Hamish MacEwan, Former SMS Art Department Chair, passed away at the age of 91. His painting “Picnic Hill Meadow” is featured here. See page 34 to read more about Hamish.


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Echoes is printed on an eco-friendly paper that is manufactured with 55% recycled stock, 30% post-consumer waste, and is elemental chlorine-free (ECF).
This fall we had a number of experiences at the School that highlight the power of engagement – of getting involved and making a difference. During Family Weekend and Alumnae/i Weekend we hosted a panel of graduates who shared their experiences of service. Led by Keynote speaker Liz Zopf Chace ’55, each panelist shared the joys of engaging with service to make the world a better place. Our panelists included Kelly Cornell ’04, Brett Kaull ’80, Anne Wheeler Rowthorn ’58 and Kristina Engstrom ’56. I was struck by the power of taking the first step – and that several of the panelists traced their belief in the power of action back to their time at St. Mary’s/White Mountain. Community service opportunities here were mentioned, as well as the work jobs program and simply the fact that this is a place where students can take leadership in the running of the School. It highlighted the importance of both empowering our students and helping them see the role they play in building our community and our world.

In November we held an Environmental Symposium, gathering regional leaders for workshops about working toward a sustainable world. Keynote speaker Bill McKibben, noted author and environmentalist, spoke about his own turn toward action. It was precipitated by a visit to Bangladesh in which he saw first-hand the devastating consequences of climate change. Thousands were dying from a mosquito-born disease. He also became sick from the disease – though he noted that he was lucky to have been in good health prior to his exposure. He said that he is by nature a writer, not an activist, but he now feels compelled to make a bigger impact. This has led to his founding of the organization 350.org with students from Middlebury College.

As part of our strategic planning process, we have noted that a singular strength of our School is that we can help students see their role in the world, see that they can “make a dent in the universe.” To do this we not only put them in contact with others who are doing so, we work to encourage them to make a difference right here and now. I share two recent examples.

First, last spring a couple of students came to Assistant Head Nate Snow with a request to start a new team at School: cross-country running. After thinking through some of the hurdles together, the students went out and gathered necessary support from students and faculty. This fall we had our first cross-country running team. Ten students worked hard throughout the season, showing tremendous progress. And the girls team brought home the Lakes Region Championship! The lesson: if you want something, then make it happen.

Second, I am privileged to be teaching the Independent Research Seminar this fall. In this course students explore a passion of their own choosing in depth. Each project includes a research paper, a presentation (to share with others) and a component that “adds value” to the world. This fall we have students reviving the School literary magazine, putting together a local foods banquet, and building a website to collect resources on converting human action into energy (e.g., floors that generate electricity when compressed by footsteps). In each case, students are not only developing traditional research and writing skills, they are adding value to the world – making it a better place for all.

If our graduates leave not only with the tools for success, but with the belief that they can, and should, make a difference, we have surely done our work.

The world is more malleable than you think and it’s waiting for you to hammer it into shape. - BO NO
Please join us in welcoming new faculty and staff to The White Mountain School this year! The 2011-12 school year brought new teachers to us in math, science and sustainability studies. Elizabeth Aldrich, Ph.D. joins us as the chair of the Sustainability Studies Department. Elizabeth was most recently an assistant professor at Boise State University and has presented on climate-change issues at conferences around the world. Earlier in her career, she taught at Vail Mountain School. Joining our science and math faculty are Sam Critchlow and Hart Webb. Sam joins our Math Department, coming to us from the High Mountain Institute and The Outdoor Academy. Sam is a graduate of Amherst College. Hart majored in physics at Wesleyan University, where she also earned a master’s degree in astronomy. She completed a second master’s degree (in environmental studies) at Columbia University this past spring. Hart is teaching both math and science at WMS.

We are also pleased to welcome several new administrators and staff members. Our new academic dean is Wes Goldsberry. Wes taught for six years at St. Andrew’s School in Delaware. He did his undergraduate work at Davidson College and holds master’s degrees from both Princeton Seminary and Harvard University. Ryan Aldrich is our new director of college counseling, coming to us from the admissions office at The College of Idaho. Prior to admissions work in Idaho, Ryan served as the director of college counseling at Vail Mountain School for four years. Laura Morse, RN, our new director of Health Services, is a Bethlehem resident and has worked in a variety of school and community health settings. Laura also volunteers on the local search-and-rescue squad. After graduating from Connecticut College, Tori Hallowell spent several years as an environmental educator for Nature’s Classroom. Tori joins us as an assistant director of admission. Returning to WMS after pursuing teaching and theatre experiences in Ohio is Becky Cummings, our new 125th anniversary coordinator.

This summer, we bid adieu to several beloved faculty and staff members. Following their June marriage, math and science teacher Deandra Brassard and coaching staff member Josh Early set off for new adventures in Leavenworth, Washington. Adam Nyborg, former chair of the Sustainability Studies Department, took a position as the farm manager at Deep Springs College, CA. Science teacher Will Dechard is teaching at a public school in northwestern MA. Meredith Kitfield, former director of Health Services is now a school nurse in Vermont. Molly Radis left our Admissions Department to return to school in pursuit of a nursing career. Working at the Community College of Vermont allows Mercedes Pour-Preveti, former academic dean, to live in Vermont full-time with her spouse and new baby. To all who have moved on – we miss you and wish you all well in your new undertakings!
FAREWELL TO THE MORGANS

Thank you, Brian and Joyce!

Brian Morgan, Head of School, and Joyce Vining Morgan, Director of College Counseling

We are grateful for who you are and for all that you did for The White Mountain School during your tenure here! We miss you, wish you well in your future pursuits and hope that you return often to visit all of us here at your School!

“For me, Brian was the embodiment of the New England Headmaster: wise, unhurried, kindly, quietly religious and deeply devoted to the mission of The White Mountain School in its broadest sense. His support of the Summer Program in its earliest days will never be forgotten.” - Henry Vaillant (Trustee)

“Joyce didn’t take her job lightly. She always knew how to help and was the force behind us. She knew us all very well and knew exactly what to say and what to do. So, Joyce, thank you for teaching us life values, for helping us get into great schools and for always being a shoulder to lean on when the process got hard. We all miss you, but know that you have touched all of our lives and a thank you is just not enough.” - Yanina Marin ’11

Thank you!
At our first Sustainability Club meeting of the year, Maegan Martinez ’12, one of the eager 16 students present said, “Look how many people we have here! I hope we can keep all of these people in the club and have even more members by the end of the year.”

With that optimism and enthusiasm, sustainability at WMS is alive and well as key existing initiatives are maintained and new areas are forged. My goal for the year parallels Maegan’s hope: I want to provide rich experiences for those interested in sustainability and grow the number of students interested in the discipline.

Sustainable practices are so pervasive at WMS that students encounter them everywhere from the food they eat and how their food waste is composted, to how they clean the dorms. My role as Sustainability Studies Department Chair is not only to facilitate sustainable living across campus, but also to ensure that all students are exposed to the tenants of sustainability in an academic class. Academic offerings across disciplines from Field Courses to two new AP offerings are infused with sustainability.

Sustainability Studies at WMS
This fall’s Field Course selection included several sustainability-related experiences including “Renewable Energy Systems,” where students visited a dozen renewable power plants in Maine and New Hampshire, and “Poverty and Homelessness,” where students learned about economic sustainability and the issue of hunger facing many
families nationwide, using Portland, ME as their microcosm. Our AP Environmental Science and AP Human Geography courses are taught through a sustainability lens. In addition to in-class work, the AP Environmental Science class has visited a local forest with a forestry consultant to learn about management techniques and hosted a screening and discussion of *Crude*, a documentary about oil exploration in Ecuador. AP Human Geography has scrutinized various maps and statistics reflecting worldwide resource inequalities. This has nurtured an understanding that the world must be viewed as a global community. Students come to see that our nation is not hermetically sealed; our citizens’ lifestyles and our government’s policies have an impact on countries halfway around the world.

In addition to these new AP courses, six sustainability-focused scholars are also new to the School. The Edward E. Ford Foundation recognized the unique strength of our Sustainability Studies Department by providing $50,000 in scholarship money for students wishing to pursue their passion in sustainability at WMS. These students are following their individual interests in sustainability and will write reflections at the end of the school year about their growth in this area. (see sidebar for bios)

Outside of the academic realm, students have been involved in a number of exciting experiences. Thirteen WMS students attended the fall Bioneers by the Bay “Connecting for Change” conference in New Bedford, MA. Students listened to speakers such as Amy Goodman, participated in hands-on seminars (including one that allowed students to make a miniature wind turbine) and enjoyed a youth, open-mic extravaganza. In October, WMS and the Colonial Theater co-sponsored the film *Green Fire*, a documentary about the life and work of environmentalist Aldo Leopold.

