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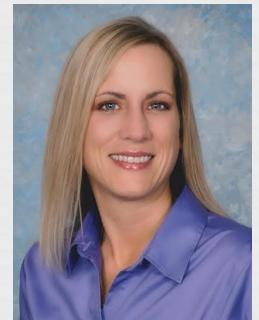
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MCI welcomes new Dean of Academics, Eveline Bailey

During MCI's Parent Weekend in October, parents met MCI's new Dean of Academics, **Eveline Bailey**, who joined the administration earlier in the school year. Originally from Texas, Bailey said she is enjoying Maine's seasons and looks forward to working with MCI's students and parents. She added, "It felt like home as soon as I arrived on campus."



Bailey graduated magna cum laude from Houston Baptist University with a triple major in English, political science and secondary education. Before joining MCI, Bailey chaired the English department at La Port High School (in Texas) where she was the AP programs coordinator and led numerous committees. Bailey also operates an outside consulting business where she provides guidance to many schools regarding literacy learning. Bailey is a consultant for the College Board.

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From the Headmaster

Dear Alumni, Parents, and Families of MCI,

The 2018-19 school year is well underway and, once again, thanks to the dedication and care of our remarkable faculty, staff and administrators at MCI, we're building on past enhancements and successes to transform the student experience both in and outside of the classroom.

Specifically, we've expanded offerings outside of the school day. Most activities are based in academics: every day after school, we offer tutorials in all disciplines for students who need extra support and SAT prep classes in the afternoons and on Saturdays. Other activities involve extended hours in the new Visual and Performing Arts Education Center for students to practice and rehearse on their own or receive guided instruction from our extraordinary visual arts, drama and music educators. We also offer activities that are purely recreational, like volleyball, chess, or ultimate Frisbee and wiffle ball on the Savage Boutelle Lawn.

Additionally, faculty teams are responsible for offering additional opportunities and on- and off-campus activities throughout the weekend. Some healthy competition has even emerged among these teams concerning which group can get the most student involvement!

The goal is twofold: MCI is increasing our efforts to provide activity-based alternatives for students to make friends with each other outside the classroom in productive, safe, healthy ways and, since this year's school theme is Global Citizenship, we're addressing this on campus by offering a varied menu (see the photos on page 8) of activities that engage our student body from twenty different Maine towns, five states and eighteen countries, together into small groups with similar interests.

MCI can offer such an initiative because of the generosity of the adults who serve the School and our students. Please join me in thanking them: I can tell you that in my 31-year career in education, not every educational institution is as fortunate in this area of adult commitment as MCI!

Sincerely,
Christopher J. Hopkins



*Christopher J. Hopkins,
MCI Headmaster*

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MCI 'App Camp' makes programming FUN!

In August 2018, MCI students introduced App Camp, a weeklong day camp for area grade school children to immerse them into the world of computer science – specifically to create applications (apps) for cell phones and tablets. **Avery Gosselin '19, Dyllon Dunton '20 and Sarah Welch '18** designed and implemented App Camp under the guidance of former MCI Computer Science teacher, Hannah Walden.

“We hoped to interest younger students in computer science early on,” said Gosselin. “And we wanted kids to be familiar with MCI before they come to campus as students.”

Dunton added, “And we wanted kids to have positive experiences with computer science at MCI.”

Approximately thirteen kids signed up, ranging in ages from six to sixteen years of age and with varying levels of computer proficiency. “Although the older kids were familiar with basic computer science at Warsaw Middle School, no one had tried Code.org (the platform App Camp used for daily assignments), so they were all like blank slates in the beginning,” Gosselin explained. “They

quickly got up to speed, and many were more creative in their approaches and problem-solving than we ever expected.”

Dunton explained that App Camp was free and MCI loaned school laptops for participants to use for the program: “It was important to make App Camp available to anyone with an interest regardless of family resources or previous computer experience.” He added, “We want computer science to be available to anyone with an interest in learning about it.”

During App Camp, participants created an Escape Room app. According to Dunton and Gosselin, the children quickly jumped in to create apps and requested additional assignments every day to explore innovative ways to approach challenges. They were so eager to learn that they quickly moved past Code.org lessons to learn Javascript during the last days of camp. Instead of giving certificates of completion on the last day, participants shared their apps with their parents, who downloaded the apps onto their phones or tablets. “We were all together for that last day, and it was obvious how proud the kids were to see their apps in use and how amazed their parents were with their child’s efforts,” Gosselin shared.

SOLI: The Benefits of Inclusion

Every August, MCI welcomes students from all over the world to study and experience high school on our campus with kids who grew up here and live in central Maine. Leaving home to study abroad can be daunting, and coming to a new country to attend school where everyone speaks English can be overwhelming. Acclimating to a new school and culture is vital, since failure to do so can lead to isolation at a time when inclusion and acceptance are the most important things that new students need.

Several years ago, MCI introduced the Student Orientation and Language Immersion (SOLI) program for international students to acclimate to the campus and community while intensely studying English and American culture. A few years ago, MCI asked teacher **Andy Beach** to lead SOLI. “When I joined MCI’s SOLI program three years ago, we created goals for the program, which are to teach students English, build lasting friendships among students, and strengthen students’ bonds with MCI,” Beach explained. “I firmly believe SOLI does that effectively with the kids who participate in the program.”

He added, “Some kids ask to participate in the SOLI program over and over because it’s also a lot of fun!”

New international students are invited to come to MCI early to participate with American students and teacher volunteers in intensive English instruction and bonding through fun activities, team building and social events. Beach explained. “Many new students realize the benefits of the program as their school year proceeds and many ask to participate when it’s offered again. SOLI makes a huge difference in their adjustment to Maine, Pittsfield and the MCI community.”

SOLI participants are organized into teams. Every day, students learn English, American history and culture, then in the afternoons and evenings, they participate in outdoor activities, dancing, exploring Pittsfield’s parks and green spaces, and improvisational acting. Beach explained that the program is designed to take participants out of their comfort zones and develop bonds with each other. “A great way to do that is through performance and speaking in front of others,” he explained. For many students, this can be a profoundly difficult task that ultimately can reap



meaningful results. “Even the most unexpected moments that cause laughter and levity can be the strongest bonding moments for students and staff.”

Beach said the success of SOLI is connected to the people in the MCI community who help shape the program – **John Buys, Debra Susi, Tamika Chisolm, Abigail Bergdoll ’15, Kim Shorey ’86, John Dean, Jessica Libby, Jacob Gerrie, Avery Gosselin ’19, Caitlin McKenney ’19 and Pedro de Roberto Fernandes ’19.**

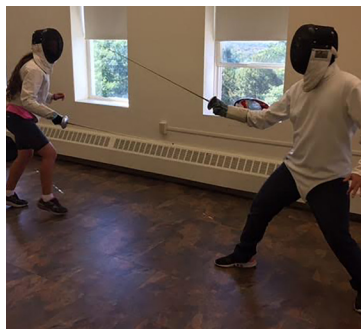
“One of the best parts of SOLI is its flexibility – if someone has an idea that might work with students, we try it. And that’s often how we come up with our most popular activities.”

Marko Vukasinovic ’19, a senior from Serbia, commented, “All in all, the SOLI program is an amazing experience. It helped me get accustomed to the US culture as well as introduce me to my future classmates and teachers.” He added, “The best thing was it made us, the group experience, so much stronger that we all formed a very special bond that’s going to last a long time.”

According to **Son Hai “Andrew” Dao ’19**, a senior from Viet Nam, “The program itself provides students the chance of getting to know each other and building really strong bonds throughout the school year.”

Sustaining a Vibrant Community

At the beginning of the school year, the MCI faculty and staff committed to provide more academic, artistic and activity-based alternatives for students with the goal of making friends with each other outside the classroom safely. Since this year's school theme is Global Citizenship, MCI offers a varied menu of activities for students who want additional academic help, build friendships outside the classroom, or enjoy what Maine has to offer.



MCI's Community Service Days: Encouraging students to give back

MCI students have a long tradition of giving back to the community. The most visible gesture is MCI's Community Service Day held in the fall and on the last day of school in June. On those days, students and their advisor groups are given a task in the community to help, whether the need is to rake leaves, clear brush, remove debris from Mill Pond or stack fire wood.

Introduced by **Headmaster Hopkins** eleven years ago, Community Service Days are ways to help community members who need assistance with outdoor projects – getting the yard ready for winter or cleaning up debris in the spring.

“I believe area residents look forward to MCI's Community Service Days as much as our students do,” said **Scott Giallombardo '00**, who organizes these events. “It is always a pleasant surprise to hear from neighbors and friends in the community who have a need for help or want to know when the next service day will be. Everyone is deeply grateful that MCI students offer this service.”

On October 31, 416 students helped members of the community who responded to MCI's call for projects.

“It's fun to get outside and help,” said sophomore **Grace Brown '21**. “Working with friends outdoors is lots of fun and easy because when there are many hands to help, the work is a lot easier.”

Beverly Rollins commented: “Usually we can clean up our leaves, but we have had some unexpected health issues this year, and we really needed help from MCI students. So we say a huge thank you!”



From Fun in the Sun to Season of Joy

By Elizabeth Audet, BBT Manager



Every summer, students from all over the world gathered on MCI's campus for Bossov Ballet Theatre's Summer Performance Intensive. Their goal is to hone their technique under the expert instruction of four Vaganova-trained teachers, culminating in a full-length ballet performance – this year, it was *Swan Lake*.

A mere thirty minutes from Maine's Swan Lake State Park, the Hampden Academy Performing Arts Center in Hampden provided the perfect setting for arguably the most challenging, complex and beautiful ballet in the classical repertoire. Costumes were specially commissioned and designed for this production by ballet seamstress Ekaterina Vladimirovna Yakovleva in Moscow, Russia. International award-winning artist, Anna Afshar, designed and created an original backdrop for the production thanks to a generous gift by long-time BBT supporter, Bill Heine. Students had an opportunity to take art class and practice plein air painting with Afshar. Former American Ballet Theatre photographer Gene Schiavone provided photography expertise.



