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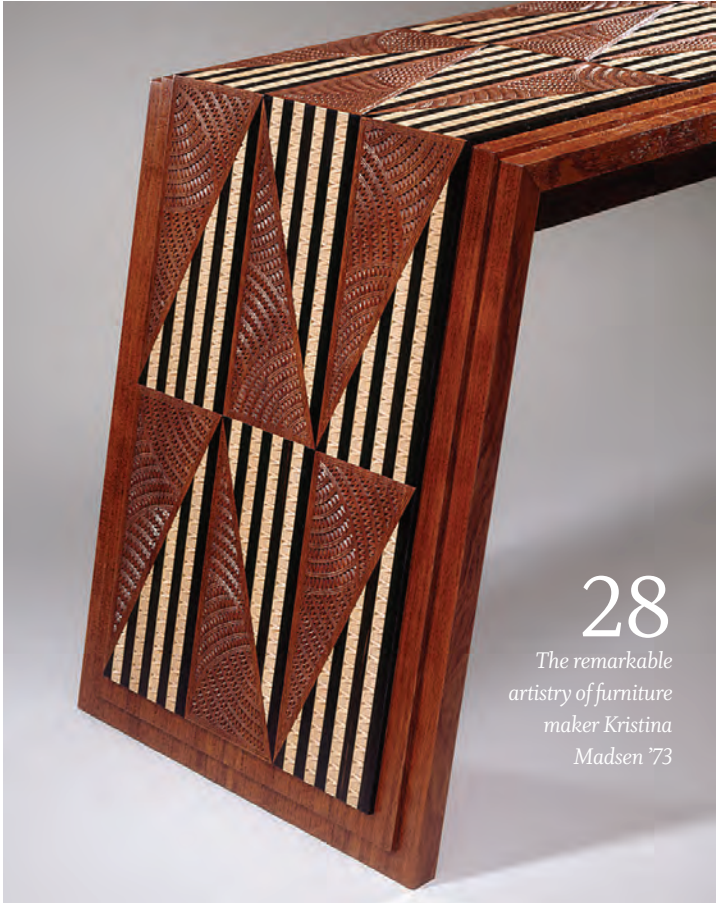
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Head's Letter



Head of School Robert W. Hill III in the classroom this fall

Sometimes unexpected circumstances come with a bow tied around them. Such was the case when English teacher Josh Rilla and family welcomed a new baby last month, and I was able to help his department colleagues cover classes for two weeks. Happy to jump into a classroom of ninth graders as they tackled the quintessential high school text—*The Catcher in the Rye*—I found myself in both familiar and unfamiliar territory. It has been some time since I taught humanities, and while students have not changed during that hiatus, technology certainly has. Being responsible for day-to-day learning requires a different output of time, energy, and expertise. Eager and engaged with Holden Caulfield's angst-ridden journey of discovery, Mr. Rilla's students were a daily reminder for me of the student experience that is at the center of everything we do. As someone who spends much of my time working with others to plan what is next for the school, having a chance to see students in action always affirms all the reasons why we continue to plan and innovate.

It's a short leap from my experience teaching to the goals of our current *Williston Builds* campaign. Those peak learning experiences don't just happen by accident. They require caring teachers and advisors, great facilities and programs, and a vibrant, inclusive community—all top priorities of our \$70 million *Williston Builds* campaign. I want to thank the more than 5,000 of you who have already supported the campaign (see page 16); your involvement is having an immediate impact on students by providing everything from state-of-the-art new science labs to robust professional development for teachers. Your support, plus our new strategic planning process, will be critical in helping build Williston's success in the future. The future is also the focus of this issue's centerpiece story highlighting 50 exceptional alumnae who have and will continue to influence their industries and the world. Ranging from the class of 1973 to 2015, this group of trailblazers is beyond inspiring. I encourage you to read their advice, wisdom, and predictions starting on page 32.

Robert W. Hill III

5 Things We're Talking About!



2.

BULLETIN AWARDS

We'd love to think our talents are the reason the *Bulletin* keeps winning best-school-magazine awards from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (three more this year!). But we know it's really because our alumni are so fascinating!

1.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Thanks to thoughtful input from alumni, parents, students, faculty, and staff, the school's new strategic plan for the future is taking shape, with a roll-out slated for spring 2023.



3.

ALL-GENDER DORM OPENS

This fall, Logan House became the school's first all-gender dormitory for students seeking an alternative to traditional gender-based residence halls. Logan House is now home to seven students.



4.

DANCE IQUAIL

Made possible by the Grum visiting-artist program, the Black male troupe Dance Iquail made a powerful impression on campus, showing how dance can take on social injustice.

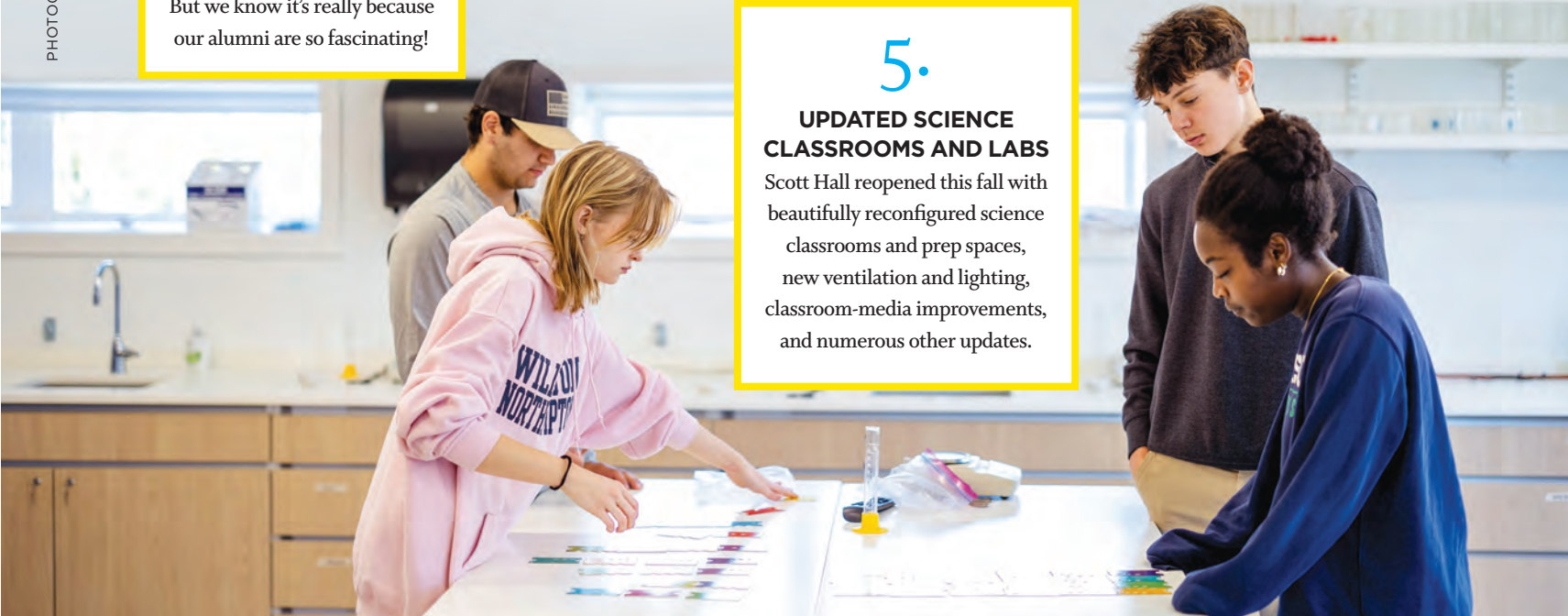


5.