**WMS Organic Farm**

The WMS organic farm produced over 2,000 lbs of food this year, providing an estimated 40% of our kitchen’s vegetables in the fall. WMS was highlighted in the September 2011 issue of *Biocycle* magazine for our strong efforts in growing food and composting.

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**MEET OUR E.E. FORD SCHOLARS.**

**Sam Conant ’13** (Milton, MA) is a certified open-water diver and avid hiker and believes that every school should offer programs that promote sustainability. As an E.E. Ford Scholar he hopes to teach sustainability to others and to help protect Long Pond in Plymouth, MA.

**Chris Bernd ’13** (Fairfield, CT) has spent a lot of his free-time doing community service. He looks forward to continuing his service work at WMS, hoping to do so through the lens of sustainability. He believes that the E.E. Ford Scholarship program will inspire others to become more involved.

**Max Horowitz ’14** (Caldwell, NJ), a true scholar and emerging environmentalist, has traveled to and lived in several countries including England, Israel and Ecuador. Max wants to funnel his interest in sustainability into a more comprehensive understanding of related sciences and the practical challenges facing the world today.

**Maxine Eisenberg ’12** (Peaks Island, ME) has been described by peers as “very kind and globally aware.” Her work in Guatemala this past summer and concern for the environment made her an excellent recipient of an E.E Ford Scholarship.

**Emily Rowe ’13** (Laconia, NH) has always had a passion for science and the outdoors. Emily sees the E.E. Ford Scholarship opportunity as a way to learn more about sustainability globally and locally, and she hopes that her passion for photography can be combined with her interest in sustainability.

**Rewina Bedemariam ’13** (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia) had never traveled beyond her home country until this year. The E.E. Ford Scholarship has offered her a chance to learn about sustainability abroad and, ultimately, bring her knowledge back home.

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Student-Led Initiatives

The Sustainability Club has been active in a number of student-led projects such as replacement of paper towels with rags for dorm cleaning, the creation of signs around campus encouraging energy savings, a skit for Morning Meeting about the importance of recycling, the design of an updated campus trails map and an investigation of the amount of energy provided by the photovoltaic cells on top of the Annex and Steele Science Center. Sustainability Club students also hosted a screening and discussion of Bag It, a film highlighting the amount of disposables used in today's society. Eleven club members participated in a walk to town, instead of a vehicle-powered town trip, in order to raise awareness of climate-change. Katie Rose, an area singer, songwriter and environmentalist visited the group to discuss a local environmental issue, the Northern Pass transmission project.

Environmental Symposium: “Envision a New World; Build a Better Future”

As part of our 125th Anniversary Celebration, WMS organized and hosted an environmental symposium in November entitled, “Envision a New World; Build a Better Future.” The symposium featured ten workshops offered by local experts in the areas of renewable energy, land use/conservation and organic food production. Workshops, designed to empower participants with knowledge and practical skills to make a difference in their communities, involved many activities including: a discussion of how to manage public land for multiple uses, analysis of data showing the effect of acid rain on New Hampshire’s songbirds and the design of single-home solar hot-water systems. Over 70 participants from the local community and other schools including Proctor Academy, Gordon College, Concord Academy and White Mountain Regional HS joined WMS students for the workshops.

The Great Hall was filled to overflowing at the conclusion of the symposium to hear remarks from renowned author and climate-change activist, Bill McKibben. The over-200-strong audience was inspired by McKibben's address in which he provided facts and figures detailing the gravity of human-caused climate change. McKibben called it the “greatest challenge humans have and will ever face.”

McKibben inspired all with his personal story of beginning a grassroots march to raise awareness of climate change. This evolved into the formation of a student-based group called 350.org, which works to promote legislative action to stop climate change. 350.org owes its name to the
What actually makes people happy is full engagement. You are most alive when working at the limit of your abilities.

－BILL MCKIBBEN, AUTHOR, EDUCATOR AND ENVIRONMENTALIST

upper limit in parts per million of CO₂ that the Earth’s atmosphere can possess if we wish to have a planet similar to the one on which civilization developed and to which life on earth is adapted. McKibben also stated that, “Warming of 2°C entails a devastating future for at least 600 million people.” He then enumerated a number of changes that have already occurred due to warming, like the expanded range of mosquitoes and attendant spread of dengue fever throughout Dhaka, Bangladesh, a country where the people have played virtually no role in raising levels of greenhouse gases.

Leaving the audience with hope and encouragement, McKibben spoke of a recent victory that 350.org effected by encircling The White House with 12,000 peaceful protesters on November 6th. This protest prevented the Keystone XL Pipeline, which threatened to take oil from the tar sands of Alberta through the Great Plains to the Gulf of Mexico, from being immediately developed. However, McKibben warned, until carbon pollution carries with it a stable and significant price, there will be many future projects like the Keystone XL Pipeline to stop.

Conclusions
This amazing amalgamation of sustainability-related activities at our small School is a testament to both the old and the new at WMS: the oldest American high school Sustainability Studies Department; the energy of our students; new EE Ford Scholars; and a faculty that ensures sustainability is alive both in the classroom and in the day-to-day lives of each student.

I feel incredibly privileged to lead this department in a community that is so supportive of its mission. And, with this support, perhaps the number of students in the Sustainability Club in May will be even greater than it was in September!
TOWNLEY BROOKS GRANEY ’41, P ’79

I was not one of Aunt Dot’s favorite students. In fact, I was not infrequently in trouble. I had a habit of climbing out of my bedroom window at night to walk the trails, alone or with one or more of the other girls. This was not acceptable behavior! I loved the woods at night; particularly moonlit nights.

Imagine my surprise, then, when Aunt Dot extended to me this act of kindness. I had a very bad cold and needed to spend nearly a week quarantined in the infirmary. I was feverish, miserable and missed home. Aunt Dot came to visit, bringing with her a sprig of one of my very favorite wildflowers, *Epigaea repens* (trailing arbutus or mayflower). Without much more than a word, she laid the evergreen branch with tiny clusters of pale pink flowers next to my bed, bringing my beloved forest inside to me when I could not go outside to it. I felt unexpectedly nurtured by a woman whose job had heretofore been to scold me.
PAULI WAUTERS MUIR ’53
We only had classes in the morning during the week at this wonderful school. After lunch, our afternoons were occupied with sports, tea, Glee Club (three times a week), study hall, and then dinner, in that order. Of those afternoon things, all were required – except tea.

When the snow came, we skied four afternoons a week on the school’s own ski hill. We had a wonderful Austrian couple, Paul and Paula Valar, who came from Franconia Notch to give us instruction. There was no tow. If you were not strong enough to climb up, you were not strong enough to ski down. The school never had a broken leg that I knew about. Most ski accidents happen when you are tired. When we were tired, we were not interested in climbing up again. I am sure that saved us from injuries.

Saturdays in the winter, we were turned loose, all of us wearing the school ski uniform of light blue ski parkas and dark blue ski pants, on the huge and beautiful Cannon Mountain. We would ride to the top of the mountain in a large tram. Once at the top, there were miles of trails to choose from to make our way to the bottom. Skiing Cannon was simply pure joy.

MARTHA RITZMAN JOHNSON ’63
(Former Trustee)
For some reason I remember fall the most. Possibly because of the gorgeous scenery as we were treated to the beautiful foliage changes, but I remember most the cold, crisp days, mountain climbing, playing soccer on that crazy slanted field (I was an ‘uphill’ fullback), long walks down the road past West Farm.

Fall meant it was time to wear nylon stockings to dinner when snow was first seen on Mt. Washington. It meant our first dance with boys’ schools with the all-powerful social committee pairing us up with usually disastrous blind dates. If a faculty member caught you dancing too closely with a boy, you would be tapped on the shoulder and forced to finish the dance with a broom! We were not allowed to do the Twist – too suggestive. There was a certain closet in the Science room, however, where a girl could grab a few minutes of privacy with her date.
It meant sitting at meals at our assigned table. Work jobs might take us into the kitchen for dish team, or to grab a broom and sweep the long corridor down to the classroom wing. We rehearsed for a play, or a modern dance with Kiki Rice, and sang and sang for Mr. Rice. Mr. Zaidi tried to fill our heads with Current Events, and Mr. Doughty, Latin declensions. Mr. Blake taught us religion and read The Hobbit to us. His license plate read ‘Bilbo’! Mr. Kilde made me promise never to take another math class if he passed me in Geometry, and Mr. McEwan despaired of my lack of artistic anything. Mr. Steele, our science teacher, was the most beloved faculty member of all as he devoted his life to the school in every way. I can still see him with his funny, bent over walk, heading down the road.