When not dancing, students found time to study fencing, astronomy, canoeing at Peaks-Kenny State Park, and marine biology in Acadia National Park. On July 4th, students learned stand-up

paddle boarding and tested their team-building skills on a low ropes course in Freeport. Guest artist Lester Gonzalez, who danced the role of Prince Siegfried, noted, "Maine is a great place to connect with nature and appreciate its beauty. I will definitely come and visit again."

In October, Bossov students proved that a classically trained ballet dancer can go anywhere when, at MCI's Cultural Celebration, they presented a spirited take on Irish dance that would leave Michael Flatley a-flutter. In October, senior students helped younger dancers celebrate Halloween with special choreography they created for them just right for the time of year.

As pumpkins made way for frost and snowflakes, visions of sugarplums danced in students' heads – not to mention in the studio. Bossov Ballet is planning to present four performances of the perennial favorite, *The Nutcracker*, at the Waterville Opera House on December 14-16. According to MCI senior, **Astrud Robichaud '19**, "I just love the energy of *The Nutcracker*, especially here. I really cannot wait to be backstage with my girls because of course there are nerves, but more than anything, there is joy. Even in rehearsals there is a sense of joy, which will translate to the stage."

And that joy is what keeps us going.

Athletics

By Jim Leonard, Athletic Director

This fall, athletics at Maine Central Institute hit the ground running, starting Husky Homecoming 2018, which was a great success.



The MCI school community—students, athletes and parents—came together to produce a memorable week. A pep rally, parade, class competitions, bonfire, and the Homecoming Games themselves were followed by



the induction of four new members into the MCI Athletic Hall of Fame. MCI honored inductees **Andrea Cianchette Maker '75**, **Jethro Ferguson '92**, **Emily Walker Anderson '94** and **Andrew St. Clair '02** (see article on page 13).

This fall, two teams defended state championships. MCI field hockey defeated three-time defending champion York by a 5-0 score last season to win the Class B title. In football, the Huskies looked to hold on to their Class C state title, earned with a 30-13 victory over Cape Elizabeth in last year's state game.

Both teams followed up with outstanding seasons with both field hockey and football advancing to the regional semifinal round before being defeated.

Our soccer team was competitive despite a rough schedule, finishing strong with a talented cast returning next year.

The golf team qualified for the State Tourney, finishing fourth in the KVAC. Senior **Anna Smith** and sophomore **Thomas Parker** qualified for the State Individual Golf Championship: Smith finished fourth in the Girls Individual Championship - the best finish by a female golfer in MCI history!





Shown (left to right): Jim Leonard, Ray Berthelette, Ron and Sue Friend, Woody Moore, and **Tom Bertrand '90**

Friend family gift benefits entire MCI community

Thanks to a generous offer from an alumni family, the MCI campus community will be stronger in the years to come. At an announcement made in September, **Headmaster Hopkins** explained that the Friend family contacted the school earlier this year with an offer to fund the entire cost of new strength and conditioning equipment for the Ed Cianchette '50 Memorial Weight Room located in Parks Gym. MCI gratefully accepted the \$39,000 gift from **Ron '65** and **Susan Friend '66** of Pittsfield. Ron was inducted into the MCI Athletic Hall of Fame in 2017. The family connection to the School goes back at least five generations that include Ron's grandfather, **Earle Friend '19**, Ron's father, **Harry Friend '42**, the Friend's three adult children, **Adam '92**, **Abby Friend Walker '95**, and **Aric '97**, and their two grandchildren, **Victoria '19** and **Ryan '21**, who are MCI student athletes.

"Throughout MCI's history," Hopkins said, "donors to MCI have given willingly and joyfully to build and renovate our campus. The Friend family saw a need, approached us with their generous offer, and now we are pleased to recognize and thank Ron, Sue and their family for this gift that benefits the entire MCI campus community."

Hopkins recognized MCI volunteer strength and conditioning coach, assistant football coach and Cianbro employee, **Woody Moore**, and football volunteer and

part-time information systems specialist at MCI, **Ray Berthelette**, who worked for hundreds of hours to empty, clean, and paint the weight room and then install the new equipment. Members of the MCI Football team assisted by moving both the old and new equipment.

According to Moore, who is on campus five days a week in the weight room to supervise students who want to improve their strength and conditioning, "The space is now more open and functional thanks to the nine multi-purpose squat racks that allow students to work in groups at one station for virtually everything they need while training. The new gear allows students to squat, bench, power clean, deadlift and do multiple variations of pull-ups right inside the same rack. This is an amazing gift to MCI."

The weight room is open to all MCI students, faculty and staff.



Teresa Cianchette, and son, Ted '76, at the unveiling of the new sports equipment for the **Ed Cianchette '50 Memorial Weight Room**



Shown (left to right): Andrew St. Clair, Jethro Ferguson, Emily Walker, and Andrea Cianchette Maker

MCI Inducts Four to its Athletic Hall of Fame

On September 8, MCI inducted four into its Athletic Hall of Fame as part of the School's 2018 Homecoming festivities. This year's honored alumni are **Andrea Cianchette Maker '75**, **Jethro Ferguson '92**, **Emily Walker Anderson '94**, and **Andrew St. Clair '02**.

Andrea Cianchette Maker '75 was a member of the varsity basketball and field hockey teams for three years and was also a cheerleader. A well-rounded student, Maker participated in several clubs and activities. She was a co-recipient of the Paul W. Legge Physics Award, was a Manson Essay finalist, and was the third Honor Essayist at graduation, where she received the coveted Faculty Cup. In college, Maker was an avid rower on the University of New Hampshire Crew Team, where she won a silver medal in the Head of the Charles Regatta in 1976, placed in the Head of the Charles Regatta in 1977 and won a gold medal in the National Women's Rowing Association national competition in 1978 as a rower with College Boat Club. Maker also pedaled 3,200 miles from Seattle to Pittsfield with three other women in the summer of 1978. Maker received her bachelor of science degree in business administration at the University of New Hampshire's Whittemore School of Business and Economics, and her juris doctorate from the University of Maine School of Law. She is a partner at Pierce Atwood LLP, where she leads the Government Relations Practice group. Between

her tenure at Pierce Atwood, Maker served as vice president of Corporate Affairs for Martin's Point Health Care, spent more than ten years as Director of Public Affairs for the former Champion International Corp., and has provided government and public relations services to numerous clients in various industries. Maker is married to Scott Maker, is the mother of four children and continues to row with the Yarmouth Rowing Club.

Jethro Ferguson '92 was a four-year member of MCI's football and basketball teams, played baseball and ran track for a year. He was a member of the Spanish Club, Key Club and National Honor Society. He was also a Manson Essay finalist. After graduating from MCI in 1992, Ferguson attended Middlebury College in Vermont where he studied pre-architecture and was a member of the Panther football and basketball teams all four years, earning eight varsity letters. Ferguson moved to New York City after college and began his career in advertising, first as an account executive with Ammirati Puris Lintas Digital and then with Ogilvy Interactive where he held various leadership roles in New York and London working with global clients like American Express, IBM and UPS. Ferguson also earned his MBA from New York University's Stern School of Business in 2003. He is currently with Publicis Groupe, one of the world's largest advertising holding companies, first as the

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Alumni Profile: Samuel Gachagua '12

When **Samuel Ikua Gachagua '12** stepped onto the MCI campus in 2009 as a sophomore, he had never been to Maine. In fact, this was the first time he had flown across the ocean from his homeland of Kenya. Yet, by the time he graduated, not only had he transformed into a young adult with a promising future, Gachagua helped change MCI, too. His senior project, "Five Days of Kindness" blossomed into MCI's Kindness Krew that continues to promote and engage students in acts of kindness at the School and in the community as well as on the national and global level.

"MCI students and faculty understood what kindness was," he explained. "So I had faith that they could see how their small acts of kindness could transform a community and, ultimately, the world." During his senior year, Gachagua and the Kindness Krew were motivated to collect a thousand pairs of shoes for Kenyan children who were required to wear shoes to go to school: ultimately, over three thousand pairs were collected, proving Gachagua's point that people are willing to do what they can to help others in need.

He added, "Kindness is the light that transforms the world's darkest places." Kindness has been a working theme throughout his life. Kindness brought him to MCI to study, thanks to the support of the Hope Runs organization. In 2014, Sam co-authored the book, *Hope Runs*, with Claire Diaz-Ortiz. The book chronicles Sam's life growing up in a Kenyan orphanage and his journey to the United States, MCI and beyond.



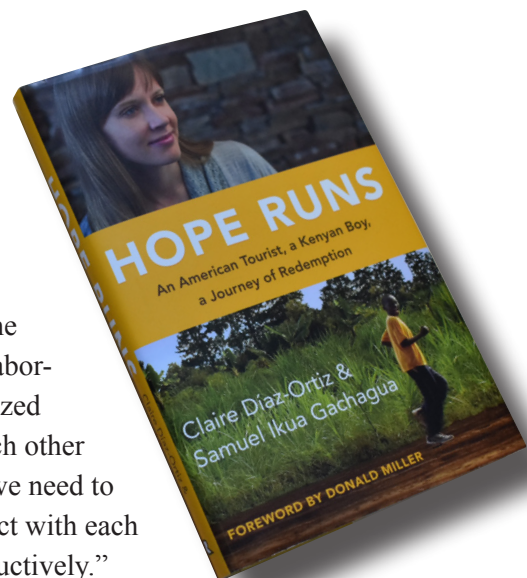
"Kindness is directly linked to understanding each other," Sam explained, "which is vital to being a productive global citizen. We don't have to agree on everything, we just need a common place to begin that process."