UPDATED SCIENCE CLASSROOMS AND LABS

Scott Hall reopened this fall with beautifully reconfigured science classrooms and prep spaces, new ventilation and lighting, classroom-media improvements, and numerous other updates.

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WHERE'S WILLISTON?

Everywhere! Follow us online for more ways to connect with your Wildcat pride.



TRAVEL BACK IN TIME
You can't go back in time—or can you? Relive the memories, the fashions, the hairstyles, and more by checking out your old yearbook at williston.com/yearbooks.



LOVE SPORTS?
Watch a livestream of your favorite team (williston.com/athletics) or catch up on the latest scores on Twitter ([@WillistonTeams](https://twitter.com/WillistonTeams)).



CONNECT WITH OLD FRIENDS
The alumni office hosts dozens of in-person and virtual events each year. Learn more and register at williston.com/alumni/events.



STOCK UP ON WILLY GEAR
Looking to add some blue and green to your wardrobe? Or trying to find that perfect gift for a former Wildcat? Check out the selection of gifts, gear, and Willy Wear at willistoncampusstore.com.



GET YOUR NEWS FIX
Young journalists at the country's oldest continuously published newspaper (woot!) are still reporting and writing each trimester. Read the latest at Willistonian.org.

You can find grads in just about any career, just about anywhere in the world. Take advantage of our Williston Northampton Alumni LinkedIn or activate your account on WillistonConnects, our professional networking platform (WillistonConnects.com).

AROUND THE QUAD



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At this year's Club Fair, students had an opportunity to explore and join more than 35 different clubs, including the Model UN, Fashion Club, Volleyball Club, and Neurodiversity Club, among others. Says Jack Berrien '25, head of the Chess Club, pictured here, "I think clubs are an amazing way to share the passion you have about something with other people that do, too."

CAMPUS NEWS

The races that are out in front of you now are races you belong in. So get out there and run your race: Build life-changing relationships, march for a cause you believe in, do research in Africa, embrace your sexual identity and empower others to do the same, start your own business. The beauty of it all is that there are so many races to be run. So many challenges to be tackled. So many people that need help. So many ways to get involved. But know, too, that with each race comes that Sixty Seconds of Eternity, of uncertainty. The time where you can question everything. Where you can be scared. And it is only from that moment that you can become who you truly are. You'll never know that you need to work harder until you lose. And you'll never know the heights you can reach until you take on the very things, people, challenges, and failures that you're afraid of and beat them to the finish line."

—Olympic medal winner Gabby Thomas '15 in her Commencement address to the class of 2022 last spring (read her full speech at williston.com/news/gabby-thomas-speech). The "Sixty Seconds of Eternity" refers to the minute preceding the race in which she qualified for the Olympics and became the second-fastest woman in history at the 200 meters.



Number of teachers honored this fall with special awards. Darlenia Kokoszka, Mike Mailloux, Wendy Staples, and Tyla Taylor received Instructorships. Erin Davey and Sarah Levine received Chairs. Read more about the honorees at williston.com/news.



RUNNING TO RECHARGE

Thanks to the Cain Sabbatical Fund, faculty member and head track and field coach Chris Pelliccia was able to combine his love of science and running while on the trail —By Matt Liebowitz

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Students, on average, in the Williston Scholars program each year. After identifying an "essential question" in a subject area, students spend a trimester diving deep. See recent projects on our YouTube channel.



PHOTOGRAPH BY MELANIE ZACEK AND DANIEL MAURATH

In early August, faculty member Chris Pelliccia had an awe-inspiring moment. It was the third day of the Tour de Mont Blanc, a seven-day mountain running trip during which Pelliccia and 11 other avid trail runners circum-navigated Mont Blanc, covering 100 miles on trails through the Alps in France, Switzerland, and Italy.

"We woke up at a mountain refuge in France," explained Pelliccia, who at Williston teaches chemistry, heads the science department, and serves as head track and field coach. "It was absolutely wild, no paved roads, super remote." The group "power hiked" to a mountain pass which would take them into Italy.

"Standing on a mountain pass looking down into Italy and having this bonkers run in front of us, this beautiful winding dirt trail down

the Aosta Valley—it was absolutely unreal," Pelliccia says.

Pelliccia's trip was made possible by Williston's endowed Cain Family Sabbatical Fund. Established in 1987 by Dan Cain '64 and Jim Cain '68, the fund underwrites summer travel opportunities for Williston faculty that serve both professional and personal goals. The central purpose is to enable a faculty member to have an experience that they might not otherwise be able to afford. Williston's teaching faculty become eligible for this summer enrichment grant on a rotating basis every four years.

Pelliccia's Mont Blanc group, led by a guide, covered 17 to 19 miles per day. Sights along the trail included Mont Blanc, the highest peak in Western Europe, and La Casermetta al Col de la Seigne, an alpine museum where the group learned about

the history and geology of the Mont Blanc range; native animals such as marmot and ibex; and, of particular note to Pelliccia, the area's "rapidly receding glaciers."

Those glaciers, and the forces impacting their future, piqued Pelliccia's interest. "Part of my scientific interest is it's this incredibly beautiful location that attracts a lot of visitors, but because it's so beautiful, these visitors place a burden on the ecosystem," he explained. A similar situation is created by the numerous ski resorts, he noted, which give access to world-class adventure "but create a mark on the terrain."

Pelliccia's predominant reason for taking the trip, however, was rooted in his role as head track and field coach. "Each person was inspired to do this for slightly different reasons," he said. "Each person went

through highs and lows," he noted, but despite minor injuries, fatigue, and varied skill levels, the members of the group banded together from day one to make sure everyone felt encouraged.

Staying positive while facing 19 miles of Alps with blisters and sore knees is a lesson Pelliccia plans to bring back and instill in his Wildcat runners for the upcoming track and field season.

"Positive talk and encouragement can really help your teammates through a hard workout," he explained. In working with his athletes, Pelliccia said he's hoping to relay the feelings, the encouragement, and the camaraderie he had during those seven days on the mountain.

"Even just after a tough day," he said, "getting out there with your buddies has a lifelong value."

