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An Invitation to Gratitude

By Brian Morgan, Head of School



This edition of *Echoes* will not go into the mail until after the crush and the busy-ness of the Holiday Season. However, I happen to be drafting these remarks at Thanksgiving and my mind is occupied with thoughts of gratitude and acknowledgement. *I am increasingly grateful for the impact that The White Mountain School has had, and continues to have, on so many individuals.*

I invite you to share in my gratitude for our School- its history and its today.

For example, I represented White Mountain on a recruitment trip to the Far East earlier this fall and I combined recruitment with as much outreach as possible. I spent an evening in Shanghai with Caroline Cheng '81 who has many fond memories of WMS and who is pleased that we have Chinese students here again. We, in turn, are looking forward to seeing her daughter here at Climbing Camp next summer. I had lunch in Hong Kong with Albert Chan, father of Bryan Chan '10, and he is particularly grateful for the experience that his son is enjoying at the School. In addition, the Doctors Park, parents of Jun Sang Park '09, treated me to a tour of their state-of-the-art dental hospital and an exquisite traditional Korean dinner. The Parks remain tremendous supporters of the School, for which we are extremely grateful. St. Mary's/White Mountain has always had a global outlook. We are thankful for the opportunity to extend The White Mountain School internationally and appreciate the embracement of our International Students here on campus as well as in the homes of alums and friends of the School during vacations.

Every day, I am grateful for our hard-working and forward-thinking faculty and trustees. So many have contributed to the enrichment and differentiation of our educational program. Recent developments include, project blocks on alternate Saturdays, Junior/Senior Concentrations in Sustainability Studies and in Outdoor Education, a thriving Summer Program, an updated website (www.whitemountain.org) as well as an increased WMS presence on social networking sites, and the revitalization of the WMS alpine ski racing program. In addition, our Board of Trustees welcomes newest members, Mr. Daniel Shugar '81 and Rev. Kurt Wiesner, Rector of All Saints' Episcopal Church, Littleton.

I am also pleased to announce The White Mountain School's new tagline, *Discover extraordinary.* We feel this encapsulates every aspect of a WMS education in one simple phrase.

Our School is moving forward. The next challenge is to increase the number of "legacy" students – students whose parents and/or grandparents found their passion at St. Mary's/White Mountain and who desire a similarly rich and extraordinary education for their children or grandchildren. I invite you to help others join in the experience of gratitude one has after spending time at WMS.



Padraic Foran, Humanities

Introducing...

By Timothy Breen, Associate Head of School



Kathy Kohatsu, Dance

Every year at The White Mountain School, we welcome scores of new students to our community. We also typically welcome a handful of new faculty members. Just like the students, the new adults on campus bring fresh ideas and perspective – helping to keep our school vibrant. This year there are a couple of new faces on campus, and a few familiar faces in new roles.

Visitors to the humanities wing of the main building cannot help but notice a new occupant: **Paddy Foran**. You often hear animated discussions about history and philosophy coming from his room. Paddy earned his BA in history from Carleton College. For the past three years Paddy taught history at the Cesar Chavez Public Charter School for Public Policy. Paddy's passion for history is obvious in his energetic engagement with students in the classroom. He is teaching our *American History* classes, as well as ninth grade *World History* and a senior elective in *Philosophy*. Paddy is also the head coach of the women's soccer team.

In addition, we have expanded our performing arts offerings to include a *Dance* class. In the past, dance has been offered once or twice a week on winter afternoons. Now, studio training is integrated with readings, research, and reflective and critical writing about dance performance, dance history, and anatomy (as related to dance). We are pleased to have **Kathy Kohatsu** as our new dance instructor. After completing her undergraduate studies at Colby College, Kathy earned her MFA in Dance at Case Western Reserve University. In addition to teaching dance at The White Mountain School, Kathy runs a very successful dance studio, employing several instructors and serving several hundred students (preschool to adult) each year.

Josh Lawton, who began in Admissions at WMS 7 years ago, has come full circle and is our Director of Admission this year. **Joyce Vining Morgan**, long time College Counselor at the Putney School, is now the College Counselor for WMS students and families. **Liz Moss**, a librarian for 8 years at Hoosac School, decreased her Learning Center commitments to become the librarian at The White Mountain School. **Adam Nyborg** expanded his farm manager role and is also contributing in the Learning Center, Admissions, and the classroom (teaching *Environmental Science*). **Joan Dube** has moved from the kitchen to the maintenance department.

Finally, there are a couple of new additions in the Administrative offices. The Admission Office welcomes back office assistant, **Betsie Peter**. The Office of External Affairs is pleased to add **Rachel Burns** as their office assistant and **Meglyn Bull** assists in the Business Office.



Betsie Peter, Rachel Burns,
Meglyn Bull

It is always difficult to say good-bye, even when those to whom we bid farewell are moving on to exciting new adventures. It is, therefore, with a mixture of sadness and excitement that we said good-bye to some of our friends and colleagues. **Vera Wark** who had been with our Maintenance department for 28 years and **Jonathan Meisel**, who taught at The White Mountain School throughout the 1980s and then rejoined us from 2004 -2009 have both moved on to retirement. We wish them well! Long-time WMS librarian and past parent, **Mary Lockhart**, left WMS after an 11 year tenure to work in the Hanover Public Library system- lucky Hanover! Joanna Evans, WMS Director of

Admission for two years, moved on to the Admissions department at the Storm King School. We are thankful to still have her son, Dylan, as a member of our Junior class! We also said good-bye to Administrative Assistants, Liz Storella and Kristina Greene, as they headed off to pursue other options. Thousands of students and their families benefited from the work of these teachers and staff members. We wish them well in their new ventures!

Making Every Day Count

By Zoe Skibbie '10



School President, Zoe Skibbie '10

As graduation comes closer to reality and less of a vague idea in the back of my mind, I find myself looking at The White Mountain School differently. I have always known this school is special but as I think about leaving, I realize how grateful I really am to be here. *Things that we experience here at WMS are not the “norm” at other schools.*

I've never been in a place where the Spanish teacher offers to teach students to crochet and suddenly the common room is overflowing with students eager not only to learn but also generally interested in spending time together. When we got our first big snow storm this winter, a huge snowball fight quickly followed. The lines of each team were ignored as people wandered back and forth from one team to another until it was almost everyone versus six students refusing to give up their tiny corner of campus. After a few minutes of being pelted with snowballs the teams joined together to go surprise attack their friends snowboarding on the hill nearby.

Between class and sport commitments, people gather on Hood's Hill in the warm weather and lie in front of the Christmas tree in the Great Hall during the winter. Within these groups of people are students from different countries, with different back-

grounds and life experiences, students that are different ages and in different grades, yet none of these differences separate us from forming relationships with each other. *Building a fort in the Great Hall to study in during final exams or chasing chickens into their coop at night* to protect them from mysteriously disappearing are only snippets of the unique experience that is being a part of WMS.

Faculty transcend the “traditional” teacher boundaries by being dorm parents, coaches, friends, confidants, and advisors. Students are surrounded by faculty families making our community closer than I could have ever expected a school to be. I hear students refer to The White Mountain School as their home and the community as a family. Sure, having to get your room checked-off by a dorm parent to make sure you've finally cleaned the ever-expanding pile of clothing and what seems to be a constant supply of handouts, and notes reminding you to call your mom or finish your college applications can seem frustrating. Then when you look around at all of the opportunities and experiences to be had here at WMS it seems silly to focus on the ten minutes it takes to do some laundry and call your mother. In speaking to a friend of mine who graduated in 2009, I was told to appreciate my time at WMS because once you leave you realize that you will never again be in a place where people honestly care about your success and happiness. She reminded me to focus less on what comes next and instead to focus on making everyday here count. Once you leave this place you realize the little things that you might not have appreciated while you were experiencing them. I will remain grateful for the high school experience that I have had at The White Mountain School no matter where I go after graduation.

Graduation 2009

122 COMMENCEMENT, SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2009



Hannah Pettingill Brown *Baltimore, MD*
Sedona Bianca Chinn *Vista, CA*
Davi E. da Silva *Silver Spring, MD*
James J. Evans *Littleton, NH*
Eve Evens *Brooklyn, NY*
Dylan Joseph Farley *Santa Cruz, CA*
Kylie Kathryn Hadlock *Littleton, NH*
Jocellyn Hope Harvey *Turner, ME*
Lauren Zodia Holland *Fairview, TX*
Natalie Penhale Johnson *Carlboro, NC*
Steven James Johnston *Barrington, IL*
Margaret A. Lubanko *Locust Valley, NY*
Elizabeth Alger Malenfant *Siasconset, MA*

Sharon Kapembwa Mazimba *Lusaka, Zambia*
Reginald Ryan Mosby *Lancaster, NH*
Michael Nauser *Rye Brook, NY*
JunSang Park *Daegu, South Korea*
Maxwell Lee Pizey *Peaks Island &
Yarmouth, ME*
Jeffrey Bryan Roy *Bethlehem, NH*
Caroline Taggart Ruhl *Watertown, MA*
Alexia Imani Sampson *Bronx, NY*
Christin Marie Sandhammer *Lisbon, NH*
Christine Gaellie Schmit *Delray Beach, FL*
Michael Edward Wessler *Smithtown, NY*

The Ethel W. Devin Prize
for excellence in English
- Jocellyn Hope Harvey '09

The Valpey Prize
for excellence in History
- Sedona Chinn '09

The Richard J. Hayes Prize
for excellence in Mathematics
- Davi da Silva '09

The Frederick L. Steele Prize
for excellence in Science
- Sharon Mazimba '09

The Jack Cook Sustainability Prize
- Sedona Chinn '09

The Goodrich Prize
for excellence in French
- Sedona Chinn '09

The Alice C. Humphrey Prize
for excellence in Spanish
- Natalie Johnson '09

The Hamish McEwan Prize
for excellence in Art
- Eve Evens '09

The Caroline O. McMillan '47
Music Award
- Sedona Chinn '09

The Mountaineering Award
- Christin Sandhammer '09

The Courage Prize
- Jocellyn Harvey '09

The Samuel Robinson II
Community Service Award
- Caroline Ruhl '09

The Robin McQuire Pearson Prize
- Alexia Sampson '09

The Lt. Michael S. Pierce '82
Award
- Natalie Johnson '09

The Bishop's Prize
- Miles Evans '11 and
Cheryl Zhou '10

The Faculty Award
- Miles Evans '11

The Head's Award
- Maggie Lubanko '09 and
Sharon Mazimba '09

Prize & Scholarship Recipients

Ann Jane Connor

This scholarship is awarded to the young woman who best exemplifies excellent progress in her studies and who has made significant contributions to life the of the School – Amazjah Grant '10

Dorothy Ellingwood McLane

This scholarship is awarded to a girl in next year's graduating class who represents the ideals Aunt Dot believed in: academic curiosity, vigor, wit, good sportsmanship and common sense.
– Esthefania Rodrigues '10

Houghton-Duane

This scholarship is awarded to a student developing leadership potential and who has shown a deep love and respect for mountains, rivers and the environment.
– Zach King '10

Deborah McIlwaine/Brantwood

This scholarship is awarded to a female student who represents the ideals Deborah lived by: academic curiosity, vigor, wit and a strong commitment to one's community. – Lina Rodriguez '11

Paula K. Valar

This scholarship is awarded to a day student excelling in his/her studies and life at WMS – Dylan Evans '11

Mary Holbrook Russell

This scholarship is awarded to a female student who has achieved a solid academic standing, contributed enthusiastically to the School's mission, and participated actively in School affairs.
– Cheryl Zhou '10



2009 College Acceptances

Allegheny College
Arizona State University
Baylor University
Beloit College
Bennington College
Broward College
Cabrillo College
Champlain College
Clarkson University
Colby-Sawyer College
Connecticut College
Colorado College
College of Wooster
Drew University
Drexel University
Earlham College
Emmanuel College
Eugene Lang College
Evergreen State College
Franklin Pierce University
Green Mountain College
Guilford College
Hampshire College
Hartwick College
High Point University
Howard University
Kansas State University
Lafayette College
Lewis and Clark College
Marlboro College
McGill University
Montana State University
Mount Holyoke College
Naropa University
New England College
New Mexico State University
Pine Manor College
Prescott College
Reed College
Robert Wesleyan University

Roger Williams University
St. Anselm College
St. John's University
St. Lawrence University
St. Michael's College
Southern Methodist University
Syracuse University
The American University-
Richmond
Trinity University
University of Arizona
University of British Columbia
University of Chicago
University of Maine – Farmington
University of Maryland
University of Montana
University of New Hampshire
University of Richmond
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
Warren Wilson College
Washington College
Westminster College
Western New England College
Western State College of Colorado
Wheaton College
Wheelock College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute



"So my one wish for you as you leave this place and make a life for yourself is that you be a person who feels, who is aware of the water you're swimming in, who is interested in the plight of others who may not be as fortunate, or as good looking, or as young, or as rich, or as blessed with family and friends. My wish for you is that as you leave this place, you strive to be conscious. I know you don't FEEL unconscious. After all, you're walking around, right? But, believe me, it is the preferred way of life in America. And unless you work at it, you will be unconscious too. It takes an act of will, a courageous act of will, to stay conscious in your life."