One was either a light or a dark blue and because there were no other girls’ schools in New Hampshire, we had to play ourselves in sports. I still see the lights dancing together in victory in 1963 as we won the most overall points to claim the right to paint a light blue “L” on the rock across the playing fields.

As a girl with only brothers, by the time I left SMS for college, I had acquired eighty sisters. I cried all the way through graduation because I knew I’d never have an experience like St. Mary’s. Some fifty years later, these are still some of my strongest and happiest memories.

LISA SANTEUSANIO PATEY ’77 (Former Trustee)

On a recent visit to The White Mountain School while driving down West Farm Road toward campus, I laughed out loud at seeing the red barn looking the same as it did so long ago. It’s been thirty-five years and the memories came flooding back like it was yesterday – sneaking out of Carter dorm late at night, catching the sunrise on picnic hill, skinny dipping at the pond, Saturday night movies and Saturday night dances, hanging out in the Great Hall, formal dinners and the infamous work job list where we hoped to not be assigned to the Hobart dishwasher, but inevitably, we all were!

The teachers who challenged us to learn – Mrs. Logsdon’s English class, Mr. Whitten’s Russian History class and what could be better than the outdoor classroom of endless trails with Fred Steele educating us on every leaf and wildflower? The mountain hikes, the canoe trips, skiing and best of all… Mountain Days… the rumors would fly the night before, “Mountain Day tomorrow!” So you took the chance and didn’t do the assignment that was due. How great to play hooky with the entire school to hike or ski!

Whenever I get together with fellow alums, the years melt away as we share our favorite stories. What a special place The White Mountain School is! It prepared each of us to venture out in the world with a strong sense of community, a love of the outdoors and long lasting friendships!
DAVID ISERI ’80
I believe all WMS students feel, sometimes sooner, sometimes later, that their class cycle is unique. My perception, however, has widened over the years. I think many others will relate to at least some of the big and small things I recall of my time there. The following experiences are not connected in a timeline, but many across the classes will recognize the events or feelings they evoke.

- Thirty below zero outside. Sleeping in Burroughs with the window open and my -5 degree sleeping bag.
- Hiking the Presidential range by full moon. Arriving at Mount Jackson at moon fall.
- Moonlight madness – Two-person team cross-country ski racing through the WMS woods at night.
- Climbing Cannon in winter with Steve Morris.
- Ice climbing Pinnacle Gully on Mount Washington with Peter Mullins, my calculus teacher, and Brett Kaull ’80. Night falls at the summit resulting in an adventurous decent.

I came from a large public school to the WMS community. WMS to me was a vehicle for immersion in outdoor experiences and to interact with students like myself. I went from an environment where I did not fit in to an environment where “in” had no definition. All students were encouraged to explore who they were and construct their lives around the resulting discoveries. I first studied geology at WMS, a step in the formation of my professional career.

LUÍS ANDRADE ’94
While trying to summarize my WMS memories in just a few paragraphs, my first thought was, how did I get there in the first place? I’m still not really sure of how one thing led to another, but I’m grateful that my parents’ enthusiasm to provide the best for their children sent me on this life changing experience. They knew the vital role that education plays in a person’s life. But it wasn’t just formal education at WMS that played a big part in who I am today.

I had so many experiences and opportunities at WMS that weren’t part of my usual Brazilian culture and school life. I had the opportunity to take a ceramics class at WMS which is not something I would have done in Brazil. I learned

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I went from an environment where I did not fit in to an environment where “in” had no definition. – DAVID ISERI ’80
about the American lifestyle and about new sports, some of which I still do not really understand, like Lacrosse! I was exposed to new foods and have nostalgic feelings for some of them similar to how some of us feel about grandma's food. For instance, I still miss the desserts Carl made for us. Even the uncomfortable experiences such as hiking Mount Washington in really bad weather provide me with stories that I can tell to my friends and kids today.

YANNIC STEFFAN ’06

Looking back to my time at WMS I think of great classmates, Burroughs dorm, the dark blue team, my host family, wonderful faculty and many first-time experiences in the outdoors. All that is very special. However, what seems most important to me is the life journey that I started at WMS seven years ago. It’s a journey all young people go on at some time: the search to find out what makes sense in life. And even more generally, what kind of life do I want to pursue.

It wasn’t a coincidence that this journey started at WMS. The atmosphere at this place is different than what I had known back home [Germany]. It encouraged me to question plans I had before. The way WMS did that was special. WMS doesn’t push people to be alternative. Instead it encouraged me to be unconventional. The difference is important. Being unconventional means looking at ‘taken-for-granted-beliefs’ we encounter every day and question them. The resulting behavior is not rejection, but reflection. During my time as a student at WMS, the incentives to be unconventional were omnipresent. Be it in academic classes or in the broader community after class, be it in places like the bench on Hood’s Hill or in the outdoors during sports or on OLEs [Field Courses]. The journey started at WMS.

Thanks, WMS, for welcoming me back every time I visit. Each time, I clearly feel that same atmosphere that started it all for me in 2004-05.

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Here at the School, you listened, processed information, gave your understanding of a problem, heard others out and maybe adapted your viewpoint. Or perhaps you stood your ground and explained your position. Whether you knew it or not, these are the tools of diplomacy. Your skills as mediators and leaders will be needed out there in the world you are entering.”

PRIZE & SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

THE ETHEL W. DEVIN PRIZE for excellence in English: Victoria Fura ’11

THE VALPEY PRIZE for excellence in History: Krista Peace ’11

THE RICHARD J. HAYES PRIZE for excellence in Mathematics: Yanina Marin ’11

THE FREDERICK L. STEELE PRIZE for excellence in Science: Dylan Evans ’11

THE JACK COOK SUSTAINABILITY PRIZE: Penelope Durand ’12

THE GOODRICH PRIZE for excellence in French: James Slaney ’11

THE ALICE C. HUMPHREY PRIZE for excellence in Spanish: Eduardo Centeno ’14

THE HAMISH MACEWAN PRIZE for excellence in Art: William Dege ’11

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THE RELIGION & HUMANITIES PRIZE: Daniel Hierro ’13

THE MOUNTAINEERING AWARD: Mathew Andrews ’11

THE COURAGE PRIZE: Gianni Irizarry ’11

THE SAMUEL ROBINSON II COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: Mikaela Houghton ’11

THE ROBIN MacQUIRE PEARSON PRIZE to the girl in the graduating class who has shown the greatest perseverance in her studies and life at The White Mountain School: Oxana Tkachenko ’11

THE LT. MICHAEL S. PIERCE ’82 AWARD to the student who has achieved the most in one year’s time at WMS in academics, athletics and personal maturity: Mikaela Houghton ’11

THE BISHOP’S PRIZE to the student who has the highest scholastic standing: Daniel Hierro ’11

THE FACULTY AWARD to the student who has, in the opinion of the faculty, demonstrated excellence in both attitude and performance in scholarly and athletic endeavors: Victoria Fura ’11

THE HEAD’S AWARD to the student who best personifies the Mission of The White Mountain School: Xuening Chen ’11 and Yanina Marin ’11

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LINDA CLARK MCGOLDRICK ’55 SCHOLARS: Jodie Clark ’13 and Brett Palmer ’13

“- DR. CATHERINE “KITTY” HOUGHTON ’60
WMS TRUSTEE, FORMER COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR, US FOREIGN SERVICE COMMENCEMENT SPEECH
I went to this School several decades ago when it had a “saint” in the name [St. Mary’s-in-the-Mountains] and all the students were girls. ...There used to be a course called Sacred Studies. You have Sustainability Studies, the modern equivalent! We had choir and music appreciation. You have WMS A Cappella and American Popular Music. We had Morning Prayer. You have Morning Meeting. In place of the Pendulum, you have websites and blogs. In place of First Aid, you are certified Wilderness First Responders. It’s awesome what you do today.”

- DR. CATHERINE “KITTY” HOUGHTON ’60
WMS TRUSTEE, FORMER COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR, US FOREIGN SERVICE COMMENCEMENT SPEECH
This fall more than 55 alumnae/i and their families returned to campus to commemorate the School’s 125th Anniversary, celebrate friendships old and new and to honor our School’s rich past and present involvement in community service. It was a fun and inspiring weekend for all!

MEET THE PANELISTS:
(pictured, right) Liz Zopfi Chace ’55, keynote speaker
(pictured above, l to r) Brett Kauli ’80, Anne Wheeler Rowthorn ’58, Kristina Engstrom ’56 and Kelly Cornell ’04.
Find our panelists’ bios on the website in the October section of our News and Events page www.whitemountain.org/newsandevents.