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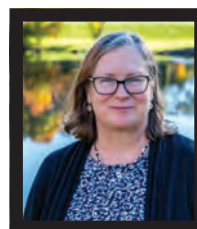
Years that a **daily email (filled with jokes, accolades, meal menus, and more) has been going out from one senior to the whole community.**

Founded by Couper Gunn '18, the email has since been shepherded by Caleb Stern '19, Sarah Kimmel '20, Devon Morgan '21, Natalie Stott '22, and this year, Luke Ballard '23.

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Minutes that the winner of the quad-busting Wall Sit contest endured during the fall Willympics competition. Yowch!

4 NEW TRUSTEES



Mary Ellen Bull '83 is a hospital care coordinator in Illinois, where since 2007 she has served as a trustee for the Avery Coonley School. A Williston Hall of Fame swimmer and

recipient of the Outstanding Senior Prize, she earned her B.A. at Lake Forest College and M.S.W. at the University of Illinois, Chicago.



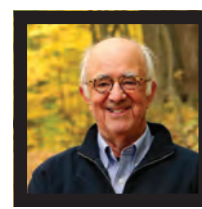
Kristi Prigmore '88 of New York City is a real estate professional with more than a decade at HRO International managing projects in New York, London, and

Frankfurt. She is currently a partner at Austin-based Cantegra SK. Kristi holds a B.S. from Babson College and an M.S. from the Center for Real Estate at M.I.T., where she serves on the Executive Board. Kristi was a four-year boarding student at Williston, and a past member of the Head's Visiting Council.



Paula Monopoli '76 of Bethesda, MD is an award-winning, widely published professor at the University of Maryland Carey School of Law, where she founded its Women, Leadership

& Equality Program and teaches in the areas of Property, Trusts & Estates and Gender and the Law. After Williston, Paula went on to graduate from Yale and the University of Virginia School of Law.



College administrator, educator, ski coach, and most recently sports photographer, **John T. Risley P'93** of Northampton, MA has

a B.A. from Hamline University, an M.A. from Bowling Green, and an Ed.D from the University of Massachusetts. In honor of his daughter, who died in 1996, he established the Katherine E. Risley '93 Scholarship Fund in 2016 and the Kate Risley '93 Fund for Girls Athletics in 2021.

A Sense of Belonging

With our 5-year *Strategic Plan for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging* as a launchpad, Williston is finding new ways to ensure everyone in the community feels they belong. Here are just a few (find more at williston.com/diversity).



THE IMPORTANCE OF NAMES

To encourage the correct pronunciation of students' names—which in turn helps students feel known, valued, and respected—all students now record their names for an audio file that teachers and employees can readily access via an online portal.

limited by traditional gender-binary housing assignments. In addition, this fall, Tristan Katz, an equity-inclusion facilitator, speaker, and writer, conducted workshops for faculty and students on gender identity and inclusion.

THE EQUITY FUND

Now in its third year, this donor-supported fund helps underwrite the true cost of the Williston experience for students of families with very high financial need, covering the cost of such items as team gear, calculators, and pizza with friends on the weekends. Williston is actively pursuing additional funding to fully endow this fund for the future.

LUNCH & LEARN

Dean of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) Nikki Chambers initiated a yearlong weekly Lunch and Learn series for all faculty and staff, covering a range of topics from microaggressions to empirical case studies that give employees an opportunity to put their learning to practice. This year's workshop series is expanding topics to include conversations about ability, gender, sexual orientation, and more.

CONNECTING BLACK STUDENTS & ALUMS

Organized with input from students in Williston's Black Student Union, we piloted a virtual workshop series featuring Black alumni in 2021-22. One alumni panel focused on career paths (banking, medicine, finance, journalism) and another on the college experience. We expect this series to further develop, with plans to invite Black alumni back to campus and virtually for roundtables, networking, and mentorship.

ALL-GENDER DORMITORY

This fall, Williston opened Logan House as a new all-gender dormitory. All-gender housing recognizes, accommodates, and respects the complexities of gender identity and provides an opportunity for students to live in a dormitory that is not

DISABILITY WORKSHOPS

To help the community prepare for the fall play, *The Elephant Man*, Theater Director Jorge Rodriguez and Dean of DEIB Nikki Chambers worked with class deans and Elsa Frankel '23 to lead thoughtful, conversation-based workshops on issues surrounding disabilities.

MORE STUDENT SUPPORT

Three faculty members have new roles in supporting the goal of belonging. Veteran science teacher Ken Choo is entering his second year as an advisor to the Asian Student Alliance, a role established to offer greater support to students from China, Korea, Japan, Vietnam, Thailand, and other countries. Jayson Leigh is now both an Assistant Dean of DEIB in the Deans Office and an Assistant Director of Admissions, working closely with both current and prospective Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) students and families. Long-time Spanish teacher, and now International Student Coordinator, Nat Simpson, is focused on helping students and families from more than 30 countries feel included and celebrated.

HISPANIC/LATINX HERITAGE MONTH

Williston celebrated this fall's Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month with special campus events that celebrated the histories, cultures, and contributions of people whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America. Among the many highlights were dinners featuring foods from Central America and Mexico. Students from those countries came up with dishes that best represent their countries' culture and history; our dining staff then took the list and made special menus. Other events included a performance of *plena* and *bomba* music and dance styles, and speakers in assembly.

AUDITING EQUITY

Williston will conduct an Equity Audit in the spring of 2023 through the Center for Leadership and Educational Equity (CLEE). This deep analysis and report helps schools assess the extent to which equity is present in such areas as teacher quality, instructional setting, and student achievement and attainment.

ATHLETICS BY THE NUMBERS

12

Williston cross country runners crossed the finish line before the first runner from Kingswood-Oxford or Westminster, in a recent boys tri-meet

7

Countries represented on our varsity boys soccer team (U.S., Spain, Italy, Guatemala, Mexico, Japan, Dominican Republic)

38

Yards kicked by field goal kicker Hudson Fulcher-Melendy '24 to knock off undefeated Exeter 45-43

11

Number of Western NE League titles that varsity field hockey has won in the last 12 years



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This aerial image of campus received massive social media love from alumni earlier this fall (“my favorite place in the world” commented one young Wildcat). Even as our campus inspires nostalgia, it continues to evolve over time. Students returning this fall were greeted by numerous improvements, including a viewing deck over Sawyer Field, new science labs in Scott Hall, an updated dining hall, new tennis courts, and a newly resurfaced track at Galbraith. See additional photos on page 19—or better yet, come back to Reunion next spring!

PHOTOGRAPH BY ABOVE SUMMIT



SUPPORTING STUDENTS

“Emotional lives are normal lives” says Director of Counseling Meg Colenback. Below, she shares her approach to mental wellness with teens. BY MATTHEW LIEBOWITZ

It’s not just experience that Meg Colenback brings to Williston in her role as Director of Counseling—although she’s got nearly two decades of it, most recently as a pediatric mental-health practitioner and, before that, a labor and delivery nurse in a Minneapolis trauma center. Despite a career confronting trauma, she also brings a deep sense of optimism. “I can always see a solution to things,” she says. Now in her second year at Williston, Colenback is on a mission to destigmatize mental health with teens, and to provide short-term solutions to help students navigate their busy schedules and manage life’s stresses and anxiety. “Emotional lives are normal lives,” she notes. “Just getting support to understand what’s going on emotionally doesn’t mean something’s wrong. You can come in just once for a bad day. It doesn’t have to be an ongoing intensive thing.”