-The Right Reverend Gene Robinson, President of the Board of Trustees and Commencement speaker 2009



Reflections

From a 4-Year Senior...



I'm not the same person that I was before, but you expect to hear that. You expect to hear me say that I am smarter, stronger, and more motivated than I was before. I'm not really. I am not smarter, I just know more. I am not stronger, just more devoted. And I am not more motivated, just perhaps, more focused. I have changed, just not in the stereotypical fashion of a young teen coming of age in a place far from home. Instead, after four years, I look back with some curiosity when I realize that I have changed, and that *I have become something that I could never have been without this place.*

Every senior, upon graduating, feels some sort of completion. Perhaps an end to one of life's chapters, or just thanking God that Calculus is over. With that finality there is pride, for you have just completed what may be the largest milestone in your life so far. When I graduated, I felt that accomplishment of writing a full and understandable paper in French, learning everything I could in Senior Humanities, earning my Wilderness First Responder medical certification (as well as passing Lee's final test), and having one or two "aha!" moments while meditating in Buddhism. This accomplishment I could have felt if I had stayed home. What I felt more strongly about was my earned sense of responsibility and service, directed not only toward myself, but toward my family, my community, and my world.



I wrote in one of my many college essays, "I began to observe myself searching for ways to contribute to any community I entered, whether it be one of family or one of education. Instead of a world of instant gratification I would have become accustomed to, my experience at The White Mountain School cemented the ideals of service, sharing, and learning into my life.

I now have the drive to continue to better myself and to *become a contributing and responsible member of this changing planet.* That is what I am proud of. To me, that was the reason I was graduating on that June sixth in two thousand and nine. Not because I had passed my classes, or that I was eighteen years old and had a white dress, but because I had realized my enormous potential to become the best person I can be.

By Sedona Chinn '09

Reflections

From an Alumna...



Sandy Clark Dodge '54, Kate Gulick Fricker '49, Mary Sherman '70 connect at Alumnae/i Weekend

Reflection: a thought, idea, or opinion formed or a remark made as a result of meditation; an effect produced by an influence, or more simply, 'hindsight is a wonderful thing'. It has been nearly 40 years, since I graduated from St. Mary's, and yet every time I visit the campus, it feels like only a few years have passed. While WMS/SMS has undergone many changes in the past 40 years, I am constantly struck by the feeling that the essence of the School has not changed.

Having grown up in a small mid-western town, I came to St. Mary's my senior year for a chance to 'grow-up' a bit more, before pursuing a college degree in nursing or education. I spent most of the first couple months wavering between being terribly homesick and trying to fit in. But somewhere in

between those extremes, I found myself challenged by new experiences ranging from finally being asked to join a choral group (granted it was 'The Monotones') to hiking Mount Washington, to late-night gatherings in the wing of Burroughs. When spring and graduation finally arrived, I have to admit, I was relieved. What I did not realize at that time, was exactly how much St. Mary's had influenced me, as well as prepared me for the future. St. Mary's had constantly pushed me to pursue areas I would not have otherwise thought about, and in the end, I found that I liked the challenges. I was no longer willing to settle into a safe path.

As I have met other alums over the years, I have come to realize that our memories of the School are more similar than different. I was reminded of this when listening to the Student Panel during the recent Family and Alumnae/i Weekend. During this panel, students talked about their experiences first adjusting and then exploring a different environment far from home, roommates, and hectic schedules, and in the end, how much they had gained from their time at WMS. Whether you embraced your experience at WMS/SMS, or were challenged by it; whether you were a 4-year student or a 1-year student, whether you graduated from St. Mary's-in-the-Mountains or The White Mountain School, in the end, WMS/SMS is still a small school taking full advantage of incorporating academics, sports, community, responsibility, and challenges into the daily lives of its students and faculty. Maybe it is best summed up by Sandy Clarke Dodge '54 who told me, "I only wish that we could have experienced how much Brian Morgan enjoys the students of today. In spite of my "extreme" shyness back then, I now look back at SMS as helping me with self-confidence and pride. I appreciate SMS so much more today than I would have ever thought possible back then".

By Mary Sherman '70

Alumnae/i Weekend 2009



John Foss '04 MVP winner of Alumnae/i Soccer Game

This year's Alumnae/i Weekend again buzzed with activity! Alums shared the campus with Trustees, current students, and their families on Friday and Saturday providing the full "WMS Today" experience. A number of alums commented on the connection they felt with today's School. Many things have changed over the years, but the life, energy, and enthusiasm of youth remains the same as does the emphasis our School places on helping students discover the extraordinary in academics, athletics/the outdoors, service to others, and within themselves.

The entire extended School community was treated to an inspiring speech by Mr. Daniel Ritchie, a senior advisor to the

World Bank on international development and program evaluation. "I hope that some of you will decide you want to devote yourselves to working on the issues of global sustainability and equity... *first we have to care and then we have to act*, challenged Mr. Ritchie in his Keynote address. You will find more speech excerpts on page 12.

After soundly beating current students in the 3rd annual Alumnae/i vs. Students Soccer Game, alums reconvened with each other at a cocktail reception and dinner on Saturday night. Memories, laughter, and hugs filled every nook and cranny of the Great Hall and dining room as classmates reconnected with each other, their former faculty, and, in many cases, created new friendships with alums from other classes and eras.

More than a few eyes glistened at the Alumnae/i Dinner when Heather Davis Powers '84 and her family presented a check toward the Linda Clark McGoldrick Scholarship Fund, created in 1992 in honor of Heather's mother, Linda Clark McGoldrick '55. The longtime support of the McGoldrick family and others who give in Linda's memory has allowed a number of deserving students to benefit from The White Mountain School experience. We are grateful for their dedication to WMS.



The McGoldrick Family. Heather Davis Powers '84, center.



Joan "Posey" Paine Fowler '49, Priscilla Wilson Litchfield '49, Kate Gulick Fricker '49, Mary "Newkie" Newcomb Coughlan '49



Molya Sim '04 and Becky Beno, faculty.



Promise Partner '99 with former faculty members,
Tara Kaplan and Jessie Griffiths

As per tradition, two prestigious Alumnae/i Awards were presented at the Saturday night dinner.

The Linda Clark McGoldrick Alumni Prize

This award is presented to an alumna or alumnus who best represents the attributes of the "ultimate volunteer". It is named in honor of Linda C. McGoldrick '55, who devoted countless years to our School. She was a truly amazing alumna, who, at one time or another, also served as Director of Development, parent, and as a member of the Board of Trustees.



"I was surprised and honored to receive Linda's award at reunion. To paraphrase a famous line: I knew Linda Clark McGoldrick. Linda was the mother of one of my best friends. Linda was synonymous with WMS Development and Alumni Relations. I'm no Linda Clark McGoldrick! But I do care deeply about the school's mission, and am proud to do what I can to help The White Mountain School of today thrive."

-Christina Valar Breen '84



At the Alumnae/i Dinner this past October, Christina Valar Breen '84, was honored with the Linda Clark McGoldrick Alumni Prize. Chrissy enjoys a long family connection with both SMS and WMS. Her parents, Paul and Paula Valar, both taught skiing to "St. Mary's girls" for many years, and Paula also taught German. Both served as trustees. Since Chrissy graduated, she has further deepened a personal connection with her alma mater. Chrissy served on the Board of Trustees for 13 years, first as a representative of the Alumni Council and then as a full Trustee until 2006. She has always been her Class Scribe and has worked tirelessly to help keep her classmates connected to their School and to each other. She has endeavored to rally her class for reunion every 5 years for 25 years. Chrissy has also consistently remembered her School at Annual Fund time and has encouraged others to do the same. The results of her work cannot be underestimated- Thank you, Chrissy!

The Sylvia A. Dickey Alumni Prize

This award is presented to an alumna or alumnus who has demonstrated incredible and consistent support to the School. It is named in honor of Sukie Dickey '54 who was a longtime and dedicated donor and who served as Chair of the Board of Trustees in the 1970s.

The White Mountain School was thrilled to present Katherine Gulick Fricker '49 with the Sylvia Dickey Prize at the Alumnae/i Dinner this fall. Kate has donated to her alma mater virtually every year since her graduation from SMS in 1948! Consistent Annual Fund giving is vital to the day to day operation of our School and we are proud to be the kind of School that an alum such as Kate is proud to support. Kate has the following to say about her longtime relationship with SMS/WMS, "I am grateful to SMS for the excellent education that gave me my choice of colleges and allowed me to follow my interests in nature and the out-of-doors. For that reason I have given small amounts each year since graduating. In recent years I have given more, once it became apparent that I would have enough money for retirement. Funds like Fidelity's Charitable Trust Fund makes it easy to donate old investments that are mostly capital gain, so it feels as though the gift is costing less (though the alternative minimum tax may erase much of that benefit). I feel honored to be receiving the Sylvia A. Dickey Prize."



Ethan Greaves '01 and Cate Doucette '00

Proudly donating annually to her alma mater for 60 years, Kate Fricker '49 poses with Brian Morgan for a photo after receiving the Sylvia Dickey Prize

Excerpts from Keynote Speech

I'd like to speak about three of the most significant challenges facing our world today and how I see the Leadership for Global Sustainability Program at The White Mountain School addressing these challenges.

Global Development

Thirty years ago, one half of the population of developing countries lived in extreme poverty, earning less than \$1.25 per day. Today, only 25% are poor. Poverty has been cut in half. ...Despite this amazing progress, there are still extraordinary challenges. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN, in 2008 for the first time in history more than 1 billion people were hungry worldwide, 1.6 billion people live in absolute poverty, 100 million kids are still not in school, and 25% of girls cannot read or write.

Sustainable Growth

There is a consensus among scientists that climate change is upon us, is accelerating and is caused in large measure by human activity, especially greenhouse gas emissions. ...It is clear that the current path of development is not sustainable, but what is to be done? The World Development Report suggests the need to (i) Act Now, (ii) Act Together and (iii) Act Differently.



powerful. We don't have to influence events on the global scale, the national scale, or the community level. We can do it in our own way and in our own place, but first, we have to care and then we have to act.

When I was about to go off to college, my dad said to me, it's not who you are or what you do, but whom you touch that will make the difference. My dad was right. We can all save the world in our own way, one person at a time.

This is why I am so genuinely excited about the new curriculum on Leadership for Global Sustainability at The White Mountain School. And this is why I hope that some of you in the audience will decide you want to devote yourselves to working on the issues of global sustainability and equity. At WMS, you will be learning about these issues and learning how to act on these issues. You can be agents of change in your own ways.



Daniel Ritchie, Keynote Speaker

Leadership

I often come across people who say the problems of the world are so great, there is absolutely nothing they can do about it. When they say things like that, I think of all the people I know personally who have decided that they *can* do something about these challenges and have done so in their own way. I genuinely believe each of us can be leaders in our own way. We don't have to be rich or famous or



Save the Date! Alumnae/i Weekend 2010 October 1-3

All Systems are “Go”

By Troy Watts, Head Ski Coach



As many in The White Mountain School community may have heard, our School's storied competitive alpine skiing program is back! The positive buzz around campus and within the greater WMS community has been tremendous. All systems are now “go” for a 2010 rollout. The school has hired me to head the race program, and I couldn't be more excited. I have been spreading the word among the larger New England skiing community since coming aboard this past September, drumming up interest in terms of both student recruitment and alumni support. *Skiing, and competitive skiing, is certainly nothing new around campus; it has been here from the very beginning.* Whatever I have done with my own ski career, it pales in comparison to the history of skiing at WMS. WMS can trace its skiing roots all the way back to when Dorothy ‘Aunt Dot’ McLane won the support of the school's benefactors in 1935, and moved the School to the White Mountains. Skiing was taught twice a week to students by instructors from the Franconia Ski School. In the 40s and 50s our School, was “one of the very few schools in my time to offer a ski program,” according to alumna Lucile Wheeler Vaughan '52, the first North American to ever win an Olympic downhill medal. Olympian and

National Ski Hall of Fame member Paula Kann Valar and her husband, Swiss ski racer Paul Valar, are also longstanding members of the bedrock of the WMS skiing community. To commemorate her 75th birthday, Paula formed the Paula K. Valar Scholarship Fund in 1997; benefiting local students who could not otherwise attend WMS.

The central vision behind Aunt Dot's move of the school northward, that students be given the opportunity to be “part of something larger than themselves,” continues to permeate the ethos of the school today. I believe that this is really what alpine skiing is all about. Skiing to me is a very direct metaphor for living life. It is about getting out in the environment, becoming aware of it, immersing in it, finding ways to harmonize with the power and beauty of the mountains, and then finally learning to integrate, align, and be creative with those larger forces that surround us all. Because ski racing has an objective measure (the clock) and very real risks, I've found that *skiing teaches these big life lessons in a focused, accountable, and lasting way.* Much like the New Hampshire mountains here that have long preceded us, WMS has created an environment that is conducive to such an ethos. I don't feel that I'm starting anything new so much as building upon the school's existing cultural foundation.

