridge” and have more of our Boston members join us. We heard from several folks who couldn’t make the luncheon but sent good wishes... Sandra Wiggins Ashley reports that she returned from a visit to Colorado to see her daughter... Mary Cote Foster has relocated in Maine after the death of her husband, Alan... Mary Anne Pedone Hunt is busy with Bible School for little ones. In August she and Ed became grandparents to twin boys and a little girl – busy time!!!... Janice Phelps Parker called from Vermont. Though she couldn’t make it to lunch on the Cape, she reports that she is enjoying her work as a volunteer guardian ad litem for children in the court system... Peggy Malone DiPersio sent good wishes from Meriden, Connecticut where she is caring for her 92-year-old mother... Bob Bachman reports from Andover that in spite of some health problems, he manages to volunteer teach three Aerospace Science classes. This work is very fulfilling to him. He sends good wishes to all... Jackie Haslett is still busy traveling a great deal, teaching doctoral students in Japan and spending time in Switzerland. She bought a cottage on Lake Horace in New Hampshire... We also extend sincere sympathy to the family of Tony Peters who passed away in Osaka, Japan last summer. A book will be donated to the Bridgewater State College Library in his memory.

1957

Beverly Tunstall Shavinsky
81 Francis Street
Fairhaven, MA 02719

1958

John B. Lonergan
21 Westminster Road
East Weymouth, MA 02189

Marcel Richard celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary with his lovely wife, Edith Garhum Richard, on Aug. 7, 1999... John Fletcher is working as the Title I director for the Dartmouth Public Schools.

1960

Plans are being made for the 40th year reunion. Mark June 2 & 3 on your calendar.
Women Athletic Administrators...

Patricia Medeiros-Landurand has been named one of the 1998-1999 winners of the Thorp Professorship for the Distinguished Teaching in the Feinstein School of Education and Human Development at Rhode Island College.

1967

Charlotte A. Snow Springer celebrated 50 years of marriage to her husband, Edwin A. Springer on August 27, 1999.

1968

Donna Daley Brown
Box 366
779 Center Street
Bryantville, MA 02327

1969

Carol Ethier Pappas
44 Tall Timbers
Berwick, ME 03901

1970

Plans are being made for the 30th year reunion. Mark June 2 & 3 on your calendar.

1971

Ann Brassard Koczera
119 Jarry Street
New Bedford, MA 02745

Gerald J. Swift
3 Great Hills Drive
East Sandwich, MA 02537

1972

Phillip A. Conroy, Jr.
85 Bridle Road
Bridgewater, MA 02324

1973

Bruce W. Gaines
2308 West Callaway Street
Inglewood, CA 90303

Maine Bar Association President Ann M. Courtney speaks of her most rewarding and most frustrating cases as an employment lawyer in the Maine Lawyers Review... William J. Morse was appointed president and CEO of Security Federal Savings Bank... Gary Crook is the new interim SAD 36 superintendent.

1974

Veronica Galanek Wainwright
4358 Bonfield Court
Oxford, MD 21654

William “Bud” Brooks of Princeton was named the new director of institutional technology at Bancroft School in Worcester... John Conlin was recognized for the impact he has had as principal at the Balch School in Norwood... Rev. Msgr. Edmund J. Fitzgerald has been named Chaplain by Pope John Paul II... Stephen Shaw has been named the new principal of Hopedale Memorial Elementary School... Cynthia Duggan began her new position as the principal of St. Ann’s School in Dorchester... Leonard C. Gobeil joined the Residential Mortgage Origination team to provide convenient mortgage appointments for applicants buying, refinancing or constructing a home in Barnstable... Joseph Rull is taking on the role as the new assistant superintendent of the Weymouth Public Schools... Sister Mary Oliveira was honored on June 12, 1999 for 50 years of community service in Fall River. Sister Mary is currently a pastoral minister at St. Mary’s Cathedral in Fall River... Matthew M. Delaney was selected to assess teacher candidate performances for the National Board Certification offered by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

This is a picture of a small reunion of the class of 1968, taken this summer. Left to right: William Clifford, Raynham, MA; John D’Angelo, Carmichael, CA; Douglas McClain, Natick, MA; Dean Souke, Scituate, MA.