Colenback and her fellow counselor, Anne Zager, have implemented new measures that follow the Integrated Behavioral Health model, a comprehensive, “wraparound” approach to mental health counseling. The basic idea is to change the focus from weekly sessions to maintaining regular routines and relationships that can help keep kids healthy—even if that means they only see her a few times. Here, Colenback answers some questions about her integrated, student-centered approach to mental health at Williston.

How does your approach differ from a traditional approach?

In some ways it’s similar. We’re using evidence-based research on how to combat certain mental health issues like anxiety and depression. But how

it is different is that we’re trying to take a short-term, solution-focused approach, building skills with students, helping them gain insight, giving them psychological education about what’s going on for them in the moment, with the goal of having them not have to come in anymore.

What do you see as some of the biggest issues coming up for teens today?

One of the biggest issues I see is stress and anxiety, and navigating the different demands of students’ lives. This became more complicated during the pandemic. The isolation and uncertainty really fueled stress and anxiety. Helping students understand that they can handle their life, with all the twists, turns, and unknowing, is what I spend much of my time doing.

What is your vision for the counseling services at Williston?

I want to find ways to incorporate mental health support into all areas around campus, and to get faculty the information they need so they can feel like they have “first-touch” skills with students when they notice social or emotional changes. I never want faculty/staff to feel the stress of not knowing what to do. The more we normalize that mental health is part of overall health, something to be talked about and explored, the more our students will understand themselves and be able to manage their emotional lives.

What are some of the ways your office supports students?

We meet one on one with students in our office but are also focused on sharing mental health education around campus. This year, we’ve done trainings with proctors, helping them understand some things they might see in the dorms. We’ve

presented in faculty meetings and assemblies. We’ve begun sending out a health and wellness newsletter. We’re currently working with juniors on stress and stress management and working with eighth graders on “Mental Health Mondays.”

What are some important tools for teens to have in caring for their mental health?

One of the most important tools when you’re struggling emotionally is to find sources of support—people you can talk to. We know the longer you keep emotional difficulties in, the more difficult they can feel. Literally just talking about things can be a helpful intervention. And it doesn’t have to be a therapist! Also critical is taking care of your body: sleep, hydration, exercise, and eating.

If there is one habit you could recommend to teens to take care of their mental health, what would it be?

Focus on connection, and work on the self-belief that you can do hard things. Connection is so important to everything we do. I can see the benefit of online communication, but it’s that one-to-one human connection that’s important. Connection is a resilience factory that helps us through hard times.

What do you love most about what you do?

The most beautiful part about working here is we get a whole campus of people who support students. I can work on skills with students in here, and if a student’s ok with it, I can loop a dorm parent in on how to help them in a dorm. Students are getting wraparound support. It’s so powerful. I’m so blessed to be allowed into people’s lives. I felt it when I was a labor and delivery nurse and in this work, too. Just connecting and being a witness to how people grow is a beautiful thing.

SNAPSHOTS



Bryce Akroyd '25 works behind the scenes as the lightboard operator during this fall's production of *The Elephant Man*.



Despite a few raindrops, proctors and student leaders were all smiles as they welcomed families to campus during Welcome Days.



Lauren Yee '23 rounds out the brass section in last spring's Instrumental Concert.



During this fall's orientation, the class of '23 brought their senior spirit to Babcock Pool for wildly fun cardboard boat races and tipping contests on giant inflatables.

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On a picture-perfect September evening, students and faculty celebrated the start of the school's 182nd year. A brass quartet added some extra fanfare to the singing of "O Williston!"

“Williston changed my life” is something I hear all the time when speaking with alumni.

I love hearing those words—and I can relate to them, too, because Williston helped transform my life when I was a student, giving me confidence, leadership skills, and a lifelong community of friends. I saw the same thing happen for my son Max, who graduated in 2018. Those transformative experiences are what have inspired me to get and stay involved with the school, most recently as a Trustee and Co-chair of the *Williston Builds* campaign and the Williston Northampton Fund. If you haven't been back to the school in a while, it's hard to adequately convey the feeling of momentum at the school today, which the campaign is helping to further crystalize around important priorities such as academic excellence, community, access and belonging, and financial strength for the future. On the following pages you'll hear from a few of the alumni, parents, and friends who have already gotten involved—and see some of the ways their generosity is immediately making a difference at the school. But I also encourage you to see for yourself. Come back to campus and see the new Residential Quad or the state-of-the-art science labs. Come to a holiday gathering or Reunion and talk with faculty and old friends. Join an alumni Zoom call or attend a networking event. I think you'll find that your alma mater is thriving in new ways, while still retaining a powerful through line back to the values and experiences you found so important. Finally, I encourage you to get involved with *Williston Builds*. Your support and involvement will have an immediate impact on students, now and for generations to come. Find out more at williston.com/campaign.

—Ellen Rosenberg Livingston '86, P'18



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WHY I GIVE

More than 5,000 people have already contributed to the *Williston Builds* campaign. Here are a few of their reasons why.

“I give back to Williston because I want other kids who were like me to experience the amazing experience that I had here. Williston changed the course of my life, and I hope that by my giving back, I'll be able to change someone else's life in a similar way.”

—BRANDON DIAZ '12

“I give back because Williston gave me something more than I could possibly repay. They gave me a sense of family. I have two parents, two other siblings, great community there, but Williston gave me a sense of acceptance and emotional awareness and a true feeling of belonging.”

—JANELLE PARKER '13

“I was a recipient of financial aid while I was here, and Williston was definitely a life changer for me, and I wouldn't have had that opportunity without the generous donors that preceded my time here. So as long as I have the means to do so, I always love to give back to Williston.”

—MEAGHAN SULLIVAN '01

“I feel Williston made me the person I am. They provided the right environment, a very nurturing environment, which I needed at that time of my life. And it was nurturing not only from an academic standpoint, but also from a psychological standpoint. That opportunity just provided the foundation I needed to grow and I can't pay that back.”

—MICHAEL HIRSCH '73

“I was a full financial aid student here and I remember what that was like. It was not easy. So I give back as much as I possibly can to make the situation a little bit better for students who come after me. Williston's a great place, but I think we can do better and I think it's important that we give to financial aid to make every student's experience here somewhat equitable.”

—KELLY OPDENAHER BABBIDGE '97

“I give back to Williston because I want to ensure that the next generation of students can have the same transformative experience that I had at Williston. I am not exaggerating when I say Williston was the best four years of my life.”

