

HIGHLIGHTS

A NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS & FRIENDS

SUMMER 2001

Maine Central Institute's 132nd Commencement

"Fullness of life comes not in reaching a destination, but through the journey itself. It is in the journey that character is built, it is in the journey that destinies are found, and it is in the journey that we connect with one another as human beings – just as our class has in the journey we have shared together at MCI."

"And so it is now together, as MCI's Class of 2001, that we find ourselves standing in front of the frightening thing known as "the future". Never be afraid to wear your heart on your sleeve and take a risk...to live is to risk."

These thoughts, very beautifully articulated by Valedictorian Risha Moskalewicz so well-paralleled the Class of 2001 Motto: "With courage greater than your fear, jump into the unknown and you will fly."

Attracted to MCI by the renowned Bossov Ballet Theater program, Risha had spent a dreadfully unhappy year at the Virginia School of the Arts. Near the end of her speech she said," I am so thankful for the last three years I have spent in this small New England town where I have encountered love and kindness, developed friendships with people from all around the world, and finally found where home is."

In closing she commented, "Be true to yourself and to your heart, spread the goodness and love I know you all possess, and have the courage to recognize that all of life is but a childhood – a blessing of growth and learning. Good luck and God bless you all in your journeys".

Salutatorian
Mitchell Mailman said, wisely,
"We are so dependent on
other people to
fulfill our

own ambitions...We live together in a community and no matter how independent we try to be, we are always going to be taking from the world and giving back to it." He went on to talk about his four years of working with MCI's technology program as it evolved

and how proud he was to be able to help produce the new *Masardis*, with its gorgeous full-color cover, on the school's computers.

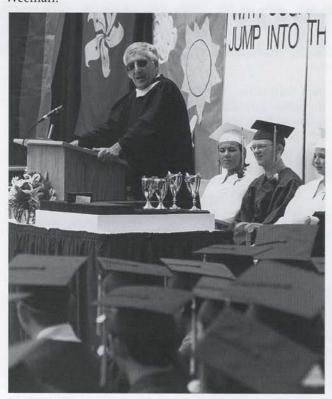
Graduation Speaker Peter Snow, popular Warsaw Middle School teacher who had taught many of the graduates, also spoke of courage and the need to face one's fears. Quoting Mark Twain, he said, "Courage is not the absence of fear, but the management of fear." He went on to talk about his horrific experiences in Viet Nam and of being one of only two in an Army platoon who survived a brutal Viet Cong attack by crouching in a water-filled ditch and

breathing through hollow reeds.

With Risha and Mr. Snow on the dais under the towering trees of the Boutelle Savage Lawn were Salutatorian Mitchell Mailman and Honor Essayists Timothy Monk, Micah O'Brien and Natalie Marie Balogh. Head of School Douglas C. Cummings,continued

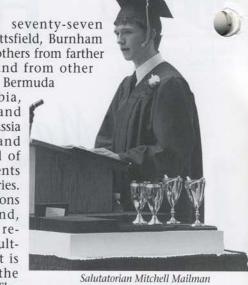
Valedictorian Risha Moskalewicz Board of Trustees President Michael Hodgins '86 and Class Advisors Debra Billings and Rebecca Williams were also seated on the platform.

Many significant awards were given at Commencement 2001, to students as well as to faculty; two endowed faculty chairs and three endowed faculty fellowships were awarded for the very first time. More than 60 awards and scholarships to seniors were announced and The Faculty Cup and The Masters Cup were presented to seniors Cecilia Royal and Steven



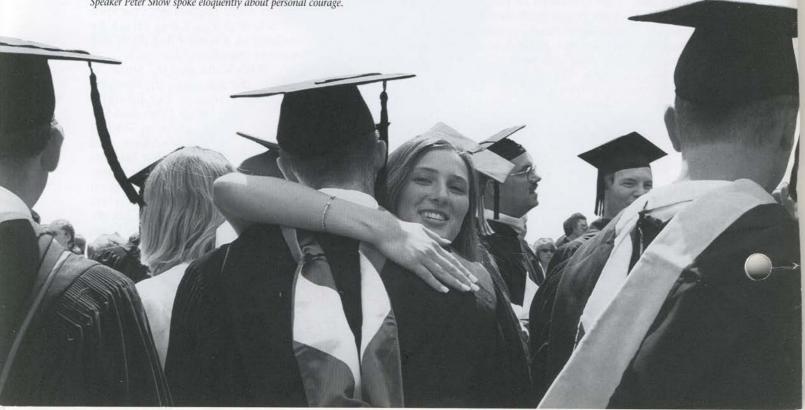
Speaker Peter Snow spoke eloquently about personal courage.

Joining the seventy-seven graduates from Pittsfield, Burnham and Detroit were others from farther away in Maine and from other states....and from Bermuda and Saudi Arabia, from Taiwan and Germany, from Russia and Japan and Canada... a total of twenty-one students from other countries. Flags of their nations flew in the wind, vividly colorful reminders of the cultural diversity that is the hallmark of the MCI experience. The



presence of these international students echoes Risha's speech, for they came to Pittsfield, Maine from halfway around the world, with great courage, to explore a vastly different culture. Their futures are different for having come here; our futures are different for having known them.

At Commencement's end, the 102 graduates of the Class of 2001 rose, in unison, to their feet, tossed their tassels to the other side and marched, with perfect precision, to the glorious music of Edward Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance." Down the grassy aisle they came, behind Class Marshalls Alisha Allen and Aaron Becker, to the receiving line of faculty members' and administrators' embraces and congratulations. The members of the Class of 2001, many with tears in their eyes, then marched on...on their journeys....to their futures.



Faculty & Masters Cups 2001 The Tradition Continues

t Commencement 2001 two outstanding seniors were presented with The Cups; The Faculty Cup was awarded to Cecilia Royal, daughter of Ronald and Michele Royal of Pittsfield and Christmas Cove and The Masters Cup went to Steven Weeman, son of Mrs. Lisa McGinnis and Mr. Richard Weeman, both of Detroit.

Head of School Doug Cummings commented that the MCI Faculty Cup is presented to the girl who demonstrates the highest qualities of character, leadership and involvement in school activities. In making the

Masters Cup presentation. Cummings said that it is given to honor the boy who best represents the ideals of the school in athletic ability, character, leadership and school spirit, as well as loyalty to the school.

CC won first place for her Senior Project about protecting the environment and she was elected the Most Friendly in the Senior Class by her peers; she also won the National Honor

Society Leadership Award. A member of NHS and Student Council for two years, she served as Vice President of the Council her senior year. Her junior year, CC was a delegate to Girls State and a Manson Essayist. In tenth grade she was Student of the Month and Dorm Student of the Month. A member of the Bossov Ballet Theater program for four years, CC also played on the tennis team her senior year. She was also active on the Civil Rights Team for two years and with Homecoming and Winter Carnival activities for three years.

At Commencement and at Senior Chapel, CC received a number of other awards: Burns W. Knowlton Jr. American Legion Scholarship; Hazel and Maurice Earle Integrity Scholarship; Myrtle Main Sherman French Award; Norval B. Lewis English Award; MCI History Award; Student Council Award; John Slagle Humanities Award.

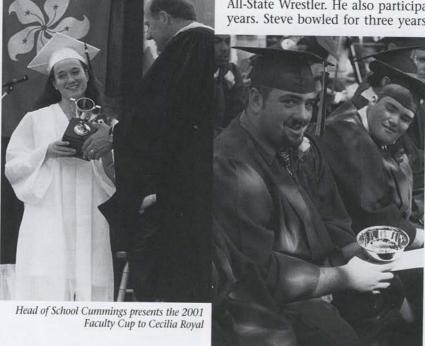
She will attend Connecticut-College in the fall.

Steve was President of the Class of 2001 and also President of National Honor Society his senior year. A three-season varsity level athlete, Steve was a member of the football team for four years and was captain his senior year. He was a wrestler since his freshman year. serving as team captain for two years. This past winter he was Regional and State Champion, undefeated in 30 meets, and was named Outstanding Wrestler in both the Regional and State Tournaments. He was presented the Wallace W. La Fountain Award, given to the most outstanding wrestler in the state in Class B, in March, and was named a Portland Press Herald-Sunday Telegram All-State Wrestler. He also participated in track for four years. Steve bowled for three years, was a drama parti-

cipant for two and on yearbook his senior year.

A master ice sculptor, Steve guided his classmates through four Winter Carnivals, creating memorable icv images. He was crowned the 2001 Sno-Ball King.

At Senior Chapel he was awarded the Gary S. Dupill Sportsmanship Award and the Husson Medal. He received the Margaret Witham Challenge Cup and W. Howard Niblock Scholar-



Steve Weeman hears his name announced as the

2001 Masters Cup recipient.

ship at Commencement.

Steven's college plans are not finalized.



Campaign for MCI Honors Outstanding Teachers

By Douglas C. Cummings, Head of School

t Commencement I was extremely proud to announce Maine Central Institute's new faculty chairs and fellowships and to award these honors to outstanding MCI teachers, in recognition of their significant accomplishments. These honorariums, created as part of the Campaign for MCI fund-raising efforts, were presented for the first time this year. Following are my Commencement Day commenda-

tions to each recipient.