Joseph P. Hackett
48 Ledgeview Drive
Norwood, MA 02062

Charlie Norvishe began as the new assistant headmaster at the John T. Nichols Jr. Middle School in Middleboro... Peter Rowe was selected to head the Fallon School in Lynn.

Janice Crowley Conroy
85 Bridle Road
Bridgewater, MA 02324

Cynthia Saad Thayer was the guest speaker last August for a program that was presented by the Friends of the Milbridge Library in Maine. She discussed her first novel entitled, “Strong for Potatoes”... Joan McElwee was named director of Employee and Organizational Effectiveness by NSTAR this past October.
1974

Members of the class of 1974 are pictured in the lobby of their hotel during a weekend trip to New York City. Left to right: Elaine (Donahue) Allard, Linda Vitagliano, Linda (Cohen) McGowan, Barbara (Fogarty) Leavell, Debby (Kowal) Kreusch and Barbara (Blais) Robbins.

1975

Plans are being made for the 25th year reunion. Mark June 2 & 3 on your calendar.

Helen Gomes Turner
51 Purington Street
Somerset, MA 02726

Michael J. Vieira has been appointed as an instructor in the computer information systems department at Bristol Community College.

1976

Jacqueline Sylvia Wheaton
P.O. Box 235
Swans Island, Me 04685

Eileen McNamara West received her master's degree in special needs from Simmons College on May 16, 1999.

James Von Euw is the new head football coach for the Westwood Wolverines.

1977

Robert C. Mansur
1224 F Street, Apt. 6
Davis, CA 95616

Malcolm B. Westcott was a colonel and a career reservist until he was recently appointed deputy chief, the third highest position in the Army Reserves.

Barbara Lightizer was named the director of performance improvement and risk management for St. Elizabeth's Medical Center of Boston.

Victoria Marie Schofield/Calderwood George was awarded her Ph.D. in Health Care Organizational Leadership from Marquette University in August, 1999.

1978

Elizabeth Gallagher Duval
148 Colonial Drive
Quincy, MA 02169

David Bousquet is the new principal for the Pinardville School in Goffstown, New Hampshire.

Jill Barnhardt was named the new principal for the Old Country Road Elementary School in Smithfield, Rhode Island.

Pamela Elliott has returned to the classroom after four and a half years as principal of the Donovan Elementary School in Randolph. Elliott says that she missed the children and being in the classroom.

1979

Margaret Linehan Szostek
26 Woodhaven Street
Carver, MA 02330

Barbara Caitlinia Luby
51 O'Donnell Avenue
Shrewsbury, MA 01545

Dick Steele was appointed Halifax's first recreation director.

Jon Dugan Henriksen was hired as the new Stratford Public School principal on June 16, 1999.

Barbara Bluhm was selected to assess teacher candidate performances from throughout the country for the National Board Certification offered by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

1980

Plans are being made for the 20th year reunion. Mark June 2 & 3 on your calendar.

M.S. McDonald
101 Highgreen Ridge
Peachtree City, GA 30269

Leslie Ann Walker was hired as a new teacher for the Scarborough school system in Maine.

Mary Raux is retiring after 57 years as the librarian for the Thomas Crane Public Library in Quincy.

Philip Drugge has been named the new assistant director of Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School in Easton.

Christine B. Dolan received the first ever Green Seal Award from the office of Governor A. Paul Cellucci for Outstanding Environmental Leadership.

1981

Cynthia Booth Ricciardi
P.O. Box 228
Taunton, MA 02780

William Sheehan, a 24-year veteran from the Plymouth Public Schools, was named assistant principal of the Memorial School.