Sam emphasized the importance of collaboration in our globalized world. "Fear of each other leads to hate, and we need to learn how to interact with each other to work productively."

Since graduation, Sam has been busy volunteering in Ecuador for Global Citizen Year, a gap year program that gives high school graduates the experience, skills, and network needed to change the world. Eager to return to his family in Kenya, Sam completed his work with the organization and enrolled in the United States International University in Nairobi where he is currently studying international relations. Sam is also involved with Samburu Girls Foundation, where he is the liaison and girls development officer.

"My sister was my biggest motivation to get involved in this organization," Sam explained, since young Kenyan girls in rural areas are at risk of rape, abuse, genital mutilation and death. "I want to improve the lives of girls in Kenya – no person ever deserves to be marginalized."

In what little spare time he has as a busy college student, Sam enjoys his work with the Samburu Girls Foundation, motivational speaking and spending time with friends and family, especially his brother and sister who live in Kenya.



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Samuel Gachagua '12

Notes from Cianchette House

By Alicia J. Nichols, Dean of Advancement

“What is advancement?” It’s a good question and one I’ve been asked frequently since becoming MCI’s Dean of Advancement last July. Quite simply, it is the work we do to advance the mission of MCI. The work of the MCI Advancement Office staff focuses on fundraising, but we do so much more than invite people to contribute to the Annual Fund and Founders Campaign.

Our team of four full-time and one part-time staff is responsible for MCI’s alumni relations, organizing and hosting major events for Reunion, the MCI Hall of Fame and Athletic Hall of Fame, as well as smaller gatherings connected to arts and athletics throughout the year.

We coordinate the School’s marketing and external communications, generate social media and public relations, maintain the school website, a database of more than 7,000 records, and the historical archive.

Throughout the year, we work with alumni to plan Reunion activities, and we are always seeking volunteer class agents who reach out to connect with their classmates.

We are proud of MCI students, faculty and staff, and thoroughly enjoy promoting their accomplishments



The Ralph and Edna Cianchette House - home to MCI's Admissions and Advancement offices.

both on social media as well as in the news. If you’re on *Facebook*, *Twitter* or *Instagram*, you may see our photos of students in the classroom, arts, athletics and afterschool activities, and our dedicated faculty, staff, and volunteer leaders. We also publish *The Alumnus* twice a year, which is filled with school news, Class Notes and feature stories.

We’re grateful to the hundreds of alumni and friends who support the Annual Fund, helping to create a vibrant campus community; and the Founders Campaign, building a stronger future for MCI. Best of all, we love hearing from **you**. By phone, email, letters and in-person, please stay in touch!

Checking in with Robert Elmer III '66

Robert Elmer III '66 graduated from MCI as a post-graduate and, for 25 years, worked in broadcasting before he transitioned to a completely new career in senior care administration. This second career, which he began as a licensed senior care administrator at an assisted living facility, led to managing and overseeing the construction of two dedicated communities for those with Alzheimer’s and dementia. Eventually, Bob became a certified master trainer in Alzheimer’s care. He lectures throughout the country and at the University of Rhode Island, and he has become a trusted resource to families struggling with their loved ones’ memory care issues.

In 2016, Bob compiled information from his blogs, weekly radio shows and newspaper columns into his book, *Join the Journey – Care for the Alzheimer’s Caregiver*, which is a resource to caregivers of Alzheimer’s and memory care patients.

“From my experience as a hands-on administrator who related to my residents as people,” Bob shared, “I understood the importance of caring and compassion.”

Of his MCI experience, Bob admits, “I’m pretty sure that if it wasn’t for **David Mosher '57** and his generosity as a math tutor, I might still be at MCI today!”





Pedro de Roberto Fernandes watches his dreams come true

Even as a 12-year old boy living in Sao Paulo, Brazil's most populous city, **Pedro de Roberto Fernandes** wanted to study engineering in the United States. "I wanted to be an electrical engineer like my dad," Pedro recalled. "And I wanted more than anything to play basketball."

Like the children growing up in Brazil, Pedro and his two younger brothers played soccer in youth programs, but he loved playing basketball and, whenever possible, he regularly played tennis for fun with his father.

In 2016, Pedro's parents made his dream of coming to the United States a reality when they encouraged their eldest son to attend high school in the United States. With his parents, he traveled north and after reviewing options, they selected MCI as the place where Pedro would spend his junior and senior years of high school.

"My parents wanted me to go to school in a safe area where I could focus on my education," Pedro said. "My mother was concerned about Maine winters, but she knew this was where I should be." Pedro is deeply grateful for

his parents' encouragement, efforts, and desire for him to have the best high school experience possible.

Pedro arrived early to campus in August 2017 to practice with MCI's soccer team. He quickly made new friends on the team, and he familiarized himself with the campus and the faculty during those early days before school began. Although he was an average soccer player in Brazil, at MCI he became the team's 'striker' – a position that enabled him to score many of the goals on MCI's varsity soccer team.

Because his parents have always encouraged Pedro to participate in sports, Pedro became a three-season athlete at MCI, playing soccer, basketball, and tennis. Pedro has proven that he is a good athlete in soccer and basketball, but Pedro was stunned to learn he is an *exceptional* tennis player. During his first season on the tennis team, Pedro went on to compete in the Maine Principals' Association's State Singles Championship in May 2018.

"I was surprised by that," Pedro commented. "Tennis was something I did for fun in Brazil – it was just a hobby!"

In fact, Pedro's excellence on the tennis court broke a 23-year drought for MCI's tennis program. Since that success,



Pedro has worked harder to improve his game during the summer break in Brazil. “I worked with tennis trainers all summer,” he commented, who is looking forward to another winning tennis season at MCI.

Pedro admits that he considers his time in the classroom as engaging and challenging as his participation in athletics. In Brazil, Pedro won two academic silver medals at the Canguru de Matemática and a bronze medal in robotics at the Olimpiada Brasileira de Robótica.

Pedro commented that he “takes as many AP classes as I can, and I really enjoy mathematics and science.” He noted that teachers who make difficult subjects fun and engaging are his favorites. “Humor relieves a lot of the stress of being a student,” he said. “And because I live on campus and see my instructors often, I can rely on their guidance and wisdom.”



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Pedro de Roberto Fernandes '19

A self-proclaimed extrovert, Pedro understands the difficulty many international students experience when coming to MCI. “I was lucky because I came here early in my first year to play soccer,” he said. “Playing on a team helped me quickly make friends and build connections with coaches and teachers. Soccer gave me that, but I know many new students do not play sports.”

Because he wanted to help new international students acclimate to the MCI community, he volunteered to help the SOLI program in 2018.

“I want new students to be as comfortable and successful at MCI as I have been,” Pedro said. Pedro plans to study electrical engineering at an American college near his parents’ new home in Florida in the future.

Enjoying an autumn day in Maine with friends (below - shown left to right): seniors Pedro, **Viet Tuan “Harry” Van** (Vietnam), **Daniel Garamvolgyi** (Hungary), **Marko Vukasinovic** (Serbia), **Arsen Radojkovic** (Bosnia), and **Marius Iradukunda** (Rwanda)



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William S. Weiner '59
Jeanne C. Welch '59
Danny L. Wilson '59
Walter Basset '64
Frank C. Chaffin '64
Philip A. Cook '64
Warren E. Dow '64
Dennis L. Frost '64
James M. Gould '64
Richard A. Hartford '64

Joseph E. Hill '64
Mark Hodgkins '64
John Hoffer '64
Thomas Kelly '64
David Ladd '64
Nancy C. Laverdiere '64
Paul Mason '64
David S. Mendenhall '64
Robert Rymsha '64
Kenneth R. Sachs '64
William Schweitzer '64
Timothy Smith '64
Leon M. Southard '64

Stanley J. Walus '64
Rae Pease Williams '64
Jeffery Young '64
Anthony C. Zirilli '64
Osama B. Abdulwahhab '69
Ben G. Allen '69
Paul J. Calderon '69
Rodney T. Clark '69
Joseph W. Fowler '69
Timothy J. Gallant '69
Eric P. Garland '69
Daniel R. Gold '69
John T. Libby '69

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North American CEO of the holding company's global production platform, Prodigious, and currently as the Global Chief Production Officer for Publicis Groupe's largest client, Proctor & Gamble. Ferguson currently lives in Westfield, New Jersey, with his wife Molly, and their four children.

Emily Walker Anderson '94 was a four-year member of the soccer, basketball, and softball teams at MCI. She received the Coach's Award in basketball. As a senior forward, Anderson averaged 20 points, nine rebounds, and four steals for the Huskies and was a Class B Eastern Maine all-tourney choice (only five were selected). She was chosen Class B (south) Player of the Year and all-conference. Upon graduation from MCI, Anderson attended New Hampshire College for a year before transferring at Husson University where she enjoyed a Hall of Fame basketball career. She spent three seasons with Husson and was named to the State of Maine First Team in 1998. She was also in NAIA Third Team All-American. Emily played only 82 games at Husson and still managed to score over 1,000 points. Anderson averaged 14.73 points per game for her career, which is fourth all-time. Anderson's point total places her eighth in all-time scoring with 1,208 points. Anderson ended her Husson career with a shooting percentage of 54.4, the highest in school history. During her senior year she hit 211 field goals, which is the second highest all-time single-season total, and she had the best single season field goal percentage at 58.6. Anderson, who works as a

nurse, lives in the Bangor area with her husband, Justin, and their two daughters.