—HAOSHU XU '13



“I give back because I want more people to experience Williston. I've been on other continents, and all around the world, but it was Williston that really gave me that sense of belonging. That makes me want to help other students who want to come here.”

—YEMI LAWANI '96

8.9M

Total dollars raised last year—the best fundraising year in school history

21%

Increase in annual parent giving since the start of the *Williston Builds* campaign

5k+

Number of gifts from alumni, parents, and friends to the campaign since it started

A STRONG CONNECTION

For Reece Liang '10, volunteering and giving back to Williston are an investment in the future

One sign of the affection that Reece Liang '10 has for Williston is that when friends visit him in Amherst (where he grew up and now lives part-time), he often takes them to Easthampton to show them around campus. It's not simply because he enjoyed his six years at the school. It's also because he believes that Williston helped make him who he is today. "That connection is really, really strong," he says. A member of the swimming and water polo teams and three-year class president, Liang would go on to receive his bachelor's degree in economics from Swarthmore, spend two years on Wall Street with Goldman Sachs, then earn an MBA from London Business School. Today he works as a technologist for a Chicago-based real-estate services firm, developing valuation products, a position that allows him to work remotely, splitting his time between Amherst and Boston, where his girlfriend lives.

In recent years, Liang has deepened his connection to the school, serving as a volunteer on the Head's Visiting Council, as a Williston Northampton Fund chair, and as inaugural head of the Wildcat Club of the 1841 Society for young alumni. His work has allowed him to reconnect with his network of Williston peers, but it has also given him a new appreciation for the school and the financial challenges faced by independent schools today. "I've learned a lot about fundraising," he acknowledges. In terms of why he supports Williston, Liang comes back to gratitude. "Not everybody has the same school experiences," he explains. "It's an awkward time. But I absolutely loved Williston." And he finds that when he has called classmates to enlist their support for the Williston Northampton Fund, the cornerstone of the *Williston Builds* campaign, the act of reminiscing about their shared time at Williston often evokes similar feelings. "That is the most powerful kind of conversation," he says. "That's where the nostalgia comes in, the recognition of how Williston has contributed to where we are now."

Indeed, the insights Liang has gained through his work with the school have shifted how he views Williston. It's more than "just an educational institution," he suggests. "It's a place for people to have their lives transformed, in the way that I experienced." Recognizing that transformative power has underscored for Liang the broader role Williston should play in society. "The biggest issue of our generation is inequality," he says. He applauds Williston's recent work around financial aid and socioeconomic diversity as steps in the right direction. "It's important to tie in with larger issues around diversity, education, and greater thoughtfulness in the things that we do, missions that resonate with young people," he says. "We need to continue to do that, and pay it forward to the next generation."



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WE'VE BEEN BUILDING

Campus is looking spiffy, thanks to exciting summer projects and the *Williston Builds* campaign.

1. PHILLIPS STEVENS CHAPEL

In addition to a more efficient new heating system (farewell, sweltering assemblies!), Phillips Stevens Chapel had extensive renovations to its language classrooms.

2. GALBRAITH FIELD

Galbraith is in game-day condition with a brand-new tennis complex, a newly resurfaced track, and brand-new scoreboards.

3. BIRCH DINING COMMONS

Thanks to gifts from current families—and the great work of designer Tony Spagnola '72—Birch Dining Commons was fully renovated and redecorated.

4. OBSERVATION DECK

A new parquet deck was installed on the back of the Sabina Cain Family Athletic Center—perfect for gatherings and game-watching.

5. SCIENCE LABS

Scott Hall's six science labs were completely overhauled, now featuring beautifully reconfigured classrooms and prep spaces, new ventilation and lighting, classroom-media improvements, and numerous other updates.

THE BIG QUESTION

Q. What inspires you most when you are teaching? What is one element of what you teach that you hope your students will remember 10 years from now?



I'm constantly inspired by my students, particularly when they go beyond the topic at hand to ask more profound questions about why the content is relevant to their lives. Their inquisitive approach makes me excited for our future generations! One of my favorite areas to teach is social psychology. From this, I hope students learn to interrogate their ever-evolving identities and think about how they affect others and how others affect them. I hope that they gain a better understanding of themselves, which will ultimately help them have a better understanding of the world. — *Tyla Taylor, Science Teacher (appointed in 2021)*



Adolescence is necessarily concerned with issues of identity, and through making art that matters to them, students explore their own beliefs, preferences, values, and voices. I hope they remember to clean up after themselves! I tell my students that their ability to clean up after themselves is a matter of personal integrity. I ask them, "Do you want to be someone in life after whom others have to clean up, or are you going to be someone who is responsible for your own actions?" It works wonders and I hardly ever have to clean the art room after a class is over. — *Natania Hume, Art Department Chair (appointed in 2004)*



I find it inspiring when a student arrives at a level of proficiency where I can become more of a coach than a teacher. That independence is our end goal, of course, but getting little glimpses of this evolution along the way inspires me to keep revamping my practices. I hope they remember that reading is literally magic; words are just black scratches on a white page, yet they can conjure entire worlds and convey perspectives across time and geography. — *Josh Rilla, English Teacher (appointed in 2021)*



I hope my students will think of our ER verb endings jingle when they hear Queen's "We Will Rock You." I hope they remember blindfolded obstacle courses to learn the imperative, and Gordon Ramsay cooking skits to practice the subjunctive. I hope they remember "becoming" a film character to better understand World War II. I hope they remember laughing to the point of tears, taking risks, and being fearless in their pursuit of speaking French. Most of all, I hope my students will remember that fun and rigor can and should coexist. That is the single greatest lesson they can take from their time in my class. — *Sue Michalski, French Teacher (appointed in 1999)*



I spend a lot of time thinking about how my students might respond to activities, what questions they might have about the book we are reading, or how a particular free-write prompt might go. But no matter how much I prepare, there are always moments when students surprise me. These moments are my favorite parts of teaching: when a student has an idea that is totally original, or asks a question so unexpected that it pulls me up short. Teaching is most rewarding when it is not a one-way street, when the knowledge flows in both directions, from teacher to student and back again. — *Maggie Haas, English Teacher (appointed in 2022)*



I'm inspired when students have breakthroughs. When a student has done the hard work to understand a concept or realizes that asking a question makes a difference, it's so powerful. I also love when students realize they can talk about academics during sports practice too. I hope they remember one of my favorite phrases: "Run harder up the hills." When things are difficult, that's when you need to dig in and go hard, whether that's in sports or academics. — *Martha McCullagh, Math Teacher (appointed in 2002, now retired)*



I'm inspired by students' passion, humor, joy, curiosity, and care for one another and the community we build in our classroom. I hope they remember that literature can change their lives for the better. It's incredible how literature has the ability to make us feel less alone. Keep reading. Keep writing. Keep thinking. Keep questioning. — *Sarah Levine, English Teacher (appointed in 2019)*



I get inspired when I listen to my students express themselves in another language. It is critical thinking without borders. The fact that I am helping to form intercultural minds for the future inspires me every day. I hope they remember the thrill and excitement of expressing their true nature and the fact that they have an international voice that can transcend borders and make changes in society. — *Jesus Lopez Diez, Spanish Teacher (appointed in 2022)*



I find teenagers to be so full of energy, and they absolutely never get boring! I hope they remember that mathematics is more about verbal reasoning and problem solving than about numbers. — *Kathryn Hill, Math Teacher (appointed in 2011)*



I'm inspired by kids who take intellectual risks and have a sense of humor. I hope they remember that I was someone who cared about them and that felt they could take risks in the classroom because they felt safe and heard. — *Kyle Hanford '97, English Teacher (appointed in 2011)*

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HERE'S TO '22!