"With distinct pleasure, I present the Roderic L. Smith Endowed Faculty Chair to honored recipient Anne Kaan, whose stellar career as an educator has spanned 41 years. Anne, a teacher of English and Latin and a Fulbright scholar herself, embodies those qualities common to all great teachers: Anne loves to learn and to teach. She is hard-working, setting high standards for herself and her students. She enhances

her classroom with a lively wit. Above all, she is dedicated to helping all students achieve their academic goals. Anne, it is with love and gratitude that we honor you with the Roderic L. Smith Endowed Faculty Chair for your extraordinary career as a

With distinct pleasure I present the Norbert W. Young Sr. Endowed Faculty Chair to Tanya Kingsbury, whose career as a teacher of Spanish at MCI exemplifies the professional and personal attributes most

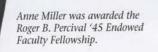
> Tanya's lively classroom, students of Spanish are held to a high standard through a carefully crafted curriculum aligned with national standards. Students from Tanya's classes have achieved success in foreign language far beyond the walls of her classroom. Tanya, for

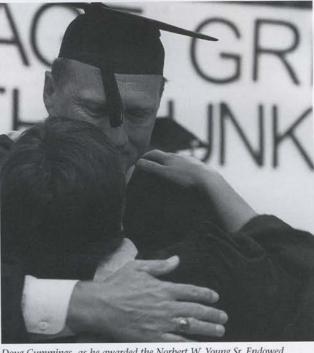
valued in an educator. In

in the classroom and beyond, I proudly award you the Norbert W. Young Sr. Faculty Chair.

your inspiring leadership

It is my privilege to present the Herbert F. Newhouse '23 Family Endowed Faculty Fellowship to Linda Amsden, for her





Doug Cummings, as he awarded the Norbert W. Young Sr. Endowed Faculty Chair to Tanya Kingsbury.



Tanya Kingsbury in her endowed



A delighted and excited Anne Kaan, recipient of the first Roderic L. Smith Endowed Faculty Chair.



Linda Amsden, recipient of the Herbert F. Newhouse '23 Endowed Faculty Fellowship.

personal quest to understand the unlimited possibilities of technology in education and for her zealous leadership in bringing that knowledge to MCI, particularly to her students and to the math department. Linda, with inspired leadership such as yours, MCI can meet the challenges of the future.

It is my privilege to present the Roger B. Percival '45 Endowed Faculty Fellowship to honored recipient Anne Miller, MCI's librarian and media specialist. This fellowship is presented to Anne for her leadership in



Lee Harper, the 2001 recipient of the Adrien E. Hallee Family Endowed Faculty Fellowship.

putting MCI's library at the center of learning on the MCI campus, for her proactive approach to technology, and for bringing the world to MCI through a variety of programming. Anne, this award is to honor your accomplishments and to support your continued professional development and the growth of our library media center.

It is my privilege to present the Adrien E. Hallee Endowed Faculty Fellowship to Lee Harper, who, in teaching art, exemplifies his belief that all students can create. With a focus on proper technique as a basis for creativity, a determined effort to display student art work in the school and the community and his own artistry, Lee has single-handedly built an art program in which he and his students can take pride. Lee, the Adrien E. Hallee Faculty Fellowship will support your professional development and your goal to make MCI's art program outstanding in every way."

Respectfully, Cummmfr Douglas C. Cummings, Head of School

Annual Apples Again Awarded



Rosalie Williams presenting the award to Ron Bessey.

The last day of school, after a sumptuous early morning breakfast buffet, gleaming golden apples were awarded to MCI faculty and staff members for their dedicated service. Presenters were Associate Head/Director of Studies Rosalie Williams, Chief Financial Officer Jennifer Whitesel and Athletic Director Julie Treadwell. Comments about the humorous foibles, as well as the dedicated service of those being honored, were part of their presentations.

Recognized for their five years of service were Faye Bickford and Sherman Cookson, members of the maintenance staff, and Buck LaVallee-Davidson, Director of Technology.

Lynne Harvey, Residence Hall Director of Alumni Hall, was honored for her ten years at MCI; Lynne is leaving to take a position with the esteemed Cate School in California.

Honored for having completed fifteen years of service was Head of School Doug Cummings, who was lauded for all the growth of programs, student body and campus facilities that MCI has experienced during his tenure. Also honored for fifteen years were electrician Ken Connors and Humanities teacher Steve Peterson.

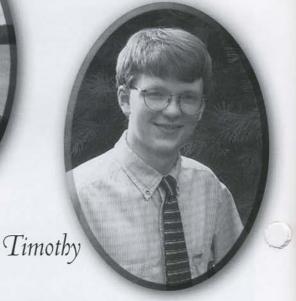
Twenty-year veteran Earl Anderson was a residence hall supervisor for five years, an experience he found extremely valuable. Earl was advisor to the Classes of '84 and '95 and a member of two accreditation committees; he has coached a number of sports, both at MCI and other area high schools. He commented that he especially values the opportunity that MCI has given him to grow professionally and appreciates the autonomy and flexibility granted by his department chair Ron Bessey.

Awarded an apple for his thirty years of service was Ron Bessey, MCI Class of '62. A graduate of Bates College, Ron is currently writing a comprehensive history of Maine Central Institute, beginning with its founders in 1866, several of whom were the founders of Bates. He is Department Chair of the Humanities Department; previously he served as head of the History Department. A class advisor every year from 1971 to 2000, Ron was a dorm parent for seven years and has been advisor to the bowlers since 1978 and the National Honor Society since 1986. Ron commented, when asked about his longevity at the school, "I love teaching, and I love MCI".



Mitchell





HONOR

Valedictorian Risha Li Moskalewicz,

daughter of Dr. Thomas and Nina Moskalewicz of Pittsfield, achieved a 98.38 grade point average while taking courses at accelerated levels: AP English, Honors Humanities, Advanced Math and Calculus and AP Physics. She consistently achieved Highest Honors throughout her four years of high school.

A serious student of ballet, she participated in summer programs with the National Ballet of Canada, American Ballet Theater, Royal Winnepeg Ballet, Bournonville/Vaganova Summer Intensive and MCI's Bossov Ballet Theater.

Her other activities included three years in the Drama Club and on the Drama Competition Team. A member of National Honor Society and Student Council her junior and senior years, when she was also an Annual Auction volunteer, Risha was a peer tutor, involved with Homecoming and Winter Carnival, a Masardis Literary Magazine contributor, Student of the Month and participant in Girls State. Risha was a science award winner in tenth grade and recipient of the Spanish and history awards her junior year, as well as a member of the Prom Court. She won the Manson Essay Contest with her speech about Jim Henson, the puppeteer. She was a Hospice volunteer her senior year.

A dedicated dancer since age five, six days per week, Risha chose not to dance her senior year because, as she said, "I wanted to make time for myself and for others, to find time to enjoy, to appreciate my life. I needed to balance things. The guiding principals of my life are love, fortitude, appreciation of individuality, taking chances, being expressive, God."

At Commencement Risha was awarded the George M. Parks Award, the MCI Citizenship Award, the MCI

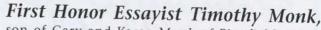
Mathematics Award and the Sebasticook Valley Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship. Risha will attend the University of Tampa where she will study pre-med.

Salutatorian Mitchell Douglas Mailman,

son of Stephen and Yvonne Mailman of Pittsfield, was a member of the Math Team for four years, who achieved Highest Honors almost every quarter; Mitch was inducted into National Honor Society his junior year. He participated in the Science Olympiad and was a Gold Medalist at the state level in ninth grade. His junior year he was a member of Future Problem Solvers and was named a regional finalist.

A member of the Tec-Up group that helped to keep the MCI computers up and running his first two years at the school was one of his most favorite activities. During tenth grade Mitch completed an Independent Study Honors Seminar with the Technology Department which then evolved into a summer job. He has been a contributor to the Masardis and this year he provided the expertise to compose it digitally. In the Manson Essay Contest Mitch placed second his junior year. During his four years at MCI Mitch received





son of Gary and Karen Monk of Pittsfield, was a member of the Math Team for four years and its captain his senior year; he was also a member of Future Problem Solvers as a junior. A National Honor

Society member, Tim was often a Highest Honor student. A serious musician, Tim was a member of MCI's Jazz Band for four years,

in the Kennebec Valley Honors Band for three and in the District IV Honors

Band this past year.

A member of the Fencing Club for three years and its captain the past two, Tim also participated in Magic Club for three years and in Science Club in ninth grade. A Boy Scout for many years, he served as Senior Patrol Leader his senior year and in the Order of the Arrow for the past three

At Commencement and at Senior Chapel Tim received a number of awards: Paul Legge Physics Award; CM Almy Scholarship; Pittsfield Kiwanis Scholarship; Wright Family Scholarship. Tim will attend the University of Maine in September.





Micah

academic awards for science and Latin I and II, as well as the Maine Scholars Achievement Award.

A member of the Fencing Club the past three years, he also participated in the Outing Club for three years and the Civil Rights Club in ninth grade.

During Senior Chapel and at Commencement Mitch received the Wright Family Scholarship, Hazel M. and Maurice L. Earle Memorial Scholarship for History, the Tammy Bodwell Memorial Scholarship for outstanding curiosity in science and the Rosalie Williams Speaking Award.

Mitch will attend Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in the fall where he will major in physics with a concentration in robotics and machine intelligence.

Second Honor Essayist Micah O'Brien,

son of David and Wanda O'Brien of Burnham, was elected to National Honor Society his sophomore year. A member of varsity baseball for four years and on the football team in ninth and twelfth grades, Micah also volunteered at MCI's Annual Auction and participated for two years in the NHS vs. Faculty Basketball Games.

Micah has been very active in the Winnecook Christian Church throughout his high school years. He will attend the University of Maine.

Third Honor Essayist Natalie Balogh,

daughter of Marie-Linea Mailman of Burnham, was Secretary of the Class of 2001 her junior year. A member of the Civil Rights Club in tenth grade, Natalie played field hockey in ninth grade. She received the Life Skills Award in ninth and the Anatomy Award in tenth grade.

