Tyson McGrew'15 climbs the Peanuts Gallery Flake at Cathedral Ledge, North Conway, NH. Ted Teegarden, Director of Outdoor Education, belays from the top. Tyson, an integral member of our sport climbing team, competes at the USA Climbing ABS Divisional Competition in mid-January 2014.
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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).
I can only imagine what it was like for Headmaster John McIlwaine and his family to wake up to the smell of smoke fifty years ago this January—likely a mixture of fear, loss, and concern, but also a deep sense of commitment. The community pulled together, developing bold plans to rebuild, ensuring that the St. Mary’s experience could shape future generations.

Of course the best schools are always “rebuilding”—improving the experience of students and adjusting to the new opportunities and challenges graduates will face. Throughout this issue of Echoes, you will find examples of how we continue to “rebuild” our School today.

Our strategic plan, adopted three years ago, identified five major areas of focus: 1) supporting the teacher-student connection, 2) inspiring individual passions, 3) assuring academic challenge, 4) maintaining a vibrant, supportive community, and 5) strengthening the foundation. These foci have guided our work over the past several years.

On the programmatic side, we are building a culture of inquiry, making more time for student-driven learning—learning that engages students in asking and pursuing great questions. This exciting new approach to education allows us to “inspire individual passions” and “assure academic challenge.” As Dr. Dawn Wendell, MIT’s Assistant Director of Admissions said in a recent interview, they want to attract students who are “engaging in projects they love doing” (See pages 8 & 16 for related articles).

We’ve begun to address our strategic focus on “supporting the teacher-student connection” by raising teacher and staff salaries to competitive levels and renovating faculty housing. In this issue you will meet our new teachers and staff members, and learn about their passions for working with young people.

While relationships and program come first at WMS, these must be supported by excellent facilities. Shortly after the completion of the strategic plan, we developed a facilities master plan to help us prioritize both renovations and new projects. To address our goal of “maintaining a vibrant, supportive community” we’ve completed major renovations in our two largest dorms (Burroughs and Carter), making our students’ living spaces inviting and comfortable. We’ve also renovated all of our major community gathering spaces: the Great Hall, the Dining Room, the Servery, and the Student Lounge. And to recognize the importance of the arts in our vibrant community, we are completing The Catherine Houghton Arts Center (See page 4).

And finally, a critical piece of “strengthening the foundation” is recruiting great students—students who can best engage in our academic program and contribute to our community. On page 15 of this issue you will read about how our admission team is reaching out, literally around the globe, to build a great student body.

I feel blessed to be serving a school that is doing such exciting and noble work. A school with a faculty and staff who explore the best approaches to preparing students for the future. A school with a Board of Trustees that is fully engaged in leading WMS forward. And a school with the support of alumnae/i, families and friends to make it all possible.

Thankfully, we are not faced with the tragedy of the 1964 fire today. I am equally thankful that the WMS community takes the day-to-day rebuilding necessary to support a great school with the same level of seriousness and commitment that was evidenced in 1964.
MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By Barbara McFadden Sirna ’63, Chair

This year has been an extraordinary one for The White Mountain School. Our classrooms and dorms are full of outstanding students, Head of School, Tim Breen, is in his fourth year with a strong administrative team in place, Alumnae/i Weekend 2013 saw a record number return to campus and we set a record for fundraising last year! It is an honor to chair the School’s Board of Trustees and to be a part of this success, thanks to the hard work and dedication of many.

Even with this success, it is clear the realities of the 21st century are creating challenges for all boarding schools. We’re meeting these challenges head-on through our Strategic Plan and our campus Master Plan. Early in our planning we identified our greatest strengths—the elements of the School that have always made us a unique learning environment. We have intentionally taken action to emphasize and enhance these strengths. Our Strategic Plan guides decisions about programs and expenditures and our campus Master Plan identifies the significant facility improvements that allow us to provide the academic and residential experience that enhances our value to students and parents.

The Catherine Houghton Arts Center is an important part of our Strategic and Master Plan, and we’re excited that the building was open for use by teachers and students in January, with the official opening ceremony coming on February 7, 2014, slightly more than one year after the Board’s vote to commence building. Despite this significant success, we know there is more work to be done and we are primed to continue to move forward. We need gathering spaces for our community that honor our heritage and inspire self-reflection, learning and togetherness. We need to enhance our endowment to ensure future financial viability and to allow the School to continue to weather educational transition. Our academic focus continues to build on developing essential skills of critical thinking, curiosity and communication. Our curriculum fosters student engagement and self-directed learning. To achieve this we need to have an ambitious program of professional development for our faculty.

The support of many has brought us to where we are today. I hope that we have earned your confidence by putting the School in a healthy position while also identifying a path for continued, long-term success. On behalf of everyone on the Board of Trustees, thank you for your ongoing interest in and loyalty to this special place and I hope you’ll join us in moving The White Mountain School confidently and boldly into our next 125 years!
May future generations of students here always inquire 'Who was Catherine Houghton?' May they seek to carry her spirit with them.

-Nancy Van Vleck Von Allman ’60

**THE CATHERINE HOUGHTON ARTS CENTER**

BUILT WITH LOVE

*It began with an idea...*

What if The White Mountain School could return to our musical roots and better accommodate our expanding visual and performing arts classes? What
I think Kitty would have wanted each student who studies at this Arts Center to feel gentle support and be inspired to make the arts a part of their life going forward.

- JOHN ARNOLD, FRIEND

if we hired a full-time music teacher and built a new classroom space, one specifically designed with student musicians, artists and dancers in mind, one that was designed with sustainability in mind? >
Thank you

WILL RUHL P’09
Vice-Chair, WMS Board of Trustees
Ruhl Walker Architects, Boston MA

William Ruhl P’09, vice-chair of the Board of Trustees at The White Mountain School and father of Caroline Ruhl ’09, is the architect behind The Catherine Houghton Arts Center.

Will received his B.A. in history, art history, and studio art from Duke University and his Masters of Architecture from Yale University. After ten years with outstanding firms such as Peter Forbes and Associates and Leers Weinzapfel Associates, he co-founded the award-winning, design-oriented architecture studio Ruhl Walker Architects with Bradford Walker in 1996.

Ruhl Walker Architects, in Boston, MA, is a member of the U.S. Green Building Council, which works to promote the construction of healthful and sustainable buildings across the country. Will has designed projects throughout New England and as far away as Hawai’i, Florida, North Carolina, and St. Croix, USVI, and his work can be seen online at ruhlwalker.com.

The White Mountain School is truly grateful to Will and Ruhl Walker Architects for their masterful work on the Catherine Houghton Arts Center in addition to other recent campus renovation projects.

“Today, we carry Kitty’s dreams. Kitty loved her school and dreamed of a vibrant program here in music and the arts. This building will serve not only to enhance the arts at our School, but also to be a reminder of Kitty’s life, a life of action in service of others. I can think of no better example for our students.

- Tim Breen, Head of School

Our board of trustees, with Catherine “Kitty” Houghton ’60, leading the way, ran with the idea. With the help of architect, trustee and past parent (Caroline Ruhl ’09) Will Ruhl, the builders at Bensonwood, and generous donations from alumnae/i, parents, faculty and friends, the idea became a reality. We broke ground in the summer of 2013 and the building opened for classes in early January.

At Alumnae/i Weekend 2013, our community gathered together with a mixture of sadness and joy to witness the dedication of the Catherine Houghton Arts Center. To honor Kitty’s memory, friends from the School and outside community took the podium to speak of her kindness, generosity and indomitable spirit. As students and visitors explored the inside of the newly constructed art building for the first time, it seemed as though we were all looking at shadows of the future Kitty saw when she spearheaded this project. We are confident that our new arts center brings us closer to the vision Kitty had for her alma mater.

Thank you for your support, your engagement, and your boundless love for our School. We couldn’t have done it without you.

I count myself lucky to have worked with Kitty in this service. Her example is one that will continue to inspire me.

Barbara McFadden Sirna ’63,
Board Chair

To read the Catherine Houghton Arts Center dedication remarks in full, go to www.whitemountain.org/newsandevents (10/22/2013). To see photos of the dedication go to www.whitemountain.org and click on the Picassa icon.
WELCOME NEW FACULTY & STAFF

Join us in welcoming new members of the WMS community!

WMS welcomed three classroom teachers to the faculty.

Renee Blacken teaches Chemistry, Physics, AP Environmental Science and Religion & the Environment this year; helps run our Farm and Forest program and does dorm duty in Carter. Before WMS Renee and her family lived in North Carolina, where she worked as a farmer and a baker while earning her M.S. in Renewable Energy Technology. Renee graduated from Bates College, ME and received her Master's degree from Appalachian State University, NC.

Jim Norton brings his English expertise to campus, teaching AP English, American Literature, and Introduction to World Literature. Jim is also taking on our community service program in the winter and will coach Boy's Lacrosse in the spring. He lives and works in Upper Burroughs. Jim comes to us with more than 10 years of teaching experience and is a graduate of Choate Rosemary Hall. Jim earned his B.A. at Oberlin and M.T.S. from Harvard Divinity School.

Megan Killigrew, Teaching Fellow, comes to us straight from Dartmouth College where she majored in English, was the captain of the varsity women's Nordic Ski team and a member of an improvisational theater group. Megan teaches American Literature, coached Mountain Biking this fall, and will coach Cycling in the spring. She works in Solar dorm. Megan hopes to add her theatrical experience to WMS with a new improvisational club here on campus.

WMS welcomed three new admission officers.

Director of Admission Brad D’Arco’s experience with boarding school extends well beyond his recent tenure at Berkshire School. A graduate of The Taft School in Watertown, CT, Brad was recognized for his leadership on the athletic field as he captained the varsity soccer, hockey and lacrosse teams. After graduating with a B.A. in History from Colgate University, Brad returned to independent school life as a history teacher, coach and dorm parent at Brunswick School. Brad then spent eight years as Associate Director of Admission at the Berkshire School.

Linda D’Arco, new Associate Director of Admission, hails from Columbus School for Girls in Columbus, OH, earned a B.A. from Colgate University and a M.Ed. from Manhattanville College School of Education. Returning to her independent school roots as an art teacher, Linda lived and worked for two years at the Brunswick School and then eight years at the Berkshire School.