Andrew St. Clair '02 received MCI's coveted Masters Cup at graduation and was a member of the National Honor Society. He was a four-year member of the baseball and basketball teams, while also playing on the soccer team for three years. He also participated in Drama all four years at MCI. After MCI, St. Clair was a Hall of Fame basketball player at Colby-Sawyer. At the time of his induction, St. Clair held school records in rebounds, steals, blocks and field goals. He was one of three players to eclipse 2,000 career points (2,043) and was nationally-ranked in scoring and rebounding throughout his career. St. Clair was named Commonwealth Coast Conference Player of the Year three times, and Rookie of the Year in the 2002-03 season. He was a National Association of Basketball Coaches All-American Second Team selection. He also earned CoSida Academic All-American honors in 2005 and 2006. He was named CoSida Academic All-District three times, D3hoops.com All-New England three times, and NABC All-Northeast District three times. Andrew was the Colby-Sawyer Male Athlete of the Year and Senior Scholar Athlete of the Year in 2006. Following his collegiate career, he became the third Colby-Sawyer athlete to compete professionally overseas. St. Clair and his wife, Erica, live in Malden, Massachusetts, with their son. St. Clair works in software sales at Smartsheet in Boston and is an assistant men's basketball coach at Colby-Sawyer.

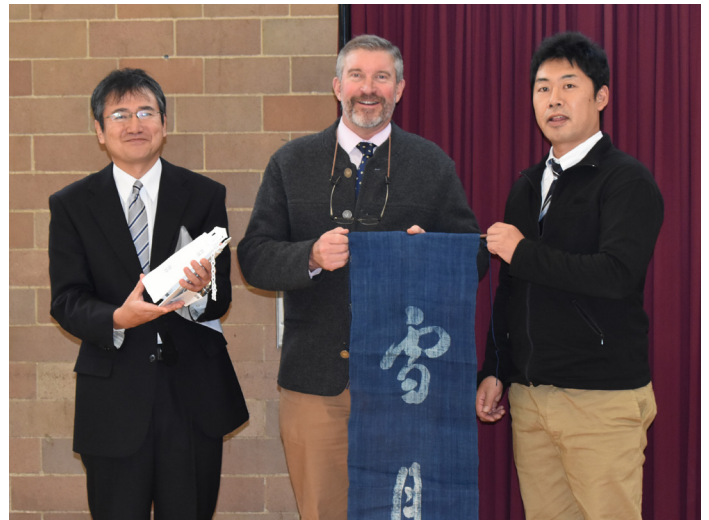
Aomori and MCI: A Tradition Since 1994

Since 1994, MCI has participated in an exchange program with the Aomori Minami Senior High School in Japan. Each year, students from Aomori visit MCI, and every other year, MCI visits the Aomori School. This year, the Aomori visit occurred around MCI's Parents Weekend in October.

This year, the Aomori program was coordinated by **Lincoln Robinson**, a science teacher at MCI. "For the past 24 years, MCI has been the last stop on the Aomori visit each year that includes trips to New York City and Boston," he said. "And from what I've heard, MCI is usually their favorite part of the trip!"

He explained that the Aomori group, which averages forty 16-17 year old students and a couple faculty members from their school, find the MCI campus safer and easier to navigate than the bigger cities on their itinerary. "I like to think it's because MCI is a friendly and welcoming community. The students and faculty are eager to learn from each other and are comfortable with people from all over the world."

During the Aomori visit to MCI, students stay at MCI students' homes to get the entire American experience during their few days here. "The families who participate in Aomori look forward to hosting students," Robinson commented. Aomori students shadow their host students during the day and provide a special presentation about their culture to students at Vickery and Warsaw Middle schools. In the evening, host families often accompany Aomori visitors to athletic games or participate in family activities.



Shown (left to right): Yoshifumi Sumita, Aomori assistant principal, Chris Hopkins, and Daiki Kogaku, Aomori chief of foreign language

Although Aomori students have studied English for several years, Robinson shared that students often comment about how they feel hesitant to speak English in the United States. "I think that's why they like the MCI community," he suggested, "because we're patient and understanding."

Every other spring, a group of MCI students travel to Japan to spend a week at the Aomori school, where they stay with host families and experience the Japanese culture. "They tour Tokyo before traveling north on high-speed rail to Mount Fuji," Robinson explained. "Although their trip is completely student-funded, it is a remarkable opportunity for them to travel to a completely different place and make a global connection."

Edith Tierney '20 commented, "Last year was my first year being involved in the [Aomori] exchange program. I hosted two students from Aomori that October, and then in November, I was lucky enough to get the opportunity to visit Aomori. This year, I am hosting three students from Aomori and I am incredibly grateful to both schools for giving me and my peers the chance to experience a completely different culture. For me, this exchange program has given me an extraordinary opportunity to experience a snapshot of daily life in another country, and it has allowed me to attempt to return the favor."





Highlights from MCI's 2018 Reunion



Norb Young, Jr. '66 with Hall of Fame inductee **L. Ross Fitts III '78**



Hall of Fame inductee **Peter Fendler '80** with Norb Young, Jr. '66



Hall of Fame inductee **Deborah Rozeboom** with Norb Young, Jr. '66



Board president **Mike Hodgins '86** presenting Distinguished Achievement Award to **Susan Haseltine '67**



Save the Date: MCI Reunion is August 2-3, 2019



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James J. Metz '69
Martin E. Miller '69
Harold C. Plummer '69
Jeffrey E. Rahn '69
Ralph H. Reynolds '69
Gordon W. Robards '69
Robert W. Starr '69
Edward C. Weyman '69
Joseph Arena '74
Elaine Brownell-Berry '74
Karen Cianchette Carville '74
Debra Nickless Downs '74
Frederick R. Goodine '74
Thomas Grace '74
Alan C. Green '74
Everett M. Hatton '74
Ronda Walker Hutchins '74
John A. Kosnow '74
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Loretta Young McNichol '74
Charlene A. Newcomb '74
Jonathan L. Richardson '74
James A. Thebarger '74
Rhonda Walker '74
Alexander Albert '79
John Aponte '79
Cornell W. Bailey '79
Jeffery M. Bennett '79
Mary Cookson Bickford '79
Shawn H. Bickford '79
Stephen Breininger '79
John Brechick '79
Carlos J. Cadena '79
Joan M. Cann '79
Michael Colburn '79
Debra-Ann Dickinson '79
Randolph Dickinson '79
David Ellison '79
Mohammad Fatahi Sasani '79
Garry Ford '79
Lisa Porter Herzog '79
Jay Mackie '79
Charles Martin '79
Steve Moore '79
Mitchell R. Morse '79
Tuoyo Omatseye '79
Denise M. Peters '79
Peter Richard '79
Wenda Astwood Roberts '79
Rosemarie A. Swann '79
Scott J. Tedesco '79
Roger P. Theriault '79
Carla E. Trott '79
Cheryl Vicnaire Webster '79
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Mary L. Albert '84
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Joseph R. Bowman '84
Darlene Cook Campbell '84
Lori A. Cookson '84
Bonnie Chadwick '84
Donna Holmes Dunphy '84
Donald J. Eaton '84
Sean W. Fitts '84

Cathy J. Hall '84
Ronald K. Harris '84
Thomas N. Jordan '84
Paul J. Lasselle '84
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Mark T. Loane '84
Mark B. Mosher '84
Joseph A. Pazera '84
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James A. Smith '84
Phil D. Smith '84
Timothy C. Vieira '84
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Carlton Campbell '89
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Kathy Minkevich '89
Mary Mitchell '89
Darlene Murphy '89
Bert A. Noble '89
Shallamar Poole '89
Michael Reese '89
Shannon Robinson '89
Andrew Rounds '89
William Saunders '89
Steven Sexton '89
Aaron B. Shorey '89
Scott T. Spencer '89
Andrew Stephenson '89
Kathleen Steele Stevens '89
Chuen-An Tsou '89
James M. Withee '89
Rolna Works '89
Steven Corza '94
Christopher S. Curtis '94
Rhonda Darrell '94
Damien Delts '94
Travis S. Dinsmore '94
Ethan Edwards '94
Misty Galvin Faulkner '94
Walter Fletcher '94
Fredrick J. Francis '94
Borja Gonzalez '94
Lorena Gonzalez '94
Sarah Goodridge '94
Francis E. Greenier '94
Paul E. Grossman '94
Jeffrey Hogan '94
Everett Holbrook, Jr. '94
Makiko Kashikura '94
Ryan J. Kehoe '94
Donna Knowlton '94

Steven P. Korza '94
Jamie Hinton Lacasse '94
Chris LaPlante '94
Jonathan E. Longley '94
Arthur Malory '94
Matthew A. Margolskee '94
Frank McQueen '94
Ron Moore '94
Tara A. Pomeroy '94
Devonna N. Robinson '94
Bryan K. Schwarzman '94
Michael S. Small '94
William Smith '94
Gary Steele '94
Edward Sutton '94
Yasuhiro Suzuki '94
Aria A. Taufik '94
Toby Thomas '94
Laura P. Thompson '94
Jason R. Treannie '94
Jeff Washington '94
Jeremiah T. Wolfenstein '94
David M. Berardino '99
Nicholaus G. Billings '99
Melissa Hathaway Bomar '99
Cory Braley '99
Demon Brown '99
Jamal D. Brown '99
Gilliane Bryer-Hockemeyer '99
Sarah Cherniske '99
Benny Cheung '99
Heui Seok Choe '99
Joseph J. Debeck '99
Sarah B. Duane '99
Samantha A. Dunphy '99
Michael T. Emmert '99
Tracy Erskine '99
Jason A. Goldman '99
James Hibbard '99
Amy Long Hughes '99
Annie R. Inman '99
Allison White Kane '99
Christopher R. Kane '99
Robert C. Later '99
Samuel J. Marzenell '99
Katie C. McAlpine '99
Megan L. McCallum '99
Alfred W. Miller '99
Patrick R. Morang '99
Jason O'Brien '99
Emily J. Parkhurst '99
Maryann G. Petela '99
Shannon M. Proctor '99
Steven Simpson '99
Jared E. Sullivan '99
Richard D. Walsh '99
Shawn Williams '99
Amanda Parkhurst Young '99
Annie Allen '04
Antonio Anderson '04
Heather Bailey '04
Ryan M. Bennett '04
David Q. Chale '04
Brenda H. Coffin '04
Jonathan D. Cota '04
Tabitha Donald '04
Quel L. Ferguson '04
Peter Hammond '04
Nichole Hanson '04