ALUMNAE/I PANEL: CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF SERVICE
Why and how do you serve? Our five alumnae/i panelists answered this question in front of a standing room only audience in the Great Hall. Their work ranges from international outreach to environmental conservation to US-based urban development projects. Our panelists serve on boards, advise government officials or non-governmental agencies, write to inspire change and work directly with people in need. A common thread? Follow your heart and you will know what needs to be done.
SOCCER GAME
Once again, the alumnae/i and faculty soccer team out scored the student team! Congratulations to all of the players and special recognition to this year’s MVP, Kelly Cornell ’04.

PICTURED:
(back, l to r) Jake Dexter ’07, Brent Detamore, Paul Denby (middle, l to r) Kristen Winsor Steele ’81, David Budd ’86 (Trustee), Nate Snow, Amazjah Grant ’10, Abigail Foster ’11 (front, l to r) Kerri O’Malley ’86, Matt Toms, Kelly Cornell ’04.

ALUMNAE/I AWARDS
Sandy Clark Dodge ’54 (pictured, bottom left) received the Linda Clark McGoldrick Alumnae/i Award. Her volunteer work for the School has spanned decades and is always accompanied with laughter. Henry Vaillant (Trustee), (pictured, top left) was awarded an honorary diploma and the Sylvia A. Dickey Prize in recognition of his long-time generosity and devotion to the School. Many thanks to our two prize-winners for their continued commitment to and support of the School!

LIFETIME SERVICE AWARD WINNER: MUFFIN BACALL HESTER ’39
On October 1, 2011, The White Mountain School honored Mary “Muffin” Bacall Hester ’39 (pictured above) with the WMS Lifetime Service Award. Muffin has devoted much of her adult life in giving service to others and has volunteered many hours for numerous organizations. Of particular note — 10,033 hours served at Emerson Hospital these last 44 years. WMS thanks you, Muffin, for all that you have done!

MEET THE BAND: (above, l to r) Dan Salomon P’02, former faculty member, Ben Salomon, faculty member, Casey Fletcher ’80 and Scot Castle ’80.
Connections

View more photos! Visit www.whitemountain.org and click on the picasa icon.

PHOTOS (TOP LEFT, CLOCKWISE)
Andy Gallagher ’81, Christine Ash Wells ’81, George Amenta ’81, and Kristen Winsor Steele ’81. // Katherine Brown ’83 and Brooke Boardman ’83 // Bernadette Miller Konopka ’86, Kerri O’Malley ’86, and David Budd ’86 (Trustee) // The 80s! (front, I to r) Scot Castle ’80, Casey Fletcher ’80, Brooke Boardman ’83, Andy Gallagher ’81, Kathy Keegan ’82, Lisa Evans ’80, and Kristen Winsor Steele ’81 (middle, I to r) Jackie McKenna ’81, Brett Kaull ’80, Katherine Brown ’83, Christine Ash Wells ’81, George Amenta ’81, Tori Straw Bastress ’83 (back, I to r) Marta Colao ’83, Carter Becker // Townley Brooks Graney ’41 and Penny Pease ’41 celebrating their 70th // The 50s! (back, I to r) Barbara Dunn Roby ’54, Liz Zopfi Chace ’55, and Anne Wheeler Rowthorn ’58 (front, I to r) Sandy Clark Dodge ’54 (Linda Clark McGoldrick Prize winner 2011), Kristina Engstrom ’56, Janie Houghton Stephenson ’55 (Former Trustee), and Jill Davis Jones ’55 // Philip deRham ’76 (Trustee), Lucille Wheeler Vaughan ’52, Kitty Houghton ’60 (Trustee) and Judy Butler Shea ’58 (Former Trustee) // Christine Benally Peranteau ’01, husband David and Paula Erskine // Michelle Spanos ’76 and Betsy Villaume ’76 //

SAVE THE DATE!
Event Highlights: Commencement 2012 // Decade Dinners // Interactive Seminars // Hike the Whites // Open Gym and Climbing Wall // Campus Tours // Golf Tournament // Awards Dinner followed by dancing and fireworks
There are a few beautiful, rare moments in a person’s life when one absolutely knows, without a doubt, that something is right. There have been fewer than a hand-full of such times for me, but from the moment I started flipping through The White Mountain School’s information packet, I knew that this was where I wanted to be. At the tender age of 13, only one month after learning about WMS, I enrolled as a freshman without having toured or even seen the campus.

Right away, I learned that WMS was not an ordinary high school, but a community of friends and various supports. I quickly met several juniors and seniors who exemplified what I soon came to believe was the character of a true WMS student: friendly and open, always helpful and a genuine admirer of the outdoors. I wanted to be just that kind of person. As an eager freshman, I joined as many clubs and signed-up for as many activities as I could. I was not the most responsible member of the community but through trial and error and the support of others, I learned to hold myself accountable for my actions and to see how I effect not only myself, but those around me.

My next year at WMS was a time of extreme personal growth. It was as a sophomore that I began to foster relationships with friends that I now know will last a lifetime. These friendships extended to faculty members as well as to my peers once I realized that, at WMS, teachers not only teach, but also have a genuine desire to get to know their students. It was also in this year that I began to discover a true joy of learning. I started taking senior electives that were more focused on specific topics and included more of a mélange of students than my previous classes had. I truly flourished in these new class environments and only wanted to learn more.

I fell in love with the outdoors my junior year. Prior to this, my desire to learn was limited to the classroom. I had never fully taken advantage of the beautiful place The White Mountain School calls its home. In the fall, I went on an all-girls rock climbing and mountain biking Field Course.
WMS began this school year with 112 students, our strongest starting enrollment in recent history.

With increased participation in the Annual Fund our School is growing stronger every year.

Newly renovated dormitories, enhanced fiber-optic wireless capability, and energy efficiency improvements to our facilities are just a few ways that your contributions carry us into the future.

We are grateful and humbled by the loyalty and generosity of our alumnae/i, families and friends.

The Key to a Successful Future

Once I leave, I know this School will continue to give students the exemplary education I was given, not only in academics, but in humanity, love, nature and many other invaluable fields not found in classrooms anywhere else.

I had gone on camping trips before, but it was these five days that made me realize the importance of being connected with the world around me. When I returned to WMS, I spent as much time as I could outside. It was on the School’s roads that I first learned how to ride a bike; it was on the School’s trails that I fell in love with running; and it was because of WMS that I learned how amazing climbing is.

As I enter my senior year with all the knowledge I’ve gained over my time at WMS, I feel prepared for my life beyond the White Mountains. It was at The White Mountain School that I truly grew up, personally, academically and in my outdoor pursuits. I’ve seen three classes graduate and move past these halls, all the while thinking I would never be ready. I am ready now because of WMS. Though some things have changed since my first year as a freshman, the core values and mission of The White Mountain School have stayed the same. Once I leave, I know this School will continue to give students the exemplary education I was given, not only in academics, but in humanity, love, nature and many other invaluable fields not found in classrooms anywhere else.

Thank you for your support of the WMS Annual Fund.
125TH CELEBRATION EVENTS UPDATE

Alumnae/i, students, parents and friends of the School have come from near and far to gather together and celebrate 125 Years of our School! Fun, laughter and stories abound wherever WMS and SMS friends, old and new, congregate. Enjoy some photos from events so far this celebration year! You’ll find more photos online in our WMS picasa gallery (www.picasaweb.google.com/wmsgallery)

POETRY OUTDOORS
Parents and kids in the formal garden enjoying an afternoon of poetry and music co-sponsored by WMS and The Frost Place this summer.

RYE, NY
(pictured, left) Marcia Hayes Torrey ‘63, Barbara Santengelo, and Toni Archibald, friends of the School at Barbara McFadden Sirna’s ’63 125th Reception in Rye, NY. (pictured, above right) Matt Beery ’04, Alumnae/i Director, Julie Yates, Dave Andrews ’04 and Nina Dodge.

BOSTON, MA
(pictured, below) 125th Anniversary Coordinator, Becky Cummings, Sam Angeloni ’06, Yana Ostrovsky ’06 and Bupe Mazimba ’07.

BOSTON, MA (CONT.)
(pictured, above left) Campaign Officer, Maurice McCarthy ’03 and Mark Frank ’03. (pictured, above right) Breeda Edwards Cumberton ’99, Head of School, Tim Breen, Becky Klothen ’02, Shannah Paddock ’02 and Asst. Head for Inst. Adv., Justin Solomon.
UPCOMING 125TH EVENTS:

**January 20–22, 2012:**
**Colorado Ski Weekend**
With David Budd’s ’86 (Trustee) help, Copper Mountain and WMS are teaming up to provide a powder-filled ski weekend in Colorado!

**February 11–12, 2012:**
**Alumnae/i Ski Race at Cannon Mountain**
Enjoy a fun, family day at Cannon Mountain on Saturday followed by a local après ski event. Join us at WMS for brunch on Sunday, followed by open climbing wall time with instruction available. Special thanks to organizers Betsey Phillips, P ’90 (Former Trustee), Scott Finlay ’76 (Former Trustee) and Chief of Race, Hal Melanson ’76.