Sarah Thompson, Associate Director of Admission, joins us from The Community School in Sun Valley, Idaho where she worked as an Assistant Director of Admissions and assistant theater director, coached basketball and was a residential advisor. Sarah earned her B.A. from Salve Regina University, RI, where she also worked in the Admission Office.
CREATING A CLASSROOM: CURiosity, CRITICAL THINKING & COMMUNICATION

An Interview with Faculty Member, Paddy Foran

After graduating from Carleton College in 2006 with a B.A. in History, Padraic “Paddy” Foran began his teaching career in Washington, D.C. In 2009, Paddy came to The White Mountain School where he has been teaching history, coaching Girl’s Soccer and Backcountry Skiing, and working in Burroughs Dorm ever since.

WMS: YOU’VE BEEN TEACHING HISTORY FOR QUITE A FEW YEARS NOW, PADDY. HOW HAS YOUR TEACHING EVOLVED?
PADDY: Looking back on my career thus far, I see a clear and consistent evolution. In my first year at The Cesar Chavez Public Charter School for Public Policy in D.C., I focused almost entirely on classroom management. Being able to keep a class full of students focused and engaged allowed me to be able to start experimenting with different pedagogical strategies. I think my greatest pedagogical evolution has occurred in my time at WMS. The freedom I have to experiment and try new styles of instruction and assessment has been amazing. With the restrictions of state-mandated standards/curriculum and testing lifted, I have come to the realization that students need to take an active role in their education.

In the past few years, I’ve designed projects and assessments that allow students to explore aspects of history that interest them, while practicing important historical and academic skills like effective research, critical and creative thinking and effective argumentation.

WMS: ONE OF YOUR “SIGNATURE PROJECTS” AT WMS IS SOMETHING YOU CALL THE 20% PROJECT. TELL US MORE ABOUT THAT PROJECT.
PADDY: During a faculty meeting at WMS we watched a TED Talk about student motivation given by Daniel Pink. Pink mentioned a program at Google in which Google engineers are required to use 20% of their time to work on whatever project they want. As I watched the TED Talk, I thought to myself, “I can do this in my classroom. I can give my students autonomy to study what interests them and the freedom to share their information in a manner of their own choosing”. So 20% of my students’ class time is now devoted to a project of their own design.

WMS: WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA OF THE PROJECT?
PADDY: For the 20% Project, I ask students to select a time period and...
topic from U.S. History that interests them. I ask them to consider what have we studied this year that they want to learn more about or what topics we might not get to this year that they are interested in. Students then research their topic and time period and complete a creative project to share.

This project has very few constraints. Students’ topics must be related to the United States and must have occurred before yesterday. Their final project cannot be a research paper or a PowerPoint presentation. They must create something. Students must take the information they have gained from their research and turn it into something new.

WMS: IN ORDER TO MAKE YOUR 20% PROJECT WORK, STUDENTS NEED TO FEEL COMFORTABLE TAKING RISKS; FINDING AND PURSUING THEIR INTERESTS. HOW DO YOU CREATE THE KIND OF CLASSROOM CULTURE THAT INVITES SUCH CURIOSITY?
PADDY: Every time I have assigned this project I’ve received the same mixed reaction from my students. Some students have a look on their faces that says, “Finally! I can study what I am interested in.” They are already thinking of possible topics. Other students have a look that says, “Oh no, he isn’t going to tell me what to do...” I devote a lot of one-on-one time to these students in the beginning of the project. We usually start by talking about their interests. This is usually met with frustrated questions like, “How is (interest X) related to U.S. History?”

For so many of my students, it has been ingrained in them that history is names, dates, presidents and wars. They haven’t had the opportunity to realize that freestyle skiing, rock climbing, UFOs and graphic design all have histories that are legitimate academic pursuits. Creating a classroom that invites curiosity and helps kids take risks comes down to helping them to realize that their interests, even if never featured in a history book, are legitimate and tied to a broader historical context.

I like teaching at a school where we are expected to foster curiosity in our students, knowing that this will lead to increased motivation and learning.

- PADRAIC “PADDY” FORAN
WMS: THE EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY BEHIND YOUR 20% PROJECT DOESN’T FIT NEATLY INTO THE CURRENT UNDERSTANDING OF ACADEMIC RIGOR; IT ISN’T AP-STYLE CONTENT. DO YOUR CLASSES PREPARE OUR STUDENTS ADEQUATELY FOR COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE AND FOR COLLEGE-LEVEL WORK?

PADDY: Rigor is all too often understood to mean more, and many times, more in less time. Take the AP U.S. History Exam for example. Students study the entirety of U.S. history from September to May and prepare for a test wherein they will answer 100 multiple choice questions, write one document-based question response and an analytical essay—all in a few hours. Challenging? Absolutely. Rigorous? Debateable.

WMS: THE 20% PROJECT APPROACH IS MORE INTELLECTUALLY RIGOROUS?

PADDY: Yes. The 20% Project requires students to transfer understanding; they must take what they have learned and turn it into a new form—a hand-illustrated children’s book about the history of life off the coast of Maine, a documentary about the origins of big wall climbing in Yosemite—complete with mock interviews with historical climbers, or a book about the Beat Generation in the format of the “for Dummies” series.

In the 20% project, students must synthesize information from multiple sources, using both primary and secondary sources and utilizing sources from different media formats. It also encourages students to break away from conventional understandings of history. Though some may choose to explore the presidency of Abraham Lincoln, others are investigating UFOs in the United States and the evolution of American 100m sprinters. These divergent topics necessitate in-depth research.

I like teaching at a school where we are expected to foster curiosity in our students, knowing that this will lead to increased motivation and learning. We are asked to challenge students to think critically about information and share what they have learned in a new and creative way. It is the ability to think and act in this manner that will help ensure students’ success in college, not just how many facts about U.S. history they can remember.

WMS: YOUR 20% PROJECT IS FIRMLY ESTABLISHED IN YOUR OWN CLASSES AND SEVERAL OF YOUR WMS COLLEAGUES HAVE ADAPTED YOUR IDEA FOR THEIR CLASSROOMS. YOU’RE NOT THE KIND OF TEACHER WHO IS EVER REALLY “DONE”. SO, WHAT’S NEXT FOR YOU AND YOUR CLASSES?

PADDY: The first week of school this year my U.S. History students discussed an article entitled, “Why Study History?” by History Professor Steven Kreis. His thesis is that we study history in order to better understand ourselves. As a class, we discussed that we each have a story. I believe that my challenge is to share with my students an honest, accurate and inclusive narrative of U.S. history. Their challenge is to take advantage of the opportunities they have in my class to investigate their own story. I have tasked my students with the responsibility of noticing when, in the U.S. history narrative they do not see themselves and to bring that to the class’s attention. We all define our identities in multiple ways and, with the ultimate goal of the study of history being a way to better understand ourselves, I want to be sure each of my students are represented in some way in the story we will tell over the course of the year.

I guess that is the next step in my pedagogical evolution right there—my history classes are increasingly becoming about my students finding themselves within the narrative and gaining a deeper understanding of their own uniquely personal stories. This is my focus going forward. I want to design a tangible way that my students can continually find themselves within the broader historical narrative.
A YEAR IN SPORTS
GRADUATION 2013

127TH COMMENCEMENT, SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2013

CLASS OF 2013

Spencer James Alderman  
*North Clarendon, VT*

Rewina Sahle Bedemariam  
*Addis Ababa, Ethiopia*

Kayla Lyn Beliveau  
*New Hampton, NH*

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*East Greenbush, NY*

Christopher Remington Bernd  
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Litong Chen  
*Beijing, China*

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*Ningbo, China*

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*Williston, VT*

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*Wu Han, China*

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Samuel DeYoung Owens  
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*Ningbo, China*

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*Zhejiang, China*

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*Franconia, NH*

Kaitlyn Paulina Wolfe  
*Smithtown, NY*

Simin Wu  
*Ningbo, China*

Tianqi Wu  
*Ningbo, China*

Hongshen Xu  
*Guangzhou, China*

Linpeng Xu  
*Shenzhen, China*

Yang Yue  
*Shenzhen, China*
You may be thinking that you were taught by your teachers. But let me tell you. Most likely, every one of your teachers will remember you because you taught them how to teach, how to honor, how to rejoice, how to endure. That’s the beauty of a school that is this size, this intentional, this grounded in spiritual tradition.”

AWARD & SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

THE ETHEL W. DEVIN PRIZE
for excellence in English
Katherine Desimine ’15

THE VALPEY PRIZE
for excellence in History
Abigail Schrader-Hiltz ’13

THE RELIGION & HUMANITIES PRIZE
Daniel Hierro ’13

THE RICHARD J. HAYES PRIZE
for excellence in Mathematics
Donglin Li ’13

THE FREDERICK L. STEELE PRIZE
for excellence in Science
Alexzandria Steiner ’13

THE JACK COOK SUSTAINABILITY PRIZE
Teresa Scalley ’15

THE ALICE C. HUMPHREY PRIZE
for excellence in Spanish
Daniel Hierro ’13

THE GOODRICH PRIZE
for excellence in French was named in honor of a long time teacher of languages at St. Mary’s School in Concord
Bianca Lora ’13

THE HAMISH MACEWAN PRIZE
for excellence in Art
Brian McGovern ’13

THE CAROLINE O. MCMILLAN ’47 MUSIC AWARD
Sophia Grogan ’13

THE MOUNTAINEERING AWARD
J.J. Berkun ’13

THE COURAGE PRIZE
Daniel Hierro ’13

THE SAMUEL ROBINSON II COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD
Jodie Clark ’13

THE ROBIN McQUIRE PEARSON PRIZE
to the girl in the graduating class who has shown the greatest perseverance in her studies and life at WMS
Bianca Lora ’13

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
Elliot Murphy ’14

THE BISHOP’S PRIZE
to the student who has the highest scholastic standing
Rong Lu ’15

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
Abigail Schader Hiltz ’13

THE HEAD’S AWARD
to the student who best personifies the Mission of The White Mountain School
Samuel Conant ’13

- THE RT. REV. A. ROBERT HIRSCHFELD, BISHOP OF N.H., TRUSTEE, COMMENCEMENT SPEECH
This piece of paper you are about to get means so much more than the fact that you passed. It means so much more than the fact that you made the grade. It means you were here. You changed people here. There are relationships you had with friends, teachers, staff, people that meant something. I want to tell you that those changes you brought into people’s lives, for good or for ill, are holy. By that I mean that they will endure well beyond what you may have imagined. The relationships, the memories of these relationships, whether they were with close friends, mere acquaintances, or even opponents or rivals, they remain alive even after you leave this place.”