Natalie studied the flute for two years and was very active in her church throughout high school. She balanced her academic studies with a part time job and achieved High or Highest Honors every term. She will enroll at Northeastern University in September.

Other Outstanding Scholars in

The Class of 2001





Mariel Lancaster, daughter of Bayford and Colleen Lancaster of Pittsfield, was sixth in her class; she was extremely active in many areas of school life. President of Student Council, she was a member of the council for all four years. Mary consistently achieved Highest Honors and was elected to National Honor Society her junior year when

she was also an American Mathematics Competitor.

She participated in many extra-curricular activities for four years: Concert Band; Jazz Band; Jazz Chorus; Chorus; Drama Team and Drama Competition Team; Varsity Field Hockey Team of which she was co-captain her senior year; Varsity Softball Team, of which she was also co-captain. Mary played basketball, the last two years at the varsity level and she was co-captain of that team as well this past year. She was chosen for KVAC All Academic Teams for field hockey and basketball.

Her sophomore year Mary was chosen as the school's Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Conference Ambassador and was selected a Girls State Ambassador her junior year. In ninth and tenth grades she was a Student of the Month. In May it was announced that Mary had been awarded the Maine Principals' Award.

At Senior Chapel and at Commencement Mary was the recipient of a number of awards: Student Council Award, Wright Family Scholarship, Edna Reed Scholarship; Charles Atwood Somerset 4-H Camp Scholarship; Pittsfield Kiwanis Scholarship; SAD 53 Association Scholarship; Malaka Russell Field Hockey Award; Concert Band Award; Ruth Plummer Cook Music Award. Mary will attend St. Anselm College.



Tyler Inman, son of Ms. Doris Inman of Pittsfield, received several art awards in ninth and tenth grades and was especially commended in the Division I Drama Competition for his very unique set for "The Lost Princess". He was a member of the Drama Competition Team for four years. His art work was selected for display

by the Vincent Hartgen Traveling Art Exhibit Program and will tour the state for the next year. Tyler was on the *Masardis* staff for two years and a contributor this past year.

He received the Latin Award his sophomore year and was a Manson Essay Contest finalist. He was elected to National Honor Society his sophomore year; this past year he studied AP Calculus on the Internet. He participated in Outing Club for two years and track his freshman year.

At year's end Tyler was the recipient of the John Slagle Humanities Award, the Drama Award and MCI's Outstanding Artist Award. He will attend Rhode Island

School of Design in the fall.



Daron Caraballo, daughter of Hector and Renate Ebner-Caraballo of Detroit, was a class officer and a member of Student Council for three years, as well as Vice President of National Honor Society. For four years she was a member of the Concert Band and tennis team and a Winter Carnival participant, she was

a Prom Queen candidate her sophomore year when she also won the Spanish award. Daron was a threeyear field hockey player. Her junior year she was a Manson Essayist and a member of the Civil Rights Club. She was a Student of the Month in ninth grade when she also participated in Spanish Club.

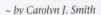
At Commencement she was awarded a Wright Family Scholarship. She will attend Bowdoin College.

Cecilia Royal was the recipient of the 2001 Faculty Cup. (See article on page 3))



Ryan Rancourt, son of Gerard and Karen Rancourt of Pittsfield, was consistently on the Honor Roll all four years. He received the Architectural Drafting Award his junior year. He was active in Homecoming and Winter Carnival activities with his class all four years and he participated in the Haunted House his senior year.

At Senior Chapel and Commencement Ryan received a number of awards: Elks Lodge #2713 Scholarship; Masons Grand Lodge of Maine Scholarship; Pittsfield Garden Club Botany Award; Husson Medal; Pittsfield Kiwanis Scholarship. He will attend Eastern Maine Technical College in September.



List of Graduates

Katherine Elizabeth Adams Alisha Marie Allen Elizabeth Mary Allen Bassem Makram Amin Nicole Ann Babb Heather Hanna Ballard Natalie Marie Balogh Dillon Morris Barfield Aaron Alexander Becker Chadd Douglas Bennett Jerrit John Blomgren Mark Everett Bolster Megan Rebecca Booth Robert Willard Brooks Paige Katherine Brown Heather Elizabeth Campbell Joshua Michael Campbell Daron Louise Caraballo Echo Lynn Chase Roger Alan Chase Man-Ho Raymond Cheung Man-Yun Angelina Choy Hao-Jen Chung Dena Kay Collins Jason Edward Cook Russell Louis Copelin Sarah Lyn Cota Jenny Lynn DeRosby Sascha John Dunphy Alexandra Camille Faria Rachel Loveitt Fendler Daniel Freeman Flaherty Austin Earl Fletcher Christopher Thomas Gerry Nicholas Burtchaell Glencross Timothy John Glidden

Lindsay Ann Goff Adam Tyler Grant Amy Jean Greelev Christopher Ryan Gustin Benjamin Andrew Hall Aaron David Hanscomb Avery Devin Herzog Debra Marie Hibbard **Bryce Moulton Holmes** Chung-Chieh Amanda Hsiao Hsuan-Che Huang Chris Mandaze Ingham Tyler Maxwell Inman Keith Aaron Justus Nicole Marie Kennedy Bryan Roger King Nathan Eric Kingsbury Aline Koenig Kenneth Andrew Lackie Mariel Keefe Lancaster Adam Philip Lane Amanda Lynn Leavitt Zachariah Charles Logiodice Nicole Lee Luce Wei-Chuan Ma Russell Donald Mack Michelle Lee Macomber Mitchell Douglas Mailman Mandingo Kiume Manders Kory David Martin Eric John Martins Justin Roger McMann Elizabeth Hannagan Meservey Timothy Adam Monk Risha Li Moskalewicz Masahiro Muramatsu

Micah Paul O'Brien Takahiro Ono Laura Jean Perry Olga Sergeevna Poluektova Ryan Michael Rancourt Danielle Erin Ready Justin John Reynolds Daniel James Riendeau Tyler Nelson Ring Anthony Tyrone Ross Ir. Kyle Devin Roy Cecilia Chance Royal Takumi Sato Philipp Johannes Schiefer Sarah Beth Sinclair Dwayne Tyrone Smith Kevin Edward Smith Samantha Marie Stafford Eric David Stevens Casseopia Serenity Sullivan Michael Clark Susi Myles Christien Therrien Zakiya K. D. Thomas Tamien Percy Trent Amanda Marie Trombley Jeceon Shawn Tuckett Nathaniel William Turlo Shane Anthony Wagner Joseph Allen Walker Chang-Hsu Mark Wang Steven Paul Weeman James Jerome Whyte Becky Lynn Wing Danielle Ruth Witham En-Chiao Wu





June 10, 2001 Commencement Scholarships





Paige Brown and Amanda Hsiao just before graduation.

Salutatorian Trophy Valedictorian Trophy Athlete of the Year Athlete of the Year Betty Webber Human Development Award Dale McDonald Baseball Award Electronic Publishing Award Frank T. Haseltine Biology Award Frank Haseltine Rifle Award Gary S. Dupill Sportsmanship Award Husson Medal Husson Medal Iva Cregnole Softball Award Jill Quint English Award John Slagle Humanities Award John Slagle Humanities Award John Slagle Soccer Award Malaka Russell Field Hockey Award Margaret Witham Challenge Cup Mark Porter Memorial Award MCI Coaches Award MCI Dean's Award MCI Drama Award MCI Faculty Cup MCI Masters Cup MCI Mathematics Award Outstanding Art Student Outstanding Music Student -Concert Band Outstanding Music Student -

Concert Choir

Outstanding Music Student -Vocal Jazz Ensemble

Outstanding Music Student -Instrum. Jazz Ens. Paul Legge Physics Award

President's Award for Academic Excellence

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Academic Achievement Psychology Award

Roderic Smith Basketball Award Ron Rogerson Award

Rosalie Williams Speaking Award Ruth Plummer Cook Music Award Ruth Plummer Cook Music Award

Sanger Cook Track Award Senior Class President Award

Student Council President Award U.S. Army & Army Reserve MVP Soccer Award

U.S. Army & Army Reserve MVP Soccer Award

U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete Award

U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar Athlete Award

U.S. Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award

U.S. Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award

U.S. Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award

U.S. Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award

U.S. Marine Corps "Semper Fidelis" Award For Musical Excellence

Wei-Chuan Ma

Mitchell Mailman

Timothy Monk

Risha Moskalewicz

Cecilia Royal

Chang-Hsu Wang

Natalie Balogh

Daron Caraballo

Man-Ho Raymond Cheung

Jason Cook

Jenny DeRosby

Mariel Lancaster

Micah O'Brien

Ryan Rancourt

Amanda Trombley Jenny DeRosby Michael Susi James Whyte Mitchell Mailman Mariel Lancaster Jason Cook Robert Brooks Steven Weeman

Robert Brooks

Mariel Lancaster

Laura Perry

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Benjamin Hall

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Michael Susi

Aaron Becker

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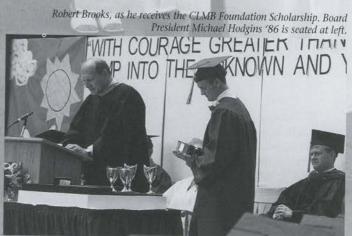
and Awards