**March 2012:**
**125th Reception in San Francisco, CA**
Hosted by Dan ’81 (Former Trustee) and Kathleen Shugar. Details coming soon.

**March 2012:**
**WMS Visits China**
Head of School, Tim Breen, is visiting alumnae/i and parents in Beijing and Shanghai.

**April 2012:**
**125th Boston Area Reception**
Details coming soon.

**May 18, 2012:**
**Community Service Day**
If you can’t join us on campus, arrange a day of service in your own town and send us some photos. Help us spread the WMS/SMS community dedication to service throughout the globe on this day!

**May 26, 2012:**
**WMS Graduation**
Congratulations Class of 2012!

**May 26–28, 2012:**
**Alumnae/i Weekend 2012**
Celebrating 125 Years...telling the story. Join us for the grand finale of the 125th Anniversary Celebration.

For more event information contact 125th Anniversary Coordinator, Becky Cummings.
When I consider the defining qualities that are WMS — “Community” is the first word that comes to mind. It is this community that made fiscal year 2011 (July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011) another successful year of giving. Please accept our thanks to all of you who gave to the School last year and in previous years. In this our 125th year I hope to see your names appear here again and have them surrounded by even more of your caring community members. Thank You!
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Both my grandchildren graduated from college this year. One graduated from St. Michael’s in Burlington, VT and one from the University of Virginia.

1951
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After I retired in 1998 from teaching Spanish and French, I missed the contact with languages and decided to join a weekly French class through the Alliance Française. I have been going for the past eight years. Our older son, William, is changing careers here in Tulsa. Our younger son, Fred, lives with his wife, Michelle, and son, Ellis, in Dallas. Fred is an architect, and Michelle is an architect turned event planner. We travel to the Berkshires each summer. It is wonderful to escape the exhausting heat of the Oklahoma summer.

1952
Scribe: Geraldine Webster Dellenback
A successful surgery produced my brand new shoulder! I took a trip out to California to see my children and celebrate a festive birthday day with family.

1953
Scribe: Myra Higgins Nelson
Norm and I recently traveled to the north coast of California with our children and grandchildren. Days were spent tide-pooling, kayaking, hiking, and searching for beach glass. Evenings were spent watching the sunset and then star-gazing. We also found time for playing games of Monopoly.
Scrabble, and Hearts (all played by teams). One afternoon, I was napping on the couch when my 5 year old granddaughter came by and asked ‘Nana, are you in there?’ Hope you all are having a happy and restorative summer.

SALLY MILLAR MARLOW
News here is that we still await the insurance company to settle on our burnt cottage. (We are taking them to court – not an enviable situation with regards to time and cost.) On the home front I am spending a fair bit of time volunteering. One job is at a National Trust property, where I’m a room guide (and trying to get my head around early musical instruments, Chinese and English pottery, and a collection of paintings. The paintings and pottery are easy – the early musical instruments... help!) The second job is gardening and conservation on Hampstead Heath. I’ve even pulled up a huge tree! (Note: Sandy and other ’54ers were able to come to campus for the School’s 125th Birthday Celebration – take a look at the photo.)

PAULETTE WAUTERS MUIR
My interests include hiking, book group, photography, singing with the Faculty Wives chorus (20 members) and with the Berkeley Community Chorus (200 members), a yoga group, a meditation group, and helping to organize programs at Town and Gown Club of Berkeley. 2011 has been a year of big changes for us. This summer we sold the Michigan cottage, deciding it was time to simplify and consolidate our property, where I’m a room guide (and trying to get my head around early musical instruments, Chinese and English pottery, and a collection of paintings. The paintings and pottery are easy – the early musical instruments... help!) The second job is gardening and conservation on Hampstead Heath. I’ve even pulled up a huge tree! (Note: Sandy and other ’54ers were able to come to campus for the School’s 125th Birthday Celebration – take a look at the photo.)

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SANDY CLARK DODGE
What an exciting fall this has been: Our 125th year for The White Mountain School/St. Mary’s, and the 57th reunion for our class. How time does fly. The 125th reunion was a great time in spite of the uncooperative weather. Having ‘tea’ Saturday afternoon in ‘Dickey House’ brought back many memories. It was especially meaningful that the Head of School’s residence was named after one of our classmates – Sylvia ‘Sukie’ Dickey ’54 and most deservedly so. Our class was also represented by Barbara, Sandy and Sandy. It was great seeing so many gals from the class of ’55 and “Stina” Engstrom from ’56. The White Mountain School Community Cookbook, which so many of us contributed to, is wonderful. If you are interested in purchasing one, just contact Julie Yates, Director of Alumnae/i Relations at the School. On a personal note, Bob and I had a golf outing at the Jack O’Lantern Resort in Woodstock, NH three days before Irene’s unwelcome arrival in the area. Irene certainly left so much devastation in areas of NH and VT. We are planning on spending time with my college roommate in PA and a couple of days in DC while on our way to FL for the winter.

JANE BOWLER PICKERING
Richard and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary this fall and took a foliage tour up the Hudson River. Therefore, I was unable to attend the reunion. We will be returning to Florida in late October.

ANNE PRESCOTT BUELL
Jerry and I spent 3 weeks touring Portugal and Spain in September and October.

DIANE DAMRELL SHUMWAY
I am still spending my summers in Sun Valley, Idaho and winters in Greenwich, Connecticut. I attended Gukin’s memorial service and extended condolences from our class to her family.

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JANET COULTER LANGMAID
Brad and I celebrated 51 years of marriage. We are blessed to be the grandparents of Virginia, 12, Sarah, 10, Coulter, 8, and our youngest son Adam and wife Emily’s foster baby girl Savannah. We traveled recently to Ecuador, Peru and the Galapagos Islands.

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MARY ZOPFI SOREM
My husband, Nelson Sorem, passed away at home March 10, 2011 after a courageous battle with cancer. A link to his obituary is: http://www.memorialoptions.com/sitemaker/memsol.cgi?user_id=332993

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JUDITH BUTLER SHEA
We enjoy our time grandparenting, doing maintenance chores, golfing, fishing and gardening in Lake Placid and at our Quebec cottage. I’m retired from officiating LAX after 40+ years. Sarah and the boys are next door. Jimmy, Kellee and two daughters are settling into their new home in Park City, UT. Kellee is an E.R. doctor at the P.C. Hospital. (Note: Judy was able to join us for our 125th Birthday Celebration and also made a quick stop at Alumnae/i Weekend with Luclle Wheeler Vaughan ‘52 to hear Anne Wheeler Rowthorn ‘58 speak at the Alumnae/i Panel – it was great to see you, Judy!)

STELLA BREWSTER HALL
Louisa Turner ‘58 joins us for some Thanksgivings. We also welcomed a new grandchild Stella Brewster van der Linde. She was born 8/24/2010 to our youngest daughter, Lindly and Triam van der Linde who both teach at Holderness School. We see Mary van Vleck ’58 at our summer cottage on Lake Champlain and in Charlotte where we live year round.

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BARBARA HAMILTON GIBSON
I am still enjoying retirement on Cape Cod. Highlights of my year include a fascinating trip to Liberia to visit friends and to break ground for an elementary school as well as winning red and blue ribbons for watercolors in member shows at the Chatham Creative Arts Center.

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SISTER MARY LANE
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BETSY PARKER CUNNINGHAM
In June, some members of the Class of ’66 gathered on the Cape to celebrate our 45th reunion. Walks on the beach, a garden tour, great meals, dancing, singing (several rounds of Dona Nobis Pacem – Mr. Rice would have been proud), and hula hooping kept us grinning and laughing throughout the weekend. It was memorable and we will do it again. To those absent, we really, really missed you and hope you will join us at our next event.

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ANNE CLARK BRIDGE
I am still in Harrisville, NH and began a new job as the Annual Fund and Development Office Manager at Stoneleigh-Burnham School (grades 7-12 in Greenfield, MA) in mid August. I am delighted to be working in an all-girls boarding school. The work is gratifying and I am enjoying getting to know my colleagues and being in the midst of a vibrant learning environment. My aunt is an alumna of the class of 1946. You can check out the school on the web and Facebook of course. I am enjoying my grandchildren who are nearby in Keene, the children of Jolymn Rice and Leighton Paulsen ’95. Our other son Eliot Paulsen ’97 took a run in kayaks down the 200 miles of the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon with a small group in October. No small feat especially as the trip is unsupported and Eliot flew in from his home in Melbourne, Australia. Again folks should join Anne and the Paulsens via Facebook for the latest!