- THE RT. REV. A. ROBERT HIRSCHFELD, BISHOP OF N.H., TRUSTEE, COMMENCEMENT SPEECH

2013 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Albright College  
Bard College  
Bentley University  
Binghamton University, SUNY  
Bishop’s University  
Boston University  
Bryant University  
Bunker Hill Community College  
Clarion University  
Clark University  
Clarkson University  
Colby–Sawyer College  
College of Environmental Science and Forestry, SUNY  
College of the Atlantic  
Connecticut College  
Davidson College  
Drexel University  
Gannon University  
Green Mountain College  
Guilford College  
Hampshire College  
Hobart and William Smith Colleges  
Indiana University  
Iona College  
Johnson and Wales University  
Lakes Region Community College  
Lyndon State College  
Maine Maritime Academy  
Mansfield University  
Michigan State University  
Montana State University  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pennsylvania State University–Altoona  
Plymouth State University  
Prescott College  
Purchase College, SUNY  
Purdue University  
Rensselaer Polytechnic University  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Roger Williams University  
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Saint Francis University  
St. John’s College  
St. John’s University  
Saint Joseph’s College  
Saint Michael’s College  
Saint Vincent College  
Sierra Nevada College  
SUNY Oneonta  
Stonehill College  
Suffolk University  
Temple University  
Texas A&M University at Galveston  
Tufts University  
University of Arizona  
University of California–Irvine  
University of Connecticut  
University of Denver  
University of Florida  
University of Georgia  
University of Illinois  
University of Maine  
University of Massachusetts  
University of Massachusetts–Boston  
University of Montana  
University of New England  
University of New Hampshire  
University of Rhode Island  
University of Rochester  
Ursinus College  
Virginia Tech University  
Wheaton College  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Congratulations TO THE CLASS OF 2013!
WHERE IN THE WORLD IS THE ADMISSION OFFICE?!

We asked Director of Admission, Brad D’Arco how admission builds a school. Here is what he had to say.

While sitting in the lobby of my Moscow hotel this November, I engaged in a conversation with another traveler. I told him about our great School in northern NH and all the unique opportunities we provide for our students. After telling him about Field Courses, morning meetings, LASR projects, and our myriad academic, athletic and co-curricular programs, the man said to me, “Well, that all sounds wonderful, but I still don’t understand why you are in Russia.”

After years working in admissions, I pride myself on being able to answer difficult questions, but somehow this seemingly simple one caught me off-guard. The simplest answer, “It’s my job,” would not suffice, so I began to explain the true purpose of the trip and others like it that the admission office has taken this year.

It’s about building culture. We have a unique opportunity to provide members of our community with a chance to work with, live with, and learn from people with vastly different life experiences than their own. In an effort to ensure that each student’s education is not limited to the classroom and that our faculty’s professional development is occurring in all facets of school life, the admission office spends the summer and fall months reaching out to all corners of the United States and the world. Admission travel compliments our efforts to create a vibrant and truly diverse and global culture at The White Mountain School.

Outreach and travel from our admission team, faculty, administrators and WMS families in the summer of 2013 enabled us to open the school year with 114 students from all over the U.S. and nearly a dozen countries around the globe. Our efforts this fall have led to the highest number of inquiries in our School’s recent history, and will ensure that we are at the forefront of global education in the coming years. You can be certain that our outreach will continue in the upcoming months and years, so watch for us in your part of the U.S. or world. Contact us if you’d like to help us find great kids for WMS!
FOCUS YOUR PASSION
THE LASR PROJECT

What Student-Driven Learning Looks Like

You often hear adults remark that they have forgotten more than they remember from their high school classes. In traditional high school classes, information is “presented” by a teacher and does not truly engage students. Conversely students who are active participants in their own learning and who design their own projects tend to ask better questions, plan ahead, overcome authentic obstacles, and become internally motivated. Through self-designed projects, students not only gain important academic skills and knowledge, they also develop intellectual habits and confidence. This type of learning has been a part of The White Mountain School for a long time.

With the introduction of our new LASR (Leadership, Arts, Service and Research) graduation requirement, it is poised to become a major part of the WMS experience. LASR projects are student-designed and executed and, as of 2015, are required for graduation. Projects will differ in scope, direction and emphasis, but all include research and writing, a presentation, and what we call the “adding value to the world” component. Every project will be a way to make a difference. On the opposite page are some of the independent projects that our students are designing this year to fulfill their LASR requirement. The work exemplified in LASR projects is vital to authentic learning, preparation for college and life beyond formal academics.
Tyler Randazzo ’15: Ski Building Internship

Many students at WMS have an interest in skiing, but Tyler Randazzo ’15 is taking his passion to another level. Inspired by his Field Course last spring, “Carving Up Equations to Carve the Slopes: The Math of Ski and Snowboard Design,” where students learned the engineering feats behind their favorite winter sport, Tyler decided to build his own skis. With the help of Sandwich Tech’s co-owner and engineer, Matt Michaud ’02, Tyler is learning how to engineer his own pair of skis.

Tyler says, “I wanted to do something hands on, where I would have real skills and experience...I love sports, and skiing is one of my passions. I’m actually designing the skis to have backcountry capabilities, because I am interested in doing more ski touring.”

The project is part internship, part ski design crash course. Tyler and Matt meet once a week for a ski-building lesson and to develop Tyler’s design. Each week Tyler also goes to work at Sandwich Tech in Littleton, NH, where he is helping them ready their shop for a new machine and also helps to write press releases. “I’m not sure how these skills will help me with my job in the future—I’m a junior and don’t exactly have those things figured out yet—but I know it is giving me valuable workplace experience that will pay off no matter what field I choose to go into.”

Tyler’s skis should be completed in the next few months, and he expects his internship to continue through the year, but he hopes to continue his relationship with Sandwich Tech for the remainder of his time at WMS.

Dilruba Sakhizada ’15: Who is God?

Dilruba is tackling some tough questions about faith and the roots of religion in her project. Raised in a Muslim family, her strong religious roots gave her a philosophical bent and a fascination with religion. The freedom of the LASR project has inspired her to take a deeper look not only at her own religion, but also at other major religions, and the ways in which they intersect and differ.

“I’m working to find God,” she says, “but it doesn’t mean I’m definitely going to find someone or something and say ‘Hey, everyone, this is my project. I found this god.’” No. What I’m going to come up with is the base of God. How we started creating this figure to try to make sense of ourselves. Why we gave this figure a purpose. So

the purpose of this project is to get to know God, to get a better understanding of God, and to learn more about the similarities between religions.”

Dilruba credits The White Mountain School’s diverse student body with helping her build this project. “We have kids from different places and with different beliefs—some believe in God, some believe in science, some believe in something else—and it’s helping me because I get to interview them and ask them what they think of God and who they think God is and why and how they practice their beliefs.” It’s a project that allows Dilruba to take a very personal journey into her own passions and beliefs, but also includes and even depends upon the wealth of human experience around her at WMS.

Shihao Chen ’14: Innovations in Green Building

“My interest is in how technology can save energy, and how that saved energy can cycle back into the economy and actually save money. Think about solar panels which are basically free energy. It’s quite amazing.” Shihao Chen ’14 isn’t just interested in conservation, but in economics as well. His Field Courses at The White Mountain School have taken him from the watersheds of Connecticut to the beaches of Maine, and during these courses, Shihao discovered his passion for energy conservation: the science, the innovation and the economics. Shihao’s LASR project focuses on green building, both its history and its future. In keeping with that, he is enriching his research project with a piece of WMS’s present. The Catherine Houghton Arts Center, built this fall, was conceived and designed as a zero net energy building. Shihao is following its production from beginning to completion, consulting with the experts who designed and built the arts center. The culmination of his project will be a 10-page paper covering the history of green design, the building of the arts center, and, most importantly, the future of green design.

“It is very exciting to me,” Shihao says. “The advances in the technology we’re using to save energy are happening so quickly. There was a time when nobody would have looked at these solutions and said, let’s use solar energy, let’s use geothermal, let’s use hydropower. These are things we did not have before and what I’m interested in are these emerging trends in green building. That’s what’s exciting to me about this.”
ALUMNAE/I WEEKEND 2013

Alumnae/i Weekend 2013 and the Catherine Houghton Arts Center dedication brought out our largest crowd yet! Over 75 alumnae/i attended weekend events. The building dedication offered a moving tribute to Kitty Houghton ’60 (trustee) and a celebration of the arts at WMS today. Alumnae/i spent time with each other and with current students, planted daffodil bulbs in memory of loved ones on Wedding (Picnic) Hill, hiked area mountains, cheered the WMS soccer teams to victory, cheered each other at the Alumnae/i Dinner and Awards and attended church at All Saints’.

Photos (left column, top to bottom): Mary Newcomb Coughlan ’49 and Suzie Coughlan ’77 pose next to the photo of their grandparents (great-grandparents), the original owners of the Seven Springs Estate // Hike up Willard Mountain! (l to r, back): Karen Naess Budd ’58, Ann Howell Armstrong ’58, trustee (l to r, front): Mary Van Wlech ’58, Judy Butler Shea ’58, former trustee, Megan Killigrew, faculty // Alumnaei, faculty and students sing “Lift thine eyes” together // (right column, top to bottom): Memorial bulb planting // (l to r): Dine Webster Dellenback ’53, P’84, former trustee, Janet Lovejoy ’50, P’78, former trustee, Sandy Clark Dodge ’54

ALUMNAE/I AWARD WINNERS
This year’s recipient of the Linda Clark McGoldrick ’55 Award was Starr Jordan Moore ’58 who has tirelessly served her alma mater as well as her local community over the years. We appreciate all you do, Starr! The Sylvia A. Dickey ’54 Prize was awarded to the 50th Reunion Class for their exemplary reunion year giving—thank you Class of 1963, for your 81% participation and the $21,000 reunion gift! Pictured below: The Class of 1963 (l to r, back): Paige Savage, Janet Mellor Horn, Barbara McFadden Sime, board chair, Marie Bullock Jardeen, Martha Ritzman Johnson, former trustee, Janet Pickering Shaw, Peggy Ninde Purcell, P’85, Cyndy Saliba Eames, Anne Zopfi, Jill Britton Lovejoy, Hillary Bartlett Potter (l to r, front): Jana Mara Holt, Kit Cooke, Sukey Todd Wolfe

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Fifty years ago, the School, then St. Mary’s-in-the-Mountains, was faced with the ultimate decision—to rebuild or to admit defeat after a catastrophic fire in the wee hours of the morning on January 3, 1964, burned the Seven Springs Estate building to the ground.
“What was not destroyed by the fire, was the determination, creativity and resiliency of the school community.”