U.S. Marine Corps		
"Semper Fidelis" Award		
For Musical Excellence	Mariel Lancaster	
Burns W. Knowlton,		
Jr. American Legion Sch.	Cecilia Royal	\$50
George M. Parks Award (Junior)	Lucy Orloski	\$50
MCI History Award	Cecilia Royal	\$50
Norval B. Lewis English Award	Cecilia Royal	\$50
Gladys Gleason Award	Nathan Kingsbury	\$95
Detroit Good Cheer Club	Danielle Ready	\$100
Edna Reed Scholarship Pittsfield Tuesday Club	Mariel Lancaster	0+00
George M. Parks Award (Senior)	Risha Moskalewicz	\$100
Hazel M. and Maurice L. Earle Award		\$100
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Mabel S. Andrew Scholarship	Danielle Ready	\$100
Mr. and Mrs. Marshall	Damene Ready	\$100
Nash Scholarship	Michael Susi	\$100
Pittsfield Kiwanis Ideals Award	Elizabeth Meservey	\$100
Pittsfield Kiwanis Ideals Award	Daniel Flaherty	\$100
Pittsfield Volunteer Fire Department	Tyler Ring	\$100
Rodney Johonnet	Laura Perry	\$100
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Memorial Scholarship	Mitchell Mailman	\$125
MCI Citizenship Award	Risha Moskalewicz	\$135
Burnham Extension Scholarship	Jenny DeRosby	\$150
Burnham Extension Scholarship	Justin McMann	\$150
MCI Key Club Scholarship	Elizabeth Meservey	\$150
MCI Key Club Scholarship	Robert Brooks	\$150
Pittsfield Garden Club Botany Award	Ryan Rancourt	\$150
Robert H. Libby Scholarship	Amy Greeley	\$195
Student Council Scholarship	Mariel Lancaster	\$150
Student Council Scholarship	Cecilia Royal	\$150
Bertha Wheeler Carter		
Memorial Scholarship	Aaron Becker	\$200
Christopher Dionne Basketball Scholarship	Michael Cost	
Cook Music Fund	Michael Susi	\$200
Elizabeth Crocker	Jason Cook	\$210
Memorial Scholarship	Nathan Kingsbury	\$200
Pittsfield Grange Scholarship	Katherine Adams	\$220
Pittsfield Grange Scholarship	Nathan Kingsbury	\$220
Beth Hathaway Memorial Scholarship	Heather Campbell	\$250
George Damren Memorial Scholarship	Amanda Leavitt	\$250
Hancock Lumber Scholarship	Amy Greeley	\$250
Promise Award	Sarah Cota	\$250
Promise Award	Bryce Holmes	\$250
SAD #53 Association	Nicholas Glencross	\$250
SAD #53 Association	Christopher Gerry	\$250
SAD #53 Association (Sons/Daughters)	Mariel Lancaster	\$250
e Charge Award	Ryan Rancourt	\$250
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Corporation Scholarship	Elizabeth Allen	\$300
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Danielle Ready

Club Scholarship

	MINISTRATION 2013/9	
Pitter Patter Preschool Scholarship	Katherine Adams	\$300
Pittsfield Arts Club Scholarship Richie McCorkill	Megan Booth	\$300
Memorial Scholarship MCI Dean's Residential	Ryan Rancourt	\$300
Leadership Award Richard Dunphy	Justin Reynolds	\$370
Memorial Scholarship	Kory Martin	\$390
Lend-a-Hand Club Scholarship	Justin Reynolds	\$400
MCI Football Boosters Scholarship	Benjamin Hall	\$400
Tilson and Ruth Thomas Scholarship	Mariel Lancaster	\$420
CM Almy and Son Scholarship	Timothy Monk	\$500
Billings Family Scholarship	Tyler Ring	\$500
Ira Berry Chapter #57		3300
Royal Arch Masons	Dena Collins	\$500
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Auxiliary Mem. Sch.	Tyler Ring	\$500
Ben Lovely Memorial Scholarship	Samantha Stafford	\$500
Ben Lovely Memorial Scholarship	Austin Fletcher	\$500
Masons Grand Lodge of Maine	Amy Greeley	\$500
Masons Grand Lodge of Maine	Ryan Rancourt	\$500
MCI Alumni Association Scholarship	Benjamin Hall	\$500
Pittsfield Kiwanis Scholarships	Elizabeth Allen	\$500
Pittsfield Kiwanis Scholarships	Mariel Lancaster	\$500
Pittsfield Kiwanis Scholarship	Timothy Monk	\$500
Pittsfield Kiwanis Scholarship	Ryan Rancourt	\$500
Robbie Tibbetts Memorial Scholarship		\$500
Sebasticook Valley Hospital Auxiliary	Risha Moskalewicz	\$500
W. Howard Niblock Scholarship Charles Atwood Somerset	Steven Weeman	\$800
4-H Camp Scholarship	Mariel Lancaster	\$1000
Elks Lodge #2713 Scholarship	Ryan Rancourt	\$1000
Skowhegan Savings Bank Business Scholarship		
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Wright Family Scholarship	Daron Caraballo	\$1000
Wright Family Scholarship	Jenny DeRosby	\$1000
Wright Family Scholarship	Mariel Lancaster	\$1000
Wright Family Scholarship	Mitchell Mailman	\$1000
Wright Family Scholarship	Timothy Monk	\$1000
CLMB Foundation Scholarship	Robert Brooks	\$1050
Pike Industries Region 2 Scholarship	Michael Susi	\$1250
Senator George J. Mitchell Scholarship Franklin Pierce College	Heather Campbell	\$4000
President's Award	Justin Reynolds	\$40,000



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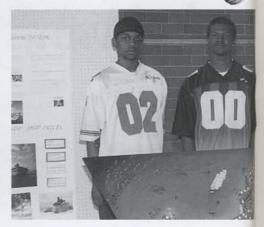
Six Seniors Exhibit Superb Projects



Heather Campbell's project was original poetry and



Dena Collin's project was a children's book about an autistic child.



Chris Ingham and Mandigo Manders put together a presentation about Bermuda.

any schools require special efforts from graduating seniors, ranging from senior speeches, several weeks of community service to wilderness trips. Few, however, require something so intensely academic and far-reaching as MCI's Senior Projects. In the months prior to graduation MCI's twelfth graders, all of them, must develop their ideas into written proposals for approval by faculty advisors. Some of the proposals are extremely ambitious and decidedly unique and the effort to complete them is arduous and challenging.

Spring 2001 was no exception; Justin Reynolds planned, prepared and served a most delectable four-course dinner. Eric Martins and Robert Brooks traveled down the Allagash, Jason Cook directed and produced the musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown".

The third annual Senior Projects Program culminated, this year, with six very different presentations by finalists Heather Campbell, Dena Collins, Chris Ingham and Mandingo Manders, Cecilia Royal and Aline Koenig, Hao-Jen Chung and Amanda Trombley

Heather created original poetry and art work for her 48-page collection, "reflecting the hollow and the satisfied parts of my life." Her poems range from dark and depressive, with desolate images, to wry commentary. She said, "It is a book of dimensions and questions; a book of suffering and heartache; a book of beauty and inspiration." Her stark, yet richly detailed, drawings beautifully compliment her poetry. The following lines well-illustrate Heather's way with words:

"I was a madman, werewolf Unbrushed, strangling the moon."

Dena's project involved shadowing two preschool teachers who introduced her to four little autistic boys. Dena, when young, had accompanied her mother to work and had met three little boys, triplets, who couldn't communicate due to their autism and who later died in a tragic fire. Dena decided to write a children's book from the point of view of the autistic child. Entitled "All the Colors of the Rainbow" and

filled with her original photography, Dena's book is a charming and wise plea to see the autistic child in a positive light that recognizes what he or she is able to do, rather than not able to do.

Chris and Mandingo entertained the audience with their very large, colorful and accurate three-dimensional topographical map of Bermuda, complete with a replica of a tiny, three-masted schooner. Their presentation went on to a videotape they'd made of themselves exploring th first British vessel to reach Bermuda, the Deliverance, and also of a reenactment of the ancient tradition of dunking less-than-obedient wives into the harbor of Hamilton. Chris and Mandingo talked about the cultural fusion and the tourism that are important aspects of Bermudian life.

Hao-Jen's original compositions, which he then recorded on CDs, were astonishing in their complexity and sheer musical genius. The crowd noises, the melodic line, the various harmonies, the sounds of different instruments, all were created by Hao-Jen, all 1,024 of them! The song in memory of his grandfather was haunting, like an Erik Satie piece, but with drums in the background. His farewell to MCI, which he recorded as we listened and watched, was a touching reflection on his experiences at the school. Hao-Jen spoke of the physics of sound production as he demonstrated his keyboard, mixer and computer as each worked "in concert" with the other.

Amanda's senior project was a biography of sorts, a tribute to her grandfather who, during the energy crisis of the 1970's, invented a rather simple heater that really generated heat – 148 degrees of it. The little heater, a sort of centrifugal device that involved creating intense friction with a little bit of oil, didn't follow the rules of physics or accepted science. Amanda spoke of the difficulties her grandfather faced in trying to fund the manufacture of the heater and of the patents he received in the US and a number of other countries. Senato Kennedy believed in her grandfather's invention and so, obviously, does Amanda.

CC and Aline worked together on their ambitious project, complete with an impressive Power Point



ao-Jen Chung created some original music compositions r his senior project.



Amanda Trombley's project told of her grandfather and a simple heater that he invented.



Cecilia Royal and Aline Koenig gave a Power Point presentation dealing with environmental activism.

presentation, which dealt with environmental activism. Their extensive research, particularly relating to oil exploration in Alaska, was enhanced by wonderful photographs. CC and Aline spoke at length about the difficulties they encountered in collecting and organizing their data and about the newsletter which they published. The girls submitted their

research and position on environmental activism to the Bangor Daily News and The Central Maine Morning Sentinel – both papers published their findings.

Judges Doug Cummings, Anne Miller, and Rosalie Williams had difficult decisions to reach; they selected Hao-Jen and CC and Aline's projects as the winners.

~ by Carolyn J. Smith

FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVERS WIN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP (AND THE TEAM IS ONLY TWO YEARS OLD!)