The competitive alpine skiing program will ski at both Cannon and Bretton Woods, and will generally train gates at Loon Mountain, with competitions being held throughout New England. Discussions have also begun regarding clearing the school's already existing ski trails as a viable and convenient training and recreation area for the entire school (surely one of our alumnae/i has a rope tow or J-bar in their back yard that they'd like to pass on to the school!). Participants in the alpine skiing programs will compete in the New England Preparatory School Athletic Council (NEPSAC) league, and in United States Ski Association (USSA) sanctioned races.

So get the word out; competitive alpine skiing is back! Get involved, and contact me for more information at troy.watts@whitemountain.org or (603) 369-1298.

White Mountain Summer Update

By Ben Mirkin, Director of Summer Programs



"I was expecting it to be awesome, and it was more than awesome!!"

– Paul Verni 15
New Rochelle, NY

At the end of a summer packed with spectacular adventures, there is only one thing for a program director to do: figure out how to make next year's trips even better!

Our trips this past summer filled early and we were able to hand-pick a wonderful group of teens to be part of our program. We had students from all over the country including California, Texas, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Nebraska, Alabama, Virginia, and Illinois. We even had a student from as far away as Jordan! Our diverse group of students did a wonderful job of working together to form a cohesive community while having fun and safe adventures. Four students enrolled at The White Mountain School after their White Mountain Summer experience. We have even more White Mountain Summer alumni who are in the process of

applying to The White Mountain School for the 2010-11 school year.

Our summer 2010 offerings boast some improvements to our already great adventures. We narrowed the age range of all of our trips and packed them full of even more exciting exploits - read on below:

New England Exploration is a 16-day trip for teens ages 13 and 14 (June 26 – July 11). This adventure begins in northern New Hampshire where students learn to backpack and rock climb before riding the best mountain bike trails in North America. From there, we will head to Maine for a few days of white-water rafting excitement. For the grand finale... we'll climb to the summit of the highest peak in the Northeast!

White Mountain Climbing is a 7-day trip for teens ages 13-16 (July 11-July 17). This camp offers a safe and exciting climbing adventure for beginner to advanced climbers. The camp focuses on the fundamentals of rock climbing while catering to each student's skills and goals. With a small student-to-instructor ratio, our experienced staff is able to teach the basics as well as lead adventures on larger cliffs such as Cannon, Cathedral, Whitehorse and Rumney.

Ultimate Northeast is a 23-day trip for teens ages 15 and 16 (July 17 – August 8). This adventure begins in northern New Hampshire, before heading to Vermont to backpack on The Long Trail. Students return to The White Mountain School for two days of rock climbing as well as a two-day introduction to whitewater kayaking on some of the most spectacular rivers in the area! Then it's time to cross the border to Maine and backpack on the Appalachian Trail followed by a three-day rafting trip on the Penobscot River.

"The camp was a defining experience and helped out our child's growth at so many levels"

-Nissreen Haram Amman, Jordan



This adventure culminates with a hike to the summit of Mt. Washington, the highest point in the Northeast.

For additional information on our 2010 offerings, see our website: www.whitemountain.org/summer

All trips are suitable for students with little or no previous outdoor experience, as well as those who have extensive outdoor experience. Every student has the opportunity to choose different levels of challenge for each activity. A positive attitude and open mind are the key ingredients to a great adventure. Students should be in good physical shape and ready to take on new challenges. Trips include food, transportation and all gear (except personal clothing).

If you know of any wonderful teens between the ages of 13 and 16, we hope you will help us spread the word to them about our summer adventures.

Check us out on the web at www.whitemountain.org/summer. You can also call or email me any time: (603) 444-2928 x 40 or ben.mirkin@whitemountain.org. I look forward to hearing from you.

"The best summer of his life. All he wants for Christmas this year is the ability to attend White Mountain Summer again." -Michele and Sean Cassidy Winthrop, MA



Exciting Times...

By Josh Lawton



It is an exciting time in the world of admissions at small boarding schools. Our size, geography, and mission work together to make The White Mountain School attractive to a broad range of students. Our School community sings with a vibrancy that only a diverse and talented group of students can create.

Who are we today? As in years and decades past, our School attracts interesting and interested students from all walks of life who want a college-prep curriculum that also challenges them to “learn who they are, how they contribute to their communities and how they can become responsible citizens of the changing planet”.

We are fortunate, this year, to have...

...more than 100 students. Our student body is comprised of 57% boys and 43% girls; 83% boarding and 17% day. 15% of our students identify themselves as minority and we boast a population of 23% international students with eight different countries represented. 51% of our students are receiving financial aid this school year.

Our new students in 2009-10 include...

...the #3 ranked female alpine racer of her age group in N.H., a member of a competitive Ukrainian folk dancing group, a student who is writing a novel in his free time, the 2008 5th place winner of the Czech Republic Orienteering Championships in her category, a student who attended a one room school house on an island in Maine from K-8th grade, a regular volunteer at her local nursing home, and more!

On the eve of our School's 125th Anniversary, my office remains dedicated to the kind of excellence you see represented in the paragraphs above. Our School continues to attract talented students and faculty and we are proud of our dedicated alumnae/i and parent base. WMS offers an excellent academic, athletic, and residential education and we push ourselves to be the best we can be. We remain on the cutting edge of Sustainability and Outdoor Education. We are active globally.

How can you help? Your contributions to The White Mountain School Annual Fund, Endowment, and Planned Giving programs are vital to the Admission office. Your gifts keep our School's programs strong, allow for continued innovation, and provide financial aid support. You know The White Mountain School. Spread the word- what brought you or your family to WMS/SMS? What did you gain from the experience? Talk about us with families who might be interested in The White Mountain School experience. I am proud to be working at WMS during this exciting time in boarding school admissions. I am excited about where our School has been, who we are now, and where we are heading. I trust that you will join me!

Before you recycle this edition of Echoes, pass it along to a family who might be interested in WMS!

Why The White Mountain School?

By Justin Solomon



Why fundraise for the White Mountain School? Why not another school or another non-profit? The “why” becomes more obvious with each day I spend on campus and with this community! This magical school in the mountains has brought dreams and hopes to life for so many throughout its long history. The White Mountain School, and St. Mary’s School before it, serves as an inspiration regardless of your stage of life.

This year, my letters have challenged you to answer some “Whys” of your own. The answers are multi-layered and unique in their stories and significance, but one theme emerges as a constant: the mission of WMS/SMS through the years. This is a School that challenges all student to become their ‘best selves’ in academics, athletics, and the broader world around them. As we head toward our 125th Anniversary, the common threads that form the heart and soul of this Community compel all of us to stay in touch, be involved, and donate generously.

Many of you continue to support WMS not having seen campus in decades or never having attended the School yourself. A large part of my job is to be a conduit for you. This office keeps your stories and traditions alive today and for the future. We bring to life the vibrant WMS community of today and of yesterday for all of you. We try to enhance your understanding of what you are investing in.

Why raise money for The White Mountain School? In some ways, fund raising is as challenging as a novice skier’s first day on the slopes. Except in this case, all we have to do is head uphill- a little more daunting than down! However, at WMS, I have help from all of you. I never feel alone on these slopes and I want to thank you for that. When WMS reaches its goal of support each year, you should all share in that meaningful feeling of accomplishment that inspires all of us here on campus!

The coming year brings new challenges, hopes, and goals. We are seeking new sources of revenue every day from foundation grants to bequests and all creative answers that lie between. Our goals for the 125th Anniversary Celebration will be lofty, diverse and meaningful, as they should be, since there is so much here to celebrate and preserve for the future. The reasons “Why” grow every day as each student achieves greater strength in our community and our world. Thank you for supporting WMS and my role in helping to achieve this compelling vision. Thank you for taking the time to find your own answers to the question, “Why?”.

My husband and I have been putting our affairs in order to ensure that our children will not have to worry about financial details in the event of our death. During that process, I came to realize how much SMS/WMS means to me. It is important to me to thank the School that gave me so much. I have, therefore, asked that friends and family give donations to The White Mountain School in lieu of flowers upon my death. I have done what I can for WMS for years and I wish I could do more, but it feels good to know that I will be helping my alma mater even when I’m gone.

-Sandy Clark Dodge '54



Annual Giving

The White Mountain School is heartened by the show of support we experienced during our 2009 Annual Fund campaign. Despite the flagging economy, our participation levels remained high and we surpassed our 2009 unrestricted Annual Fund goal of \$300,000.00 before the June 30th close of our fiscal year!

At this time, we would like to shout out a huge Thank You to our donors. Your gifts allow The White Mountain School to continue to provide excellence in all areas of boarding school life to current students. Your tangible show of support also inspires others to stand behind WMS.
Thank you!

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Class Notes

1938

Scribe Needed

1939

Scribe: Mary (Muffin) Bacall Hester

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Mary Bacall Hester

Muffin received the 2008 Massachusetts AARP Andrus Award for Community Service in recognition of her exemplary volunteerism and outstanding dedication to service in her community. Muffin has volunteered for the Emerson Hospital in Concord, MA since 1966, logging more than 9,400 hours overall. She currently works in the Transportation Services department, helping shuttle patients to and from appointments within the hospital. Muffin sends her best to all and was sorry to miss her 70th Class Reunion this past October.

1940

Scribe: Carroll Russell Sherer

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1941

Scribe: Penelope (Penny) Pease

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Judy Fiske Gross

Muffin Bacall Hester '39 and Judy Fiske Gross '41 attended the Lincoln Council on Aging ice cream social together in June!

Elsie Wood Paris

I have precious memories of The White Mountain School (SMS) that I miss sharing with my friend since 6th grade, Narcisse Chamberlain '42, who died last year. All five children, the oldest two now in their 60's, are well and fun and most were with me plus all grandchildren at Christmas. As always, we miss Paul, my husband, who died in 2002, but it was a joy to be together!

1942

Scribe: Beverly (Beaver) Selinger Buder

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Beverly Selinger Buder

Bev called to say that she continues to manage Parkinson's but is pleased to be able to enjoy winters in Florida and summers in Missouri. She is also thrilled to be celebrating the 3rd Birthday of her great-graughter in February!

Rosamond Strong Halle

Rosie reports that she continues to cope with Parkinson's, but that she is fully able to enjoy her 3 wonderful grandsons and 2 terrific granddaughters.

Mary Heard Johnson

Mary was widowed ten years ago, but remains active with her ever-expanding family. She has 3 sons, 3 daughters, and 6 grandchildren (3 of each). One of her granddaughters is currently attending Smith College!

1943

Scribe: Harriot (Bunny) Purinton Nutter

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Harriot Purinton Nutter

Bunny reports that she skied at Attitash in Bartlett, NH last winter with a bus group from her town. She has not missed a single year during her 70 years of skiing! In her words, "Who but a Saint Mary's School girl would have that kind of a record?" Bunny is proud of her School...then and now!

1944

Scribe: Mary Ann Peckett Canan

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Mary Peckett Canan

We were off to Seattle at the end of August for our oldest grandson's wedding. It was a full reunion for all our family. We were not able to come to NH this fall but were in D.C. at the end of October for a reunion with Jon's Korean destroyer group.

Anne Carter Mears

We finished building a new foaling barn to replace our "dilapidated antique" this summer. We also held the Windy Wyoming Horse Trials

at our farm for the Morgan Grand Nationals Horse Show. The show season here has been wonderful- Champion Hunter and Champion Jumper at the Regional Champion Morgan Horse Show in Denver. We also had four lovely foals this year. In April, a friend and I went to Tunisia- incredible Roman ruins and a fun camel ride in the Sahara. In October, I headed off to Britain!

1945

Scribe: Edith Williams Swallow

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Edith Williams Swallow

My husband, Chandler, passed away on Feb. 29, 2008. I am planning to remain in my home in St. Michaels, MD indefinitely. My 4 children, 12 grandchildren and The Unitarian Universalist Church are great support.

1946

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Ann Dodge Middleton

So far things are going pretty well for us. Jack is still practicing I'm still at home. Our oldest granddaughter, Abby, is a senior at St. Michael's. Ben graduated from Holderness. Kristen will be a senior at Proctor and Field is a junior there.



Ann '47 and her husband Jack skiing.



Ellen '49 and George Aman celebrate their 50th

1948

Scribe Needed

1949

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Ellen McMillan Aman

On September 6 in Wayne, PA, Ellen and her husband, George, celebrated their 50th Anniversary with their three adult children, their spouses, and seven grandchildren.

Grace Woodbury Stone

Grace moved to Atlanta recently to be near her children. She wishes us all well, but she can't come to the reunion due to family commitments. She still rides her horse and has taken up Tai Chi.

Priscilla Litchfield Wilson

I had a wonderful time at our 60th Reunion along with Kate Gulick Fricker, Mary Newcomb Coughlan, and Posey Paine Fowler. I have three children living nearby in Vermont, one in New Mexico and a total of nine grandchildren!