- Ellen Waterston ’64

The main estate building housed faculty and student living quarters, common areas, classrooms, the library, the dining room and kitchen, the infirmary and the Oratory. Only the senior annex and the new classroom and science wing could be saved despite the heroic efforts of the Bethlehem and Littleton fire departments.

Resident faculty, spouses, faculty children and area friends of the School aided firefighters as they could that night and combed the debris for salvageable items the next day. Local trustees rushed to the School and emergency trustee meetings were called. In short order, the decision was made. Students would return from their Christmas holiday one week later than planned, as many as possible would be housed on campus and the remaining sixty would live at Peckett’s on Sugar Hill and be bussed to the school for classes. Fundraising would begin immediately and the School would be rebuilt.

Board Chair Dorothy Burroughs, P’53 reached out to alumnae and friends of the School for support. Board members, Gil Tanis and Posey Paine Fowler ’49, co-chaired the Rebuilding Campaign Committee. Edith Carter’s (trustee), son, John Carter, offered to do the architectural work needed. The board of trustees decided that a main building would be constructed as well as two additional dormitories, thereby allowing the school to grow to 110 students. The main building and Burroughs Dorm were completed in 1965. Carter Dorm was built in 1968.

As Linda Clark McGoldrick ’55, P’82, ’84 and Director of Development, wrote in Our First 100 Years: 1886-1986, “Despite this heartbreaking loss, all were thankful that the Fire had occurred during the Christmas holiday so that no one was occupying the Main House...Prophetically, the only survivors of the Fire were found in the ashes—the illuminated Rembrandt Bible and the Mexican silver cross...To many, as Board Chairman Dorothy Burroughs wrote to friends and supporters, this find was interpreted as a reaffirmation of faith in Saint Mary’s. An even better school might arise from the ashes.”

That spirit of hope, coupled with tireless trustee-driven fundraising efforts and the determination to carry on by faculty and students paved the way to three new school buildings. The hope, love of the School and service to high-quality, whole-person education seen in 1964 remains a strong part of our School today.
The White Mountain School is honored to acknowledge and thank the many donors who chose to support the School in the 2013 fiscal year. These gifts are essential to our success and have a lasting impact on every student at WMS. We sincerely appreciate your support and thank you for recognizing and investing in the quality of our students and our programs. Thank you!

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The White Mountain School is grateful for our dedicated Board of Trustees whose love of WMS and commitment to continue the important educational work begun in 1886 is inspirational. In October, four new members joined the existing board members (Ann Howell Armstrong ’58; Carol Atterbury P’08; Tim Breen P’17; John Brown P’04; Ruth Cook P’91; Philip deRham ’76; Stephen Di Cicco; Dennis Grubby; The Rt. Rev. A. Robert Hirschfeld; Will Ruhl P’09; Diana Salter P’11; Barbara McFadden Sirna ’63 (chair); Jane Houghton Stephenson ’55; Kevin Stoddard P’15; The Rev. Kurt Wiesner). Read about the new board members below.

WMS is thrilled that A. Neill Osgood, II ’83 is back after a one-year hiatus, having served two previous board terms from 2006-2012. Neill earned his B.A. in psychology at Plymouth State University after graduating from The White Mountain School. Finding his niche in sales, Neill held sales management positions with Aquila and Nicor Energy before launching his own successful marketing and management consulting company, C-3, in 2001. Neill also serves on the Executive Board of the Central States Region of the Ferrari Club of America.

Kevin Stoddard P’15 joins the Board after two-years at WMS as the parent of Ryan ’15. Kevin and his wife, Dawn, have been active at The White Mountain School serving as event hosts, campus weekend greeters, Parents’ Fund chairs, and marketing feedback group participants. Kevin has also offered pro bono financial advice workshops for WMS employees. Kevin graduated from Bryant University and has worked in the finance industry since. He worked at State Street Bank, the Boston Stock Exchange, Wells Capital Management and Financial Perspectives before launching his own financial advisory group, Stoddard Financial LLC.

Young Alumnae/i Trustee Program
The White Mountain School Board of Trustees announces the new, Young Alumnae/i Trustee Program. Designed to help ensure that a younger voice and vote is included in Board discussions, it will also cultivate future Board members and volunteers, and engage young alumnae/i in the life of the School. Young Alumnae/i Trustees must have graduated in the last 10 years, and will serve two year terms with the full expectations and responsibilities of Board service. No more than two Young Alumnae/i Trustees may serve at any time. The first two Young Alumnane/i Trustees are Natalie Johnson ’09 and Donglin Li ’13. Natalie graduated from Mount Holyoke College in 2013 and now works with adolescent girls as a Clinical Research Coordinator at Mount Sinai Adolescent Health Center, NY. Donglin began his studies at Connecticut College in September of 2013 where he is considering pursuing art. Natalie states that WMS changed her perception of what a school could be and looks forward to serving as a Board member and helping shape the School’s trajectory. Donglin is honored by this opportunity to serve his School, and is also excited by the learning opportunity Board service presents.
Josephine Harding Brownback '49 writes, “I am keeping busy with Children’s Theater, the Symphony store, tending bar at the Inverness Yacht Club, tennis, swimming and hiking with Toby (golden retriever).”

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Peggy Munchmeyer Lehman ’53 writes, “I had two nice travels this last year: an elder hostel cruise in April from Jacksonville, FL to Charleston, and an elder hostel to Yosemite, Sequoia, and Death Valley in September. I had back surgery in October 2012—a long recuperation.”

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Diantha Sheldon Patterson ’55 writes, “We hope to have moved to our “new home” in Carlsbad, CA, by the end of 2013. Our daughter Sarah is there with her family of four boys. All of our grandchildren: 4 boys and 2 girls love to ski—on the east coast in Maine (at Sugar Loaf) and on the west coast in California (in Tahoe).”

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Jill Henderson ’56 reports, “I am up to my ears in theater with The Concord Players (thanks to Sally Hodges’ inspiration at SMS) as VP Operations. We opened “Les Miserables” on November 8th with a cast of 54! My other Board role is with the United Woman’s Club of Concord that raises funds for scholarships for deserving high school seniors through events & our December Fair. Jim started acting and singing in shows with me 6 years ago. He performed in "Merry Widow" last June and will sing in "Mikado" in November. Our lives are full. I had an excellent lunch with Rob Constantine, who is in charge of fund raising for WMS and was so impressed with his love for our school. He is very sincere and helps Tim out by attending Admissions Fairs. I hope to visit up there next Spring. Georgia and Patti, shall the annex Trio visit together? Hugs to all with best wishes for great health and loving families.

Lida Capelle Kim ’56 writes, “I travel less since my husband’s death 5 years ago, but still keep busy with volunteer work here in Kamuela and with my church.”

Sydney Hall Maddox ’56 reports, “It’s hard to believe that we’ve been in SC for 20 years! We’ve had a wonderful retirement here in the south. Sadly, my dear Bill is suffering from Dementia/Alzheimer’s and on Memorial Day 2012 I had to place him in the Memory Care unit of a nearby health facility. One gets to know most of the patients and their family/caregivers in the memory unit and we support one another. They become like family and on the days that one doesn’t have a visitor, you know one of your fellow caregivers will take the time to brighten your loved one’s day as you would do for theirs. It’s such an ugly disease and to put some sunshine into their lives has its rewards. I gave up golf when Bill was still at home and now only play in an occasional member-guest or charity tournament. I’ve joined a group of friends who are into bridge. It’s great to make jewelry to match every outfit in your closet! I also play lots of bridge and love fishing after my wild bird friends and putting in the garden! I won’t bore you with my aches and pains because we’re all battling the same in our golden years! I look forward to my Echoes. Hopefully everyone will take time to update us on her life.”

Susan Tracy Moritz ’56 writes, “I look forward to hearing how everyone else is doing! I do talk to Nancy Thompson Rideout ’56 once a year (when she comes to FL from Maine) and she’s fine. Occasionally, I speak with Jeannie Rau Dawes ’57 who lives outside San Francisco. She and her husband travel a lot to far away places. She was a class behind us. Also, Julie Perry Price ’56 is here at John’s Island and I see her occasionally...she’s fine too! We do reminisce about our days at SMS.

Julia Perry Price ’56 writes, “Boy does time ever fly! Jim and I are really Floridians now, living more than 10 months in Vero Beach and then to Ohio and New Hampshire in the summer. We have been residents of the Sunshine State for over 20 years, having moved here after we sold Jim’s companies in 1993. Jim could spend the whole year here, but I still miss the seasons and a little snow is great also. We celebrated our 54th anniversary in August and are proud parents and grandparents with our oldest grandson graduating from the University of Connecticut last Spring and our youngest in 2nd grade. A fifth grader and a sophomore at Hobart College round out the bunch. Sue Tracy Moritz ’56 and her husband, Charlie, live down here on John’s Island with us.

Galen Williams ’56 reports that her landscape design company in East Hampton, NY has just finished its 30th year. Poets and Writers, the country’s largest nonprofit organization serving creative writers, which Galen founded and is still associated with, is in its 44th year. Galen has four grandchildren by her two sons: Atticus 8, Quinn 6, Cleopatra 3, and Ulysses 3. Her partner of 15 years, the poet Harvey Shapiro, died in January 2013.

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Ann Howell Armstrong ’58 writes, “The Alumni/i Weekend was a wonderful success. Our class turned out for it and for the Catherine Houghton Arts Building dedication. I was so glad to be there!”

Stella Brewster Hall ’58 reports, “We had a lovely dinner at Mary Van Vleck’s ’58 in May in Charlotte, VT where we have had a family summer home that my husband’s family built at Thompson’s Pl., Charlotte, VT in 1902. I saw Louisa Turner ’58 this summer when we attended Lynn Weymouth Russell-Johnson’s ’58 husband’s memorial service June 22nd in Maine.

Sarah Sargent Leiser ’58 writes that she joined an organized tour around Jordan and Israel then visited her niece and family in Israel just after coming to reunion this fall.

Take a look at the mother/child photo from Alumna/i Weekend 2013 (pictured above) of Sue Oakes Morin ’58.

We are sad to report that Lynne Weymouth Russell-Johnson’s ’58 husband, David, passed away in April of 2013.