By Anne Miller, Librarian, and Deborah Rozeboom, Personal Learning Program Teacher

MCI brought home two state championship trophies this spring, but you may never have heard of the winning group. The Future Problem Solving Team, whose members, seniors Aaron Becker, Angelina Choy, Philipp Schiefer, and freshman Alex Cunningham, won the senior division for both booklet and skit of the Maine state competition on Saturday, April 28th at the William S. Cohen Middle School in Bangor. In doing so, they qualified for the International Conference in Athens, Georgia, in June. FPS is a new program for MCI; this is only the second year that the school has fielded a team.

Future Problem Solving is a year-long academic competition in which teams of four students are presented with a fictional, futuristic scenario. They then must identify possible challenges presented by the future scene, choose one of those challenges for which to generate solutions, establish criteria for evaluating the various solutions, select the best solution according to their criteria, and finally develop an action plan to address the problem they have chosen. This process includes very specific linguistic requirements, a great deal of precision writing, and must be completed in two hours



APRIL

STUDENTS OF



Freshman Stacey O'Donal, daughter of Jeffrey and Elaine O'Donal of Gorham, is a talented dancer and the choreographer who created and directed the dragon-slaying scene in "The Lost Princess". Stacey is devoted to the study of ballet and is caring and fun to be with, say her classmates; she is a strong student who achieves High Honors.



Sophomore Tyson Quint, son of Thomas Quint '73 and Janet Nichols Quint '76, both of Pittsfield, demonstrates the qualities of Student of the Month in many ways. He works hard and is very active in his class and in other school events. Tyson is known to be courteous, enthusiastic, nice to everyone and willing to chip in to help with the less popular jobs that need to be done, while keeping a positive attitude. Formerly on Student Council, Tyson has been a class officer, computer lab monitor and member of the football and track teams.



Junior Lindsey White, daughter of Richard and Marion White of Pittsfield, is an extremely hard-working student who puts in extra effort in her classes and does what it takes to be successful academically. Polite and courteous to everyone, Lindsey has a positive attitude and she works well with different groups; she is quiet and a person of strong character who is an active member of Key Club. She has been instrumental in bringing the radio station to campus.



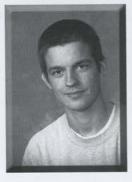
Senior Nicholas Glencross, son of Mr. William Glencross of Pittsfield, has been very active at MCI. He was formerly the school mascot, has been manager of the football team and a member of the wrestling team; he has also been involved with drama and has been active in church activities outside of school. Nick is known for his positive attitude and perseverance.



Freshman Forrest Peterson, son of Steven and Anna Watson '81 Peterson of Pittsfield, is a strong student who has consistently made Honor Roll at MCI; he brings a great attitude and intellectual curiosity to class and he knows how to combine learning and fun. An active and talented member of the Class of 2004, Forrest played guitar during Diversity Day, was awarded an Expert Rating at Freshman Prize Speaking and served as President of his class.



Sophomore Lizbeth Quint, daughter of David and Patricia Quint, both '77, of Pittsfield, is a hard-working student who strives to improve; she is always respectful, has a nice sense of humor and a good attitude and she almost always wears a smile. Lizbeth is a great classroom partner and group member who relates well to everyone; she helps with fundraising, is an active and efficient member of her class and of Student Council and is a field hockey and softball player.



Junior Andrew St. Clair, son of John and Wendy Susi '72 St. Clair of Pittsfield, is an outstanding math student who is also a solid honor roll student in his other classes and a member of National Honor Society. Known to be a true leader, he is fun to be around; he works well with classmates and is willing to help them out, is a positive influence and a good school citizen. Andrew is a member of the soccer, basketball and baseball teams.



Senior Ben Hall, son of Russell '74 and Dena Frost '79 Hall of Pittsfield, is one of those people who have a way of getting things done while demonstrating leadership qualities in the classroom and in extra-curricular activities. Helpful to others and a fine student and member of National Honor Society, Ben has been very active in Class of 2001 activities. His strongest attributes are most clearly shown in athletics, not only because of his natural talent but also because of his willingness to work hard in football, basketball and baseball. A teammate said, "He is a leader by example; when the team is doing badly, he always steps it up and makes big plays. He has the ability to lift others up when they are down."

THE MONTH



Senior Tyler Inman, son of Ms. Doris Inman of Pittsfield, is a strong student in every sense: he is prepared for classes, receives very good grades, takes challenging courses and sets challenging goals for himself and is quite involved in class discussions. He is commended for being a positive role model with a positive attitude and a willingness to help others. At MCI, Tyler has been a member of Outing Club, on the Masardis staff, a Manson Essayist and in drama for four years. He is probably most well-known for his talent as an artist, winning numerous awards at our Art Shows. He has designed and created incredible sets for our drama competition plays and this year won the Set Design Award in competition.



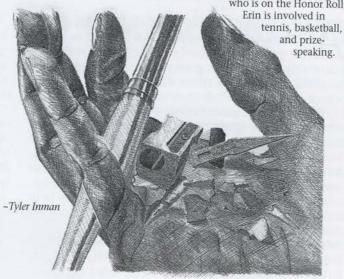
Freshman Tara Weeman, daughter of Mrs. Lisa McGinnis and Mr. Richard Weeman, both of Detroit, is described by her classmates as mature, cooperative and hard-working. She is an athlete and a scholar, participating in basketball and softball while maintaining Honor Roll status. Tara has also been involved with drama and Civil Rights Team.



Sophomore Beryl Bryce, daughter of James and Tam Cianchette '71 Bryce of Palmyra, is hard-working in and out of school. Active in Class of 2003 activities, Beryl maintains Honor Roll grades and is a member of the soccer team. Outside of school, she is involved in equestrian sports.



Junior Erin Fitts, daughter of Ross '78 and Kelly '79 Fitts of Palmyra, is a very bright young person with wonderful qualities, including a great work ethic, a sense of responsibility, respect for others in thought and action, a willingness to help where and when needed, and a great sense of humor. A top math student who is on the Honor Roll,



MCT Honor Roll For First Three Quarters Academic Year 2000-2001

CLASS OF 2001:

Highest Honors: Katherine Adams, Elizabeth Allen, Echo Chase, Bryan King, Mariel Lancaster, Mitchell Mailman, Risha Moskalewicz, Samantha Stafford, Danielle Witham High Honors: Hao-Jen Chung, Pieter Nieuwenhuyzen, James Whyte, Natalie Balogh, Robert Brooks, Heather Campbell, Daron Caraballo, Man-Ho Cheung, Angelina Choy, Dena Collins, Russell Copelin, Jenny DeRosby, Lindsay Goff, Laura Perry, Benjamin Hall, Debra Hibbard, Keith Justus, Nathan Kingsbury, Adam Lane, Ryan Rancourt, Danielle Ready, Amanda Trombley, Chang-Hsu Wang, Becky Wing.

CLASS OF 2002:

Highest Honors: Lucy Orloski, Cameron Bryce, Andrew St.Clair, Meredith Susi.

High Honors: Crystal Baker, Jennifer Cummings, Shelby Dyer, Stephanie Fletcher, Kerri George, Beth Hewins, Colin Hubbard, Corrie Johnson, Jasmine Jones, Jennie King, Amy Knowlton, Megan Ladd, Ka-Yan (June) Lee, Kiyoshi Miyako, Renee Paradis, Carrie Perkins, Laura Robison, Katie Salisbury, Eric Saucier, Danielle Scribner, Lindsey White, Nicole Woodworth, Luke Zarolinski.

CLASS OF 2003:

Highest Honors: Megan Becker, Danya Glabau, Karlyn Moyer High Honors: Beryl Bryce, Christopher Cochrane, Andrew Coffin, Bonnie Collier, Amanda Cowing, Joel Crabtree, Molly Gawler, Christopher Harriman, Autumn Hendricks, Atsushi Hirabayashi, Ashley Holt, Sarah Margolskee, Bradley Martin, Mark McCrillis, Michelle Noiles, Jared Reid

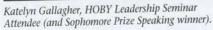
CLASS OF 2004:

Highest Honors: Alex Cunningham, Casey Nash High Honors: Nicole Monk, Michael Adams, Brenda Coffin, Stacey O'Donal, Tyler Richardson, Marc Turner, Emily Wagner

Year's End Student

Honors and Activities







2000-2001 Student Council

t the final Campus Coffee in late May, those students chosen from the Class of 2002 to attend the prestigious Girls State and Boys State leadership training programs were announced. The honor is bestowed on those who have been active in school government while maintaining excellent grades.

Traveling to Husson College the third week in June were Girls State participants Heidi Andrews, Jennifer Cummings, Megan Ladd, Amanda Quint, Danielle Scribner, Meredith Susi and Nikki Woodworth. Attending the Boys State session at Maine Maritime were Seth Wells and Brian Wintle.

Local businesses and individuals traditionally help to defray the costs of these valuable lessons in government and politics. Among those donating funds this year were Cianbro Corporation, Edwards Systems Technology, Lehr Agency, Merrill Merchants Bank, Pittsfield Arts Club, Pittsfield Kiwanis, Sebasticook Elks and Skowhegan Savings Bank.

Student Council's newly elected officers for 2001-2002 were announced: President ~ Jennifer Cummings;

Vice President ~ Heidi Andrews; Secretary ~ Teresa Kingsbury; Treasurer ~ Crystal Baker.

The Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Seminar is a great opportunity, awarded to one sophomore from each high school in Maine. Candidates submit essays for review by a school committee, which then selects the worthiest student to represent MCI at the HOBY Seminar. This year's recipient is Katelyn Gallagher.