HENNY- LILL WIBYE THINN
My life has been rather busy this last year with two jobs in economics. I used to commute 1 hour and...
45 minutes by train. There was plenty of time to read the newspaper! Luckily I now have only one full-time job in a church office in the centre of Drammen. The job is still dealing with economics – nothing you talk too loudly about in the church, but nevertheless necessary. I can even use my bicycle in the summer to get to work. That means I may skip other sorts of exercise – what a relief! Our six grandchildren are a joy, the oldest being 6 and in his first year at school. Hope you are well, greetings to you all! Love from Henny-Lill (in Norway) email: johinn@online.no

PHOTO CORRECTION:
Thank you, Debby L. McKenna ’69, for pointing out our captioning error in the photo you submitted to the Spring 2011 Echoes! The gentleman pictured with Elly and Debby was labeled as Sandy Andrews but is, in fact, Warren Miller! Sorry for the error.

1970
ANNE WEATHERS RITCHIE
Mazzie Madeira Gogolak ’68 and I had a wonderful visit with Elly Bowne Andrews ’70 in Northeast Harbor, ME this summer.

THRYZA WHITTEMORE
Congrats to my sister, Sandy Whittemore Starbuck ’69, who recently received a distinguished service award from the Boy Scouts of America, the Silver Beaver Award. I’m so proud of her impact on the local scouting youth and her many years of dedicated service. The Whittemore gals ran into Jarre Barnes Betts ’69 at the awards ceremony and were able to get the photo above.

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ELIZABETH SCHULTZE
I visited the School in August. The last time I was there was for my 15th Reunion! I am now a professional cellist, as is my husband, Bo Ericsson. I have a daughter, Annika, and my son, Sam, is a cellist at Cleveland Institute of Music! I am still in touch with my brother, Rob Schultze ’78, of course, Sue Bartlett ’73, and Merry Lester ’74. I have lots of good memories of WMS.

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MARY (POLLY) PEASE
I had a great time at the WMS 125th reunion this past fall. I brought my mom, Penny Pease ’41, up to share it with me because she also attended the School back in the 1940s. She had a wonderful time catching up with one of her old classmates. She wished there were a few more who had been able to come. I am still living in Maine, teaching reading in the winter and landscaping at the Vineyard during the summer. It is getting harder and harder to leave the island in August, but then I would probably miss the snow and x-country skiing with my dog in Maine. (See photo next page.)

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C. STUART SLOAT
I just returned from Cambodia where my wife and I visited a friend who is the Principal of North Bridge International School. It is an amazing place with an amazing history. We also had to stop through Bali on the way home. I ran my first marathon up Pikes Peak to 14,000 Ft. and back down!

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Polly Pease ’76 and Penny Pease ’41 at Alumnae/i Weekend 2011.

Dennis Sweeney ’81 and Barbara McFadden Sirna ’63, Trustee at The Frick.

Advancement a tour of The Frick Collection. Thank you, Dennis!

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LYDIA FARNHAM KAHN
I am working as the Center Manager at the Stonington Natural Health Center and live in Mystic, CT with my husband Jeff (LT. USN.) two step-children, and two dogs. I am very happy to be back in the northeast after living in the south. We are hoping to stay in New England for at least the next three years while Jeff’s boat (USS Mississippi SSN 782) completes sea trials and through Jeff’s next shore duty. After that—who knows? Jeff will have 24 years in the Navy and the world will be wide open! I stay in touch with a lot of WMS friends through Facebook and email. If ever anyone is in the area and needs a place to stay, look me up!

D. LEIGHTON PAULSEN
Leighton’s mom, Anne Bridge ’68, sent us a wonderful photo of Leighton’s daughter, Annie, kayaking this summer.

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I am living in Lewisburg PA and still working at the prison there.

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JANE ANDERSON
I’m very happy in my work as office manager and Taekwondo instructor at Franklin Martial Arts. I’ve been training Taekwondo for about 3 years and also trained Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu for a year. I’ve now competed in TKD sparring for 2 tournament seasons, and in July 2011, I had the opportunity to go to AAU Taekwondo Nationals with 3 teammates and my coach. Our team brought home a total of 5 medals (2 bronze for me) and had an awesome trip! I love teaching kid and teen classes and look forward to earning my black belt in about 2 more years. I live in Bellingham, MA with three awesome

LEIGHTON PAULSEN’s baby.

Annie Paulsen, daughter of Leighton Paulsen ’95. Photo sent by her grandmother, Anne Clark Bridge ’68.

Annie Paulsen, daughter of Leighton Paulsen ’95.

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roommates, including a good friend from my hometown. I miss the mountains, but I enjoy kayaking on the Charles River and a few lakes in my area. I want to get back into climbing as well. Life is good. If any WMS people in the Boston or New England area want to hang out email me at janeanderson508@gmail.com

EVA JANCIOVA
I’m doing fine. I’m still living in Prague and working for Siemens. In early September I finished my bachelor’s degree in marketing and management at Silesian University. I am studying for my master's degree. If anyone is planning a trip to Europe and Czech Republic, let me know. I’d love to see you. I’m planning a trip to New York, NY and Boston during spring/summer 2012.

ASHLEIGH ROSA NINOS
Hello fellow WMSers! I was thinking of you all this past October, wishing I could’ve made it to our reunion. Hope life is treating you well! I’m in my fifth year teaching at a small, private high school in Northern Santa Barbara County called Midland. In addition to coaching yoga, teaching Drawing & Painting and Honors Art, and advising juniors, my husband and I team-teach a freshmen art class called Foundations in Visual Art. Midland School and our Foundations class were recently recognized in a plenary address by the Center for Ecolidarity at this year’s Bioneer’s Conference, titled “Revolutionizing K-12 Education with Sustainability in Mind”. Teaching has given me a completely new appreciation for my time at WMS and for the faculty who were more than dedicated. If any of you happen to be reading this, thank you, thank you, thank you!

CHRISTINE BENALLY PERANTEAU
After nearly eight years, David and I made it official: we were married in Monterey, California in October. We wrote our entire ceremony (vows too!) and my uncle officiated the ceremony. We could not have asked for better weather or a more wonderful celebration surrounded by family and friends. We are terribly happy to have made it through to the “other side” of the wedding, and we only occasionally refer to each other as fiance(e) instead of husband/wife. Back in DC, we have found our post-wedding rhythm and we can’t wait to see what life has in store for us next.

Christine Benally Peranteau ’01 and David Peranteau were married last October.

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JOE HAMPTON
I tied the knot on June 24th 2011 with my beautiful bride Rachel. The wedding was fantastic; it was held on top of a mountain in Moutonborough NH near Lake Winnipesaukee at a beautiful place called Castle in the Clouds. We live in CT where I work as an Aerospace Engineer, designing and building the F-22 and the F-35 fighter jet engine systems for the US Air Force. I am a year and half into it and I absolutely love it. Rachel and I hope to buy a little house here in CT very soon. She works as a hairdresser and we have talked about getting her set-up with her own salon. Rachel has been able to revive my love for the outdoors. She and I have been camping and hiking in CT, VT and NH. We have passes to Stowe this year and are very stoked for ski season!

MICHELLE MOCKBEE
I am a community research practitioner on the Board of the United Mountain Defense. I am also a consultant for the Fair Trade Appalachia for Rural Industrial Communities in Transition and work with the Clearfork Community Institute. I am also a graduate student in the Institute of Development Studies at Sussex University in the UK and I just finished a research project called The Perennials Project.

STEPPHANIE SPEICHER
I’m having fun completing my last year of pre-req before I enter my nursing program. I’m also in Cannibal, a musical by Trey Parker (of South Park fame), and am taking piano lessons on the side. Work-wise, I volunteer at an organic farm (that “pays” me in veggies) and do hospice work which I will continue after I get my nursing degree. It is intense but fulfilling. I’m still living in Port Angeles, WA and still amazed that I wake up every morning to see the mountains in my back yard and the Strait of Juan de Fuca in my front.

2003
TRINA CHIASSON
This summer I balanced four different online media consulting gigs, entered into the first phase of a Knight-Mozilla fellowship program, worked on a permaculture bicycle tour in Oregon and applied for business school!

EMILY ANGELONI PAVIDIS
David Pavidis and I celebrated our marriage over the course of several spectacular days this past July. We had the good fortune of being in the company of great family and friends- many of them with White Mountain ties. On September 27th we welcomed Benjamin Drew to the world with a beautiful planned home birth! Such a wonderful year for us!

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2005
OWEN CURVELO
Owen has moved to San Francisco and is pursuing a career as a writer. His dad is happily retired in Sarasota, Florida.

2006
MAX REIM
We heard the following from Max’s mom: Max graduated from Hampshire this past May. He concentrated in environmental studies. He is happy and he is now cooking in a trendy restaurant in Northampton, MA.