Judy Butler Shea ’58 reports the following, “In March 2013 we celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary.
Jack Shea, a grandson named after his great grandfather, was born to Jimmy and Kellee in Park City, UT in June. Yours truly was honored by being named Volunteer of the Year in May, and it included being the Grand Marshall of the July 4th Parade! Jimmy’s family with 2 girls and newborn visited us for a month at our Quebec cottage. Retirement life remains full of grandchildren’s activities, reading, sports (including Jim’s successful hunting season this fall) and chores. Our 55th reunion in October was memorable with over half of the ’58ers returning! Of particular note were a remembrance of Kitty, a fly-over by LightHawk in her honor, a building dedication and tour of the Houghton Arts Center, planting memorial daffodil bulbs and prayers for Carson (Karen’s granddaughter hurt in an accident that weekend) who is now home in Seattle, WA. I’m looking forward to our 60th in 2018!”

Carolyn Dorr-Rich ’59 reports, “We spent two months in London last fall to support our daughter through her second pregnancy. Result: Simon Eldrich Brown joined his three year old brother, Trystan, in our expanding family. Everyone is happy and healthy.”

Barbara Hamilton Gibson ’59 writes the following, “Enjoying retirement on the Cape. I’m active at St. Christopher’s in Chatham, supporting construction and operation at an elementary school in Liberia, West Africa. I’ve been pursuing my interest in watercolor in my new studio and have shown my work at the Cultural Center at Cape Cod and in the Gallery at Capabilities Farm to Table, 193 Main St., Chatham, MA. I’m taking watercolor lessons regularly and loving it! I just got back from two wonderful weeks in the Lakes District UK. I’m delighted with the success of the music program!”

Sarah Hawkins Jones ’59 writes, “My husband, Fred, and I live in Whitefish, Montana, a paradise for recreation and the arts. Two performing arts centers/theaters in our town provide lots of music and drama. I enjoy all of it and especially helping in a costume department. Outside, we have Glacier Park, lakes for kayaking and miles and miles of biking and hiking trails. Major rivers run through for whitewater rafting (which we do a lot) and fly-fishing (not so well). So, as long as we are healthy—so far so good, we manage several walks a week backpacking in the summer and skiing here at Big Mountain, in Canada and Colorado all winter. Oh, and I’ve taken the Master Gardeners Course, gardening being a priority, and ceramics classes—another passion. Visits with children and grandchildren, a little travel, tennis and choral singing...”
fill in the gaps. I find it fun to be a tenor and to sing with the men! We love to share our park so do come visit!"

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Betsy Jordan Hand ’60 reports from Boulder, CO, following the flood, “We were totally unscathed except for survivor’s guilt, as so many of our friends continue to struggle with the aftermath of devastation to their homes and property. There has been a kind of pervasive disease in the whole region. Sally’s (Case Park’s ’60) story of Estes is especially tragic—without the “no flush” zone so trips to port-a-potties which sometimes blew over. No mail and only occasional trucks of food to the supermarket. I think Estes schools have lost 46 students because families lost jobs and moved away. Tridi (Astrid Naess Gifford ’60) had to evacuate to her daughter’s basement. I think she will move back into her sweet house for the winter and then decide if she can stay there. The engineers are so cautious. Charlotte (Clark Stewart ’60) is cherishing her steady sump pump and tells of one day standing in water single-handedly reattaching a broken pipe! I made a foray into emergency help, sorting baby clothes in a warehouse filled to the brim with donations. Amazing. Joanie Jordan’s ’65 artsy development called Prospect in Longmont was so well built her neighborhood was like an island in the midst of seriously flooded and impassable streets.”

Sally Case Park ’60 writes from Estes Park, CO in the days following the flood of September 12, 2013, “Tremendous damage is all around us but the town is not as isolated as we were that first week with no communication and no roads. Now we have communication and one solid road. By the time you read this we will have a couple of temporary roads and be back up and functioning. We are learning a lot about resilience under distress and seeing how giving and creative people really are. I really enjoyed the two reunions in Boulder and then Copper Mountain and felt connected to so many in our class. I wish I could have attended the celebration for Kitty. Wayne and I moved to Estes Park CO in 1998 and it is home now. We hike, snowshoe, and are very involved in the community. We need tourists to survive and people who love visiting Estes and Rocky Mountain National Park are making an effort that we appreciate. In summary, we love being here and guests are welcome.”

Following the September 12th flood in Boulder, CO, Charlotte Clark Stewart ’60 writes, “It has been so nice to catch up with the old friends. Kitty is still such a part of us. No real news from here other than surviving the flood! Sally Case Park ’60 and Astrid Naess Gifford ’60 have had a harder time with the flood, but hopefully with time they will be able to get back to the usual. It is amazing that Tridi’s house did not get totally swept away. Sally was trapped by 16 miles of washed out roads. Betsy Jordan Hand’s ’60 house is fine and she has been supporting fund raising causes.”

Nancy Van Vleck Von Allmen ’60 writes, “I travelled to Fall Foliage and to honor our dear classmate Kitty Houghton ’60. Sue Abernathy Pliner ’60, Sue Fischer Spencer ’60, Priscilla Hatch Jones ’60, Ingrid Anderson Pawlowski ’60 and Ann Kough Bird ’60 were there too! This was the first time back to school for most of us and it was really wonderful to be together. The emotional ceremony dedicating the Catherine Houghton Arts Center included words the school and Kitty’s friends. A LightHawk pilot circled three times over the crowd, spiraling upward in a most meaningful tribute to Kitty. There was not a dry eye among the 250-300. After a fun lunch with just us 6 in town, some of us returned to the school for a delightful cocktail party and dinner. The food over the weekend was superbly healthy, colorful & yummy. Tim’s wife and Alumni’s Director, Julie, oversaw the weekend filling it with joy and fun! Kitty loved the school, which is why she was serving on the Board at the time of her tragic death. She was so very fond of both Tim and Julie and it was a delight to see them in action! The school is in wonderful shape, with many bright and happy students filling the hallways. I am so glad I made the effort to go back for this very special weekend of remembrance and catch up. The new Art Center is beautifully located below the balcony where we all graduated 53 years ago! Its many windows take in the view toward Mt. Washington. Many were there from the Class of ’58 for a 55th Reunion, so it was fun to see those familiar faces also! I am excited to support this great school where I met you wonderful classmates. It was special to be in touch with most of you by phone in September. We are a GREAT class! I look forward to the next Reunion. Hmmm... 2015! Let’s do it! Our winter 2013 highlight was daughter Erica’s traditional Hawaiian Wedding on Maui to David Quisenberry whom she met while working to restore native plants on Maui’s Haleakula Volcano. The ocean-side wedding was idyllic with whales breaching in the background as the sun set! Four months later, they announced a Nov ’14 expected arrival of a baby boy! He will join 2 other grand- children living with our Heidi in San Francisco. Beat & I did the wonderful Norwegian Coastal Voyage—scenic & fascinating. I am still busy as a Travel Consultant and renting the 6 apartments in our 2 brand new chalets in the charming village of Murren. If you wish to tour/hike/ski Switzerland, this is a fabulous place for you! Life is good.”

WMS note: Nancy also spoke beautifully and lovingly at the Catherine Houghton Arts Center dedication.

You can read Nancy’s remarks along with those of the other speakers at: whitemountain.org/newsandevents (10/22/2013).

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Nancy Richards Dodson ’61 writes, “We became grandparents in March of grandson Rowan Dodson Holmes. Our daughter Sara and her husband, Stephen, are proud parents of an especially adorable baby boy. Sara and Stephen, both architects, live just 8 miles away in Chester, CT so we see them often. I hear from so many people that their children and grandchildren are miles away, so we feel very lucky to be able to share his childhood. Since Sara has gone back to work, we have daycare duty three days a week now and that he’s 7 months old it’s a lot easier to take care of him. Three months of colic wasn’t easy! Since we’ve both retired now, this new “project” has galvanized our attention on something new and fascinating every day. Last year on a trip through VT and NH we stopped at SMS and I met the headmaster and had a look around. It still has the same “feel” of an old mansion-house, but new buildings and updated facilities certainly bring it into the 21st c. Since I achieved the grand age of 70 and have been married 40 years, I feel a celebration coming on. Maybe a nice long trip somewhere! Greetings to all ’61s.

Tracey Smith Harris ’61 reports, “I have lived in the NYS Capital Region (Schenectady area) since 1980. My husband and I are both still working, with our own businesses—his is in the financial field and I own an “upscale” women’s consignment shop (12 ½ years) and neither of us wants to retire—both love what we do! Our 2 adult kids are in the Albany area also—Kristin is 43 (graduated from URI—very successful in sales), married to an awesome guy (attorney and entrepreneur) and they have given us 2 wonderful grandchildren—Jack is 9 and Payton is 5. Our son, Greg (graduated from Curry College) is 36, single and lives in Saratoga Springs—he works for my husband, Rick. My mom and sister are also in Saratoga—my mom is 97 (my dad died at 90, with Alzheimer’s) and going strong—still very active—has become a good artist in her later years. She is truly amazing and an inspiration to all! Rick and I are fortunate that we are able to travel a fair amount, even with still working—we have great people helping in our respective businesses—I only keep in touch with Ruthie McGregor Glover ’61 at Christmastime. It will be wonderful to catch up on our classmate!”

Lee Montgomery ’61 writes the following, “I continue to be very involved with my four grandchildren (my
daughter Allison—a lawyer here in Boston—has two boys, Connor, 13 and Tyler 8 and daughter Caroline—an interior designer in Reading—has Grace, 4 and Teddy, 21 months). They keep me busy two days a week. I am still doing competitive dog agility with my American Cocker Spaniel, Lydia. I just took up road biking and completed my first serious bike trip—five days in Amherst, MA without falling off or getting lost! I went to NYC with my girls to celebrate my 70th in November and am looking forward to skiing in VT again this year. I send my best wishes to everyone in the class of ’61 and hope you will get in touch with me soon—four class notes is great but not the response I wished for. So all of you who are reading this and did not contact me, please do so! I really need more email addresses and certainly want more news!”

Jean Balivet Roper ’61 reports, “We still live on our Shenandoah Valley farm. Our Heather, her husband Greg and two awesome boys live in Brookfield, CT. Our Morgan is a USCG Cmdr. stationed in Guam, and our Blake, wife Melissa and baby, Sage, live in West Newton, MA.”