Recipient of the Maine Principal's Award, which recognizes a graduating senior who has demonstrated great citizenship and achieved an outstanding academic record, was Mariel Lancaster, the 2000-2001 Student Council President. Mary received a \$1,000 scholarship from the Maine Principals' Association.

Senior Class officers for 2001-2002 were announced at Senior Chapel on June 8 when Steve Weeman, President of the Class of 2001, transferred the Class Presidential Gavel to Crystal Baker. She announced the other class officers: Vice President ~ Jennifer Cummings; Secretary ~ Allison Ross; Treasurer ~ John DeRosby.

At the final Campus Coffee, Student Council members presented its annual award to the teacher they felt best exemplified the qualities of an excellent

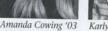
teacher. The presenters described the recipient as someone with a giving spirit and obvious caring for the students as individuals and one with the ability to teach the students and not just the subject.

Student Council officers Mary Lancaster and Jason Cook said, "To show our appreciation to Mr. Dean Neal, we make a \$100 donation in his name to the charity of his choice; we believe that a donation of this sort best embodies the spirit of the award. This year we recognize and thank a teacher whose energy seems to be limitless, a teacher who can bring out the best in his students, who asks a lot of his students but is willing to put in as much, if not more, effort. We especially appreciate that we feel good when we're in his classes and have a lot of fun while still accomplishing a great deal. Dean Neal is as much a friend as a teacher."



Crystal Baker, Class of 2002 President







Karlyn Moyer '03

Undergraduate Awards





Alex Cunningham '04

n '04 Emily Wagner '04

Mike Adams Sara Bailey Mike Broccio Cameron Bryce Mike Burnham Andrew Coffin Brenda Coffin Amanda Cowing

Alex Cunningham

Ellen Dickinson Lindsay DiPasquale Molly Gawler Jamie Gibbons Danya Glabau Cristina Gonzalez Jasmine Jones Sung-Ho Kim Jennie King June Lee Won-Joon Lee Spanish I Botany Electronic Publishing; Oceanography Junior Math; Spanish III Life Skills computer

Life Skills-computer
French II; Concert Choir
Integrated Science I
Integrated Science II; Sophomore Math;

Sophomore Humanities
Life Skills-computer; Freshman Math;

Freshman Humanities CP-history
Concert Band

Vocal Jazz French I Life Skills-computer

Latin I; Anatomy; Guitar Ensemble

Instrumental Jazz Sophomore Math

Junior Academic Block Humanities

Junior Math Junior Art Josh Leong Bradley Martin Kioshi Miyako Karlyn Moyer

Michelle Noiles

Lucy Orloski Shen Wen Peng Fred Poindexter Tyson Quint Ashley Roy Brandi Schissler Meri-Ella Sullivan Meredith Susi Emily Wagner

Matt Welch Kevin Williams Eric Witham Katie Witham Auto Cad Spanish II ESL

Sophomore Math; Integrated Science II

Honors; Sophomore Art; Sophomore Humanities CP-history

Music History; Junior Humanities CP-English

CP-English French III ESL

Life Skills-computer Astronomy

Sophomore Humanities Freshman Art

Internet Junior Humanities CP-history Integrated Science I;

Freshman Humanities CP-English

Life Skills-computer Internet

Mechanical Drawing Integrated Science II

THE 131ST MANSON ESSAYS

magnificent and enduring tradition at MCI, the Manson Essay Contest originated, in the words of Norval Lewis, former English Department Chair, "from the keen desire of Dr. John C. Manson to encourage the writing and speaking qualities of students. His will left a sum of money to MCI with the stipulation that the proceeds be used as prize money for the essays written by members of each junior class, with the best of them to be spoken in public. John W. Manson later added a sum to continue the tradition."

While the Mansons' prize money has long been expended and the format of the contest changed over the years, the contest itself has endured nearly as long as the school itself, having begun in 1871. And the pride in being a Manson Essay finalist has also continued unabated; it is often one of the first things an older alumnus will mention.

At one time the entire junior class sat and wrote for a full day in the old library in the Institute Building (now Founders Hall), using whatever texts they wished for their research. Today's Manson Essayists work for months on their research and writing, with guidance and input from their humanities teachers, Librarian Anne Miller and their families.

With her charming accent and superb audience rapport, Manson Essay Contest winner Ka-Yan (June) Lee enchanted everyone with her "Cultural Eating Habits and Diet". Listeners won't soon forget that one reason Asians are usually so much smaller than Americans, in her opinion, is portion size; "in the

United States a 16 ounce McDonald's soft drink is a 'small' – in Japan it is a 'medium'!"

Placing second was Stephanie Fletcher's "Fetal Testing for Mental Disabilites" essay. Her personal and heart-felt speech was deeply moving. Receiving honorable mention were Philipp Schiefer speaking about "Genetically Engineered Food" and Allison Ross' speech "RU-486: A New Option".

Other Manson Essay Contest finalists were Heather McLaggan, Colin Hubbard, Charmaine Trott, Nicole Woodworth, Meredith Susi, Mathew Lambert and Amanda Quint. Renee Paradis also qualified but was unable to present due to her trip to the Helsinki International Dance Competition.

The contest had a decidedly international flavor this year; June is from Hong Kong, Charmaine is from Bermuda and Philipp is from Germany.

This year's judges were Trustee Michael Gallagher, principal of Vickery School, The Rev. William Johnson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and Carolyn Smith, MCI's Director of Development. The criteria for judging gave equal weight to the written version and the spoken presentation. The essays were evaluated and graded by humanities faculty prior to the public speaking competition.

Assistant Head of School Rosalie Williams, the "force behind public speaking at MCI", was applauded for her support of the program. ■

MCI's Newest Building is

Officially Opened

Saturday, June 16, 2001 marked the official opening ceremony for Maine Central Institute's newest building, the 23,000 square-foot, state-of-the-art Chuck and Helen Cianchette Math and Science Center. More than 400 people attended the noontime ceremony that was scheduled during MCI's Reunion 2001 festivities.

Head of School Douglas C. Cummings commented, "It is critical that we recognize that what has been built here at MCI is far more than bricks and mortar, for we have built opportunities for students that provide them with every opportunity to be the very best they can be." He went on to say that The Campaign for MCI has raised \$3.9 million dollars in donations from lead givers and major donors, as well as from alumni and friends who have donated smaller but just as valued contributions. It is noteworthy that all gifts and pledges to the construction of the new building have come from private, not public, funds.

Featured speaker Peter Cianchette, MCI Class of 1979 and nephew of Chuck and Helen Cianchette, said, in his remarks, that he was flooded with memories when he came back on campus and filled with gratitude for all the lessons he'd learned and opportunities he was given at MCI. "The building we are dedicating today is making a significant contribution to providing that competitive advantage. It is a tangible example of how communities – not just Pittsfield and surrounding towns – but a community of caring people, largely MCI alumni, can come together to help prepare young people for the new realities of the world that awaits them."

He went on to comment upon Maine and national educational results, particularly in math and science and concluded, "It is heartening to be here at MCI where, instead of just studying and debating how to improve education, you are doing something about it!"

Peter Cianchette has recently announced his candidacy for the governorship of Maine. ■



Head of School Doug Cummings.



Peter Cianchette '79, keynote speaker.



"Grease" Is Back!

The gym was really rocking at Maine Central Institute on Saturday night, May 12th as John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John look-alikes dined and visited Fendlers' Soda Fountain, the Starlite Drive-in and Rosalie's Beauty Shop! To the sounds of Chubby Checker, Elvis and the Everly Brothers, the 300 people who attended MCI's Seventh Annual Auction got a real taste of swingin' in the '50s and '60s and looked the part, too, in black leather jackets, poodle skirts, rolled-sleeve t-shirts and pony tails.

Honorary Chairs of the event were the Ryan and Barbara Fendler family; Head of School Doug Cummings spoke at length about the family's more than 30 years of dedication and commitment to Maine Central Institute.

Decorations Chair Tracye Caldwell Fortin '81 and her crew of talented designers recreated a wondrously realistic visit to a small town's Main Street in the late 50's. Couples could have their photos taken in a gorgeous bright blue '58 Corvette (loaned by Harrison Aldrich of Unity), buy penny candy in a sweet shop, visit the American Bandstand jukebox or stop by the barbershop for gossip and Elvis-style side-burns. Assisting Tracye were MCI parents Peter and Sunny Brown, Bayford and Colleen Lancaster, Bonnie Brooks, Marion Zarolinski, Susie Farrow, Tamara Thompson Ingraham '77, Tammy George and

Peggy and Ken Thompson. A number of students involved in athletics and music also helped with decorating Wright Gym.

Dinner chairs Sherry Mayhew Littlefield '79 and Lori Cummings arranged for the marvelously tasty and authentic "diner dinner" of Salisbury steak or roast chicken with mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans,



Chris Faria in the beauty shop.

gravy, green beans, cole slaw, spiced apple ring and hot rolls. Beverages were donated by Seltzer and Rydhom and dinner costs were underwritten by Chartwells, MCI's food service provider. The scrumptious desserts, which included mile-high strawberry pie and eclairs, were donated by Randy Wadleigh, owner of the Governor Restaurants of Old Town and Bangor. Tables for the evening's festivities were donated by Taylor Rental.

The silent auction featured six wonderful items: a nostalgic watercolor of Winter Carnival in front of Founder's Hall donated by artist David Silsby '49; a deluxe weekend getaway at the Portland Regency donated by Eric Cianchette '69; a pair of Old Town "Otter" kayaks donated by Masonic Lodge Chapter 57; an MCI Boston rocker donated by the school's Alumni Association, a weekend cruise on the four-masted schooner Victory Chimes skippered by owner Kip Files '70 and his partner Paul DeGaeta; and a computer package donated by Phoenix Computers of Waterville.