Susan Coffey Lashgari was named Admissions Department liaison nurse for the New England Sinai Hospital and Rehabilitation Center in Stoughton.

Cheryl Salatino is producing a play called, “The Philadelphia Story” at a theater in Wayland.

Laurie Sindone Grant has her own consumer law practice in Duxbury Village. She spoke of her love for her profession in the October 23, 1999 issue of The Patriot Ledger.

1982

John F. Sullivan
5 Highland Street
Foxboro, MA 02035

Michael A. Shaver joined the staff in the Ayer Public School district as a middle school social studies teacher.

Jail Mortazavi is working for a 24 hour Persian-language national public radio station that is based in California. His reports are heard in Persian language throughout the United States and around the world on the Internet...
Class Notes

Nancy Hollis is the new principal at the Lillie B. Merrill Elementary School in Raynham... Edward J. McDonough was chosen as the new principal of the South Middle School in Marshfield this past July... David Best has joined the staff of Jack Conway and Company's Dartmouth real estate office as a sales associate.

1983
David A. Robichaud
35 White Road
Wayland, MA 01778
Karen Croteau has received a doctorate degree in education from Boston University.

1984
Christine Openshaw Tempesta
40 Columbus Avenue
Braintree, MA 02184
Peter Q. George
33 Stetson Street #2
Whitman, MA 02382
Annie Bolduc has joined the intervention team at Somerset High School as a student support services counselor... Andrew Zitoli was named the new principal of the Millis Middle School... Lt. Kirk N. Schilling conducted training with the U.S. Coast Guard's Pacific Area Patrol Boat Training Group while stationed aboard the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Legare in Portsmouth, Virginia... Maria Rodrigues is a kindergarten teacher at the East Taunton Elementary School.

1985
Plans are being made for the 15th year reunion. Mark June 2 & 3 on your calendar.
Jill Fields Lazzeri
46 Elm Street
Franklin, MA 02038
David A. Buckley
17 Susan's Way
Franklin, MA 02038
Kelly Sullivan Kramer
32 Highland Avenue
Keene, NH 03431
Marie Martin-Fluet was added to the English department at the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School in Fitchburg this past school year.

1986
Paula Vogel Quill
20 Goldsmith Drive
Newburyport, MA 01950
Allan Duarte comes to East Bridgewater Middle School as the new principal with 28 years' experience in education, including 10 years as assistant principal and principal of the Fairhaven Middle School... Deborah McNamara, of Spencer, a Metropolitan District Commission park ranger, was honored by the state Senate in July for saving the life of a Beacon Hill infant who had stopped breathing while she was on duty... The following notes were received from Kevin Kindregan '87... Jack Palmieri and his wife, Cathy, have bought a house in Holbrook and live there with their two children, Brendan and Nicholas. Jack is employed at Unifirst Uniform Corporation... Lynn A. Lundberg has been appointed as the newest member of South Shore Cooperative Bank's Board of Directors.

1987
Kevin P. Kindregan
18 Dorchester Street #3
South Boston, MA 02127
Thomas Morrill will be returning to his job as a teacher at the Tewksbury Schools after a term of service in outdoor education in Alaska... Lori-Ann Weeks is the director for the newly opened preschool in Somerset called the Children's Garden Preschool... Lisa Sandler has been promoted to guidance counselor at the Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School in Easton... Mike Jankowski and his wife, Ann, live in Canton with their four children. Mike is employed at the Boston Globe... Mark Miceli is a chef with Sebastian's in Boston. He lives in Quincy with his wife, Joanie... Bob "Hooch" Walnista was married and lives with his wife, Tina, in Mansfield. Bob works at Equiserv in Canton... Tom Foley is living in Plymouth with his wife, Nancy. Tom works for BankBoston... Kevin Kindregan was promoted to staffing specialist at Fidelity Investments. He is living in South Boston and became the president of the Boston chapter of BSC alumni. He looks forward to seeing all of you at alumni events in the future and encourages you to call him or e-mail him with any thoughts or ideas. His phone number is (617) 269-6963 and his email address is KevinK@Irelandmail.com.