Sally Tully-Figueroa ’61 writes the following, “There’s so much to tell, I hardly know where to begin! My husband and I run PARE Este, Inc. but there are few members and we’re all old timers. Also, we’re running out of funds, especially to pay for our well-used low cost spay/neuter assistance program (SNAP), which I love doing. I’m still very active on Facebook, mostly for other species, and recently for some people. I really enjoy making “friends” all over the world (www.facebook.com/efpate), Greetings to everyone from the US colony of Puerto Rico.”

1962

Katherine Curtis Donahue ’62 writes, “I am still teaching anthropology at Plymouth State, just down the road from SMS/WMS. One son is now in Haven with his family and two sons are out in the Tahoe area. I got together with Anne Chambers Corbett ’62.”

1963

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Kit Cooke ’63 writes the following, “Hi all from the shores of Lake Champlain...What fun to catch up with everyone, and learn where/how everyone is surviving as we limp/ruminate into our later 60s. I hung up my skis quite some time ago, trading them in for a kayak. However, I’m now battling emphysema (yes, folks too many cigarettes over the years of reading students’ exams...), which has, I’m sorry to say, put a damper on my doing much traveling. I’m pretty content to surf the internet and read Scandinavian thrillers for amusement, though. I’m now quite happily retired from almost 40 years of teaching, the last 20 at Johnson State College here in VT, and living with my brother, Jim (now divorced). We keep a terribly messy abode, sharing it with our last remaining little feline, and look out onto Lake Champlain to be reminded of how lucky we are to live where we do.”

Cyndy Saliba Eames ’63 writes, “Bob and I have enjoyed retirement for over 12 years now and never had a problem keeping busy. We wonder how we ever found time to work?! I guess I’m not smart enough to hang up my skis yet...we do winter on our terms now with 2-3 week stays at our friends’ condo in Avon, CO. I did, however, get rid of the rollerblades. We have Mom just around the corner from us... she’s living independently (sort of) at 95+ but stopped driving a year ago. Boating has been a big part of our fun time here...we can get to Sanibel/ Captiva in about 20-25 min. by water and 75+ min. by car. Summers take us to Wells, ME where we enjoy all it has to offer. We did take a getaway to Burlington this summer and loved it and will probably return as the bike paths are awesome.”

Jan Mellor Horn ’63 reports the following, “Jim and I are pleasantly situated in our small beach condo in Blaine, Washington. We look across to the Peace Arch US /Canada Border crossing and White Rock Canada! After years of traveling back and forth to our Colorado mountain home, we decided to take an offer from a friend to rent our Colorado home for a year...So I purged our (unnecessary) possessions...stored antiques and filled a UHAUL with our dog and our dog’s (Annie....Labraddoodle ) and drove Northwest! Jim followed when all the details were completed! We are now in the condo remodel phase to create a more permanent living situation...AND testing our 44 year marriage in a small space...but downsizing is fun!!! I did immediately create a ‘studio’ in our guest bedroom...so all is good!”

Jill ‘Brit’ Britton Lovejoy ’63 writes in to say, “It’s been a very long time since I have seen all of you, but couldn’t just read all your emails and not get into the loop here too. I’ve had a wonderful life since leaving SMS, wonderful and very full. After leaving that June of ’63, I had another operation that August on the other knee, went to Pine Manor for a year, and over the next 7 years had another four, totaling 6 operations on my knees—4 on the right and 2 on the left. The last two, putting me into Mass General in Feb of ’71 and getting me out in August of ’71, 6 months in there. Obviously things have changed dramatically since then. What happened was that none of first four surgeries worked and so I had two grease and oil jobs so to speak, they just took out my knee caps, rearranged all the tendons, etc, and closed them up. Ever since they have been perfectly fine. All sports I continued to do gently, but for the most part they are strong. As for the other parts of my life, I married in ’72 to Dr. Fred Lovejoy, had three children and it’s been a great 40 years. Two of our kids are married, live and work in Boston. The third is not married, also living in Boston. We feel very blessed for sure. Our new little grandson was born a month ago to Ted and Amanda (our son and daughter in law) and he’s the apple of our eye. Fred has been at Children’s Hospital here in Boston forever and loves it still. He is Associate Chief there and wears many hats. I was very lucky and was able to be at home with our kids, while doing all the usual volunteer things in many areas.”

We have heard that Ilona Balogh Lowenthal ’63 opened another store in Queque, also out on Long Island, but different from her Hamptons store front. Both areas are real destination wedding spots, so she is very busy 6 months of the year.

Marcia Hayes Torrey ’63 writes, “My life to date has been a series of significant highs and some comparably low. I do have two beautiful and successful daughters (one in NYC and one in LA), and each has a two year old. Twins are due in March in NY. I’ve been moving back and forth between NYC and the Boston area for the past ten years—for family reasons—and have just made a big move to Los Angeles to be near my younger daughter, her husband and child. It’s strange and fascinating here. My passion, vocation, and avocation for many years has been Democratic politics. I’ve been on a roll for the last five years, working for Hillary Clinton, (and, ok, Anthony Weiner) Barack Obama, Deval Patrick, Congressman John Tierney of MA and lots of other progressive candidates. It’s a heartbreaking business when things go wrong, but nothing is more gratifying than a successful outcome for a campaign or issue. I worked for a long time in NY in the design industry which was amusing but, as you might suspect, not very satisfying. It amazes me how vivid my memories are of all of you, and I can’t wait to see you all again.”

Anne Zoppi ’63 reports, “Alas, I am in Utah for the winter chasing my favorite white things—the steep and deep. After 30 years of sitting indoors under the fluorescent lights and chasing “Trains, Planes and Automobiles” I retired and now spend the winters in Utah—skiing Alta—and the rest of the year between CT and VT. Emery is still working 12 hours a day and flying all over the world on a weekly basis. At 73 he shows no signs of slowing down, and I expect he will die in the saddle. He spends about a week a month with me in Utah but skis little and works lots while he is here.” For those of you who remember my mother, she is now 102 and going strong.

1965

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Take a look at the class of 1966 notes for some Martha’s Vineyard this summer. While there, they saw the timigreensboro@yahoo.com timelapse of Greensboro, NC, which is cooler than Phoenix and Tucson and has great variety in its landscapes.

Deborah Pigeon ’66, Susan Stout ’68, Louise Taylor ’68 and Anne Clark Bridge ’68 gathered in Martha’s Vineyard this summer. While there, they saw Deborah’s son, Eben Armor’s ’96, Stone Sculptures show hosted by the Kara Taylor Gallery. You can see Eben’s work at ebenarmer.com

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Margaret Lincoln ’67 writes, “After living in a temporary home in beautiful Sedona, AZ, for two years, I’ve now moved to a permanent home nearby in Prescott Valley, AZ. I have thought of myself as a desert person, but the older I get, the more important winter sunshine has become. The high desert of central and northern Arizona is cooler than Phoenix and Tucson and has great variety in its landscapes.”

1968
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Penny McIlwaine ’68 writes, “I have moved from my home of 35 years in Santa Cruz to be near my daughters in San Diego County. I am now the proud grandmother of Tyler (9 months) and Taylor (she is 4 months). I am so blessed to be holding babies!”

Take a look at the class of 1966 notes for some additional 1968 updates!

1969
56th Reunion!
Oct. 10-12, 2014
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Debby Logan McKenna ’69 writes the following, “Tim and I have taken up full time life in Big Sky, MT but plan on traveling to far off places during mud season. Our oldest son Toby was married there over Labor Day weekend and we were blessed with a classic bluebird day to celebrate. Ely Bowne Andrews ’70 and her husband, Sandy, came out for the event and the four of us went on to Glacier National Park after the festivities for 4 days of hiking. Our daughter is applying to nursing school in Boston and our youngest son is teaching 4th grade at a boy’s elementary school in San Francisco. They all love to visit us for skiing so we’re happy to be centrally located.”

Jennifer Lennox Moeykens ’69 writes, “I retired 3 years ago after 37 years of teaching and 34 of those at the Cornwall Elementary, Cornwall VT. My daughter, Elizabeth, is finishing her 7th year teaching elementary school in Middlebury. My husband and I no longer show our Belgian Draft horses in hitch classes (A six horse hitch) throughout New England. Now we enjoy sharing our knowledge with a younger couple and helping them show. Life is busy!”

Valle Patterson ’69 reports, “Another year is in the history books, and for some of us, 2013 has been a year for that long awaited retirement. Yes, I mean that most of us have achieved that magic age of 62! Congratulations to all of my 1969 classmates who have retired! And, with that said, next year will be our 45th reunion. Carol MacEwan Powers ’69 and I are planning to attend, and we are hoping for a big turnout. In May, Carol traveled with me to Hot Springs, SD, to help me with some personal affairs. We were able to take a day off to celebrate my birthday with a short trip to Custer State Park, and an afternoon at Mt. Rushmore. We had a wonderful day and it was a very memorable trip for both of us. My primary involvement and passion is volunteering a couple days a week, at Katz 4 Keeps, a private feline rescue and adoption facility. It’s great to keep in touch with you all throughout the year, via that crazy social network, called Facebook.”

Carol MacEwan Powers ’69 writes, “Mike retired at the end of July, we have just purchased a town house in Jacksonville and are looking forward to being settled for a long while. Valle and I are planning to come up to the school next fall to celebrate our 45th reunion and we hope to be joined by lots of our classmates.”

1971
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Lucille Collins Rahn ’71 writes, “Since 1980, I have been living in Savannah, GA, a beautiful area with bicycling, hiking, canoeing, and sailing—all conveniently nearby. Since 2005, I have enjoyed my work as a caregiver, 3-4 days a week, for Megan O’Neil. She is a darling girl and what a rewarding occupation. My dear husband, Willard, asked to ski Alta and we plan to get there again soon. He hopes to retire in Oct 2013!”

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60th Reunion!
Oct. 10-12, 2014
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We learned that Don Mayer ’76 was married to Emily Willems in a Blues Brothers-themed wedding in Las Vegas, Nevada on April 14, 2013. The couple is residing in Newbury, VT.”

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Sue Brown Black ’77, Jill Maconi Giolino ’77, Suzie Coughlin ’77, Sydney Henthorn ’77, Lisa Santeusanio Patey ’77, and Polly Pease ’77 took a road trip to Greenfield, MA this spring to surprise Peter Hadley ’78 with a visit at his new restaurant.

Take a look at the mother/child photo from Alumnae/i Weekend 2013 (page 29) of Suzie Coughlin ’77.
Scribes needed for the following classes:

Valle Patterson '69 and Carol MacEwan Powers '69.