1950

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1951

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Mary Ann Coulson Phillips

I am newly retired from my interior design business and my husband, Peter, is also recently retired. Last spring, we went on a wonderful

trip with our children to the Galapagos Islands- what a treat!

1952

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1953

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Lucy Sisson Brown

I am terrific and keep saying that "I am fabulous and forty" (and, I'm sticking to that!) as I believe that the mind is the most powerful thing; you are what you think you are! I have a marvelous new internet business that keeps me young and around ambitious, open-minded, motivated, entrepreneurial, young people! It has to do with two of the hottest trends today, e-commerce and saving the environment. We teach people how to shop on the Internet for purchases that they are ALREADY buying and we help them save 1-40%; they get cash back, and we get paid for shopping!!! We are in contact with over 850 stores!! In all, I have nine grandchildren, counting a few "step" in there! Life gets complicated on that note, but that's just the way it is in today's world!

Geraldine Webster Dellenback

I still love living in Jackson Hole, WY! I remain active in my church where, among other things, I serve as Assisting Minister, a lay reader, and lead a Women's Bible Study group twice a month. Bob and I happily celebrated our 50th anniversary in 2008!

Jebba Morellito Handley

After Larry retired in 1992, we moved to Chatham, Cape Cod, and I began a new chapter of my life as I worked to become a writer. First, I published short stories, then, cooking like a mad woman in my new kitchen designed by my oldest daughter, I began writing for the Cape Codder on food, wine and entertaining at home. You can read my 6 years of columns on my website: www.jebbamhandley.com. In the interim, I was awarded two fellowships to the Ragdale Foundation in Lake Forest, IL to work on my memoir, titled *Bathing by Moonlight*, which I hope to finish this summer. A house in Orleans, four miles north of Chatham, is our present abode.

Margaret Munchmeyer Lehman

I now live in Shannondell (in Audubon, Pennsylvania), a lovely and busy retirement

community, with my Westie, Duncan. I play a lot of bridge and tennis. Last spring I went to Italy for 25 days, with the same bridge partner I went to China with previous year. This fall, we joined a Finesse West Fall Foliage Bridge holiday, which bussed us through New England and to Quebec and Montreal, playing bridge with locals seven times.

Frances Walter Lewis

We have been spending our summers on the LeHave Islands, Nova Scotia every year since 1962. As you can imagine we are very attached to our island place. Last year in June, Dave and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary. We are so grateful that both of us are still healthy and could enjoy the occasion in the manner of good and happy friends...which we are. I send greetings to all of you, and remember with fondness the reunion that Dave and I were able to attend with many of you, at St. Mary's, aka The White Mountain School, a few years ago.

Sally Millar Marlow

We have lived in the same house in Hampstead, north London, for 35 years and have become British subjects (still American citizens too!). So now can vote in two countries! We play golf, tennis, SKI, (Courcheval this year, I hope) and do a lot of walking and traveling - India, China, Africa and of course Europe. Jennifer, our eldest, went to college in Wales and now lives and teaches in Suffolk in our old thatched cottage, which we are turning over to her. Her youngest daughter is starting university, her middle girl is a first year teacher, and her eldest, Matthew, finished Sandhurst, got married in August and now, scarily, has just flown into Afghanistan where he is a 2nd Lieutenant right in the middle of the mess. Any prayers would be appreciated. Lisa, our youngest, went to Smith - a BIG swimmer - and has just moved to Weston, Mass. with her husband and 12-year old twin daughters. They love the town, the schools and the short commute to MIT, where John works full time and Lisa part time. We are so happy they are in the Boston area when we visit. We're with them over Christmas, first US Christmas in 30 years! I hope all of our class will be able to make our 60th at St. Mary's (WMS, I should say!). Wouldn't that be fun! Love to all '53ers.

Eleanor Commo McLaughlin

I retired at 74 as Rector of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Berlin, NH. I'm looking forward to have time for more writing and political involvement with support of the impoverished in the North Country of New Hampshire.

Lukie Chapman Reilly

I am happy to report that I am finally feeling much better! I still have myeloma, but it is not getting worse, which is the good news. I hope to start painting again soon and spent most of the summer out on Long Island near my kids.

1954

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Sandra Clark Dodge

What a wonderful year!!! Being asked to be Scribe for the Class of '54 a great way to keep in touch with your "old" classmates and friends in general. Yes, we may be older than many of you, but believe me, very young in spirit. We had a wonderful 55th Reunion this past October. Bob and I are keeping busy with various committees and doing a lot of golfing in our golf/tennis community in Venice, FL. We are truly enjoy being back at our home in NH for the summer. Living in Florida all winter makes us realize how much we miss our family and being a part of our teenage granddaughter, Meghan's, activities. We are having a great time getting ready for Meghan to attend her 5th season at Camp Huckins in Ossipee, NH, where I was a counselor and her mother, Judy, was a camper for many years.

Jane Bowler Pickering

Jane and Richard are spending their winters in Florida and loving it.

Diana Hages Richey

Diana is in Pompano Beach, FL. Guess we'll have to have a SMS reunion of the FL gals..... anyone else?

Barbara Dunn Roby

Barbara had a heart attack/stroke last Fall. However, I am pleased to report she is now doing very well. Bless her hubby Dave, who has been a saint, and the therapists who have kept Barbara working hard for a great recovery.

Sally Parsons Sayre

Sally writes that she is living in Barrington, RI with her husband Ford, and both are very active — yet not as busy as they would like to be. They are in a global recruiting business and

would love to see more jobs become available. They have 4 children and 11 grandchildren who are all "wonderful." She says if anyone is in the Boston/RI area, she would love to see them or just hear from them.

Diane Damrell Shumway

Diane still lives in Connecticut but spent some wonderful time recently out at Sun Valley, Idaho with her family, hitting the slopes. Paul Valar would be so pleased to know you're still at it Diane! What a thrill it was for us to see him at our 50th reunion.

Gail Humphreys Taylor

Gail wrote she has been wintering in Clearwater, FL and still spends her summers in Maine.

1955

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Elizabeth Zofi Chace

This past summer was consumed with Kim's health issues. In March his body rejected his kidney and was then on dialysis three times a week. My daughter Jody Saltonstall was chosen as the kidney donor. It's a funny feeling to have two loved ones involved in joint surgeries. I am happy to report that all went well! As with many we have become Florida residents but we still come to Cape Cod in the summer and have a wonderful condo in Providence. I never know where all my stuff is!! My son Bill Saltonstall is getting married to a great girl. His oldest Caroline starts Brown this year as does Janie Stevenson's grandson. It'll be fun to have Caroline so close. The rest of the 15 grandchildren are busy growing up and it is fun to see them in small batches.

Jessie Davis Jones

Jill reports that her husband passed away last winter. She has since moved into her new home in Brunswick, ME. You can contact her at 12 Caribou Drive Brunswick, ME 04011

Janet Coulter Langmaid

I travel, volunteer time, enjoy my grandchildren (Virginia, 10, Sarah, 8, Coulter, 6, and Hailee,1), and my wonderful husband of 50 years in February. It all keeps me off the streets and out of trouble!

Diantha Sheldon Patterson

We retired to N.C. a year ago and are very happy here. The N.C. mountains are lovely and peaceful. Our property is at 3,000 Ft. with a 100 acre farmland to look out upon. We feel most fortunate!

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Starr Jordan Moore

Starr reports that she is still making high quality bed quilts, throws, placemats, tablecloths, shower curtains, and other things as they come along. You can see her work at www.StarrJordanOriginals.com. Starr also continues to keep busy with a group of ladies called The Material Girls who quilt for charity though the auspices of RSVP of Carroll County. They meet twice a month and build many quilts for Wounded Warriors, Camp Sunshine in Casco, ME (camp for terminally ill children and their parents to go for a week-stay), their local women's crisis center, Linus Project, local hospitals, etc.. They boast 30+ members!

1959

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Carolyn Dorr-Rich

My husband and I are going to London to care for his daughter and first grand-child. Her hus-

band is in the Diplomatic Service in Algeria and she can not have the baby there. We will return to NH for a week and then head to Florida until April.

Barbara Hamilton Gibson

I am loving every minute of retirement- made a wonderful trip to S. Africa in May. It was an unforgettable experience. Maybe the class of '59 could reunite with the class of '60, October, 2010! Think about it.

1960

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1961

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Priscilla Fitzhugh

Our entire family traveled to China for the recent Olympics to see our youngest daughter, Portia, row for the U.S. in the Women's Pair. We saw many other events, enjoyed the friendliness of the Chinese People and marveled at the many sites from the Great Wall to the Terra-Cotta-Soldiers.

Frances "Lee" Montgomery

I'm anxiously awaiting the birth of my third grandchild and first girl! My oldest daughter has a 9 year old and a 3 year old boy, whom I take care of one day a week. My youngest daughter, married two years, is due at the end of September. I still spend most weekends at my farm in Vermont, but am selling my horses this summer and reducing some of my responsibilities (and expenses!) to spend more time in Cambridge, MA and when in Vermont, more time to garden and play. We all ski regularly at Sugarbush. I am beginning to market the farmhouse for seasonal and short-term rentals—keep me in mind! Other interests include training my new puppy, an 8 month old Cocker Spaniel named Lydia, reading, cooking, lots of gardening and various forms of exercise. Since I live practically on the Harvard campus, I think I might go back to school in the fall, just for fun!

Jean Balivet Roper

Hi everyone! I have been to hell and back dealing with lung cancer...I exude enough chemo and radiation poison to share with all of you for many years...I'm still kicking! Ropers are all fine...Doug is retired, which is really nice, because he runs errands after golf or fishing. Heather (39) has a lovely family and lives in Brookfield... (USCG Lt.) Morgan (37) is working toward a Master's at George Washington...Right now she's racing in the Woodstock 100 Mile Endurance Run...Crazy?

As I began the painful process of sorting through my ageing parents' financial affairs, it became clear to me that it is never too early to begin estate planning. As well, the current economic downturn left insufficient cash flow to make a major impact at WMS this year. A Planned Gift to the school was a logical solution to both challenges. My experience as a student at WMS had a profound impact on my life; I am proud to be able to give back to the school through both Annual Giving and Planned Giving.

-Neill Osgood '83



Yes! But what are you going to do with a red head?! Blake (33) is doing very well at State Street in Boston...love to all!

1962

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Marion Price Moore

I am still working here in Vermont with my painting biz, but spending more time in Big Sky, MT seeing my daughter and her family—I am a grandma to an adorable almost 2 yr old grandson, Finnigan Mcrae! Keep in touch!

1963

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Kathleen Cooke

I'm retired now from full-time teaching from Johnson State College, which is just great; I still teach one course in the fall term, though, for the External Degree Program. I had a great trip back to the U.K. this past year for a reunion with some of my Oxford friends. So I keep busy by continuing my research interests, by doing some volunteer work for the Episcopal Church—for Episcopal Relief and Development (<http://www.er-d.org>) and by reading detective stories and working on my stamp collection.

Martha Ritzman Johnson

I'm still living in Hopkinton, New Hampshire - my whole life so far! - but get to Nantucket for the summers. Five grandchildren- two in Philadelphia, two in Missoula, and one in Fairbanks. Great places to visit. I play mandolin in a folk group and at contra dances. I also joined facebook to find classmates, but no luck so far. Where are you?

1964

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1966

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Margaret Gillespie Iwanchuk

I am still (4 years) at Carleton Willard Village working in the Long Term Care (80-90 residents) with the Activities Department (Geriatric Therapeutic Recreation). An older SMS alumna lives there- we compare notes about our different eras at SMS! Here is an update on my children: Catherine is a sophomore at UNH, majoring in Therapeutic Recreation and with a minor in Deaf Studies. Alex is out in Beaver Creek- still having fun, traveled to Australia recently and has spent his winter, teaching in the Adaptive Ski School. He is a finance major at CU. Stefan has his MBA and is a manager with the University of Phoenix. He is still drumming and for the last year very involved with rock climbing.

Olivia Meigs Wendt

We learned the following from a press release on the Jackson Hole Center for Global Affairs website: Olivia P. Meigs is a founding director of the Jackson Hole Center for Global Affairs. She brings a background of broad experience in design, photography, interpersonal relationships and social policy. Olivia has done clinical social work in college and high school settings, and served as a program assistant for a policy study on HIV/AIDS at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington D.C. She first came to Jackson Hole as an employee of White Grass Ranch in 1967, and has been a resident since 1996.