1988
Daniel J. Darcy
P.O. Box 446
Bridgewater, MA 02324

Alumni gathering from August, 1999 at Tom Foley's house in Plymouth, MA. Back row, left to right: Mark Miceli, '87; Mike Jankowski, '87. Sitting: Jack Palmieri, '86; Kevin Kindregan, '87; Scott Schounemaker, '87; Tom Foley, '87. Front: Bob "Hooch" Walnista, '87.
Susan M. Sullivan
15 Beacham Road
Rhinebeck, NY 12572

Kathleen M. Gordon is teaching at the Learning Center for Deaf Children in Randolph.

1989
Judi Foley has joined the Tewksbury school district for the 1999-2000 school year... Catherine S. Loranger received her master's degree in special education and is now an attorney at law as a special education advocate and consultant.

1990
Plans are being made for the 10th year reunion. Mark June 2 & 3 on your calendar.

1991
Navy Lt. j.g. Floyd M. Williams has completed a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea, Arabian Gulf and the Adriatic Sea... Donald Franke, chairman of the history and social science department of Sandwich High School, was given the William Spratt Outstanding Secondary Social Studies Teacher of the Year award... Scott Ashworth was inducted into the Fairhaven Hall of Fame for his contributions to his high school’s football, baseball and basketball teams... Kathleen Santangelo has joined the Berluti & McLaughlin LLC in Boston as an associate in the firm’s real estate practice area.

1992
Renee Ladurantaye
6 Nemasket Street
East Taunton, MA 02718

Michelle Burns received the Adam Clayton Powell Award last July. The Powell Scholarship is presented annually to a parent of a former or current participant in the Citizens for Citizens Inc. Head Start Program... Amy McManus was awarded the degree of Juris Doctor from Boston University this past July... Karen Fillmore was awarded a master of education from Lesley College on May 24, 1999.

1993
Debra R. Gately
10 Plympton Avenue
Waltham, MA 02154

Jacquelyn Crimmins began a new job as a full-day kindergarten teacher for the Jacobs School in Hull, Massachusetts... Deborah Jones was appointed to the position of program coordinator of the Kids Program at the Child and Family Services of New Bedford.

1994
Jennifer Carlino was appointed as the new conservation director in Norton... Navy Ensign Michael J. Cassidy has received his commission as a naval officer after completing Officer Candidate School at Naval Aviation Schools Command, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida... Michael C. Johnson has been named to the special education staff, resource room at the Chace Street School in Somerset... Kristin Wiklund was awarded the Master of Science in Communication Science and Disorders from Massachusetts General Institute of Health Professionals, a graduate school affiliated with MGH in Boston... David Doyle navigated the world’s newest blimp this past summer all over New England. The blimp advertised the red and white Hood logo... Mary-Elizabeth Butler was selected by the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators to represent the United States as part of a five-member presentation team attending the International Symposium Exchange at the University of Sydney in December.

1995
Plans are being made for the 5th year reunion. Mark June 2 & 3 on your calendar.

1996
Tina Michael-Savage
1010 Crossroads Drive
North Dartmouth, MA 02747

Emily Warner is on a teaching mission in Guyana for the Peace Corps... Nikki Perkins received a Juris Doctor degree from Roger Williams University Ralph R. Papitto School of Law during Commencement ceremonies on May 22, 1999... Sarah Colaneri Bonneau received her master’s degree in intensive special needs from Simmons College in Boston.

1997
Roger Limoges
3732 T Street, NW
Washington, DC 20007

Carrie Clark has earned a degree in radiation therapy from Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences. Carrie has accepted a full-time position in the Oncology Department at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston... Melissa Gaudette is a DJ working for 97.5 WOKQ and 104.5 WXLO.