Amanda King Harvey '04
Betsy A. Huff '04
Yasutaka Ikuta '04
Nguyen Hai Minh Le '04
David J. McLeod '04
Jenny Merchant '04
Nicole R. Monk '04
Robert Neal '04
Thong Xuan Nguyen '04
Donald Parkinson '04
Laura Parkinson '04
Shannon G. Peppard '04
Bahaadar Z. Russell '04
Jessica L. Shenett '04
Johnathon J. Smith '04
William Smith '04
Alexis L. Swan '04
Savanna A. Tash '04
Jason E. Temple '04
Emily A. Wagner '04
Joshua A. Washburn '04
Thomas Webber '04
Tara L. Weeman '04
Kevin M. Williams '04
Nobuka Yoshimura '04
Ta-Hao Yu '04
Rachel Booth '09
Thuy Thi Bich Cao '09
Brandi M. Condon '09
Saleita Denham '09
Jacob B. Gambone '09
Holly M. Hamilton '09
Julie A. Lester '09
Jeannette MacDonald '09
Sean McLaggan '09
Celeste V. Michaud '09
Joshua Mitchell '09
Sarah Pease '09
Molly J. Penley '09
Dustyn S. Peppard '09
Hailey S. Peterson '09
Justine Randolph '09
Alexis M. Rowe '09
Megan Theriault '09
An Thien Vu '09
Corey Welch '09
Zhezha Xu '09
Jesse Almeida '14
Julia Costa '14
Avery J. Cunningham '14
Paul L. Dionne, Jr. '14
Mathew Duncombe '14
Claire R. Kiser '14
Jacob Lester '14
Brian Mahan, Jr. '14
Ashley McFarland '14
Jordon Peavey '14
Shane D. Race '14
Casey Robbins '14
Makayla M. Snow '14
Shane E. Stedman '14
Brooke E. Stoots '14
Nikkia Washington '14
Alexandra Williams '14

We ♥ MCI's Class Agents!

Class Agents are an invaluable resource to both MCI and their classmates because they link the School with its graduates. Agents keep classmates connected through the *Alumnus* during the year, help plan the Class Party during Reunion Weekend and maintain the class Facebook page. If you would like to reach out to your Class Agent, please contact the MCI Advancement Office by phone (207-487-5915) or by email (alumni@MCI-School.org). Classes in **bold** will be celebrating a major reunion in August 2019.

1942	Herbert Scribner, Sr.	1971	Jeffrey Knights	1993	Jennifer Kuhlmeier Lebo
1950	Virginia Coolbroth Landry	1971	Laurie Fitts Loosigian	1994	Courtney Cianchette Harvey
1951	Robert Hutchinson	1973	Susan Smith England	1995	Frances Oviatt Rogers
1952	Alvah Wyman	1974	Vera Lloyd Bryant	1996	Heather Gray Csontos
1953	Catherine Doyle Mooers	1975	Ralph Ingraham, Jr.	1997	Terri-Jean Grant Wilkinson
1955	Leona Cross Lovely	1976	Donald Hallenbeck	1998	Jason Cummings
1956	Forest Frost	1978	Robert Stackhouse	1999	Natalia Mayhew Hall
1958	David Fernald	1979	Kathy Kelley	2000	Hillary Stevens
1959	Jim MacMichael	1980	Belinda Lawrence LaFlamme	2000	Michael Thompson
1960	Joan Basford Bradley	1981	Suzanne Lynch Guild	2001	Daniel Flaherty
1960	Marilyn Nash	1981	Mary Raynes	2002	Kerri George
1962	Jean Stackhouse Carnes	1982	Cheryl Pareson Austin	2002	Donna Russo Sawtelle
1963	Janet Viger Bryant	1985	Karen Rollins Fraser	2003	Ashley Holt Morency
1963	Marcia Sprague Hodson	1986	Tammy Reynolds George	2004	Melissa Hussey Stinson
1963	Wayne Pinkham	1986	Lisa Nickerson	2005	Sarah Frost Robertson
1964	Barbara Vigue Day	1986	Kim Brooks Shorey	2006	Andrew Moody
1965	Lawrence Yeaton	1987	David O'Brien	2007	Brittanie Holt Smith
1966	Anna Maria Parker	1988	Chris Mitchell	2008	Tyler LePage
1967	Sheilya Cookson Voter	1988	Loren Lavalley Martin	2009	Brandon Wilson
1968	Sharon Hanson Ringuette	1989	Nancy MacGown Monteyro	2011	Cody Thies
1969	Susan Furbush Ryman	1990	Thomas Bertrand	2012	Michaela George
1970	William Cunningham	1991	James Richards	2013	Courtney Fowler
1970	David England	1992	Sean Callahan	2014	Shane Hathaway
1970	Martha Lloyd	1993	Kristin McCaughey Gagnon	2017	Carter Pearl

We need agents for these classes: 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1954, 1957, 1961, 1972, 1977, 1983, 1984, 2010, 2015, and 2016. Contact the Advancement Office today to represent your class in the MCI Alumnus!



Class Notes

Class of 1952

Maynard Jacobs recently had open heart surgery, and those of you who know him know he is a very important person! He is feeling fine now and enjoys his life in Tennessee.

Herman Roberts is still living in Exeter, and he and his wife celebrated their 32nd anniversary this year.

Nancy Knight Billings is looking forward to her first great granddaughter. She has four “instant great grandchildren.”

Phil Lenentine and Mary visited with **Loretta Doherty Brown '53**, who is living in a Vermont facility. They are enjoying time with their family.

Kay Sedgwick Clark changed her garden plot to a patio deck. She doesn't have a veggie garden, but still has a lovely flower garden. Kay recently visited with **Olive Hustus Blodgett** in Massachusetts. She likes to spend time at the coast.

Bev Turner Breau had **Lynn Blood Stavro** visit with her during the class reunion in August. Bev's daughter has a business called *Dental Lace* and she likes to help her with that. She has the Red Hat Ladies to her camp on the coast for a lobster feed each summer.

As for your Class Agent, I am still a crossing guard at Manson School and rent a booth at *Traditions* in Corinna, buying and selling things.

Class Agent:

Al Wyman

Class of 1953

Joyce Bane Holt writes, “Not much news. I do have a new great grandson, who now increases my number of great-grandchildren to five – two girls and three boys. Things are fine with me. I don't have any other news. So see you sometime!”

William Sullivan wrote: “It has been said ‘no news, is good news’! I am still beating the bushes (calling on schools) to sell my American-made athletic uniforms. I am a dinosaur in that respect, but I am doing my darnedest to do my part in helping the trade deficit and American workers who make a much better product. Maggie and I still keep very close tabs on our four grandchildren. It is wonderful to watch them mature socially, academically, and athletically. Our health remains strong as well.

Thelma Sennett Vining wrote that she will go to Florida for the winter and said she has four grandchildren: Alicia, a senior at American University in Washington, D.C.; Ashley, a sophomore at Grove City College, in Pennsylvania; Lucas, a freshman at George Washington University in Washington, D.C.; and another in the sixth grade. She said all are fine and staying very busy.

Faye Ellingwood Shaw wrote that she and John (Class of 1952) are looking forward to welcoming two new great grandchildren, a boy and a girl, in March 2019. The two dads are their grandsons who were born five days apart. Sending healing thoughts to their grandson, JB, who is doing

better but still fighting his battle with cancer. Faye and John will be in Florida for the winter. Stirling and I hope to see them there.

Joyce Hunt Rowe writes, “Wish we had more classmates at our reunion. We had a good summer. I had a great 85th birthday family get-together in July with about 40 guests. Brian and Sally and her brother, Steve, came (they are cousins). Hoping to make it to Scarborough, Maine, for Thanksgiving – no more Florida. Have a good winter.”

Merle S. Williams writes, “The first year following graduation I worked on a farm because I was too young to work around machinery. I joined the National Guard in 1954 and served for twenty years as a captain. In 1955, I started work in the Woolen Mill and, in 1956, began construction on the roller rink and opened Spotlight Pavilion Roller Rink on Route 100 in Detroit on Halloween night in 1957. In conjunction with operating the roller rink, I started working on small engines and opened Willie's Cycle Shop at the same location on Route 100. After 35 years in business, I sold the roller rink and moved the motorcycle shop to Plymouth. I had four daughters with my first wife and one with my current wife of 26 years. This year, 2018, has been a bad one for me: in January, the motorcycle shop burned down; in February, I had a knee replacement that didn't go well – somehow infection got into the replaced knee and to fight this, I was in and out of the hospital until June, when I lost my right leg above the knee. I am certainly looking forward to a better 2019.”

Catherine Doyle Mooers – yes, the same person who keeps bugging you for news – reports that we had a lot of company this past summer and were happy to see all that came to spend some time with us. Stirling's son-in-law is taking the prognosis of ALS in stride and is keeping busy with his work and family. Stirling's grandson got married in September in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, and we were lucky to be there for several days. My niece and her husband from Durham, Chris and Al Kostuk, visited in July and had fun fishing and playing games. Stirling and I will be spending the winter in Florida and look forward to our daughter, hubby, granddaughter, and two great grandchildren visiting in April 2019 for a week.