What a joy it was to celebrate the class of 2022—who powered through half of their high school careers during a pandemic—with a fully normal Commencement last spring. “You are the most resilient and equipped graduates in Williston’s history,” said Head of School Robert W. Hill III in his address, “since you have proven what you can do under such extraordinary circumstances.” Students also heard from keynote speaker and Olympic medalist Gabby Thomas ’15 and senior class speaker Natalie Stott ’22 before bidding a tearful, yet joyful farewell to beloved teachers and friends. To see a list of where the 132 graduates matriculated, visit williston.com/college-counseling.



ALUMNI NEWS

In both her artwork and her scientific studies, Malaika Ross '88 celebrates the beauty in nature that often goes unseen. Attending Williston after growing up on St. Croix, she studied at the Rhode Island School of Design, San Francisco Art Institute, and the Marchutz School of Fine Arts before earning her B.A. with a focus on soil microbiology at Hampshire College. “I integrate the shapes and patterns developed in my microbial drawings of soil microbes into contemporary botanical paintings of native and introduced flora,” she explains. “The act of observing and documenting nature through painting and drawing as a Black woman is a form of liberation, environmental stewardship, and anti-oppression work.” Her solo show, “The Microbes That Saved My Life,” ran this fall in Easthampton’s ECA gallery. Other works can be seen (and purchased) at malaikaross.com.



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MAKING HER MARK

Digital artist Alyssa Stevens '16 has suddenly become a rising star in the world of NFTs

Forty-eight hours. That's how long it took for fledgling digital artist Alyssa Stevens '16 to sell out her entire collection of 100 non-fungible tokens (NFTs) after her artwork was featured on the front page of the online NFT marketplace OpenSea in March 2022. The revenue from the sales, nearly \$50,000, allowed her to quit her job in social media advertising and devote herself to her art full time. "My life has completely changed," she says. "I went from working my corporate 9 to 5 job during the week and spending any free time I had creating art . . . to being a full-time artist in the NFT space." In June, Stevens' piece "the creator" (pictured here) was displayed on a multi story billboard in Times Square as part of NFT NYC's Diversity of NFTs Art Showcase.

While Stevens' success came literally overnight, developing her identity and confidence as

an artist took far longer, she says. In her first years at Williston, she had a deep passion for creating, but too often compared herself to others and felt that she wasn't good enough. Through her work in art intensive and advanced art classes, that perspective began to change. "I let go of the idea that it needed to look a certain way," she explains. "I let myself create freely without judgment, and soon developed a more unique style. I eventually fell in love with the art I created because it was an extension of myself and my story. Art intensive was such a liberating experience: two hours a day to create anything you wanted. There was no real direction, just your own ideas. And it was such a beautiful thing." Looking back, she says, "I owe so much of my success to Williston." See more of her work at [allyssastevens.com](https://www.allyssastevens.com).
—by Jonathan Adolph

NEW BOOKS AND MORE

The Fein Points of Tennis: Technique and Tactics to Unleash Your Talent, by Paul Fein '62

Veteran tennis journalist and teaching pro Paul Fein '62 shares his coaching insights, as well as tips and tactics from many of the sport's biggest names, in this comprehensive collection from his award-winning 45-year writing career. Dissecting the styles of Roger Federer, Serena Williams, and other greats, and drawing on interviews with leading coaches, the former Williston and Cornell tennis standout (and now Agawam, Massachusetts, resident) explores the fundamentals as well as the often-overlooked nuances of the game, from grip firmness to playing in the wind to the proper use of sidespin.

Cookies and Milk, by Shawn Amos '86, illustrated by Robert Paul Jr.

In this debut coming-of-age novel for middle schoolers, blues musician and marketing entrepreneur, Shawn Amos '86 mines aspects of his own childhood growing up as a Black kid in 1970s Hollywood, the son of a divorced music agent determined to open the world's first chocolate-chip-cookie store. In this semi-autobiographical retelling of the tale, 11-year-old Ellis, along with his grandmother, are swept up in his father's dream, which in real life grew into the "Famous" Amos cookie empire. Fittingly, the book includes a recipe and musical playlist.

Smoke Screen: Puppy Kingpin, from Neon Hum Media, executive edited by Catherine Saint Louis '92

The ugly underbelly of the puppy breeding business gets more than a gentle scratch in this new podcast hosted by Alex Schuman and executive edited by Catherine Saint Louis '92. Over seven episodes, Schuman describes the multiple unsavory schemes run by a secretive Iowa businesswoman who has found ways to "launder" puppy mill dogs to unsuspecting buyers. Along the way, we learn more about America's puppy pipeline and the people working to bring change. Available on Apple Podcasts and other outlets.



A RINGING SUCCESS

On September 26, Williston Trustee Kevin Hobben '65 (at center, above)—Chairman and CEO of OmegaFlex, a global manufacturer and distributor of flexible metal piping—marked his company's 25th anniversary on the Nasdaq Stock Market with a ceremonial ringing of the opening bell. (The event was postponed from 2020 due to COVID.) Accompanying him was fellow Williston Trustee and OmegaFlex Vice President Stewart Reed '66 (second from left). Since its founding in 1975, OmegaFlex has supplied products to a variety of customers, including companies in the construction, manufacturing, transportation, petrochemical, pharmaceutical, and other industries.

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HEALS ON WHEELS

Few people in need of emergency medical care are thinking about their good fortune, but those calling 911 in the Chicopee area may indeed be in luck. A new Fly Car program—launched by Mercy Medical Center in October 2021 and overseen by Dr. Matthew Cauchon '96—brings an emergency-room physician directly to the patient, allowing on-the-scene treatment of injuries more severe than those customarily handled by paramedics. Cauchon and the physicians in his Community Emergency Response Team answer calls in a specially equipped automobile that allows them to treat injuries sustained in accidents, provide blood transfusions, and even amputate trapped limbs, says Cauchon, who also serves as Mercy's Associate Medical Director of Emergency Medicine. "We have the ability to sedate, intubate, and put someone asleep and remove that extremity that is stuck," he told MassLive. "I have not had to do this, and hope never to."