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DJ Bousheri '78 reports that he is now an alum and a parent of WMS. His son, Cyrus, is a freshman at WMS. “My three years at The White Mountain School were the best of my life. The school shaped me.” He enjoyed catching up with classmates Alex MacPhail '78 and Caryl Taylor Quinn '78 at reunion this fall.

Millie Chapell '78 reports the following, “I was living in Cohasset, MA caretaking a family property and holding workshops and gatherings there. I've had some issues with my health the last couple of years (Lyme and a nerve virus) and the Florida climate was helpful in my recovery. I found a sweet little fishing town with two art co-ops and moved here in May. New England girl hits the South! I'm deep in it! Hello to our class of 1978.

Bruce Greenson-Freedman '78 is enjoying his life in Fort Lauderdale, FL where he and his partner have lived for 10 years. He lives a few blocks from the beach!

Lisa Hart Malloy '78 writes, “Even with an empty house, I’m busier than ever. I am happily living in the 19th century running a historic house museum and gardens. All three children are in college and adjusting well. I hosted Alex MacPhail '78 and Alison Simmons '78 at the 2013 Haddam Neck Fair where we all participated in the skillet throwing contest. Alison won a respectable 10th place!”

Alex MacPhail '78 has returned to her home in Kittery ME after teaching for three years in London. She writes that this past reunion, our 35th, led to memories of her quadrant (that she visited) and the spirituality of the mountains that surround the school.

Allison Ferrelli Morris '78 reports that she has enjoyed growing up and raising her three boys in Franconia. She is now feeling the empty nest and plans to board an airplane to visit her youngest son in Spokane, WA—time for some exploration. Breakfast at the Franconia Inn, recently, with Caryl Taylor Quinn '78 was delightful. This summer Allison also met up with Kay Morgan, former employee and former wife of Bob Whitten, teacher, and Maryann Tilton O’Leary '78.

We heard from Mary Tilton O’Leary '78 that WMS sparked her interest in the outdoors and nature and that she supports WMS because she feels it is important to instill this passion in others.

Caryl Taylor Quinn '78 returned to the school with her mother, Janet Lovejoy '50. We enjoyed visiting with Suzie Coughlan '77 and her mother Mary Newcomb Coughlan '49. “Our mothers were friends at Saint Mary’s as we were at White Mountain. Nooodle-Neeseelle.” Caryl also writes, “My favorite memory of our school is the production of Alice and Wonderland on the nature trail. Alex MacPhail was the perfect mad hatter with Cathy Staples '80 as Alice and Brad Gilbert '78 as the Caterpillar.” Take a look at the mother/child photo from Alumnae/i Weekend 2013 (page 29) of Caryl and Suzie with their moms!

Margot Rose Schwan '78 writes the following, “I live in Tacoma, WA, close to Seattle where I teach intensive ESL to international and immigrant students at a local community college. Last summer I taught English to young Japanese professionals and scholars from developing Asian countries at the International University of Japan. Now that my kids are almost grown, I can go on adventures and be paid for it! Thirty-five years is a long time!”

Niffer Stackpole ’78 is a chef at Paws Up Luxury Ranch in Montana. She reports that cooking on the banks of the Black Foot River is “glamping” at its finest.

1979
35th REUNION!
OCT. 10-12, 2014
THREE NIGHTS
THE WHITE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL
OCT. 10-12, 2014
THREE NIGHTS
THE WHITE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

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Joe and Sue (Garcia) ’79 Mori joined other WMSers at a recent Washington D.C. alumnae/i event.

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Andy Gallagher ’81 and Brooke Boardman ’83 are engaged to be married in the summer of 2014 and they say, “Thank you WMS”!

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Brooke Boardman ’83 and Andy Gallagher ’81 are engaged to be married in the summer of 2014 and they say, “Thank you WMS”!

Take a look at the mother/child photo from Alumnae/i Weekend 2013 (page 29) of Jessica Morin Metoyer ’83.
Vicky Preston Crawford ‘85 writes, “Though I have not been back to WMS in many years, I love connecting with old classmates through Facebook. I caught up with Jonathan Wadman ’85 in Portland, OR, which was great! I have been in Telluride for 23 years now and have an interior design building and home store and my 9 year-old daughter, Parker, is already an avid ski racer!”

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1992
Scribe: Chris Watson ’92 writes, “I was part of a 4 person team that completed the Race Across the West in June 2013. Our team took 1st place in our division and 2nd place overall. The race covers 860 miles from Oceanside, California to Durango, Colorado. We covered the distance in 2 days, 1 hour and 55 minutes.”

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Suzie Coughlan ‘77 and Caryl Taylor Quinn ‘78 joined their SMS moms at Alumnae/i Weekend 2013 (page 29) of Ian Dellenback ’84.

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Geoff Bedine writes, “I am living in Houston with my wife, 2 kids Alex (10) and Jenny (8) and Maltese. Doug Oelke ‘87 and Arie Hock ‘87 also live here in Houston and are Facebook friends. We are looking forward to getting together for a mini-reunion. A year ago, after 7 years in an executive role with a Fortune 500 company, I launched my own consulting company.”

1996
We heard from Deborah Pigeon’s ’66 friends, Susan Stout ‘68, Louise Taylor ‘68 and Anne Clark Bridge ‘68, that they saw Eben Armor’s ’96 (Deborah’s son), Stone Sculptures show hosted by the Kara Taylor Gallery on Martha’s Vineyard. You can see Eben’s work at: ebenarmor.com

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Echoes is a great way to stay connected! You can also stay up-to-date on the WMS facebook page, WMS picasa photo albums and through our monthly e-newsletter. Send your email address to: alumni@whitemountain.org.
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Lindsay Gilbert Quinn ’01 writes, “I have been on the move for many years, teaching English in Japan for a while! I just graduated from Seattle University with a Masters in Teaching degree, and recently purchased a home with my husband. We are finally staying put! I got a job teaching first grade at our local elementary school! My years at WMS definitely gave me a core love of education. I’ve been able to catch up with Sam Madeira ’01 a few times—he lives close by. Hope all is well there in The White Mountains. I miss it very much.”

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Emily Angeloni Pavidis ’02 writes, “I have been teaching childbirth classes and providing labor support to families in the Boston-Providence area.” You can check out her website: onelovechildbirth.com

2003
LaToya Isaac ’03 writes, “after (finally) becoming a U.S. citizen, and recently completing my Associates Degree in Paralegal Studies, I began work on my B.S. in Legal Studies which I plan to complete by December 2014. I continue to work while going to school part time, so life is busy! I had a great visit in Newport, RI recently with Hilary Otorowski ’03 and Liz Ginsberg ’05.”

Hilary Otorowski ’03 stopped by campus with her parents and grandmother. She will be completing her master’s degree in nursing in the spring of 2014. Hilary said that WFR led her to nursing and she is grateful for this experience at WMS that led her to her life work!

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Jeff Brown ’04 spent part of the summer backpacking across the regions of South Ossetia, Kazbegi, Khvereti and Tusheti in the Caucasus mountains. He writes that “All of these regions maintained distinct and separate cultures until the Soviet period and many of the villages are fortified to protect against attack from rival regions in Georgia, Chechens or the Ingush. There are still very, very few tourists. It has to be one of the prettiest places I have every seen: 15,000 foot peaks on all sides and ancient villages everywhere.”

Aljoscha Kubicek ’04 writes, “when I am not playing Lacrosse (thank you, Kirk Upton!), I am working in the Treasury Risk Management Department of Daimler AG (Mother company of Mercedes-Benz Cars). Right now I am a currency strategist, I finished my bachelor of International Business in 2010 and took my first CFA (chartered financial analyst) exam in December 2013.”

2005
We have heard that Owen Curvelo ’05 is living in Texas and writing novels!

Cassie (Immelt) ’05 Newman writes, “On June 15, 2013, Frank David Newman and I were married at my parents’ home in Maryland. Frank and I have moved to Pasadena, MD and are awaiting our next adventure!”

We have heard that James Weiner ’05 is a 1st Lt. in the USAF in Colorado Springs and that he got married this past summer!

Frank and Cassie (Immelt) ’05 Newman joined other WMSers at a recent Washington D.C. alumnae/i event.

2007
Emma White’s ’07 mom reports that Emma has finished college and is now off to New Orleans to be a teacher!
Jeff Fromouth ’07 joined other WMSers at a recent Washington D.C. alumnae/i event.

Hannah Brown ’09 is moving to Maine to continue studying primate behavior up north again because she misses the cold. She is taking her snotty pug and art deco furniture with her.

Sedona Chinn ’09 writes, I am teaching English in Beijing! I am also keeping a blog about my time here, which also has stories about my travels in India and Nepal: sedonagoes.wordpress.com.”

Davi da Silva ’09 writes that after graduating from the University of Chicago, majoring in mathematics and chemistry, he is back to the DC area to do research with the National Institute for Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering for a couple years while he figures out the rest of his life.

Jocellyn Harvey ’09 reports that she graduated from Champlain College with a writing degree and is currently working as a Production Editor at Dartmouth Journal Services.

Lauren Holland ’09 wrote in to say, “I have been doing well. I graduated from Connecticut College this past May with a Biochemistry, Cellular and Molecular Biology major. Right now I am job hunting at home in Texas and I plan to apply to graduate school for either the summer term or the next fall.”

Sharon Mazimba ’09 writes, “I graduated from St. Lawrence in May, 2013 and was supposed to go to Georgetown for grad school but it fell through for financial reasons. So as of now I am in the Boston area preparing myself to reapply to Public Health/Global Health programs for next fall.”

Jun Park ’09 reports, “After 3 years I transferred from medical school to the Kaunas University of Technology. I am now studying mechatronics (a new subject that combines electronics with mechanics). I haven’t been this excited about life and school since being at WMS! Soon after I transferred, I also met Nina Bartsh ’07! Small world.”

Davi da Silva ’09 and Kyllan Gilmore ’09 joined other WMSers at a recent Washington D.C. alumnae/i event.

2009 5th REUNION! OCT. 10–12, 2014
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Nick Holzthum ’10 transferred to Syracuse University and is majoring in Disabilities Studies.

We heard that Zach King ’10 recently went on a four-week trip to study the Telemark Watershed in Norway with a group of fellow Prescott College students.

Jialian (Michelle) Li ’10 writes, “I spent part of last summer in London taking classes and doing an internship. Last spring Lydia, Amazjah, Pan and I had dinner together in Syracuse—a mini-WMS reunion!”