1967

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Virginia Peterson Johnson

I have some very sad news. On Dec. 30, 2008, my husband of 38 years of marriage, Roland Johnson, had a massive coronary and died at

home in Sparta, NJ. He was three weeks shy of his 60th birthday. He was a beloved physician of Rheumatology and Internal Medicine, who practiced at Newton Memorial Hospital for 31 years. Over 700 people packed into St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Sparta to honor him. This was a tremendous testament of his love and devotion to his 600+ patients. I stood in line for three hours and still could not greet everyone due to the service at 4:00 pm. I later heard that they had to turn away many people because they could not accommodate everyone in the church. The outpouring of love and compassion from all of his patients, many of whom I never knew, was astounding. He was a family man who loved to share fun times with everyone!! He was one of a kind as an exceptional doctor, a loving husband, a devoted father, a sincere friend and a compassionate person to everyone he came in contact with. Everyone who knew Roland always said the same thing, "He was the best doctor who always went out of his way to help anyone who needed him; no matter what time of day or night, he was there for you." He will be sorely missed by many and loved by all. I will miss him dearly. His loving wife, Ginny

1968

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Penelope McIlwaine

After shepherding my twin daughters through college, graduate school and weddings, I find myself free to teach more pilates at UCSC and row in Monterey Bay. Life is great!

Barbara Parish

Gary and I are thankfully still enjoying great health and many outdoor activities (hiking, biking, skiing, etc). I also enjoy painting, teaching indoor cycling and yoga, as well as other local volunteer activities. My kids are great. Life is good!

1969

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Carol MacEwan Powers '69 and Valle Patterson '69 came together to celebrate former teacher and parent Hamish MacEwan's art opening "90 in 09" at Museum of Contemporary Art in Jacksonville, FL

Valle Patterson

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Wonder Carey

My own brief story....I got married about 6 months after our SMS graduation. We divorced after 13 years, and had 1 daughter, Kit, who is now 31. Kit has given me 2 beautiful grandchildren, 5 yr old Isabella and 18 mo old grandson Kai. I have been settled here in Plymouth MA for about 25 years now. My daughter and her family live about 1 mile from me. Following my divorce, I took back my maiden name, so I am still happy to be Wonder Carey. My boyfriend has lived with me for 6 years now and he has an unusual name too....Star Whitman. So we are Wonder and Star!!!! I work as a furniture salesperson for Bernie And Phyl's Furniture at their Raynham store. I have remained in touch with Linda Morin Bolmarcich, in fact we went to Ogunquit ME in late Sept with a couple of other girlfriends for a girl's getaway.
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Susan Parrish Carter

My husband, Bill, and I raised three boys here in southern Maine where we built our solar house. He is an architect and I am a landscape designer. Now that the boys are grown, flown the coop (finally), and off on their own adult adventures, I am finally able to try my hand at two occupations that have always fascinated me: oil painting and beekeeping. It wouldn't be boasting to say that I am miserable at both. So what? Now I'm over 50, I've discovered that having fun is more important than being good...And having thousands of stinging insects as pets may be proof of insanity. Anyway, I have always liked bees. They remind me of the bee house at The Rocks farm just down the lane from St. Mary's.
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Nancy McCouch Davis

After leaving Massachusetts in 2005 to live in London and New Delhi India, we are back in the USA and have bought a house in Chester, VT. We love VT and are excited to finally be in an area where we can put down new roots. Steven and I have been married for 34 years and have 2 kids, both grown now—our son Aaron lives in Whitefish MT and our daughter Melissa lives in Seattle WA. Great places to visit but both are far from Vermont. I spent most of my professional life doing administrative finance/management type work in state government, non-profit hospitals and outpatient mental health centers. I stopped working almost 9 years ago to care for my elderly aunt and then to go to London and India with Steven who landed some international assignments. It was all a great experience but we are happy to have a real home again and love being in rural Vermont. I had hip replacement surgery at the end of September in Boston, and am looking forward to a full recovery.

Joanne Foley Greene

Did you know I became a mother for the first time in 1996? I did it about two decades after everybody else! So I have a daughter who is 12 years old and about to go into 7th grade. I go to parent meetings with people that could be my children...it's been a trip but I am happy.... My husband is the CEO of a small bank so I decided to stop working after 30 years and stay home. I stay very busy doing all sorts of things with my child, her school, and the Episcopal Church—primarily with social issues like homeless shelters and helping kids whose parents are in prison. I lost my Dad last year. He was buried in Arlington with full military honors last September. My mom died in 1992, after being ill for awhile. I look forward to getting together with Valle and Carol, the next time Carol visits her Dad, Hamish, in Jacksonville. When I think of my age, I have a real disconnect. It is just a number, I know, but somehow it doesn't seem to refer to us. Is it really that long since we left St. Mary's?
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Rosanne Guth

I attended college in Virginia and earned an M Ed in Miami, Florida where I lived for 30 years. I was an elementary school teacher in the public school system. Most years loved it because I was lucky to be working with wonderful administrators and colleagues. After leaving teaching, I began a silk painting business creating one-of-a-kind and limited edition clothing. I moved to Santa Fe, New Mexico six years ago and adore living here. I never thought I'd be living in the desert, but here I am!
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Leslie Pratt Hall

I have moved to North Carolina and am working at a hospital in Rocky Mount as the Sr Vice President and Chief Nursing officer. After all those years in the frigid world of Upstate NY, I feel like I have been let out of Jail. I have joined a cycling group and ride regularly each week-end. I also play golf as often as I can. I love the South! My son lives in Denver and works for Boeing and my daughter lives in Washington DC as an accountant for Deloitte in their Financial Advisory Services Division. I do remember Woodstock well! It was the summer after our graduation and just weeks before going off to college at Syracuse University. I went with Jarre Barnes, Barbie McLelland and I think Thyra Whittemore. My younger brother went with us as well. Seems he caught a ride home with Peter Bisette (brother of Kathy Bisette several classes behind us). Anyway, we were not prepared for the weather, lack of facilities and massive crowds. We decided to leave late into the night of the first night and it took us over 24 hours to get out of there! Sometime during it all, I remember we ran into Meg Pettibone. Maybe some of the others have different memories. It was a grand adventure at the age of 17 and a good send off for college. That's all for now. Email: lhall1051@aol.com

Wendy Hand

I have a new job with New York State, as of January, working with the developmentally disabled, and I love it. My partner, Claudine, and I will have been together 25 years in February, and we actually got married in Canada a few years ago. I was diagnosed with MS in January 09, and am glad to finally know why I've been dizzy all these years! I'm in good hands, and am absolutely sure I will beat it. I'm in the care of a wonderful doctor who has practiced Chinese medicine for 30 years (some of you will remember, I've never been totally mainstream), her specialty is MS. It has made me realize how precious my life and my friends are. There are several of you with whom I am still in touch with but so many of you with whom I have lost touch. It would be nice to rekindle those friendships. So, if you feel like dropping me a line, or calling, I'm here, and would love to hear from you! Email: wwchrk@verizon.net , cell 518 222-1115 home 518 692 1234 165 Bulson Rd Greenwich, NY 12834

Jeanna Muir Hodgdon

Briefly, I have been married since 1975...to the same man! We have lived in Maine, New Hampshire, California, South Carolina, Nova Scotia (not necessarily in that order), and now, Florida. We have criss-crossed this country in a variety of ways, including by motor home. I have been a cheesecake baker, photographer,

tour guide, wife and mother before deciding to go to back to college and finish my degree in Elementary Education. I taught 3rd Grade for a number of years and now I am tutoring. Our daughter, Cassandra, graduated from The University of Florida in 2008 with a degree in Business Management. She just recently finished a summer graduate program at the University of Denver Publishing Institute and is now looking for job in publishing. Email: jmhodgdon@comcast.net

Elizabeth M. Joyce

Chicki is married to Richard E. Walters and works with him running Cyto Pulse Sciences, Inc., a medical device company doing vaccine delivery. She is also President of a small woman-owned business called H.V. Pulse Technologies that makes High Voltage Pulsers. ...big change from getting a degree in Music! I have two stepsons, Deric and Derin. Our grandson, Kenta celebrated his 1st birthday on September 19th. I am also Godmother to Mimi Hearne (Class of 67) Barringer and Allen's children. She sadly passed away from Pancreatic Cancer in August, 2007. As a best friend and sister she is missed everyday. Richard and I have had the good fortune to travel a lot for business to China, Japan, Europe, and South America. We are now faced with Richard's cancer and are thankful for the support of family and friends. I think so often of those times at St. Mags in the 60's, teenage girls trying to be grown-ups, dealing with acne, sexuality, depression, family angst and doing our best to get a foot hold on life and who and what we were to become. And, thanks to St. Mary's I still hike and ski! Email: emj@cytopulse.com

Debbie Logan McKenna

Overall life has been good. I've been blessed with a good, long marriage and three great kids (ages 25, 23 and 21). I had a 13 year career in the investment business after graduating from the University of Colorado. I retired from the working world in 1986 to raise the kids and have recently started doing episodic consulting work in the area of non-profit development. I enjoy working with independent schools and so far it has fit into my schedule perfectly. Our family spent 10 years skiing at Attitash- our kids were in the race program there and went on to race in high school. Skiing has provided us with great times together. Tim and I built a house in Big Sky, Montana and we spend the winter there and most of the summer as well. We were drawn to the skiing, fishing, hiking and have Yellowstone Park in our back yard. It's becoming a central meeting place as our oldest son is in school in Minnesota, our daughter is in grad school in Boston and our youngest son is at

Colorado College. No weddings or grandchildren yet.

Margaret Meath

Margaret is still living in Lorton, VA. She recently retired from 27 years as an Elementary School teacher in Fairfax County and is filling her retirement with a lot of volunteer work. She got the Class of 69 letter from Carol McEwan Powers and Valle Patterson and loved catching up with their news!

Jennifer Lennox Moeyskens

Jen moved to Vermont after college. She married her husband in 1981 and they have a 26 year old daughter who is a teacher. Jen and her husband have raised and trained horses on their Vermont farm for many years and are now raising Belgian Draft Horses. Jen is currently teaching 5th grade.

Valle Patterson

After SMS, I moved to Nashville, TN to take care of my grandmother and worked at a motorcycle shop. Here I bought my first motorcycle, and did cross country enduro competitions. In 1974, I entered active duty in the Navy and was stationed at Ft Meade, MD. After 4 years of Navy duty, I continued in the Navy Reserves and moved to Jacksonville, FL. In 1982, I graduated from University of N. Florida and started work in the construction management field. In 1985, I received an officer commission, and started teaching shipboard firefighting/damage control/biological warfare at FTC, Mayport. In 1985, Richard and I built our house, and married the following year. At 35, I was ready to "settle down", (and this meant no motorcycles either!). Here we are, 23 years later and still happily married! I am trying to retire early, since the construction industry has fizzled, and work has become a 4 letter word, in my vocabulary! I enjoy being at home, keeping my own schedule, doing my many projects, volunteering at the Jax Zoo, bowling, computer stuff, and looking forward to a little retirement money, so we can do a little traveling. No children, but we've loved our pets! At the present, we have 2 cockatiels.

Heather Wemyss Petryk

Heather is well and living in Savannah, Georgia. She has 3 children aged (31, 30, and 26) as well as a 1 1/2 year old grandchild. She has a business called Heather's Treasures where she designs and makes beautiful one of a kind children's clothing. Check out her website at: heatherstreasures.biz.

Carol McEwan Powers

I have a new address after having lost our house and belongings to California wildfires in November 2008. We are comfortable for now

and grateful for what we have. I have replaced my piano since the fire and enjoy playing (mainly for my own enjoyment). In September, I went to Jacksonville for my Dad's 90th birthday and again in October for the opening of his show at the Museum of Contemporary Art- it was wonderful and great to have Valle and Jody there too! I still volunteer 1 day a week in the ER at a local hospital. I would also like to add that it has been fun reconnecting with classmates and I look forward to continuing that process!

Deborah Streeter

I live in California on the Big Sur coast with my husband Ron in a funky redwood house he built. I've been a minister in the United Church of Christ for almost 30 years, first as a Parish Minister and Hospital and Campus Chaplain. Now I'm a Regional Minister for the greater San Jose region, and editor of the monthly UCC newspaper for the wider region. All those Sacred Studies classes with Father Dearman had some effect! I'm also involved in environmental issues in the Monterey Peninsula area, a volunteer Guide at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, and a docent at Point Lobos State Reserve - come and visit and I would gladly get you in free and give you a tour! Our kids are mostly grown and gone - Owen is an artist in Oakland (check out <theowencook.com>) and Norah finishes up this year at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland.



An SMS reunion at New Hampton! Phyllis Nordstrom '71 is seated with her parents, Everett and Mary. Everett and Mary were dorm parents at New Hampton of Bob Dodge, husband of Sandy Clarke Dodge '54. Sandy, Bob, Phyllis, Mary and Everett discovered their St. Mary's connection at the New Hampton reunion! Also pictured are Phyllis's sisters, Christina and Ellen.

1970

Scribe Needed

F. Dana Thompson

I continue to enjoy retirement! Of the various volunteer jobs I'm doing, teaching skiing to

developmentally disabled students is the most rewarding.

1971

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Phyllis Nordstrom

Phyllis ran into Sandy Clark Dodge '54 at a New Hampton School reunion last spring. Phyllis attended the reunion with her parents Mary and Everett Nordstrom who were dorm parents at New Hampton. Sandy's husband, Bob, is a New Hampton Alumnus.

Lucille Collins Rahn

I have been living in Savannah, GA for 26 years! It is a delightful area with beautiful New England architecture. We sail, canoe, bicycle and hike (north Georgia and Carolina mountains). We still ski at Alta in Utah!