2009
NATALIE JOHNSON
I spent the summer at home where I had an internship at the Parr center for ethics at UNC, which as a
philosophy major is pretty cool! I am currently a philosophy major with an English minor. However, I have been considering a change to a culture, health and science minor. I am a Big Sister to a little girl in the area, I work at the writing center on campus helping people with their papers – which is super fun – and I even rock climb sometimes! I went to Spain with Hampshire College on a two-week climbing trip over January term. It wasn’t the full OLE experience as we did sleep inside and take showers, which felt quite luxurious! A lot of the Hampshire climbing faculty members have heard of WMS and liked my story of transformation from least outdoorsy person ever to slightly outdoorsy person. I’m figuring out what I want to do with my life.

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2011
ANDY HIRSCHFELD
College is quite the adventure. I am taking some interesting classes and have been using some of the stuff I have learned last year in some of my classes this year. I also took up fencing again! St. Edwards University is really nice and I highly recommend it. It is very diverse and environmentally aware. I feel like it is WMS in college form and in TX.

MISHA IGNATENKO
I’m enjoying college and keeping myself busy. I work as a Russian teaching assistant and I have a role in the play Resurrection Blues by Arthur Miller.

KRISTA PEACE
Everything is going very well for me! It’s definitely been a bit of a culture shock coming from White Mountain to such a big college. I have a couple of lecture classes that are literally the size of WMS. This was quite intimidating at first. Just yesterday I argued with my Brain Research and Theory professor about the way he worded a question on our quiz in front of a class of 120 students. Had it not been for White Mountain and how approachable our teachers are I would never have had the courage to do that. I absolutely adore my Elementary Ed program. The teachers are phenomenal and many of the students are lovely and genuinely excited. The classes are definitely challenging and it is a lot of work but I am loving every second of it. I miss White Mountain a ton and think of my time there often.

MIKAELA HOUGHTON
I love it here in NYC and all of the energy that everyone has, especially the kids. I help provide in-class support to a 6th grade English Language Arts class in Long Island City, Queens. I am in a middle school with eight hundred students on three floors! I am a team leader with an extremely diverse group of nine others. Some of them are from as far away as South Africa and Colombia. We are also creating an after-school program.

FACULTY NOTES
DEANDRA BRASSARD EARLY & JOSH EARLY
Deandra and Josh were married on June 11, 2011 at The White Mountain School. They are now off on new adventures in Leavenworth, WA. Congratulations to you both!

BECKY CUMMINGS
“I thought I was out, but they pulled me back in.” -Michael Corleone Godfather III. I returned to the North Country a year and a half ago. I have been teaching local independent classes for adults in writing and acting. I work for Meadowstone Farm, started by former WMS teacher Tim Wennrich and managed by Sam Brown, former WMS teacher. I am on the Board at Woodland Community School founded by a group of former WMS teachers, Jessie Griffiths, Jane Crosby and Jane Zanger. And now I have come full circle by joining the WMS team again in the capacity of the 125th Anniversary event coordinator. The White Mountain School has been such a big presence in my past and current life. I am glad to be back and promoting the celebrations of such an amazing place!

KYLE HILDENBRAND
As many of you know, I left WMS to pursue full-time work with film Director Charlie Minn. Things have been going well for us so far. I was the composer for the film, A Nightmare in Las Cruces, which was recently purchased by Lions Gate! Our most recent film is called 8 Murders A Day and is a documentary on the tragedy in Juarez, Mexico. It was released on 2/18/11. (www.8murdersaday.com) I am really enjoying composing for documentary films, but I also miss you all at WMS!

TORREY McMILLAN
Never say never...I am back in the Cleveland area! I started in August as the Director of the Center for Sustainability at Hathaway Brown School, my alma mater. In my senior year there, I started “The Lorax” (the environmental club) and got the recycling program up and running there with Josi O’Brien. In 2003, Amy Higgins and I designed a sustainability education framework for HB as part of our master’s project. So, this is really coming full circle for me.

ADAM NYBORG
I returned to work as an independent builder this summer in Franconia, NH (Ironwood Custom Builders), and it’s going really well. I have over five years of experience with everything from ground-up builds to full renovations. Check out my site: www.ironwoodbuild.com.

RHIENNA MISCIO
Rhienna and her husband Paul welcomed Rowan Matthew Miscio to the world on October 17, 2011. He was 8lbs 7oz, 21 inches long and is doing great! WMS extends a huge welcome to Rowan and congratulations to mom and dad!

TIM WENNICH AND JESS GRIFFITHS
The photo below was taken last December of Ana Luisa, age 3, in the Canary Islands, Spain! She is now 4, and her brothers Jeb and Cole are 10 and 7 respectively. Tim is now known around town as “farmer Tim.” You can check the farm’s website out at meadowstonenh.com. Jess is still heavily involved in Woodland Community School, the prek-8 school she started with former WMS faculty members Jane Zanger and Jane Crosby. Check it out at woodlandcommunityschool.org. You can also hear her singing original family music with the band, The Bramble Jam, at thebramblejam.com. Their second album is coming out soon.

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Becky Cummings

Deandra and Josh Early were married on June 11, 2011 at WMS.

Rowan Matthew Miscio, son of Rhienna and Paul.

Ana Luisa, daughter of Tim Wennrich and Jess Griffiths.

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Hamish MacEwan passed away on April 4, 2011 at the age of 91. He was born on September 23, 1919 in Glasgow, Scotland. Hamish graduated from the Edinburgh College of Art and the Moray House College of Education at Edinburgh University and later earned his master's degree from Harvard University.

World War II interrupted Hamish’s studies. For six years he helped refugees in the Friends’ Ambulance Unit. Hamish eventually became a Second Lieutenant in the British Army in a unit tasked with removing European refugees from harm’s way. While stationed in England, Hamish met the love of his life, Gerry. They were married in 1943.

In 1955, Hamish, Gerry and four-year-old daughter Carol, immigrated to the United States. From 1955-1971 Hamish was the head of the Art Department at St. Mary’s-in-the-Mountains (The White Mountain School) in Bethlehem, NH where he and Gerry raised Carol and son, John. Hamish is remembered at WMS/SMS as a master teacher, artist and a mentor for students interested in pursuing art beyond high school. As Anne Wheeler Rowthorn ’58 recalled, “I can see his wide smile – he was always smiling – and I can hear his lilting, gentle Scottish burr. It was a voice that was always upbeat and encouraging, quick to praise and slow to correct. Hamish loved people; he was devoted to teaching; he was a gifted artist and he had the talent for making everyone feel their own worth even when they might not have been able to see it for themselves.” In 1971 Hamish and Gerry relocated to Jacksonville, Florida where Hamish became the Art Department head at Jacksonville Episcopal High School until his retirement in 1985.

Hamish was a prolific painter and worked daily in his studio until the last 6 months of his life. At this time he opted for sketching, watercolors and “smaller works”. His work has been exhibited nationally and internationally and many pieces are held in private and corporate collections. His work was represented by The Fogel Gallery in Jacksonville for many years and in 2009, the year he turned 90, he was honored with a show at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Jacksonville entitled “Hamish MacEwan: 90 in ’09 – A Lifetime in the Arts and Arts Education”. It was a true testament to Hamish and to his lifetime devotion to his two passions, teaching and painting. In 2007, WMS named the art department prize after Hamish.

Hamish was pre-deceased by his wife, Gerry in 1993 and is survived by his daughter Carol MacEwan Powers ’69 and son in law, Mike Powers, his son John MacEwan and his granddaughter Elizabeth MacEwan.


Rhoda Clark died on August 7, 2011 at the age of 99, less than one month before her 100th birthday. Raised in Manchester, NH, Rhoda graduated from Manchester Central High School and from Vassar College in 1934. She also studied sculpture at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. Rhoda was a strong hiker and skier, as well as an expert at fencing. In 1936, Rhoda married John McLane Clark. Following her husband’s drowning death in 1950, Rhoda assumed his role as publisher of the Claremont Daily Eagle while raising their five children as a single parent.