Honoray Chairs Barbara and Ryan Fendler.

The Silsby painting of Founders Hall went to the high bidder for \$1,000!

Before dinner, the Sock Hop Drop silent auction featured 47 items. After dinner, auctioneer Pam Houston Brooks '65 dropped the gavel on 62 final bids for items such as an autumn flight up the Kennebec with Board of Trustees President and pilot Mike Fendler '70; ballet lessons with the school's Russian ballet master Andrei Bossov, a \$300 shopping spree at Bud's Shop 'N Save, Wang Theater tickets, a weekend at the Black Point Inn, legal services and two airplane tickets to one of 31 destinations in the US, the Caribbean or Canada, to name but a few. The trip, donated by Sara Williams (wife of Admission Director Clint Williams '86) and her Millennium Bridal and Tux Shop, received the evening's live auction bid of \$600.

The Items Committee members, Bayford Lancaster, David Fortin, Jeff Coffin, Ross Fitts, Head of School Doug Cummings, Director of Alumni Affairs Carlene Engstrom and Development Director Carolyn Smith were busy throughout the winter soliciting auction items. The Committee is extremely grateful for the generosity of donors of auction items and to J.S. McCarthy Printers for supplying the auction programs.

Another important component of MCI's auction weekend is the gigantic yard sale in Parks Gym, which was well-organized this year by Debbie Ladd, Peggy Thompson and Colleen Lancaster. The hundreds of donated items ranged from plastic measuring spoons to beautiful antique painted iron bedsteads.

MCI's award-winning musical groups, the jazz combo, vocal jazz and instrumental jazz ensembles, all entertained the enthusiastic crowd with songs reminiscent of the 50s and 60s. The vocal group performed a stunning jazz "riff" which featured members of the talented ensemble singers; parents Bonnie Brooks and Arnold Shorey were "invited" to join the ensemble by Director Dean Neal for some solos of their own.

Proceeds of MCI's annual auction which, this year, netted nearly \$22,000 will directly benefit students at MCI; 45% will go to support athletic programs, another 45% will be apportioned to the music programs and the remaining 10% will benefit other special student needs. ■

Spotlight on the Arts:



Cl's Drama Competition Team presented "The Lost Princess", an unusual and outrageously "campy" Asian fairy tale complete with a Mandarin Chinese narration by June Lee, an English translator, wicked bandits, a fantastic set, gorgeous costumes and authentic kabuki makeup. At the March competition at Morse High School, the MCI thespians

earned the first alternate position in

Division I regionals.

Dillon Barfield '01 was chosen for All State Cast recognition for his outstanding performance as the bandit Lo Ho, who rescues (actually steals), then raises the little lost princess. Director Deb Susi and her cast and crew of 30 students are to be congratulated for their extraordinary production. Seniors Tyler Inman and Aaron Becker received special commendations from the regional judges; Tyler for his very

unique set, and Aaron for his original music score.

Art works by Tyler Inman '01, Heidi Andrews '01, Danny Schumpert '01 and Amanda Quint '02 were selected for display in the Bangor Mall by the Museum Exhibits by Mail program and were on view until March 21. Tyler's and Amanda's art work has been selected by the Vincent Hartgen Traveling Art Exhibit Program, sponsored by the University of Maine, to

tour the state for the next year.

The Spring Art Show, held May 24 in Powell Library, was a vivid and intriguing display of some very unusual pieces of student art work. The stark, screaming head *Sculpture* created by Johann Nunez was stunningly well-crafted; Eun-A Choi's "Sunflower" was truly *Interpretative*, and Karlyn Moyer's "Seascape" was an intensely realistic *Landscape*. In the *Hand-Made Books* category, Brandi Schissler's "Best Friend" was intricately constructed and beautifully presented and Amanda Quint's *Portrait*, "My Brothers and Sisters" was startlingly life-like. Kioshi Miyako's "My Partners" was a marvelous example of *Print* making. *Chairs* created by Danny Schumpert and Katie Salisbury were truly unique. All of these students achieved First Place commendation in the various categories.

Winning First Place in *Pen & Ink* and also *Miscellaneous Realistic Images* was Danielle Ready with "Jungle Fighter" and "Ambushed". It was "Ambushed", a thought-provoking, evocative drawing of a dead World War II warrior, face down in the sand, which won **Danielle her well-deserved** *Best in Show*. Art Department Chair Lee Harper and his students are to be congratulated for the extraordinary artistic works on display.

At the 33rd annual Berklee College of Music High School Jazz Festival in February, more than 2,500





"Ambushed", Danielle Ready's pen and ink, wins Best in Show.



Amanda Quint's "My Brothers and Sisters"



"Seascape" by Karlyn Moyer

Johann Nuñez created a memorable piece.



The Arts continued...

students participated, representing schools from all the New England states, New York, New Jersey and Wisconsin. Competing in Class 2 against 11 other schools, some with enrollments over 800 students, MCI's Vocal Jazz Ensemble placed 2nd and earned \$1,500 in scholarship money to enable students to attend summer programs at Berklee. The Vocal Jazz Ensemble also achieved 2nd place in 1998. Instrumental Jazz Ensemble placed 8th out of 13 schools. Dean Neal is MCI's talented jazz conductor. Senior Jason Cook received the Judges Awards for Outstanding Musicianship in both Vocal Jazz and Instrumental Jazz Ensemble.

In March, the Instrumental Jazz Ensemble placed 4th in the Division II State Jazz Band Competition in Houlton and the Jazz Combo finished 5th in their State Division II competition. MCI was competing for the first time in Division II, against other Class B and some small Class A schools; all schools had to successfully qualify at earlier festivals in order to compete at the State level. There were 11 Division II Jazz Bands and 10 Jazz Combos in competition at the

State level.

On April 7, the Vocal Jazz ensemble performed at the **State Vocal Jazz Competition** in Ellsworth, at which they have won either first or second place the past 8 years. This year the talented group of MCI singers placed **second in the State**.

Sophomore singer Molly Gawler was selected to perform with an elite chorus in Russia in June.

The Vocal Jazz Ensemble and the Jazz Band performed at events during the Opening Ceremony for the new Chuck and Helen Cianchette Math and Science Center and at Reunion 2001 the weekend of June 15 and 16. Major donors and alumni and friends were charmed by and impressed with MCI's engaging and extremely accomplished musicians. Despite the awful heat and humidity, our kids performed with flair, verve, and extraordinary professionalism.

From May 26 to June 5, 102 dancers and 11 choreographers from 32 countries competed in the Helsinki International Ballet Competition in Finland. Two of MCI's dancers, Shelby Dyer '02 and Renee Paradis '02, of the Bossov Ballet Theater, were chosen to accompany Andrei Bossov to this internationally acclaimed competition. Each of them performed six solo variations as well as one variation together. Competitors were judged by a jury of world-famous international ballet directors, choreographers and dancers. The competing dancers also had the opportunity to attend training courses taught by some of the internationally renowned performers.

Before leaving for Europe, Shelby and Renee danced "Gypsy Variations", an originally choreographed piece by Andrei Bossov, for the entire school community which enthusiastically applauded their performance.



Jazz Band was "hot" during Reunion 2001 (and so was the weather!)



Vocal Jazz wows the judges at Berklee College of Music Jazz Festival!



FOILED AGAIN!

By Jim Tyson, Physics and Fencing Instructor

odern sport fencing encompasses three different weapons, the foil, epee and saber, which have slightly different characteristics and are fought with different rules. I teach mainly foil at MCI since it is used as the primary training weapon by essentially all fencing schools because it includes most essential aspects of the other two techniques.

Since I personally fence epee, I occasionally do some drilling with epee after the students have learned the basics of foil. The foil and the epee are both point weapons, meaning that points are scored only when touching your opponent with the tip of the weapon. The foil must touch the torso to score while the epee scores if any part of the opponent's body is touched with the tip. The saber is a cutting weapon and points are scored by touching your opponent above the waist with any part of the saber blade. Both foil and saber have rules, called 'right of way' that regulate the order in which touches are scored. Epee has no right of way and all touches score if made while the action is occurring.

A director is in charge of each match, deciding right of way, scoring the touches and enforcing the rules. Fencing is a very polite sport in general, in part because of the autocratic powers of the director. Fencers on the fencing strip may not so much as utter an intelligible word without the director's permission.

I started the Fencing Club about three and a half years ago with students Tim Monk '01, Mitch Mailman '01 and Dan Cournoyer '02. Three ninth graders joined the team this year: Brandi Schissler, Brian Hadley and Forrest Peterson.

Since the Club's inception, we have fenced against few team competitions due to the lack of appropriate opponents. We fenced Mt. View High School in each of the last two years and this year we also fenced against Blue Hill.

In addition we have had some of our fencers in tournaments run by local members of the United States Fencing Association. These tournaments have a novice division open to any fencer who has been fencing for a short time and who has not won a novice tournament



in the past. There are also various divisions open to USFA fencers in which all USFA rules are followed, which necessitates the purchase of electronic fencing equipment. Tim Monk was the only MCI student to make the financial commitment to fence in the USFA.

There is a surprising amount of fencing in Maine but the tournaments tend to be relatively few and far away. I've taken team members to Portland, Bates College, Bangor and Mt. View in Thorndike; we have beaten both of the Mt. View teams in all three matches fenced. Since my wife and I both fence, some of these events are ones in which we were also entered, so we have traveled to Middlebury, VT and southwestern Connecticut to fence as well.

MCI's Club has developed some able fencers for the time and effort we have invested. All the fencers seem to have a great time and think the activity is worth doing for the entertainment value alone. We had some success in tournaments and Tim Monk won a novice meet, making him ineligible for further novice competition. Mitch Mailman and Dan Cournoyer both finished second in novice tournaments while Brian Hadley participated in several tournaments as well.