1998
Carol Sacchetti
University of Hartford
Office of Residential Life
200 Bloomfield Avenue
Hartford, CT

Joshua Miles D’Ambrosio will attend Claremont University Graduate School of English. He is also a USTA certified professional tennis coach and plans to teach tennis while attending school... Odette Medeiros and Stacey Lee both received master’s degrees in criminal justice from Northeastern University at the graduation ceremonies held Sept. 16, 1999... Michael Jacobs is now working with State Representative John H. Rogers, chairman for the Committee.
on Taxation... Rosie LoPilato was officially appointed the new fourth grade teacher for the 1999-2000 school year at the Gibbons Elementary School in Stoughton.

1999

Kevin Snow has accepted a full-time position as the new Shellfish Officer in Marion. He was one of 32 candidates who applied for the job... Kristin

Woessner is teaching third grade at the Jones Elementary School in Stoughton... Adam P. Branco was appointed account representative to the Branco-Gardner Insurance Agency in Dartmouth in July.

Marriages

Timothy S. Currier '88 to Katie Coakley on June 1, 1999
Todd C. Vigorito '88 to Nancy C. Drought on July 10, 1999
David Michael Curran '91 to Dawn Stevenson on Nov. 21, 1998
Jeffrey C. Linberg '91 to Suzanne M. Czerny on June 19, 1999
Kerrie E. Mitchell '91 to Clark T. Grant on July 24, 1999
Peter Compton '92 to Christine Schultz
Lisa M. Grimes '92 to Joseph R. Andrade on April 17, 1999
Kari L. Preston '94 to Timothy E. Glenn on June 19, 1999
Stephen Vincelette '94 to Kimberly Ann Sandor on May 21, 1999
Kerrie E. Mitchell '95 to Robert G. Elbe Jr.
Sara A. Sutherland '95 to Edward A. Lyons on July 30, 1999
Lauren E. Coffey '96 to Christopher M. Hindy on June 27, 1999

Kathryn Elizabeth Lynch '96 to Matthew Maurice Dansereau on Nov. 21, 1999
Christopher Swain '96 to Jeannette Lynn Chausse on Sept. 19, 20, 1998
Jennifer S. Wells '96 to Robert D. "Buzz" Harmon '96 on Oct. 23, 1999
Michelle L. Widder '96 to Brian Donnelly on Sept. 12, 1999
Jonathan W. Brousseau '97 to Michelle A. Keaveney '98 on June 5, 1999
Katherine M. Deibel '97 to Joseph L. Goddu Jr.
Richard Michael Rogers '97 to Michelle Ann Levesque on May 22, 1999

Births

To Francis and Colleen (Tierney) Cosgrove '87, a son, Shane Francis Cosgrove on July 7, 1999.

To Kelly and Robert J. Lownds '95, a daughter, Elizabeth Louise Lownds on Sept. 23, 1999.