1972

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Victoria Valar

I moved in October 2008 to Aspen, CO after spending 16 in Breckenridge and 2 years on my hay & horse farm outside of Denver. I started a small real estate investment company named Bonnifield, LLC. I'm still involved in Rocky Mtn. Masters, have a Morgan horse and Griffon bird dog. I've started golf lessons. Aspen



Mary Coughlan '49 and her daughter, Suzie Coughlan '77 celebrated Alumnae/Weekend together

is the best! Contact me in you're in town!
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Jennifer Gordon Wolf

Jennifer sent an update on her children: Alex and I went to Napa for his 21st bday and now he's interning at Blackstone in NYC. Joey just finished his first year at Colorado College. He stayed there for the summer and worked for Apple. He's already converted me to a Mac Book! Take care.

1976

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Jonathan Bixby

I have been living in RI since 1985, and married for 27 years, I have two kids, Jono 21, Kimberly 19, both attending UNH. I continue to ski and enjoy sailing, biking and the outdoors. I just completed the 2 day, 190 mile Pan Mass Challenge bike ride for cancer research. I have owned a small business importing and distributing industrial products since 1991. I have many fond memories of my WMS days and continue keeping in touch with many alumni. Check out my Facebook page and become a Facebook friend, it would be great to hear from classmates.

Suzie Coughlan

Life is fun and busy living in New England! I have lived in Maynard, MA since 2001. I teach in a Montessori School in Littleton, MA but am

often up in the White Mountains or by the sea in Kennebunk, Maine. I attended the reunion in October- it was great to see old friends and I had a wonderful sharing reunion with my mother who celebrated her 60th reunion from St. Mary's!

Lindsey Hart Leask

I live in Duxbury, MA with my 2 teenage sons. Chris is a sophomore in college and Andrew is a sophomore in High School. We spend most of our time on the football field, basketball court, and lax field. I am a Regional Relationship Manager for Complete Payroll and Benefit Solutions. In the winter when I am not skiing I am in Ft Lauderdale... life is good at 51!

Priscilla McKenney

Priscilla continues her life adventures based out of the San Francisco Bay area. Before settling into her current position as Program Director for GirlVentures (www.girlventures.org), she worked as a guide, instructor and course director for Outward Bound, REI Adventures, Himalayan High Treks and WoodsWomen since 1983. Most recently, she has co-authored a chapter entitled, "Girls' Outdoor Adventure Programs: History, Theory and Practice", which has been published in the 4th edition of The Theory and Practice of Experiential Education. Priscilla's other loves include her sweetheart (Andrea), good food, gardening and soul surfing.

Lisa Santeusanio Patey

I am still living in beautiful Kennebunk, ME. As a member of the Board of Trustees, I have visited WMS many times in the past few years and each time brings a smile to my face remembering all the adventures! I was at graduation this year and it was great fun to show my daughter the campus and tell her stories. We took a walk to the pond and it is just as we left it many years ago! If you get a chance, make it a point to visit campus or attend a reunion. I have been in touch with many classmates. In the summer of '08, Polly Pease, Jill Maconi and Sydney Henthorn and I met on Martha's Vineyard and we had a memorable weekend catching up with each other. I would love to hear from you so please take a few minutes and drop me a line. You can email me at lisa@patey.com or find me on facebook under Lisa Patey or on LinkedIn under the same. Keep in touch!

Lisa Volinn

A pilot for United Airlines, Lisa flies a 747 around the world. When not traveling to far away places, she lives in Vail, CO and spends

her free time skiing. She met a great guy, Marc, last year and has been spending a lot of time in Philadelphia where he is a dentist.

Mike Zimicki

I am living in Vermont with a herd of Pekingese! I work in the auto racing business as a coach which involves coaching the drivers in technique and working with engineering for the car set-up. Notable recent clients include Danica Patrick (first woman to lead the Indy 500) who I worked with for 3 1/2 years and Graham Rahal (youngest winner of an Indy car race) who I worked with for 4 years. I race bikes when I can and ski every day I am home. I also travel tons- up to 260 days a year!

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Lisa Evans

Hi all - I am living in Cap-Rouge, a region of Quebec City. I still work for Infraspection Institute, the first and foremost trainers of Infrared Technology and theory for Predictive/Preventive Maintenance use. I live with my partner of 9 years and our cat and dog in a beautiful house and neighborhood. I have been learning to snowboard over the last year or so and look forward to getting to Stoneham or Mt. Ste. Anne soon for some fun and achy legs!

David Iseri

Moved from Maine to Virginia. Why? Don't Ask! I hope all the 80 class is doing well. Keep me in your contact list @ Ashes111@comcast.net. Peace-Out

Kim Siegel Skye

Hi Class of '80. I never knew you well but remember WMS so fondly and I sometimes wonder about the different paths my classmates followed. I left New England six years ago and I'm on the coast of California in Santa Cruz

although I am somewhat nomadic ... still wandering. Is there anyone else who is on the west coast ... or at least west of the Rockies? Where's Dick Searles? Where are the Ritzos? (and more importantly, how are they?) I spoke with Paul Potter briefly while up in Ketchum, Idaho soon before Kris died. She was a lovely woman. Say hello if you're inspired to do so. Kim Siegel Skye P.O. Box 313 Soquel, CA 95073 laughingdragon93@gmail.com

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Edmund Joy

Ed stopped by the WMS Campus for a quick visit and tour of the school while on a New England cycling trip- it was great to see him! He is still living in Florida.

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Steve Burton

Steve lives in Portland, OR and is the Production Designer for The Portland Business Journal.

Alisa Clickenger

I've rented my farmhouse and B&B in Connecticut and will take off motorcycle vagabonding for the next year. I've been building a reputation as a moto-journalist. In July and August, I rode a small motorcycle on an all-

dirt trail across the country, then circled back East to ride the Canadian Maritimes and Trans-Labrador Highway. In November, I headed West again and am riding my motorbike solo through Central and South America to Tierra del Fuego. It's a 6-8 month trip I've been planning for a couple of years now. I'm being sponsored by a large motorcycle manufacturer (BMW Motorrad). My ride is also a fundraiser for breast and ovarian cancer CURES and breast health awareness. I'm paying all my own travel expenses, so every dollar that I raise will go straight toward research. If anyone wants to follow my adventure, I'll be keeping a blog on www.MotoAdventureGal.com. Skype: MotoAdventureGal Twitter: MotoAdventurGal (no "e"). My messages are "follow your dreams" and "one person CAN make a difference".

Hilah Geer

I am married and living in Norway with my husband Steinar Tveiten and two kids William Coley, 4 and Katherine Louine (Katie Lou), 7. I didn't make it to the reunion although it sounds leafy and lovely and fun. Please give my best to everyone.

M. Seabrook Leaf

I lived in Oregon from 1988-1999, and I have been living in the same house in San Francisco, CA since 9/17/99. I taught primary elementary in public schools for 14 years and am now working on selling my house (www.57noe.com) so my wife and I can move to the mountains! We are creating an eco-village with friends in Northern CA, near Mt. Shasta in a tiny mountain town with hot springs! (see www.bigbendhotsprings.org) So, by now, I am a true Californian, and I plan to grow old here.

Andrew Levin

Andrew is a veterinarian in NJ. He was just married in June and is now the stepfather of two lovely girls.

Adrienne Barbree Smith

Adrienne lives in Portland, OR. She has been married to her husband Brian for 7 years. They have a 4 year old son, Owen, and Brian has a 13 year old daughter, Wendy, who lives with them half time.

Corina Gramenz Zillgith

Corina lives in Germany and happily reports that she is the grandmother of a 9 Month-old grandson!

1985

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Michelle Kremser

Hello everyone! I hope this note finds you healthy and happy. I got married on June 12 to José María Palanco Coronel, who I've known for 3 years now. We live in Seville, where I have lived for the last 9 years. Things are a little tough with the economic crisis, but we are getting along well. I've been accepted into the University of Seville's Masters in Secondary Education, and am planning to take the government exam for a public teaching position in June. I was also accepted to do a Masters in Translation and Inter-cultural Studies, but will wait until next year for that. I keep in contact with fellow alumni through Facebook, and have also re-connected with grammar school classmates! I would love to hear more from other WMS alumni. Take care!

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1989

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1990

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Rachel Smith Fisher

I am living in New Jersey, about half an hour

out of NYC, with my husband of almost seven years, Mike. We have two girls: Zoe who is five and starting kindergarten, and Layla who is 3 and should be starting her career as a stunt woman any second now. I have stayed home with them since Zoe was born and love every second of it. I'm currently running half marathons to keep me sane in the face of the being a stay-at-home Mom. I'd love to hear from people, either via Facebook or at my e-mail: geekwife427@hotmail.com

Becky Drury Hardin

I have 3 daughters, Samantha 11, Emma 10 and Sky 5. I am a bus driver for Caldwell transportation in Caldwell Idaho. I also drive a shuttle in the winter for Bogus Basin Ski Resort in Boise. I am very busy redoing the landscape around the house and work on home projects in between work, basket ball and whatever other activity that is going on.

Ainslie MacEachran

My son is now 4 (Ben) and my daughter is now 5 (Pryor). I still own and operate Orchards Athletic Club but now I'm also consulting with Colorado Premier Training. I'm riding a little and doing the odd masters race here and there. I'm also coaching the Colorado State University Rams cycling team.

Carolyn Phillips Pecunies

My husband Dave and I have two boys, Cameron 2 1/2 and Ian (1). We live in Bethel, Maine where we have been for 13 years. I work as a real estate broker at Sunday River Ski Resort. We have passed along to our kids our enjoyment of traveling and the outdoors, taking them on trips and skiing, hiking, camping and biking with us. It's been fun to catch up with other classmates recently and we hope to have a good group for our reunion next year.

1991

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Byron Salladin

I recently moved within Baltimore to a small secluded village that reminds me of New England. I'm still working for Biohabitats, a great private environmental consulting firm. I had a great summer sailing on the Chesapeake, but miss the snow!

1992

Scribe Needed

Hideki Makishima



Julie Hammond '93 married Abe Kagan in June 2009.

Thank you for the wonderful time and memories of about 18 years ago. I will never forget about the happy time I spent at The White Mountain School

Junko Yamamoto Matsuda

I have been working as an Office Manager in Man Investments (Japan and Singapore) for 5 years. I was relocated to Singapore from Japan 3 years ago. I have been happily married for 7 years, and luckily my husband came to Singapore with me! Since I moved to Singapore, I have enjoyed exploring exotic resorts in South East Asia. If any WMS faculty/students or alumnae/i are in Singapore, I'd be happy to meet up!

1993

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Nathaniel Baker

Than is now teaching sixth grade special education for the New York City Department of Education in the Bronx. He holds dual licenses in both Special Ed and Childhood Education 1-6, as well as a Masters in Arts and Teaching. Nathaniel married Heidi Chang in Blue Hill ME on August 15, 2009.

Solomon Diamond

My family moved to Hanover, NH this summer. We are delighted to be back to the North Country. I am now working full time on the faculty at Dartmouth College where I teach Solid Mechanics, Computer-Aided Design, and Human Physiology for Engineers. My research uses brain imaging technology and computer modeling to explore how the human brain works. Clinical applications for my work

are in the areas of understanding aging, and developing new diagnostics for neurological disease and brain injury. My wife Diane is in a doctoral program studying public health and my children Sage (5 years) and Adam (3 years) remind us every day to laugh and to love.

Julie Hammond Kagan

After spending the past 4 years living in Asia (Hong Kong & Singapore), I'm now living in Philadelphia, PA where I recently got a new job with PNC Global Investment Servicing. Other updates are that I got married last June to Abe Kagan, one of my best friends from college in Colorado. We had the good luck of reconnecting at a mutual friend's New Year's Eve party in San Francisco in 2005, and I guess the rest is history. My new contact details are: Julie Kagan 238 Spruce Street Philadelphia, PA 19106 juliemkagan@gmail.com I hope everyone from WMS is doing well and enjoying life!

Samuel Moreno

Sam reports that he is still in Spain and works in real estate in Madrid with the international branch of his company.

1994

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Suzanne Lachance Salladin

I moved to Baltimore, MD with my kids Briar (8) and Aidan (5) in Sept '08 to be closer to my brother Bryon Salladin '91. I am currently working for a division of Catholic Charities called the Esperanza Center, in the Fells Point area of Baltimore, as the bilingual (Spanish) Front Desk Coordinator. We are a "clinic" space that provides health services for Spanish speakers without health insurance. I manage the front area that provides about 15 different clinics/services from volunteer doctors and nurses from various area hospitals. I also offer translating services and speak Spanish about 95% of the day! My son, Aidan, was recently



Suzanne Salladin '94 with her two beautiful children, Briar and Aidan

featured in a documentary called, *Life in the Spectrum: Living with Autism*. My brother is also in the film, as well as two other families with autistic children.