Rhoda was active in town affairs, serving on the planning board and was an advocate for the education of the developmentally disabled. Rhoda was known as a strong, intelligent and honest businesswoman as well as a dedicated and loving parent, grandmother, aunt and friend. She was greatly respected and loved by all. To WMS/SMS, Rhoda will always be remembered as a longtime and loyal friend of the School, as the mother of Linda Clark McGoldrick ’55, P ’84, former employee, and former trustee, and as grandmother of Marie Stella St. Pierre ’79, Wendy Arden Davis Lindsey ’82 and Heather Davis Powers ’84. Rhoda was predeceased by her daughter, Linda Clark McGoldrick and is survived by four children; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; nephews and nieces.
Malcom “Kim” Chace, beloved husband of Liz Zopfi Chace ’55, leading businessman, philanthropist and devoted husband/father/grandfather died on June 23, 2011. Kim's dedication to family and community was filled with contagious enthusiasm and energy. He generously gave his time and support to many community, education and arts organizations and served as a trustee on a number of Boards of Directors. Kim and Liz, together, have been longtime, generous supporters of WMS/SMS. Kim is particularly remembered with love by his family and friends for his support, open heart, strong intellect, voracious reading and keen wit. His greatest legacy is, perhaps, a large and loving family. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Zopfi Chace ’55, two sisters, two daughters, a son, two step-daughters, two step-sons and 15 grandchildren. Despite being involved in so many business and community-related activities, Kim Chace did not seek the spotlight. In one of his rare interviews, he told Forbes magazine, “I do consider myself lucky.” Many who have known and worked with Kim Chace consider themselves to be the lucky ones.

Barbara Louise Baker ’48
Barbara Louise Baker ’48 of Kennet Square, PA, passed away on December 11, 2010. Please contact WMS if you have information to share.

Betty Gordon Bridges ’47
Betty Gordon Bridges passed away in March, 2010 peacefully and in the company of family. Betty was a watercolor artist who continued to paint 4-5 hours each day until her death. In her retirement, she also enjoyed her stamp and postcard collections and was an avid reader. Betty was pre-deceased by her husband, Ethan Allen Bridges and is survived by her son Walter and daughter-in-law Linda.

Mary Jane McGuckin Emmet ’54
Mary Jane McGuckin Emmet ’54, died unexpectedly on May 22, 2011 at her home in Lenox, MA. After graduating from SMS, Mary Jane (Guckin) attended Vassar College. Moving to the Berkshires in 1961 with her first husband, the jazz musician Francis Laidlaw, Guckin taught elementary school at Berkshire Country Day School in Lenox. She eventually served as assistant headmaster. In 1976, she married her second husband, Winthrop Emmet, a New York lawyer. Following her career in education, Mary Jane co-founded Mary Stuart Collections, a well-known store in Lenox. Guckin was an active volunteer at her church, in education, Mary Jane co-founded Mary Stuart Collections, a well-known store in Lenox. Guckin was an active volunteer at her church, in education, and served as a trustee on a number of Boards of Directors. Kim and Liz, together, have been longtime, generous supporters of WMS/SMS. Kim is particularly remembered with love by his family and friends for his support, open heart, strong intellect, voracious reading and keen wit. His greatest legacy is, perhaps, a large and loving family. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Zopfi Chace ’55, two sisters, two daughters, a son, two step-daughters, two step-sons and 15 grandchildren. Despite being involved in so many business and community-related activities, Kim Chace did not seek the spotlight. In one of his rare interviews, he told Forbes magazine, “I do consider myself lucky.” Many who have known and worked with Kim Chace consider themselves to be the lucky ones.

Rosamond Strong Halle ’42
Rosamond (Roz) Strong Halle ’42 passed quietly in her sleep on April 11, 2010. Please contact WMS if you have information to share.

Ellen Leeds Sturges ’57
Ellen Leeds Sturges ’57 died on February 8, 2011 after a seven year illness with cancer. After SMS, Ellen continued her studies at Bennett Junior College and the University of Colorado. Ellen began her interior decorating career at Ann Ward’s Ivy Shop in Southport, ME, and then founded her own business, Ellen Leeds Interiors. Ellen was an accomplished and artistic interior decorator, antique enthusiast, horticulturist, group singer, skier, hiker and lover of the outdoors.

Doris McConnell Thompson ’26
Doris McConnell Thompson, 102, of Bristol, CT, widow of William Thompson, died on March 7, 2011. After graduating from St. Mary’s School in Concord, Doris went to Keene College and earned a master’s degree from the University of Hartford. Doris taught home economics for nearly forty years. She was also an active member of the Rebekah Odd Fellowship, the DAR, her church and she volunteered with the Red Cross. Doris is survived by her two sons, David and James and their wives, 9 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Potter Vandemoer ’31
Elizabeth Potter Vandemoer ’31 died on August 31, 2011 at the age of 96 in Tucson, Arizona. Following SMS, Elizabeth earned a degree from Smith College. Beloved daughter, mother, wife and friend, she will be missed by all.

Katrina Van Wyck Wilson ’53
After a long struggle with pancreatic cancer, Katrina Van Wyck Wilson ’53 passed away on May 15, 2010 in Toronto. Following SMS, Katrina graduated from Smith College. A well-known and respected antique dealer, she will be remembered by many who were inspired by her passion for material culture and fine workmanship. Her independent nature and intellectual curiosity led her to travel widely later in life.

Richalie Wyatt ’68
Richalie Wyatt ’68 died on May 9, 2011. She was the founder of the Little Compton After School Club and Sakonnet Rhythm and Blues Festival. She was a board member of RISPCA, Little Compton Historical Society and Fall River Women’s Union among others. She loved cooking and spending her summers at Briggs Beach.
VICTORIA “VICKY” VALAR ’75

Victoria Valar ’75 passed away on August 18, 2011, after a brief but intense battle with mental illness. She was 53 years old.

The daughter of Paul and Paula Valar P ’72, ’75, ’82, ’84 and former WMS faculty members, Victoria grew up at the base of Mittersill and Cannon Mountains in Franconia, NH and on The White Mountain School campus. After graduating from WMS, Vicky earned a bachelor’s degree from Middlebury College, where she raced with the Alpine Women’s Team.

During her professional career, Vicky was a ski instructor at Cannon Mt. and a real estate broker in both NH and CO. She ran her own real estate investment company, Bonnifield, LLC. She excelled at hiking, tennis, Pilates and horseback riding, but like her parents before her, she will be remembered most for her exceptional skiing ability. Bill McCollum, writer and former WMS ski coach writes in Ski Racing Magazine (Oct 31, 2011), “It didn’t take long for Valar to make her presence known on the Rocky Mountain Masters scene. “She was always the one to beat,” said Debi Davis, friend and masters race organizer. “In those early years, I don’t think she missed a race. She was well known for joking around at the start, but once she was in the starting gate, she took her racing seriously.” Valar not only dominated her class – as she raced from Class 2 all the way into Class 6 – but also frequently bested the entire women’s field. Even the best male racers had to be on top of their games as Valar frequently broke into the top 10 overall.” Victoria was also a proud dual American-Swiss citizen.

Vicky is survived by her three sisters, Stefanie B. Valar ’72, Pia Valar ’82 and Christina Valar Breen ’84; their spouses; a niece and two nephews. She was predeceased by her parents. Vicky’s final months were difficult and marked by myriad complications associated with her illness. Her family and friends will remember her as an exceptionally bright woman with athletic prowess and an exuberant, open-armed approach to life.

Above photo: Victoria “Vicky” Valar ’75

CHARLES AND PATRICIA OSGOOD P ’83,
Friends of the School

Charles E. Osgood, Sr. died on December 31, 2010 at the age of 83. Although Charles grew up in Brookline, MA, he spent a great deal of time in the White Mountains from an early age, eventually moving there fulltime. Charles was a geologist by profession and an avid naturalist and outdoor adventurer throughout his life. A geology and botany scholar, Charles also became well respected for his significant contributions to the birding community.

Dr. Patricia F. Osgood, 82, died on May 7, 2011. Also a Massachusetts native, Patricia loved the White Mountains and called it home. After receiving her Doctorate in the 1960’s, Patricia dedicated most of her professional life to pain treatment research, specializing in pediatric burn victims. At the time of her retirement in 1992, Patricia held a unique tri-appointment as Assistant Professor of Anesthesia (Pharmacology) at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, and Shriners Burns Institute.

Charles and Patricia met through their joint involvement with the Appalachian Mountain Club. Their love of nature, conservation and outdoor sports was infectious and ran deep, involving body, mind and spirit. They passed this love on to their son A. Neill Osgood II ’83, Trustee, and found many like-minded souls of all ages at The White Mountain School. Their support of WMS has helped numerous students pursue academic and extracurricular excellence over the last several decades. The entrance to the Fred Steele Science center is named after Patricia.

PHILIP SMITH, Former Trustee

Retired New Hampshire Bishop Philip Alan Smith died on October 14, 2010 at the age of 90. Rt. Rev. Smith received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard University in 1942 and a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, in 1949. Smith was ordained to the diaconate and to the priesthood in 1949. In 1972, Smith was elected as bishop of New Hampshire, a position he held until his retirement in 1986. During that period he also served as president of the Board of Trustees at The White Mountain School and also at Holderness School. Smith is survived by three children, three grandchildren, and one great grandchild.
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