The Key Club

raised an amazing total of \$22,839 from generous alumni donors this year! They did, indeed, "raise \$ for MCI's Annual Fund," as their shirts proudly proclaim!



Members of the 2000-2001 Key Club who assisted with the Annual Fund Phonathons are: (Seated) Corrie Johnson, Kirsten Stevens, Michelle Cote and Linda Dunphy; (Kneeling) Carrie Perkins, Katelyn Gallagher, Key Club President Stephanie Fletcher; (Standing) Director of Development Carolyn Smith, Key Club Vice President Alisia Melvin, Ashley Holt, Sheena Farmer, Brenda Coffin, Matt Welch, Advisor Jon Ramgren and Advisor Michelle Cookson.

Sports: Winter 2000-2001









Winter Cheerleading:

Coaches: Head Coach Crystal King '97, Volunteer Assistant Jessica Shirley '99 Honors: Placed in top 5 in KVAC Competition

The cheerleading program fielded two teams this past winter...something that hasn't occurred in quite awhile. Losing only two seniors and having 5 freshman that have lettered on a varsity squad of nine leads to solid experience in the next few years.

Boys Basketball:

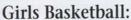
Season Record: 10-8 Overall Record: 12-9

Coaches: Head Coach Bill Brooks, Assistant Coaches Steve Bennett & Bill Graham, Volunteer Assistant Mike Nayock

Honors: Ranked 5 in Eastern Maine, won a prelim game to enter the tournament in Bangor, then won a quarterfinal game before losing in the semifinals to Camden Hills.

Individual Honors: Andrew St. Clair named to the KVAC 1st team All-Stars and All-Defensive Team, and the Bangor Daily News Class B 1st Team All-Tourney, Mike Susi and Ben Hall received honorable mention for KVAC.

The boys' basketball program continued to grow and prosper under the leadership of Bill Brooks. The 2000-2001 season, in what was considered a building year by some, saw the varsity boys going into the Bangor Auditorium and winning its first quarterfinal game since 1992. Veteran Coach Bill Graham was added to this year's coaching staff to work with our freshmen athletes, bringing with him knowledge and great rapport with young men.

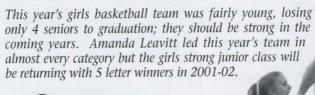


Season Record: 9-9 Overall Record: 10-10

Coaches: Head Coach Frank McGrady, Assistant Coach Kim Shorey '86,

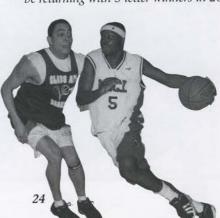
Volunteer Assistants Steve Salley '98 & Mark LaGross Honors: Ranked 9th in heal points and traveled to #8

Houlton and beat them to get to the Bangor Auditorium and the Eastern Maine Tournament. Individual Honors: Amanda Leavitt 1,000 point scorer, KVAC Player of the Year, KVAC All Defensive Team and Morning Sentinel Player of the Year; Mary Lancaster and Jenn DeRosby were named Academic All-Stars for the KVAC.











By Julie Treadwell, Director of Athletics

Rifle Team:

Coaches: Allen Knowles '80 and Tam Bryce '71

Honors/Individual Honors: State Champions in the Four Position Gallery Rifle Championship—individuals on that team placed as follows—Eric Saucier 2nd place, A.J. Knowles 4th place, Cameron Bryce 5th place and Heather McLaggan 2nd place girls.

After a disappointing finish to the 1999-2000 season (losing the States by 7 points) this years' rifle team easily won the State Championship. All four members will return to defend this title in the 2001-02 season as they had only 2 senior members. The honors and awards won this past season would take up most of two full pages—lets just say they didn't enter any event that they didn't either win or place in...simply a great year.



Girls' Record: 25-13 Boys' Record: 24-14 Coach: Paul Bernier

Honors: Girls Team placed 5th in States. **Individual Honors:** Heidi Andrews and Haley Ingraham placed in the top five at the

States qualifying them to compete in the Maine Selection Race. Heidi Andrews named to the first team KVAC for both Slalom & Giant Slalom.

The ski team had a very successful building year in 2001—both teams had winning seasons and fared well at the States. Neither team had a senior on the roster so fourth year Coach Paul Bernier sees good things in the future.

Wrestling:

Record: 3-14-1

Coaches: Head Coach Lance Richmond '86, Volunteer Assistants Mike Libby and Troy Blodgett

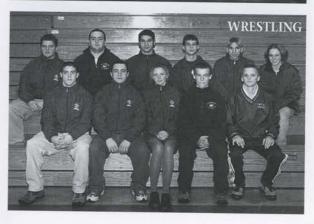
Honors: 1st place PVHS Christmas Tournament, 4th place in the Regionals, 6th place in the States

Individual Honors: Ken Lackie-Regional and State Champion; Steve Weeman-Regional and State Champion and Outstanding Wrestler in both the Regional and State Tournament, All-State Wrestler-Portland Press Herald.

Wrestling had another good year but still struggles to fill each of the weight classes. First year Coach Lance Richmond will have his hands full in 2001-02 filling shoes left by Seniors Ken Lackie, Kyle Roy and Steve Weeman...all Regional and State Championship qualifiers. However, 9 wrestlers return with a good size incoming freshman class, so hopes are high.









PG BASKETBALL

By Karl Henrikson

In early December 2000, 6'9" standout Travon Bryant qualified for NCAA play and then accepted a scholarship offer to the University of Missouri. The 2000-2001 MCI Huskies overcame his decision to leave MCI and posted an overall record of 21-12 while advancing to the Semi-finals in NEPSAC playoff competition. According to MCI mentor Karl Henrikson, "These young men have much to be proud of. They were truly able to over-achieve and rise to the level of competition expected of an MCI team." Although teamwork was the main ingredient, the Huskies were led by the outstanding play of guard Dawan Robinson. Robinson averaged 22+ ppg per contest, posting a season high 48 pts. versus NEPSAC opponent New Hampton.

In the semi-final playoff against Bridgton Academy, the Huskies sank six first half three pointers to take a ten point half-time lead. Bridgton, led by 6'11", 306 lb. Glenn Bateman, battled back, made the game close and eventually bested the Huskies 92-88. "This group really came together at playoff time and, although it's never fun to end your season with a loss; they represented the MCI tradition with great pride and ferocity," commented Henrikson.



The diverse young people who donned the Maroon and White in 2000-2001 will attend an equally diverse representation of post-secondary institutions. Colin DelCuore will attend Emerson; Dan Brault, Holy Cross; Tamien Trent, Kevin Smith, and Anthony Ross, junior colleges; James Whyte, U-Mass Lowell; Dawan Robinson, URI; Pat Lottin, St. Bonaventure; Chris Howell, UPEI; Jon Land, South Carolina; Travon Bryant, Missouri; Pieter Nieuwenhuyzen, Stoneybrook; and Ari Zandman-Zeman will attend the University of Northern Colorado.

With another season in the record book and another academic year looming in the immediate future, the recruitment of next year's squad is on-going. "Again we are looking for those special young men who possess both the athletic ability and, more importantly, a sense of commitment to the tradition which is MCI Post Graduate basketball," concluded Henrikson.

Sports: Spring 2000-2001 By Julie Treadwell, Director of Athletics

BASEBALL

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2001 Baseball:

Head Coach: Phil Hendricks '79 **Assistant Coach:** Ray Philbrick

Record: 2-15, Lost in playoffs to Caribou

Individual Honors: Steve Kennedy, 2nd team KVAC. Micah

O'Brien, KVAC Academic All-star.

This year's baseball team had an extremely successful building season .. and even though the record doesn't show it, they came a long way .. losing more than half of their games by 3 runs or less. With the number of younger players on this year's squad and a good crop of 8th graders coming up, the future looks good.



2001 Softball:

Head Coach: Matt Kamarck Assistant Coach: Bill Cowan

Record: 9-9, Lost in 2nd round of playoffs to Belfast.

Individual Honors: Amanda Leavitt, 1st Team KVAC. Mary Lancaster & Jennifer Cummings, 2nd Team KVAC. Mary Lancaster & Katie Adams, KVAC Academic All-stars.

After a very slow start, the softball team went on a tear and won the last 7 of 8 games, putting them 5th in Eastern Maine at the close of the regular season. The team lost only three seniors from this year's squad; behind the arm of Jennifer Cummings, it should be another great season in 2002.

2001 Girls Tennis:

Head Coach: Steve Peterson

Record: 5-9, Lost in 2nd round of the playoffs to MDI

Individual Honors: Daron Caraballo, KVAC Academic All-star.

Aline Koenig, KVAC Academic All-star.

Playing in a very competitive league during the season paid off in a 5-0 playoff win for the girls this year. Although 5 of 11 players graduated, the team has a number of young players looking forward to next spring.

2001 Boys Tennis:

Head Coach: Jon Ramgren

Record: 2-10, lost in 1st round of the playoffs to Erskine Individual Honors: Philipp Schiefer, KVAC Academic All-star. This year's boys' tennis team was unique for two reasons - first it had only one senior on the team, and secondly, it was the most diverse team this spring - 5 of 10 members were international students. Things look

bright for 2002.

2001 Track:

Head Coach: John Hubbell Assistant Coach: Jason Allen

Individual Honors: Mike Broccio placed 5th in the State Meet in Dover. 10 other student-athletes qualified for the State Meet.

The track team had a very successful season this year - not only did they increase the number of athletes participating, but had many more athletes qualify to compete in the regional and State meets. Another young team with few seniors, this program seems to be on the rise in the track scene.











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