1995

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Laura Diamond Mara

Hello to everyone from the good old days! I live in VT with my 2 cute kids, Olivia 4 and Rupeni 1, and my husband of 5 years. I hope you are all doing ok through the years. I often day dream of skiing everyday and chillin' out in the pottery studio.

1996

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1997

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1998

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Promise Partner

Promise, a Humanities teacher at Olney Friends School in Ohio was awarded a Klingenstein fellowship to the 2009 Summer Institute for Early Career Independent School Teachers at the Teachers College, Columbia University. Congratulations, Promise!

2000

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Martina Brehmerova

Bob Hall from the ASSIST Program was in Prague interviewing students for ASSIST when he met Martina Brehmerova who is working for the European Union in this year of the presidency. She is in the section of the Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs -

European Policy Coordination Dept. Bob reports that Martina had nothing but high praise for WMS- thanks Martina!

Catherine Doucette

I just completed my MFA in Creative Writing from Oregon State University.

Nora Heins

Nora is pursuing a doctorate in Psychology. She is currently living in San Francisco and was happily married to Scott Murray in September.

James Moskovic

I haven't been up to a lot this year besides working as a law clerk, but things are starting to get crazy. I'm getting ready to move to Chicago and then starting at John Marshall Law School after that. So I'm living these days as if they were my last, before I succumb to piles upon piles of books and specialized language. Despite the impending work load, I am very excited for classes to start and I've been looking forward to moving to the city all year (so I don't have to drive there to hang out!) I miss the mountains and tranquility of the WMS campus! My email is jmoskovic@gmail.com

2001

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Christopher Clark

It has been a good summer for me. I was awarded a grant this year to tie classic Atlantic salmon flies, apprenticing with a master artist. I also became a registered NH fishing guide and was fortunate enough to be an Orvis endorsed fly fishing guide for the summer. I worked for Lopstick outfitters in Pittsburg, NH which is about two hours north of WMS. Fly fishing is kind of a seasonal thing in the east- I've been working at Cannon for six winters and might again this winter. I would love to get a winter job guiding in South America but I'm not done around here yet!

Eva Jancova

I work in Siemens as a marketing manager and am studying marketing and management at Economics University (distance study). I moved to Prague 7 years ago and have been living here since.

2002

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Shannon Dunfey-Ball

I have shipped out to sea; well sort of. I now work aboard the restored Schooner A. J. MEERWALD, a Delaware Bay oyster dredge-boat built in Dorchester New Jersey in 1928. The schooner is a sailing classroom promoting ecological and historical awareness of the Delaware Bay region. I am their shipboard program coordinator. (www.ajmeerwald.org) The Meerwald is my second historical tall ship I have worked on since August 2008. I have also been selected as the United State's Sail Training International Youth Delegate. This means that I participate, as a founding member, in the international youth forum discussions surrounding sail training and how to help pave the future of sail training with a focus on people under 30. I represented the United States at the annual Sail Training International Conference in Istanbul, Turkey this November. My interest in experiential education definitely comes from my many hands on educational experiences at WMS.

Michelle Mockbee

I live in the coalfields of Tennessee. Eagan to be exact. I am a community and environmental organizer for a group called the Clearfork Community Institute. I primarily work in rural development and sustainable economics in impoverished rural areas. One example of what I did was organize the Appalachian Community Economics Conference www.appalachiacommunityeconomics.org

Alison MacKay

Alison's mom reports: After graduating from Warren Wilson College with a degree in Business and living in Asheville, NC for a few years after college, Alison has moved to Durham, NC where she is working at Trader Joe's.

Justin Plaskov

After a significant amount of international travel, volunteer work, and 2 years of teaching high school social studies, I decided to go back to school. This fall I am attending Colorado Law School in Boulder where I am studying public interest law. Boulder is an excellent fit for me; mountains, culture, a health conscience and progressive community, and bike lanes to boot!

Stephanie Speicher

After studying at Pendle Hill, a Quaker Residential Study Center since January, I took a job as cook intern so I could stay on & enjoy this wonderful community. I cook for 50, make art, & play a good amount of ultimate frisbee, I'm SW of Philly & invite any WMSers to come around.



Jeff Brown '04 is pictured here with one of his English classes in France.

2003

Scribe Needed

Jonathan Bachman

A lot of things have changed! I started a sports blog with my friend who writes for ESPN Magazine and got picked up by Gambit Weekly a beloved local publication! Here is our website: www.blogofneworleans.com and the sports specific url is <http://blogofneworleans.com/blog/category/sports/>. I also have my own website; <http://www.flickr.com/photos/jonathanbachman/> so you can always check in and see what I'm up to. Life down here in New Orleans couldn't be better!

Latoya Isaacs

I'm doing well! I work full time as a Medical Secretary and part time as a Unit Secretary for Pediatrics at a hospital here in Maryland. I took several classes this Fall at the community college I attend. My major has changed a couple of times, but for now it's a Paralegal Certificate with something in Health care. I'm still trying to narrow down on Nursing or Coding or Assisting - but most likely something in Health care.

Hilary Otorowski

I graduated from UCSD with a B.S. In Physiology and Neuroscience. I will be looking into P.A. Schools (Physician Assistant), and a few medical schools for the future. I am taking this next year to take some classes required for the program's applications.

2004

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Jeff Brown

Jeff's dad reports: Jeff was recently employed by France (Ministry of Culture) as an English teacher and he taught at several different schools

in smaller towns and villages in the French countryside outside the City of Poitiers, west of Paris, where he lived. It was a homecoming of sorts as he spent his semester abroad while at St. Olaf in Poitiers at the University. He used his school holidays to travel extensively to Venice, Italy and much of the Balkans (Serbia, Bosnia, Montenegro, Croatia and Slovenia). It just goes to show how much mileage you can get out of the French prize at WMS. He returned to Minneapolis this summer to take some graduate courses at the University of Minnesota and prepare for the GRE. He hopes to return to France, or possibly Vietnam, to teach English for another year before going to graduate school, probably in International Studies or Economics.

John Foss

I finished a BA in geography and International Affairs at UNH and a BS in Business Administration. I start my Masters in International Studies at the Monterey Institute, CA in January. Part of my program will involve two years in the Peace Corps.

Hannah Gutteridge

Hannah's dad reports that Hannah is now at the University of Bristol reading media and cultural studies, and is loving the course.

Aljoscha Kubicek

I am part of a dual studies / cooperative education programme. I am on a three year contract with Daimler AG (more commonly known for their passenger car brand Mercedes-Benz, but we also build trucks and vans) and alternate every three months between the "Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University" and my company. I spent the first three months of the year studying at Corvinus University in Budapest, Hungary, as an exchange student. After that I worked for Daimler South East Asia in their Regional Treasury Centre in Singapore. Right now I am back in my hometown of Düsseldorf, working in a plant before I return to university. I will graduate next year with a bachelor in International Business. I hope everything is fine at WMS!

Katherine Richey

Kate has returned to the area and is teaching Kindergarten in Lisbon, NH!

Jesse Tufte

I have a little girl, Elle, with my boyfriend Patrick. We are currently in Perth, Australia while I study for a semester at The University of Western Australia. I'm studying Economics and I have about a year left in my degree. We normally live in Bozeman, MT and we spend plenty of time playing in the mountains between Pat

working and me going to school. All of it makes me feel so blessed. It makes my day to think about WMS for a minute - that place is so special to me.

2005

Scribe Needed

Parker Croft

Avery is now working in L.A. as an actor. He was recently cast in the final season of "Nip / Tuck", as well as the lead role in a new pilot for Spike TV called "Back Nine". The pilot is waiting for pick up this season. Since graduating from WMS, Avery has worked in several films as well, including "Were the World Mine" currently available on demand. He has also started a production company and is currently directing their first film.

Owen Curvelo

Owen's father, Rich, writes that Owen finished up at Eckerd in May and that he is working hard on short stories and a novel. However, he remains that charmingly, irrepressible kid!

Elizabeth Gibson

Lizzy and her husband, Hans, recently moved back to West Glover, Vt. Hans has been doing specialized metal work and they have begun homesteading. It is a busy, challenging, and exciting time!

Catherine Immelt

I graduated from college this May and moved back up to the Vermont/New Hampshire area with my fiancé, who started a great job at Pine Ridge School in VT as Athletic Director, Social Studies teacher, and Dorm Head.

Michelle Isner

I accepted a job at Dartmouth Hitchcock on the Intermediate Cardiac Care Unit after graduating from Colby-Sawyer in May.

James Weiner

I graduated from CU Boulder in May with a Classics degree and am now in the Air Force, Space Branch, in Colorado Springs. I'm still climbing, backpacking, biking, etc every chance I get. I have joined a couple of groups out here that let me teach a lot of this stuff and am having fun with that.

2006

Scribe Needed

Elsa Camuamba

Elsa is still at Wilson College and is doing her thesis on sub-Saharan Africa. It's about implementing a trade strategy to promote agricultural productivity and thereby overall development in sub-Saharan Africa.

Alex Foss

Alex is majoring in communications and business. He is spending a year abroad this year- last summer in Germany, this fall in Hungary and he is spending the spring at Regents College in London.

Samuel Griffin

Sam recently wrote, I think everyone took something from White Mountain School, be it music, an increase in love for the backcountry, or just a broader sense of self. Now in the mountains of Western North Carolina, I look back at that place and witness a collage of memories: the notch, a snowy descent from Shining Rock, Loon, study hall angst, staring at a hole in an iced lake somewhere in rural Vermont, waiting for a fish to bite and the bright orange flag to wave in an instant. All of the climbs, the warm cabins, the music room (thank you Piper), the teachers, and, most of all, the friends that will never dissolve with time, come back to me daily. Thank you so much for this experience.

Yana Ostrovsky

I live in a co-op in Amherst and am studying art education at UMass- maybe one day I will teach art at WMS for a few years. I am also really interested in herbalism, but since this was an interest that I found late in my college career, there is no chance of me doing anything with it while I'm here. I backpacked in Peru this summer!

Hannah Stampleman

Hannah is still in NYC and is attending Marymount Manhattan College. She is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in acting and living in an apartment in the East Village. She is also working as a waitress at San Marzano on the LES and singing. Somewhere in there she finds time for acupuncture and yoga and even helps with a program that merges yoga and theatre for children!

Mary Virnelli

Mary's mom reports that Mary is doing great! She just returned from a junior year exchange program (1 Term) in Germany. She has switched her major from business to international business, and is beginning her last year at Fort Lewis College this fall.

2007

Scribe Needed

Bupe Mazimba

We received the following from St. Lawrence University: Recently 14 St. Lawrence students were selected to attend a two-day seminar on finance in New York City ([http:// www.stlawu.edu/giving/finance_seminar.html](http://www.stlawu.edu/giving/finance_seminar.html)) Bupe

was one of the students who attended. She is a double major in global studies and economics and has been consistently strong and involved at St. Lawrence.

Samantha Morrissey

Sam's mom reports that she is doing great! Sam is a Sophomore at Bridgewater State College with a criminal justice major and a sociology minor. She is hoping to eventually pursue a career in environmental law.

Madeline Peck

I worked this summer in Northern Maine at a wilderness canoe camp. I'm still at Earlham College and am seriously considering majoring in environmental studies or something related. I've applied to do a semester abroad next year in Scotland through UMass Amherst. They have a college program centered around sustainable living in one of the largest ecovillages in the world, called Findhorn.

2008

Scribe Needed

Avijit Halder

Avijit's NH 'family' reports that he is attending New York University's Tisch School, majoring in film and absolutely thriving. His art work and photography have reached a whole new level. We are so proud of him!

Kevin Kress

Kevin's parents report that he is having a great time at Eugene Lang / The New School in Greenwich Village. He misses the outdoor activity at WMS, but joined a local gym that has a climbing wall.

Ed Ingersoll

Everything at Green Mountain College is going so well! Say hi to everyone for me.

Joanna Lichtin

Joanna is spending the year in Israel. Her program is broken up into three 3-month sections. The first one was studying in Jerusalem, second was working in a center for at-risk-kids and the third is living in Bat Yam and doing community volunteering. The language barrier is difficult but I am slowly improving. I don't think I'll ever become fluent but I can get by!

Grace Ochieng'

St. Lawrence University reports that Grace was awarded one of the "100 Projects for Peace" grants for 2009. With the grant, she plans to establish a micro-financed sewing project to produce innovative, reusable, washable and environmentally friendly menstrual sanitary pads in her home village of Lwala, Kenya. You



Lexi Sampson in the lab at the University of Kansas

can find more information at <http://www.davis-projectsforpeace.org/>

Robby Powers

Robby's mom reports that he will be attending Montana State University, Bozeman starting in January. Great school, great film and art programs, and INCREDIBLE location of course!

2009

Scribe Needed

Natalie Johnson

My White Mountain school education continues to be useful—I taught one of my roommates how to recycle! I know how to mop, which is a rarity among college students apparently. Also, I referred to one of our Comparative Economics readings, "Rethinking the Good Life", in a recent psychology paper! Even though I was not the most outdoorsy or environmentally focused student at White Mountain, I find myself knowing a lot about these things through osmosis and am able to spread some of my sustainability and outdoor knowledge here. Mt Holyoke is amazing, but I do find myself missing teeny discussion classes, and, strangely enough, mandatory sports. I actually joined the rugby team just to force myself to have a more structured afternoon, and of course I carry my keys and one card around on a carabeener :-).