Class Agent:

Kaye Mooers

Class of 1955

Thank you to **Leona Cross Lovely** who agreed to be the Class Agent for the class. She writes, "I am the mother of four grown children and have many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Some things I like to do are walking for exercise (with my walker), visiting people, and taking care of my cat, Bandit. I'm the vice president of Newport Senior Citizens, attend the Quaker Hill Christian Church in Unity, Maine, where I also take Bible classes (one at home and one in Thorndike). If anyone would like to contact me, please write me at Newport Inn, 130 Main Street, Apt. 140, Newport, Maine 04953."

James Hallee and Linda Marks

Hallee thanked Leona for being Class Agent. Jim wrote, "After graduation,

I went to Bowdoin College for three years and then transferred to MIT for two years. During that time, Linda completed her training to be an RN in Boston. On June 18, 1960, we were married and headed to Burlington, Vermont, to start training for my medical degree. After that, I went on active duty in the Army at Madigan General Hospital in Tacoma, Washington. Four years later, I was transferred to West Point as the chief of medicine. Then we moved back home to Maine where I practiced internal medicine for ten years. I finished my medical life as a kidney specialist at Maine Medical Center. Our daughter, Lynne, and family live in Cumming, Georgia, where Lynn teaches fourth grade, and son, Mark, is an architect in private practice in Providence, Rhode Island. His wife, Lichen, is also an architect. We enjoy escaping to Florida for one month during winter. Our major interest is golden retrievers. We've had many over the years. Currently we have a three-month old male to keep us busy. Early September, we drove down east and through Pittsfield on our way home. Our best to you all."

David Edes wrote, "Since I have not previously posted to the MCI alumni news, I will start at the beginning. Since graduating from MCI, I attended the University of Maine at Orono for one year. At the end of my freshman year, I transferred to Husson College (now Husson University) in Bangor. I graduated from Husson in 1960 with a degree in business administration with a minor in education. I did not pursue my education degree, but went directly into business as an insurance claims adjuster for a national organization. During this period of time, I married

my roommate's sister. My roommate at MCI was Clarence "Clem" Emery III. My first wife and I had two sons and two daughters. My chosen career took me to many parts of the United States, and 20 years later, I ended up in Tucson, Arizona. Unfortunately, this was where my first wife and I parted company. After this, I went into business for myself as an independent catastrophe insurance adjuster, and this really took me to many different states. Wherever a disaster occurred, I was there. After extended travel over the next eight years, I was fortunate enough to meet my present wife, Paula. We have now been married for 34 years and have settled here in Port Charlotte, Florida. After retiring from the insurance business, I went to work for FEMA as a project specialist for the next ten years. Again, this took me to many different areas of the country, but this time my wife was able to travel with me. This position with FEMA was very similar to what I was doing as a catastrophe insurance adjuster. I have now officially retired and enjoy staying at home with my wife and doing what retired people do in Florida!"

Rae-Jean Jacobs Thompson writes, "So nice to have a Class Agent again! I now live in Tucson, Arizona, where I have been for nearly three years. I am enjoying my sister, Debbie, and her daughter and children. What a lot of joy and fun! They all do great at keeping me entertained. The kids keep me busy with school activities, which I truly enjoy. We have been on nice trips to Las Vegas (wow!), Grand Canyon, Nascar races in Phoenix, etc. Lots of fun!"

Class Notes

Frank and Anne McCready Bowen wrote, “After living for extended periods of time in California, Hawaii, Maryland, Bermuda, Guam, Botswana, Southern Africa, and Senegal, West Africa, we are now pretty much settled in a small city in the panhandle of Florida. We are now close to our youngest daughter (our older daughter Janet passed away over six years ago), and close to our five grandchildren and ten great grandchildren, all of whom live a short drive away. In addition to our various places of residence, working as a subcontractor for NASA and the DOD required travel and work assignments in every continent except Antarctica and multiple trips around the world. Our interests of golf, fishing, scuba diving, and boating activities are waning as we age, but Anne continues with her volunteer activities and we both enjoy cruises once or twice a year to the southern Caribbean. If anyone is interested in making contact after all these years, our email address is bo1553537@bellsouth.net. We would love to hear from classmates or anyone who graduated close to 1955.”

Judith Parsons Rice wrote “I don’t have much news.... I live a quiet life. Just happy I can do the things I enjoy.”

Mrs. Brenda Shur, wife of **Arthur Shur**, sadly informed us of the passing of Arthur on July 10, 2017.

Priscilla Jones ’74 wrote to tell us that **Baxter Jones** passed away in June 2016. Our condolences to both families.

Kay Pierce Clark writes, “My husband and I are both retired and live in Texas. We enjoy gardening and visiting grandchildren. My daughter lives across the street so she can help us if needed. My son still lives in Maine.”

Peter Bastow writes, “My wife, Jan, and I both went to the University of Maine at Orono. I graduated in 1959 and she in 1961 with bachelor of science degrees in education. A week after her graduation, we got married! We’ve had 57 wonderful years together, had a son and daughter, and three grandsons. We are at a slower pace now and slowing down with some health problems. I had a very good preparation in studies and sports to help me a great deal in college and in life while attending MCI!”

Joanne Withee writes, “After being an alum of MCI for 63 years, it is probably time for me to share my thoughts regarding this very special school. Like many area families, my family has realized benefits from the education MCI afforded each of us. That quality educational foundation led three of us to become educators, one medical technician, three veterans, assorted tradesmen, and contributing citizens. Extended family members have utilized the strong curriculum and high standards to develop very successful careers. This is our expression of a sincere ‘thank you’ to those dedicated and courageous teachers who led the way. For myself, I have been retired for 26 years and love every day. I have traveled the world by plane, ship, automobile, train and even rickshaw, to all continents and most countries.

A satisfying career as a teacher and administrator took me from Maine’s Loring Air Force Base to Eielson Air Force Base in Alaska to the mountain towns and metro areas of Colorado. Teaching was an especially satisfying career for me, but the last 25 years of travel and leisure epitomizes what retirement should be for us all!”

Carol Fenton Farnsworth writes, “Not a lot of news – things are about the same. Have had some nice travels in the U.S. and Europe. Summer in York, Maine, and winter on the east coast of Florida. Have six grandchildren scattered around the country. Life is good!”

Ethel Rowe Green lives in Auburn, Maine, with her husband, Don. She writes, “We moved here in 2018 where we hosted our 50th anniversary with our new neighbors and our family and friends. Previously we had lived in Vassalboro for 12 years. We traveled to Bingham where Don pastored the Nazarene Church. He retired from there in 2000. We moved on to doing foster grandparenting in schools. We did two years in Unity, two in Waterville, and one in West Paris. When we moved to Auburn, Don kept on for eight years. I was done after two years. I began writing my books while we were in Vassalboro. The first publisher was West Bow Press that published my first book in 2016. The long title is *Genesis / God Said It / A Thirty Day Journey and Conversations*. The second book is being published by Christian Faith Publishing. It is *Jesus Said It / A March Through Mark*. I’ve just finished the first edit. I’m hoping it will be out by Christmas, if not before.”

Mary Tarr Butler '57 went to Eastern Nazarene College after MCI, and now lives in Colorado in a senior home where she helps people who have hearing problems because she wears hearing aids, too. She wrote that she loves music, like Lawrence Welk, and loves reading. She has an aid who comes to see her as she is on long-term care. She misses Maine and is proud of MCI and how it has grown.

Class Agent:

Leona Cross Lovely

Class of 1959

Dave Pattee is still working a few hours a week as the staff person for the Wetlands Commission in Weston, Connecticut, which is located next to Dave's residence. He also serves on the Town of Redding Wetlands Commission and has been its chairman for 26 years. Dave and his wife, Lynda, enjoy weekends at a small yacht club on Long Island Sound. His son is a college professor and resides in Fort Worth, Texas.

Don McDougal is enjoying his first full year of retirement. He continues to be involved in Revolutionary War reenactment activities. His group does Colonial Militia as McCobb's Company, who accompanied Benedict Arnold on his trek through Maine to Canada, and as the 74th Highlanders, who were stationed in Castine from 1779 to 1784.

Tony Frederick is still working at his company, Frederickseal, Inc., which sells mechanical packing and seals. He will have been in business for 50

years next April. Tony and Marilyn have moved to a condo in Bedford, New Hampshire. He writes that he no longer has to rake, mow, or shovel. He and Marilyn spend most of their spare time with their grandchildren who live in Concord, Massachusetts.

Nancy Ross Cameron and her husband, Don, live in Newcastle, Maine. In June, they enjoyed a family vacation in Southwest Harbor and, during the summer, they attended several plays in Brunswick. They have three grandsons in college and three more grandchildren ages fifteen, thirteen, and twelve. Nancy enjoys gardening and does some volunteer work at her church.

Nancy Files Peters had knee replacement surgery in July and is well on her way to a full recovery. She has been playing flute in a New Horizons Band in Rochester for the past nine years. She and her husband, Mike, downsized about a year ago from their family home of 48 years to a small townhouse located approximately two miles from their former home. For approximately ten years, they have spent winters in Mexico on the Gulf Coast but last year they tried the Pacific coast. They have enjoyed both areas but favor the Pacific coast due to the weather there. Nancy writes that she recently enjoyed an article in *DownEast Magazine* about Pittsfield and MCI.

Charlie Armstrong works during the summer at the JW Parks Golf Course in Pittsfield. He and his wife, Sue, are busy attending their great-grandchildren's soccer games. Last spring, Charlie joined **Red MacMichael, Dick Gordon**, and

Paul Bertrand for breakfast at Vittle's Restaurant in Pittsfield.

Diane Nash Crane and her husband, Tom, visited **Barbara Deane Charlamb** in Middlebury, Vermont. Diane writes that they had a good visit and that they "enjoyed the beautiful foliage and breathtaking beauty of Vermont."

Several have written to tell me that they are already setting aside the first weekend next August to attend our 60th Reunion.