2 FITNESS BRANDS WITH A HEALTHY MESSAGE



PYNRS Performance Streetwear, pynrs.com
Founded by coach, running advocate, and social activist Sidney Baptista '05, PYNRS (pronounced *pioneers*) is a brand "championing community, culture, and diversity through technical running apparel." Long an advocate for bringing running to "diverse people from diverse communities," beginning in his hometown of Boston, Baptista was a sprinter at Williston who later took up distance running to help manage the stress of leaving a consulting career to start his own business. His apparel uses streetwear design concepts and high-performance fabrics made from recycled materials.



POSHnFIT, poshfitshop.com

Launched in 2017 by Ty (Alexander) Jackson '90, POSHnFIT offers a line of fitness accessories for the woman on the go who "juggles maintaining her home, family, work, and personal life while staying fit and looking good." Jackson herself is no stranger to juggling: after earning her engineering degree at Cornell, she continues to work as a manufacturing engineer, most recently with the Ford Motor Company. She founded POSHnFIT after earning her MBA.



Henry Lombino '14 (left) and Jack Spagnola '10 at the 2019 alumni event that started it all

PREP SCHOOL, THE PLAY

Two alums join forces on a new drama set at an independent school—BY JONATHAN ADOLPH

Three years ago, Jack Spagnola '10 and Henry Lombino '14 were both forging careers in the New York City theater world—Spagnola as a playwright, Lombino as a producer and choreographer—but the two had never met, much less worked together. Then, in December 2019, in a scene that critics might pan as a bit too perfect, they both happened to attend a Williston alumni party at the New York Yacht Club. Introduced by Middle School Admissions Director Allison Marsland, the two quickly made up for lost time.

Spagnola and Lombino, it turns out, had a mutual friend, Ryan Dobrin, a director and producer, who like them had worked with the New York theater incubator group Ars Nova. A few days later, all three met for dinner and bonded over their common experience attending independent schools (Dobrin had attended Friends Academy

on Long Island). Over poke bowls, an idea for a theater project began to take shape. “We were all really interested in exploring a story about privilege,” Spagnola recalls. “What does that mean, and what does that look like, and how does it show up? What does it look like to go to a private school at a certain time, in 2012.”

The resonance of that year—when social media was just becoming a societal force, Barack Obama was in the White House, and young people talked openly of hope and change—along with the formative experience of boarding school, became the focus for *Small Fragments of Becoming*, a new play written by Spagnola, produced by Lombino, and directed by Dobrin. Described as “a period piece” that “explores the specifics of the beginning of the decade as well as the elements of socio economic disparity, sexual identity, racial identity, otherness, and self-discovery embedded in the prep school experience,” the play has been workshopped at the University of Michigan and New York University, and the trio is now developing a staged production

for the off-Broadway theater The Tank, slated to premiere in March 2023.

All three bring considerable credentials to the project. Spagnola, a kindergarten teacher by day, is the author of *Little League* (a semifinalist in the Eugene O'Neill National Playwrights Conference), *Lou* (an unexpected search for friendship), and *Memorial Gazebo*, as well as a number of shorter works. Lombino, the Events and Dance Center Operations Manager for the Mark Morris Dance Group, has worked on numerous theatrical productions and held operational and development roles at Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, American Ballet Theatre, Lincoln Center, Yale Repertory Theatre, and Dance/USA. Dobrin's resume includes both producing and directing credits for Broadway shows and other regional productions.

What gives *Small Fragments of Becoming* a personal significance, say Spagnola and Lombino, is how it reflects their own years at Williston, and the lasting impact of that time in their lives. “Williston gave to us the freedom to be free thinkers and to

love learning and to really lean into what made you tick as a person,” Spagnola recalls. “Nothing can beat being 16, up at night, talking to people in the dorm, and trying to figure out the world together.”

Indeed, as the friends reflected on that time, what stood out were not just the big moments preserved in family photographs. “Those are amazing,” says Spagnola, “But looking back, I don't immediately think of graduation. I might think about being in my friend's dorm room the night before graduation. These little moments, that felt kind of small because they were before the big moment, are really profound.”

In the play, these “small fragments of becoming” are experienced by four friends—three juniors and a ninth grader—whose stories unfold in various conversations and settings. “Jack has a really amazing way of finding interesting ways in which characters bounce off each other,” notes Lombino, “those self-discovery moments that are just two characters talking, on their way to class or at a lunch table, that stick with you all those years later.”

For Spagnola and Lombino, self-discovery at Williston was also catalyzed by the school's theater programs. A boarding student from Larchmont, New York, Spagnola took a playwriting class with former Williston Theater Director Emily Ditzkovski his senior year that gave new focus to his longtime interest in creative writing. “It was such an amazing opening,” he says. “Not many kids get to take a playwriting class in high school.” Lombino was a day student from Ashfield who discovered the tech theater program as a seventh grader and stayed with it all through Upper School, supplementing it with acting and dance programs. “All those skills that I learned working late nights in that theater, I still use to this day,” he says.

Will the Williston community someday see *Small Fragments of Becoming* presented in the theater that helped inspire it? That would certainly please its author and producer. “It'd be so great to have that connection,” says Lombino, “and keep Williston part of the process.”

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SPORTS SHORTS

TEERING UP OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN

After a month on the road caddying for his pro-golfing daughter, Hannah, **Mark Berman '83** organized the PXG Women's Match Play Championship last year in response to the lack of on-ramps for female players who aspire to play in the LPGA. One thing led to another, and Berman ended up purchasing the Florida-based National Women's Golf Association, a 16-year-old women's tour, and rebranding it as the East Coast Women's Professional Golf Tour. Although Hannah backed away from her pro ambitions, Berman is providing plenty of playing and earning opportunities for other professional female golfers.

SMART STICK-WIELDERS

Bowdoin lacrosse players **Fiona Bundy '18** and **Sophia Schaefer '18** learned this May that the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association named their Polar Bears an Academic Honor Squad (team members earned a GPA of 3.2 or higher) and that they both were on the DIII Academic Honor Roll, with GPAs of at least 3.5. Bundy ranks third in the league and was named First Team All-Pilgrim Region. Williams College lacrosse player **Madison Fulcher-Melendy '18** was also named a scholar athlete by the IWLCA.

CHAMPION STALLIONS

Michael Dereus '16 scored his first career touchdown for the Birmingham Stallions in May—and helped the team to its first championship in USFL history in July. The Georgetown-grad wide receiver came over from the Baltimore Ravens in April and has caught seven passes for 61 yards.

WINNING RUGBY RUN

Jamaica hosted the 2022 Rugby Americas North tournament this summer and the USA South Panthers women's team not only took the title, but beat their hosts 17-14. **Stacia Thompson '07**, making her debut for the team this year, made a “blistering run” to extend the Panthers' lead during the final, according to the Goff Rugby Report. Thompson also plays for the Charlotte Rugby Club and says she will “forever love this game for its simultaneous ferocity and camaraderie.”



When Wood Becomes Art

Furniture maker Kristina Madsen '73 is honored with a \$100,000 Award in Craft

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Madsen works a surface by hand



Opposite page: Madsen at her Southampton workshop.