Alexia Sampson

I am in a program called Developing Scholars at the University of Kansas, where I have a research mentor and I help them with their research project. I have been paired with Dr. Javier Vinasco - Torres and Dr. Morgan Scott. Javier is a microbiologist and Dr. Scott is an epidemiologist. They are doing a study on TB in cats and dogs to see if they transfer the disease to humans.

FACULTY NOTES

Gabe and Joanna Boisseau

Welcome Ezra Thoren Boisseau born to proud parents, Gabe and Joanna on November 21, 2009! Ezra weighed 9lbs 5oz and was 21 inches long. A welcome addition to our community!

Rich Curvelo

Rich reports that he continues to be well and travels between Sarasota, FL, and Vermont. He says, "Hi" to everyone at WMS!

Hiapo Emmons-Shaw and Jaime Pollitte

Hiapo and Jamie passed the American Mountain Guides' Association (AMGA) Rock Instructor Exam. They are now certified AMGA Guides, a difficult feat and one that allows WMS to maintain our AMGA accreditation! We are one of very few high schools to have achieved AMGA accreditation.

Larry and Tara Kaplan

Our family is enjoying our new home, only 6 miles from WMS. Our oldest daughter, Teva is in her first year at WMS. Our other daughter, Raya, spent her second summer at the WMS Summer Camp and Jonah is looking more like Larry everyday. We miss WMS!

Hamish McEwan

Hamish McEwan celebrated his 90th birthday this fall- Happy Birthday, Hamish! He also had two wonderful shows this fall entitled, "90 in 09: A Lifetime in the Arts and Arts Education" at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Jacksonville, FL and at the Fogle in Jacksonville, FL.

Kate Renner

Faculty member, Kate Renner, recently hosted an art opening at the local Women's Rural Entrepreneurial Network (WREN) gallery. Her show, shared with fellow artist, Alexandra Rykman was entitled "Recent work on paper and glass". Kate also showed some of her work this winter at the Brattleboro Museum and Art Center. The show was called "Drawing Itself: A Survey of Contemporary Practice".

Dan St. Jean

Dan won the 2009 "Jon and Rebecca Freeman Fiction Prize" from the Bread Loaf School of English at Middlebury College! Dan began graduate work at Bread Loaf this past summer.



Ezra Boisseau

In Memoriam

Mary Mosscrop Ashley '42

Mary Mosscrop Ashley died on July 19, 2009, in Jackson Hole, Wy. She was 84 years old. After graduating from St. Mary's-in-the-Mountains, Mary attended Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, NY, where she studied to become an associate with the U.S. State Department. During these years she was an avid tennis player, skier, and outdoorswoman. Her love of the outdoors greatly influenced her future life with her husband, William H. Ashley, and their children, Peter, Stephen and Alan. Aside from raising her three boys, Mary was an avid gardener with a special eye for the flowering plants of summer. Her volunteer projects included work with The Red Cross and 20 years of service delivering Meals on Wheels. She also served several terms on the Jackson library board. Mary was known throughout the Jackson Hole area for her positive approach to life and her gracious and caring spirit.

Mary Weber Hall '55

Rev. Mary Weber Hall died on October 15, 2009 at age 71. After graduating from St. Mary's-in-the-Mountains, Mary earned a Bachelor Degree in Music Education and later became an ordained Methodist Deacon. A talented and devoted musician, she was an organist and choir director in several local churches and a member of the American Guild of Organists as well as the writer of several published hymns. Mary was the daughter of the late William and Jean (McGregor) Weber. Bill Weber was the SMS Chaplain and Sacred Studies teacher. Mary is survived by her husband of 40 years, Reverend Robert M. Hall, their two children and five grandchildren.

Lee Booth Woodward Klunder '47

Lee Booth Woodward Klunder, 80, died at her home on April 22, 2009. After graduating from St. Mary's-in-the-Mountains in 1947, Lee married and raised her family. Later in life, Lee returned to school and received her Bachelor's in Nursing from Saint Anselm College in Manchester, N.H. She worked at Mary Hitchcock Hospital in Hanover and later at Dick's House at Dartmouth College. Lee remained passionate about her gardens and her dogs throughout her life. Lee is survived by her daughter, four sons, and eight grandchildren.

Edmond L. LeBlanc, Former SMS Faculty Member

Edmond L. LeBlanc, 74, of Tyrone, PA died on June 1, 2005. Edmond was a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston with a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in church music. In addition to teaching music at St. Mary's in the Mountains, Edmond taught at Franklin Pierce College in Rindge, NH and, most recently, at Grier School in Birmingham, PA. Carol MacEwan Powers '69 remembers, "I was sad to see this. Had it not been for Ed, I would never have gotten into music school- his energy and dedication seemed endless"

Audrey A. Logan, wife of Former Trustee, Harlan Logan

Audrey Armour Logan, 92, died Nov. 4, 2008, at Kendal at Hanover, where she was a founder, one of the earliest residents and for many years a member of the board of directors. Audrey worked in education in New Hampshire as a librarian, reading specialist and a trainer of other teachers.

Audrey's second husband, Harlan Logan was a longtime member of the Board of Trustees at The White Mountain School. The Logans were strong supporters of WMS and its mission.

Cynthia Taft Lathrop '38

Cynthia Taft Lathrop, 88, died Dec. 20, at her daughter's home in Amherst. After graduating from St. Mary's-in the-Mountains, she spent her freshman year abroad at Geneva College for Woman in Geneva, Switzerland where she studied hard while also taking her skiing seriously. She brought home three international, collegiate, championship trophies from Zermatt, Chamonix and Bretaye, Switzerland. Cynthia finished her college years at Skidmore College. Cynthia and her husband, Francis, celebrated 65 years of marriage in April of this past year.

In addition to teaching fourth grade for 20 years, volunteering in her community and being a loving wife and mother, Cynthia remained athletically active throughout her life. She was a member of the 4,000 footers club, an avid tennis player, and she ski raced in the Masters Circuit for many years bringing home a number of national championships. Nothing was more precious to her than to be on a mountain top, winter or summer, enjoying the spectacular views and beautiful blue sky days.

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Cynthia is survived by her husband, Francis Owen Lathrop, two sons, two daughters, a brother, her sister Eleanor Taft Fernald '48, 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mary Craig McLane '45

Mary Craig McLane passed away on October 11, 2008 at the Spear Memorial Hospital in Plymouth, NH, following a stroke. She was 80 years old. Following her graduation from St. Mary's-in-the-Mountains, Mary earned her Bachelor's degree from Smith College, attended the New England Conservatory of Music, and received her Master's in art history from Harvard-Radcliffe University in 1953.

Mary taught French and Spanish at Newton South High School in Newton, MA for 21 years. During her tenure she served as faculty advisor to the American Field Service. She also taught French at St. Paul's School, Simmons College, Beaver Country Day School, and music at le College Cevenol in Chambon-sur-Lignon, France. Mary was an adventurer and traveler from her college years onward.

After retiring from teaching at the age of 55, Mary began a new career as artist and teacher of art, continuing this work until the end of her life. She was best known for her larger-than-life sculptures made entirely of found objects from old New England houses, barns, farm equipment and household goods. Her artwork was exhibited in a variety of shows throughout New England. Mary, a talented musician, also continued singing and performing for friends and relatives throughout her life. A devoted aunt and friend to many young and old, she was also an avid skier, hiker and gardener, with a lifelong love of the outdoors.

She was predeceased by her parents, former Dartmouth College trustee and founder of the McLane law firm, John R. "Judge" McLane and Elisabeth "Ibus" McLane, and her brothers John R. McLane of Manchester, NH, Charles McLane of Hanover, NH, and Malcolm McLane of Concord, NH.

Mary was the niece of Dorothy "Aunt Dot" McLane, former Headmistress of St. Mary's School. Mary is survived by her sister and SMS alumna, Elizabeth "Lilla" McLane Bradley '38. Other surviving relatives of the McLane family include Peter Rotch, grandson of "Aunt Dot" and former Board Chair of WMS; Andy McLane, grandson of "Aunt Dot" and great supporter of her legacy; and great-granddaughter of "Aunt Dot" Carolyn Manley Bradley '86.

Marguerite Sheehe Peppett '48

Marguerite, Peggy, Sheehe Peppett, 79, died after a brief illness on Sept. 12, 2008. Peggy was happily married to Homer Peppett and was retired from Jordan Marsh after 16 years of service. Marguerite left behind her 6 children and stepchildren as well as 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Todd Lawton Stafford '80

Todd Lawton Stafford, 49 died suddenly and tragically on Sept. 20, 2009 while riding his Aprilia motorcycle in Bucks County, PA on a beautiful, sparkling Sunday afternoon. He was a skilled driver who adored cruising the open road on his Aprilia, and a talented alpine skier who spent much of his free time every winter carving turns at his beloved Mad River Glen ski area in Vermont.

Hetty Stern, Former SMS/WMS Employee

Hetty N. Stern, age 95, passed away on Saturday, May 30, 2009 at her home.

Hetty was born on April 29, 1914, a daughter to Henry and Elizabeth (Christensen) Lotz, in Brooklyn, NY. Hetty was the Finance Director at The White Mountain School from 1960-1980. She was also involved in the banking industry for several years.

Gretchen Stubbs Stone '54

Gretchen Stubbs Weidman Stone, 74, died peacefully Friday, Sept. 4, 2009, with her family by her side. She was born Aug. 15, 1935, in Portland, the youngest child of Laurence H. and Phillis Wells Stubbs. Gretchen's vibrant and outgoing personality ensured that she made an impact everywhere she went. Gretchen was very active in her children's lives and also worked for the Vermont Marble Company and, later, retail sales and residential real estate. Gretchen loved music, was an avid skier and thrived on family, friends, love and laughter. She is survived by three children and six grandchildren, her brother and her sister.

125 Years and Going Strong:

The White Mountain School Board of Trustees

By John E. Brown, Chair of the Board of Trustees



Front row left to right: Neill Osgood '83, Ruth Cook Board Chair Emerita P'91, Lisa Santeusano Patey '77, Barbara McFadden Sirna '63, Betsey Phillips P'90, Henry Vaillant, Kenneth L. Klothen, Esq. P'02, Stephen DiCicco, John E. Brown Chair of the Board P'04. Back row left to right: William Ruhl P'09, Scott Finlay '76, Philip deRham '76, Daniel S. Shugar '81, Brian Morgan Head of School, David M. Budd '86. Not pictured: The Rt. Rev. Gene Robinson President of the Board, Elizabeth Truslow P'08, The Rev. Kurt Wiesner

Where we have been...

It is hard to imagine that it was nearly 125 years ago that The White Mountain School, then known as St. Mary's School, was incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire. Our very first Board of Trustees' meeting took place in the Concord, NH home of the Rt. Rev. William Woodruff Niles, the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire, on September 24, 1885. The Bishop was elected President and Edgar F. Woodman, Treasurer, the first of many hundreds of men and women that have served as Trustees of The White Mountain School since. It may be old fashioned to admit, but it is my sense that all who have served as trustees have done so with a commitment similar to what Bishop Niles spoke of when he proposed the founding of The White Mountain School as a school "where a thoroughly good education shall be given" where "moral training would be blended with intellectual instruction..."

Who we are today...

Today, The White Mountain School is governed by a 24 person Board of Trustees, who gather at the School at least three times a year to debate and make the policies by which the School is governed. Trustees include former students (Classes of '63, '76, '77, '81, '83 and '86), past parents of WMS students, and the grandson of Eman and Mary Payne Beck, whose home 'Seven Springs' in Bethlehem, NH was acquired by the Board of Trustees in 1936. Our current School continues to reside in this glorious location. Today's Trustees reflect the diversity of The White Mountain School and include business people, an architect, a photographer, an Episcopal Rector, lawyers, and an educational consultant. Ruth Cook, longtime Board member and Board Chair, continues her active day to day involvement in the work of our Board as Board Chair Emerita.

On the horizon...

The Board of Trustees maintains an active committee structure including Finance, Development, and Capital Facilities Committees. In recent years, ad hoc committees focusing on strategic planning and admissions have been formed to tackle not only the challenge of growing admissions but the longer term strategic planning efforts critical to our School's financial well being. We are excited to report that the Capital Facilities Committee recently completed a comprehensive audit of the School's buildings and property to help prioritize capital improvement projects. Energy efficiency and green building standards are an important part of that effort. Expect to hear more about these plans, as well as other fundraising goals in the near future! We intend to celebrate the distinguished past of SMS/WMS by preserving and invigorating its present and future. In January of 2010, the Board kicked-off a committee effort to celebrate the School's upcoming 125th anniversary. We are always on the lookout for a few more good women and men to join our Board of Trustees and would welcome those who might consider a few years of engaged service to The White Mountain School.





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