Class Agent:

Red MacMichael

Class of 1963

Charita Gurney Cassanelli writes that she and her husband sailed to Europe on an Italian cruise ship. They stopped in Portugal, Spain, France, and Italy. In Rome, they visited the Colosseum, Palatine Hill, the Vatican, and St. Peter's Basilica. From Rome they went onto Florence, Tuscany, Tower of Pisa and Venice. Then they rode the express train through the Alps to Germany. In September, they were in Munich, Germany for the October Beer Festival. In July they were able to attend some family reunions.

Class Agents:

Janet Viger Bryant

Marcia Sprague Hodson

Wayne Pinkham

Class of 1964

Barbara Vigue Day shared that a group of alumni are planning to get

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together next spring to plan for the 55th reunion in August. Anyone who would like to join the group is welcome, and ideas are welcome.

Rae Philbrick has offered to help, also. Call **Jane Woodruff** or Barb at (207) 938-3565 if you would like to help.

Jane Woodcock Woodruff writes, “The book, *Pittsfield: Then & Now*, looks at the town and its people today, 225 years after the first family made their way to settle on the shores of the Sebasticook River, and 200 years since the town’s incorporation. It looks not only at what was – its people, its traditions, and its landmarks – but what they are today. It offers a snapshot of our town as it is now in the context of its history. With over 175 contributors and over 300 photographs, this book offers a comprehensive view of Pittsfield. Covered in this 267-page book are chapters on Pittsfield families, organizations, culture, schools, services, businesses, parks and recreation. It is available locally at Bud’s Shop ‘n Save and on Amazon. Folks are finding that is a good gift not only for those who live here now, but for those who are away to remind them that like the 2019 Bicentennial slogan says, “Pittsfield - Good Place to Call Home.”

Tom Pickford emailed, “I retired from teaching after 37 years at Berlin Jr. High School in New Hampshire, then substituting at Gorham Middle/High School for ten years, where my former principal was then a principal. We welcomed into our family our first grandchild, Isabella, to my son, Tom, Jr., and his wife, Keri. Keri has an

eleven year-old daughter, Akaylah, by a previous marriage. Loved my prep year at MCI; we had a great team with the likes of **Don Fate** and **John Bouchard**, and our great coach, **Len McPhee**. Great education, attended Southern Connecticut University, graduated from Ricker College in 1969 (Houlton, Maine).”

Jeff Hathorn emailed: “National Air Racing Championships are held once a year around the pylon course at Stead Field in Reno. It is the fastest races on Earth. There are five classes. Our team, Spruce Creek Race Team 90, runs in the T-6 Class. Our engines are 9 cylinder Supercharged Pratt & Whitney 1340 cubic inch radial aircooled engines that were a NAVY workhorse in WWII. We were pleasantly successful this year. We won the drag race event outright. Our two planes finished second and third in the silver class finals. A huge bonus was no one was hurt and nothing broke this year! Each event winning team gets to ride in the 1920 REO fire truck up and down the flight line in front of the cheering crowd. That’s moi in the black tee shirt squeezed in the middle (*shown, top right*). This was our first ride in the fire truck since 2013.

Our little aluminum Runge-Porsche RS Spyder was selected to be a SEMA show participant in Las Vegas from October 29 to November 2 as the KONI Shock absorber display car. I collected the parts for 40 years and had it constructed by Chris Runge. It turned out better than I could have dreamed. It was on the TV show, *Jay Leno’s Garage* in August. This



is a picture of my son, Cameron, at the wheel in the race pits at Laguna Seca, California Vintage racing event. Cameron is a third generation pilot and just started flying Boeing 747-400 Cargo planes around the World – wish I were him!”

Connie Baxter Marlow writes, “I am happily a grandmother of Logan Mae, age 9, who lives in Aspen, Colorado, with her mom, Consi Marlow, and her dad. I raised my children in Aspen: Alison (from Boston), Consi (from Aspen), and Jonny (from Los Angeles), and all are thriving. I am busy with my work to shift the consciousness of humanity to higher frequencies through understanding what the indigenous peoples have for us in their connection to the oneness and sacredness of all things. My partner, Andrew Cameron Bailey, and I have written a book, *The Trust Frequency: Ten Assumptions for a New*

Paradigm, (www.TheTrustFrequency.net) and we have a project called “The First Fifty Years” that brings forth the syntheses between European colonists and American Indians that gave birth to the American mind, spirit and democracy: 54 years of peace and friendship in Plymouth, Massachusetts 1621-1675. (www.First50Years.us.) Andrew has invented some climate restoration solutions that can be found at www.SacredEarthEnterprises.us. I would love to see my Pittsfield friends more than I do and am thankful for my time in Pittsfield and at MCI.”

Class Agent:

Barbara Vigue Day

Class of 1966

It was great fun seeing **Greg Martin, Linda Abbott Morgan, Dan Oakes, Lynne Adams Rescigno, Glen Robinson, Kathy Sweet Waugh, and Norb Young** at the MCI Reunion last August.

Sue (used to go by Carol) **Curtis Armstrong** wrote that she and Charlie have been married for 34 years. They still live in Pittsfield and have two sons, seven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. They are both retired, but keep very active.

Prescott Arnold is still living in Florida and writes that his fifth grandchild has arrived. This little guy was born early and has had some breathing issues and has been in special care, but his prognosis is positive. Prescott says he now has grandchildren's birthdays to remember about every other month. He says if his health continues to

improve he'd like to make it to Pittsfield again for reunion.

It was great to see **Lance Browne** and his wife Donna this past August. Lance says he still lives in Portland and is stocking up on wood for the winter.

Robert Elmer III wrote: “Let me bring you up to date...a little. After 15 years of running the same assisted-living community and two dedicated communities for the care of those with Alzheimer's and other dementias, I was notified on a Monday afternoon in March 2013 that Friday was going to be my last day. Two weeks later my supervisor hired his brother-in-law. Ouch. Although I was picked up by another very large company to be an interim administrator in two of their communities, that only lasted a year. During that time I had started my own company, “Care for Caregivers LLC.” As a master trainer, my focus is educating formal and informal caregivers of those with Alzheimer's and other dementias. I write for six different newspapers, and I'm on two different radio stations with my “Memory Care Minutes” that air Mondays through Fridays. One of the stations is WCRI FM 95.9. Last year, a woman emailed me from Houston to say she heard my program and wanted to thank me. Apparently she is caring for her mother and she has become a follower who listens every weekday at 4:45. I have a groupie in Houston! I've written a book, *Join the Journey - Care for the Alzheimer's Caregiver*, and I do a great deal of lecturing throughout New England at conferences, hospitals, in senior communities, nursing homes and, for

17 years, I've been lecturing at The University of Rhode Island College of Nursing. “Have Presentation, will Travel.” I recently donated a couple of my books to The MCI Library and was interviewed by **Pamela Dorman '83** (see article on page 15). In closing, I'll brag on my daughter, Ebbie's husband, Adam Young. He owns a Bake Shop in Mystic, Connecticut, called SIFT. He and Ebbie met when they both worked at the Ocean House in Watch Hill, Rhode Island. After they got married, they both left the Ocean House and he opened SIFT. He was invited to be a contestant on the Food Network's Spring Baking Championship and was runner-up. They liked him so much that they invited him to come back to compete for the title of Best Baker in America. The final episode aired on June 18 and he won! Needless to say, it has done wonders for his business and we couldn't be more proud of him. He's a Vermont guy so all New England is pretty proud of him as well. The Food Network has now asked him to be a judge and he just came back from a competition that will air after Thanksgiving.

Rex Fowler was married earlier this past summer. He and his wife, Dodie Pettit (Google her - you'll be astounded!), repeated their Connecticut wedding vows in Maine where friends gathered for a post



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wedding lobster feed on a beautiful lake on a beautiful day. Rex's long-time Aztec Two Step partner, Neal Shulman, retired after his wife passed away, and the group has a brand new look and sound that will feature lots of three-part harmony with Steven "Muddy" Roues, Dodie Pettit and Rex, performing many fan favorites and forgotten gems as well. Also, Rex is selling his home in Bridgeport, and he and Dodie will be living in Westport, Connecticut.

Terry Knowles wrote that he and his wife, Margie Williams, have moved recently to Clinton from Brownville. After the last winter, he got out of competing in mid-distance sled dog racing. They have moved to the Clinton area so Margie can play more golf after supporting his racing habit for 25 years. Sounds fair to me!

Linda Abbott Morgan wrote: "Well, here I am in fairyland...Huntsville, Utah! I call it that because of its breathtaking panoramic vistas no matter which way you look. I moved here in mid-September, after seven years in Maine, mostly taking care of my mother before she passed away at age 95 last May. I have a daughter and family here along with several young and older grandchildren. Moving at 70 yrs. old, I have found, is not for the faint of heart! I'm still unpacking and getting settled in my new place.

Dalen Mills writes that Liz is finished with the chemotherapy that has kept them in Florida rather than coming to Maine for the past two summers.

She is now in remission and they are proceeding with regular/normal life that includes getting back to driving to Maine in the spring and back to Florida in the fall to see our Red Sox for a game or two in Boston next summer. The plan is for her to get blood work every three months for at least two years and have a PET scan in six months. PET scans will be in the picture for the immediate future. Says Dalen, "It is a mild, mild understatement to say that we are pleased and very thankful for the show of love, prayers and concerns over these past two and one half years. Bless and thank you all."

Dan Oakes and **Anna Parker** now have a place for summers in the Pleasant Acres Park on the Newport Road. Classmate **Mary Frost LaPlant** lives in the same park. Last spring, **Linda Harris Fortier's** mom, who also lived in the Park, passed away, and Linda was here for a few weeks closing up her mother's place. We had some good times getting together and reminiscing. Soon it's back to warm weather and Tucson in the winter.

Alison Baird Ward is still living just outside Chicago. She says she loves working through the school department with children at risk in West Chicago. She averages three days a week. The rest of the time she plays! She is still running, enjoying her children and grandchildren, and her pet kitty.