Deaths

Marion H. Dunphie Tapley '10 on Dec. 3, 1999
Florence Buckley Pierce '19 on Aug. 17, 1999
Rose Mary MacIsaac Shepherd '22 on Sept. 21, 1999
Alice M. McDonald Dunn '23 on May 22, 1999
Winnifred Wright Barrus '25 on Sept. 18, 1999
Victorine Cotnoir '25
Grace Smith (Hall) Fiske '25 on July 2, 1999
Elizabeth Stone Weis '25 on Oct. 7, 1999
Alice K. Rockwell Kane '26 on Nov. 6, 1999
Dorothy M. Sargent '27 on Aug. 18, 1999
Helene L. O'Brien '28 on July 4, 1999
Elizabeth Brown Waterhouse '28 on Oct. 14, 1999
Eileen M. Sheehan Hanley '29 on June 6, 1999
Julia E. Sime Harris '29 on Aug. 8, 1999
Mary E. Jackson Murphy '29 on July 3, 1999
Isabelle T. Brams '30 on Aug., 1999
Murielle I. Fuller Caswell '30 on Sept. 10, 1999
Bartholomew P. Buckley '31 on Aug. 2, 1999
Laura H. Johnston Burns '31 on Sept. 30, 1999
Barbara J. Rittershaus Ensor '35 on July 2, 1999
Elinor L. Lane Francis '35 on Aug. 6, 1999
Dorothy F. French Gladden '37 on July 6, 1999
Althea V. Weldon '38 on July 27, 1999
Earl J. Haggerty '39 on Aug. 23, 1999
Elizabeth Jane 'Lib' (Wastcoat) Harmon '39 on Oct. 2, 1999
Gertrude Currier Wirling '39 on Sept. 6, 1999
Phyllis L. Daly Conrad '40 on July 31, 1999
Samuel Deich '40 on July 22, 1999
Ethel Nicholson Hininger '44 on July 10, 1999
Jane B. Cass Conley '45 on June 16, 1999

John F. Williams '47 on Sept. 20, 1998
Anne K. Scotland '51
Jane E. Unsworth '53 on Aug. 15, 1999
James Leach '54 on Aug. 17, 1999
William D. Soforenko '54 on Aug. 21, 1999
Joan E. Manning '57 on July 8, 1999
Alan M. Devaney '60 on Sept. 28, 1999
Thomas Carol Higgins '60 on Sept. 10, 1999
Judith Sheldon Jones '62 on Oct. 19, 1999
Russell G. Heap '64 on June 27, 1999
Doris Frances Wild Moore '65 on Sept. 10, 1999
James P. McCarty '66 on May 17, 1999
Elizabeth P. (Nale) Nalewajk '66 on May 31, 1999
Rosalind M. Brunette McCabe '67 on Nov. 5, 1999
Hilkka I. Miinala ourse 70 on Aug. 4, 1999
Betty Louise Mead Tubman 70 on Oct. 11, 1999
William L. Carmichael '71 on Sept. 22, 1999
Maxine Fortune Fuller 75 on June 22, 1999
Anna Bigelow Davis 78 on Sept. 7, 1999
David W. Flood 78 on July 8, 1999
John E. Pitera 79
Dorothy Maguire Oliver '80 on Nov. 6, 1999
Marie H. Homes Ray '80 on May 18, 1999
Michael George MacPherson '81 on Oct. 6, 1999
Lisa Marie Menn-Anyanwu '85 on Aug. 14, 1999
Stephen F. Greene '88 on Aug. 17, 1999
Sally Scanlon '88 on June 29, 1999
Denise E. McDonald '94 on Aug. 31, 1999
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**SUB-TOTAL**

**Tax** – Massachusetts residents add 5% Sales Tax - No Tax on Clothing

**Shipping** – For each Chair add $35; For Each Mirror Add $6; For All Other Items add $4

**TOTAL**

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Personalization: ____________________________

Payment & Shipping: Check or Money Order Enclosed (Make check payable to Bridgewater Alumni Association)

MC □ VISA □ AMEX □

Card # ___________ Exp. Date: ___________ Signature: ___________

Name: ____________________________ Daytime Phone: ____________________________

Address: ____________________________ State: ____________________________ Zip Code: ____________________________

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An ice sculpture of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. served as a striking centerpiece at the 13th Annual Martin Luther King Celebration and Breakfast. Nearly 400 people attended the event. U.S. Rep. Barney Frank was a featured speaker at the event, as was BSC junior Nicole Moseley, president of the Afro-Am Society. Dr. Alan Comedy, assistant to the president for affirmative action/minority affairs and equal opportunity, served as master of ceremonies. Those who attended were asked to write their dreams for the future in a dream book, which will serve as the source for the theme of next year's celebration.

Dr. Alan Comedy speaks with a guest at the MLK Breakfast.

Ice sculpture of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.


Nicole Moseley