Matt Sutton ’10 and Esthy Rodriguez ’10 joined other WMSers at a recent Washington D.C. alumnae/i event.

2011
Andy Hirschfeld ’11 writes that he continues to be involved with environmental issues and student government at St. Edward’s University. Urban sustain-
ability remains his focus and he is even working on a book entitled “Building the Model City”.

We heard that Dennis O’Brien ‘11, a sophomore at Clark University, is majoring in Geography—Earth System Sciences. He recently became a big brother to an 8 year-old immigrant from Southeast Asia and he also plays Lacrosse for Clark.

Reports are that Jim Slaney ‘11 is studying abroad—Calc 4, in French—wow! Check out his awesome blog: http://joilfrance.blogspot.com

2012

Yayun Grace Shen ’12 wrote that college is going well and that she is majoring in Public Financial Management and that she decided to take an acting class fall semester!

We’ve heard that Tom Umbricht ’12 continues to enjoy Quest University after spending some time studying abroad and also doing some laboratory work at Johns Hopkins University this summer.

2013

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FACULTY NOTES

WMS welcomes another member to our community! Colden Lee Aldrich was born on August 12, 2013, joining his parents Ryan and Lizzie Aldrich, faculty members, and his older sister, Avery.

Meglyn Bull, Office Manager/Bookkeeper married Don Lavoie on August 25, 2013. Congratulations Meglyn and Don!

Jack Hood, former Head of School, writes, “My life continues to be wonderful. My wife, Irene Brown, and I have enjoyed our combined families (my three sons and three grandchildren. Irene has two daughters and three grandchildren). I still have great memories of my eight years at WMS.”

Congratulations to Jaime Pollitte and Jill Fineis, both former faculty members, on their recent marriage: October 5, 2013!

Tali Shi, former faculty member, and her husband Liang welcomed a beautiful baby girl on 9/3/2013. Her name is, Tianqi (天琪) Jade Shi (史) meaning: Beautiful jade from heaven, and is pronounced, Tien Chi Jade Shi. Chinese format: 史天琪

Congratulations to Barbara Buckley, faculty member, on her recent M.Ed. with a writing education concentration from Plymouth State University.
FRIENDS WE’LL MISS...

DR. CATHERINE “KITTY” HOUGHTON ’60, TRUSTEE

The White Mountain School community is deeply saddened by the loss of Catherine “Kitty” Houghton ’60, who died tragically on January 28, 2013. She is survived by her two sisters; her step-sister; and several nieces and nephews.

After graduating from St. Mary’s-in-the-Mountains, Kitty earned her B.A. from the University of California, Berkeley and later her M.A. and Ph.D. from Stanford University. Kitty served in the Peace Corps and as an international officer for Bank of America. She spent most of her professional career in the U.S. Foreign Commercial Service, serving all over the world. Kitty spoke 14 languages, with fluency in 6. Upon retiring, Kitty obtained her private pilot license and volunteered her piloting services for AngelFlight and for LightHawk. Kitty was a member of the Ninety-Nines, an international organization of women pilots, since 1996. Throughout her life Kitty remained an avid hiker, skier and musician, singing in several choirs.

Kitty was a strong student and athlete at St.-Mary’s-in-the-Mountains, whose love of music, the mountains and her St. Mary’s friends continued to play a prominent role throughout her life. She returned to her alma mater as a member of the Board of Trustees in 2010 to, in part, honor all that she had learned and the deep connections she had made while a student at St. Mary’s. WMS is forever grateful to Kitty for spearheading efforts to fund a full-time music program and to build a new arts center. Following her death, the Board of Trustees voted to name the building the Catherine Houghton Arts Center in honor of Kitty.

Kitty will be remembered for her kindness, love of music, keen intellect and adventurous spirit. She lived life to its fullest, pursuing each next step with curiosity and joy. Through her words, actions and deeds she has inspired countless others to do the same. Remembrances of Kitty and her life were delivered at the Catherine Houghton Arts Center dedication and can be found at www.whitemountain.org/newsandevents (10/22/2013).

MARY DAWES ARMKNECHT ’56
Mary Dawes Armknecht ’56 died November 25, 2012. Mary was the wife of Robert for 51 years and the mother of Robert Armknecht Jr. and Susan Armknecht. Mary’s life was devoted to her family to whom she provided warmth, support and unconditional love. Outside the home, she served on the Ladies Committee of the Museum of Fine Arts, as well as the Warrant Committee and the Board of Selectmen of the town of Dover. Mary was an accomplished horticulturist and was a national horticulture judge for the Garden Club of America.

PRISCILLA HEATH BARNUM ’38
Priscilla Heath Barnum ’38 passed way at her home in Princeton, NJ, on January 17, 2013. After graduating from St. Mary’s-in-the-Mountains, Priscilla earned her B.A. from Smith College and then served in the U.S. Navy as part of the first WAVE unit in Washington DC during WWII. Following the war she received a doctorate in English and Medieval studies from Syracuse University, and taught at both Syracuse and Rutgers. Priscilla married Theron Crouse Barnum, with whom she had four children; Diana, Terry, Parker and Benjamin. She later married Theodore Draper. She is survived by her daughter and three sons; her stepson; and her grandson.

ANNE BURTON BLAKELEY ’79
Anne Burton Blakeley ’79 died in her home on November 4, 2012, at age 51. She had pancreatic cancer. Anne was a hospice nurse with the Essentia Hospice and Palliative Care Program. She was an artist and, above all, a loving wife, mother, daughter, sister and friend. Anne is remembered as especially sweet, kind and loving. She is survived by her husband, two sons, parents and sister.

RUTH LACROIX DARLING ’43, FORMER TRUSTEE
Ruth LaCroix Darling ’43, Former Trustee died on March 20, 2013 in Salem, MA. She was the beloved wife of Nelson J. Darling Jr., with whom she shared 64 years of marriage, a loving mother to her five children and a loving grandmother and friend to many. After graduating from St. Mary’s-in-the-Mountains, Ruth earned a B.A. from Bennett College, NY. During World War II, she served in the United States Navy (WAVES). A long time member of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Greater Lynn, Ruth volunteered for and supported numerous local organizations as well as SMS/WMS. She enjoyed music both in church and at the Boston Symphony. Ruth remained an avid outdoors woman throughout her life, loved to travel and is reported to have been a crackerjack card player!

ELIZABETH HARDING FOSTER ’43
Beth Harding Foster ’43 passed away in December, 2012 in Atherton, CA. A longtime supporter of SMS and of WMS, Beth will be missed.

FAYE MANSUR GRANT ’56
Faye Mansur Grant ’56 died on May 10, 2012. After attending Saint Mary’s-in-the-Mountains, Faye graduated from Concord High School and then attended both Springfield College and Franklin Pierce College. Faye worked for the State of New Hampshire for over 20 years, was a lifelong supporter of the Boston Red Sox, Celtics and Bruins. She also loved summers in coastal Maine with her family. Faye is survived by three children, seven grandchildren and her sister.

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Samuel Robinson II, Former Head of School

WMS mourns the passing of former Head of School Sam Robinson II, who died on January 6, 2013. A career educator, Sam Robinson dedicated 35 years of his life to various academic institutions, with a five-year tenure at The White Mountain School. He is survived by his wife; 3 children and 2 step-children; 3 grandchildren and 2 brothers.

Sam served on several independent school boards of trustees and worked with private schools seeking accreditation with the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. He co-founded the Center for Equity and Excellence in Education which advocates for racial and economic diversity in independent schools. Until his death he mentored troubled youth in Boston and students in the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Helen “Penny” Pennock Holt ’59

Helen “Penny” Pennock Holt ’59 died peacefully on June 16, 2013 from kidney and heart failure. After graduating from St. Mary’s-in-the-Mountains, Penny earned a B.A. in sociology from Boston University in 1966 and, later, an M.A. in Counseling from Saint Joseph College and an M.A. in Religious Studies from Yale University. Penny worked in counseling but found her true passion in Shakespeare, teaching classes at the Chautauqua Institution and Hartford College for Women. Penny is survived by her husband, sisters, brother, nieces and nephews.

Adriana Lathrop Jahna ’55

Adriana Lathrop Jahna ’55 passed away on January 3, 2013 due to heart failure. Following graduation from St. Mary’s-in-the-Mountains, she went to Webber College. She met and married Noel (Budgie) Clyde Jahna in 1956. In addition to raising her five daughters, Adriana was employed by E.R. Jahna Industries until her retirement. Adriana excelled at golf, bridge and flower arranging. She maintained a life-long membership in the DAR, belonged to The Society of Mayflower Descendants, was active in the Colonial Dames, and was a member of the University of Florida Gator Booster Club. She is survived by her daughters, grandchildren, sister and two brothers.

The Rt. Rev. Douglas Edwin Theuner, VIII

On November 8, 2013 the WMS community mourned the loss of The Rt. Rev. Douglas Edwin Theuner, VIII Bishop of New Hampshire (Episcopal Diocese). He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Sue, and two children, Elizabeth and Nicholas ’88, and by five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. Bishop Theuner held a B.A. from the College of Wooster; B.D. from Bexley Hall, the Divinity School of Kenyon College; and a M.A. in history from the University of Connecticut. Bishop Theuner served congregations in Ohio and Connecticut before being elected bishop coadjutor of New Hampshire in 1985. Consecrated in St. Joseph’s Roman Catholic Cathedral, Manchester, in 1986, Bishop Theuner served as bishop of New Hampshire until his retirement in 2004. From 1994 to 2002, he was the president of the First Province (New England) of the Episcopal Church and a member of the Presiding Bishop’s Council of Advice (president for five years). Bishop Theuner was active in many local, national and international organizations throughout his career and retirement.

Bishop Thueener served on the Board of Trustees of The White Mountain School from 1986-2003 after which he was named an Honorary Trustee. His work for our School was broad, deep and always from the heart.

Ruth Cook P’91, trustee and former board chair, writes, “Along with his deep faith, Doug had the gift of understanding—persons, people, relationships, and situations. Combined with his wisdom and spontaneous wit, he gently yet firmly promoted progress throughout all these areas. His faith and abilities were gifts given throughout his encompassing engagement with the School and our community.”

In December, a generous donor established the Bishop Douglas E. Theuner Endowed Scholarship at The White Mountain School to honor his long-standing commitment to the WMS and our students. Additional gifts to the endowed fund may be directed to the School for the Bishop Theuner Scholarship Fund.
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