Tom Wentworth wrote: "On October 19, I spent a wonderful evening listening to Rex Fowler and

friends at One Longfellow Square in Portland. Rex has a new, very talented wife, Dodie, who plays guitar and keyboards. Also ran into **Anna Parker** who I had not seen since 1966 back at MCI. What great fun reconnecting with old friends! So happy for Rex and his new marital bliss!

Faye Bickford, Linda Harris Fortier, and **Dan Oakes** have been very helpful in tracking down some of our lost classmates, and I really appreciate their help! If you would like to reach me, I've included my contact information below:
bbsarranger@mac.com,
cell: 207-831-3141
In Maine: 34 Kathy Street, Palmyra, ME 04965
In Arizona: 7128 E Sabino Vista Circle, Tucson, AZ 85750

Class Agent:
Anna Maria Parker

Class of 1973

Richard Davis writes, "It was great seeing everybody at the 45th reunion in August. I'm already looking forward to the 50th (can you believe it?!). I'm still serving as the Town Manager of Farmington and was recently honored by being named Manager of the Year by my professional association, the Maine Town, City, and County Management Association. Shelly and I divide our time between our home in Wilton and our family camp in Plymouth during the summer. I hope all our classmates are well and enjoying life as much as I am. Best regards."

Class Agent:
Susan Smith England

Class of 1976

Hello Class of '76! It's fall in Maine at this writing and the leaves in this neck of the woods are just beginning to turn. I'm okay, still putting one foot in front of the other every day including my jaunts to Dunkin' to use my computer on Sunday. I'm also still on the Egg Festival Committee and have taken the acting off my title of Curator at the Depot House museum.

In sad news, I'm sorry to let you know that we've lost another member of our class: **Cheryl Small** passed away in early September of ovarian cancer. I was with **Kevin Bryant** when I learned this and we confirmed it by talking to **Christy Mayhew** on the phone from Kev's truck. Condolences to Cheryl's parents, family, and friends. I hope the ladies of our class will go and get themselves checked to be sure that they are free of cancer.

I saw **Scot "Klutzmo" Kelly's** brother in Bud's this last Sunday and he says that Klutzmo is doing well, but dodging the typhoons in Japan.

This coming year, Pittsfield will be celebrating its 200th birthday, and there's a lot of stuff planned for warmer weather, but the celebration will kick off in December at the Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony in Hathorn Park by the Cupola that was once part of the Valley Times/Pittsfield Advertiser Building and part of the Hathorn Family farm on the park site back *a day or two ago* as they sometimes say in the



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history business. The only time I go out at night anymore is to town council meetings, Historical Society meetings, Friends of the Library meetings, and Egg Festival meetings. The rest of the time I'm generally home by 3 PM and in the four-poster by 10 PM (I am after all approaching my 62nd birthday in January). I hope to stay active till the day I can't anymore. Have a good holiday season and be good for Santa. Above all, 'keep it 'tween the ditches and the shiny side up' both in your cars and on the sidewalks.

Class Agent:
Don Hallenbeck

Class of 1979

Nina Hohman Rochette writes, "Loving the move to Arizona. It is beautiful out here! I am northwest of Phoenix, so it is cooler, as Prescott Valley sits surrounded by mountains. So much to learn and so glad I did the move. Ask me about the story of 'why AZ!'"

Kathy Kelley emailed, "This is a big year for 1979 – 40 years, and it just seems like yesterday we were singing *Freebird* and spreading our wings! I

am looking forward to seeing as many of you that can make it to reunion next August. It has been seven years since I returned to Pittsfield and I have enjoyed every moment. The best thing is being involved in the community that helped me grow up and reconnecting with friends! I have been working at SVH for over two years now and find I am able to do the profession I love while caring for people that I knew from many years ago. **Milt Webber '71** and I are expecting grandchildren (twins) in May and are so excited for their arrival!

Class Agent:
Kathy Kelley

Class of 1987

David O'Brien writes, "All is good with the family and me. My oldest daughter Shelby has gone to Oklahoma City University for acting and music and is loving it. My youngest daughter, Delaney, is a junior in high school and really into volleyball. It won't be long until we are empty nesters. If anyone is ever in the Tampa or Orlando area, let me know and we can get together for lunch or dinner."

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Scott Lapanne writes, "As a member of the United States Navy, my latest duty station is at Recruit Training Command Naval Station in Great Lakes, Illinois. I will be here for at least the next three years. I am interested in attending the 35th reunion!"

Barbara Pomeroy bought an old fixer-upper in Pittsfield, and she is in hopes of getting the repairs done to the house in the spring and summer of 2019 so that she might be able to move in sometime next year. It's an old house built in 1894 that had been abandoned by the previous owner and acquired by the town for non-payment of property taxes. Barbara bought it from the town and managed to track down the previous owner to clear the title to the real estate, so it is all hers. Unfortunately, it had been vandalized during the several years that it had stood vacant, so the house needs all new electrical, plumbing, heating, and repairs and renovations on every floor. During her research into the history of the house at the Registry of Deeds, Barbara discovered that the original family that built the house and lived in it for decades until the Seventies were actually her distant cousins. The house is less than half a mile from where Barbara works on Main Street in Pittsfield, so someday she will be able to walk to work. Of course, the house needs a whole lot of work between now and then.

Class Agent:

David O'Brien

Class of 1989

Congratulations to **Brenda Hartley Orffer**, who was sworn in as Mayor of McCleary, Washington, in June 2018. Brenda is the first female mayor to serve McCleary since its inception.

Nancy MacGown Monteyro, owner of Poponovers in Pittsfield, received the Modern Woodmen Hometown Hero award in recognition of her many volunteer activities and contributions to our community.

Class Agent:

Frances Oviatt Rogers

Class of 1996

Billie-Jo Wyman Reed writes, "Graduated with my masters in Special Education in May 2018. I recently started a new job in public school in MSAD 53."

Class Agent:

Heather Gray Csontos

Class of 1999

Stephen McCarron is a project manager for Sheridan Construction and also a Lieutenant on the Newport Fire Department. He has two daughters, Alahna, who is a junior, and Abbi, who is in sixth grade. He reports that life is great!

Claude Tozier is a full-time manager for AutoZone and has a six year-old daughter. He is proud to report that he quit smoking after 18 years.

Faye Mack is living in Machias and is raising her two beautiful daughters

who are ten and six, with the help of her mom and boyfriend. She teaches a third and fourth grade combination classroom at Fort O'Brien School. Faye can see the ocean from her classroom and has seven amazing students. She and her family love where they live and enjoy hiking and getting to the water as much as possible.

Shannon Davis Ring is living in Pittsfield with her husband, **Tyler Ring '01** and 3-1/2 year old daughter. Shannon works as a recruiter for Manpower in Bangor and has been there for over seven years.

Natalia Mayhew Hall is living in Pittsfield with her husband **Ben Hall '01** and their two children. Natalia is a manager at Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor and has been working there for ten years. During their free time, Natalia and her family can usually be found around Pittsfield at a sporting or school event. They also enjoy time at their family camp.

Nicole Cianchette Steeves is living with her husband **Pat Steeves '98** and their two sons (one of whom is a current Husky!). Nikki started a new job at Shorelight Education in April 2018 working in international student recruitment and admissions. During her free time, Nikki can be found at the MCI and Warsaw football fields working the snack shacks and selling 50/50 tickets.

Abigail Ross Varga practices law and lives in the Portland area with her husband and their two children.

Class Agent:

Natalia Mayhew Hall

Class of 2012

Congratulations to **Charlotte Hovey** who debuted with the North American tour of *The Phantom of the Opera* in November.

Class of 2016

Hannah Holtsclaw is the new principal dancer with the Ballet of Pensacola. Hannah is a full-time student at the University of Cincinnati where she is pursuing her BFA in Ballet.

Class of 2018

Addi Williams is having a stellar first-year field hockey season at Endicott College. She was named Commonwealth Coast Conference Offensive Player of the Week in September 2018 and Rookie of the Week three times in September and October. She has 22 goals and three assists, and her team won their conference title and advanced to the NCAA tournament.

Adam Bertrand has joined the University of Maine's football team as a red-shirt freshman winning a roster spot during walk-on tryouts. Adam will practice with the team this fall and next spring in hopes of earning playing time in 2019.

April McAlpine, a member of MCI's 2017 State Championship field hockey team, joined the 2018 Husson University field hockey team. The Eagles won the New England Collegiate Conference Championship this fall and April started eight of twelve games in which she played.

In Memoriam

The Advancement Office wishes to honor the members of the MCI family who recently passed away:

Lancy Carter Bradshaw

Harold Emerson

Kathy Watson

Beverly Hatch Gilbert '39

Beverly McNally Blunda '44

Robert Sirois '47

Thomas Walsh '48

Colleen Clement Bean '49

Robert Nelson '49

Sarah Chipman '53

Peter F. Bastow '55

Fernald White '55

Peter Hill '56

James Carroll '58

Joseph Cosgrove '59

David Anderson '61

Stuart Rand '61

Carol Gould '64

Thomas Lavin '64

David Tinker '64

Richard Burkinshaw '66

Ruth Rines '67

William Zurey '67

Shawn Healy '69

Jere Dana '73

Stephen Poulin '75

Cheryl Small Hanson '76

Thomas Ranville '89

Moises Pujols '03

Our deepest condolences to the families and friends of those who have passed away.

The Advancement Office tries its very best to accurately record the names of the alumni/ae and friends who have passed away. Please contact our office about the passing of MCI alumni/ae and friends by calling (207) 487-5915 or by email: alumni@mci-school.org

CORRECTION

In the Spring 2018 issue of *The Alumnus*, we omitted the name of **Robert Bryant '78** from the obituary of his father, **Arey Bryant '48**. We apologize for the oversight.



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