This page, from top: Madsen's intricate hand-carvings; a finished piece called "Cabinet on Stand"

KRISTINA MADSEN '73 WAS RECENTLY NAMED ONE OF the first five recipients of the newly established Maxwell/Hanrahan Foundation Awards in Craft, an honor that brings with it an unrestricted \$100,000 grant. The award is yet another milestone in the remarkable career of the acclaimed Southampton, Massachusetts, furniture maker, who previously received a Fulbright grant to study woodcarving in Fiji, as well as fellowships from, among others, the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the National Endowment for the Arts. She also received the Furniture Society Award of Distinction for 2020-2021 and is a 2022 Fellow in the American Craft Council College of Fellows.

The Awards in Craft honorees were selected last spring for "their unique and visionary approach to material-based practice, their potential to make significant contributions to their craft in the future, and the potential for this award to provide momentum at a critical juncture in their career." In recognizing Madsen, the foundation cited her "masterful style," which "features freehand intaglio carving inspired by her study of European cabinet-making and traditional Fijian wood carving."

Madsen's pieces are currently held in the collections of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, the Smithsonian American Art Museum, and Yale University Art Gallery, among numerous others. Several years ago, she explained, she began building a series of new and exploratory pieces for exhibition. "This stupendous gift from the Maxwell/Hanrahan Foundation is allowing me to move forward with uninterrupted concentration and to pour my creative energy into untried and challenging work," she says. "I am honored by and deeply grateful for this recognition." —by Jonathan Adolph

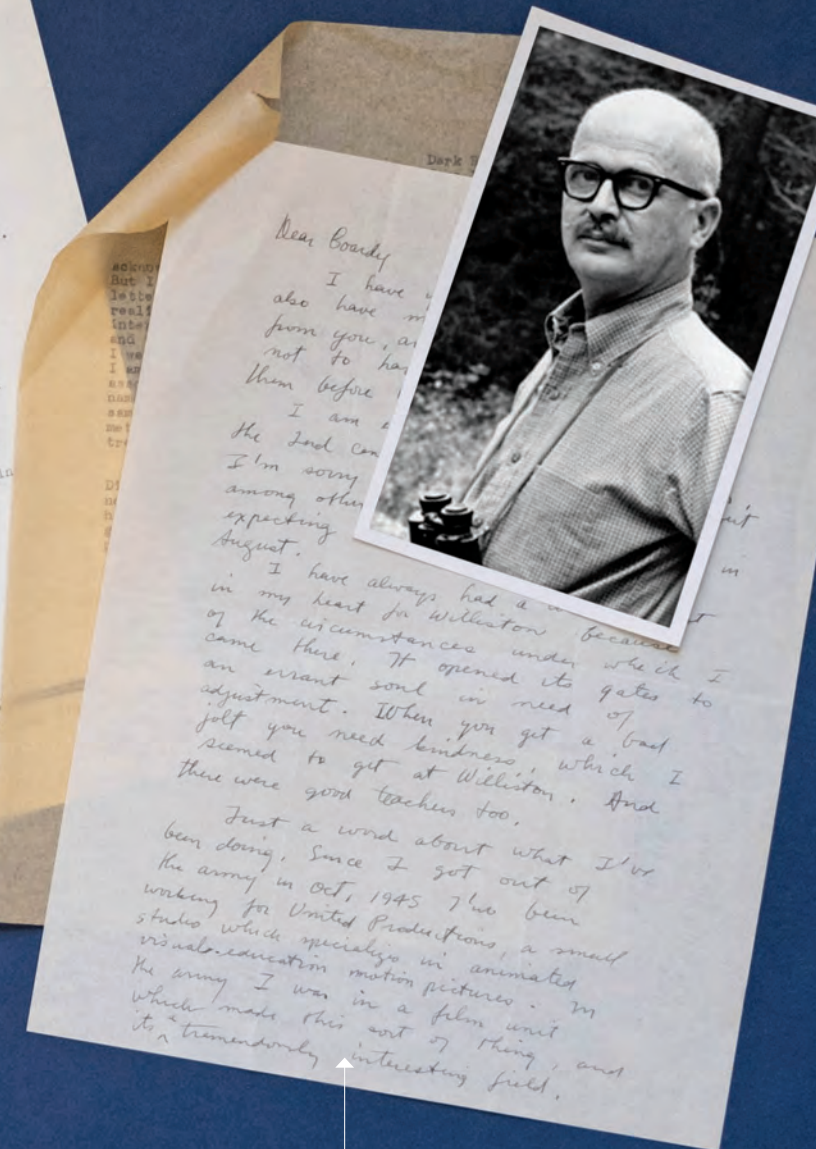
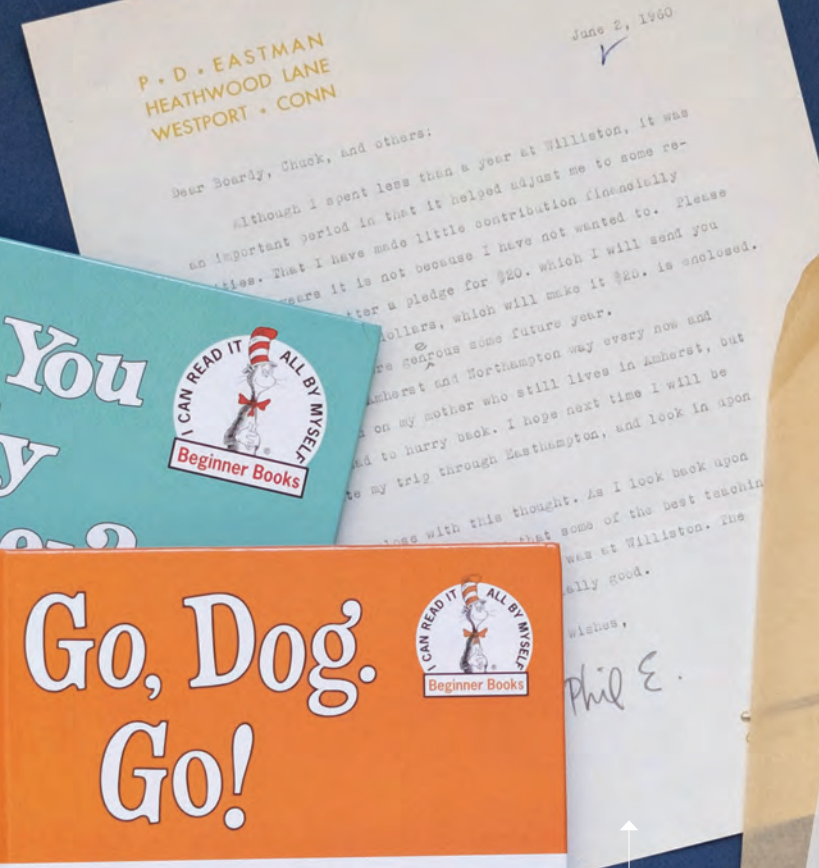
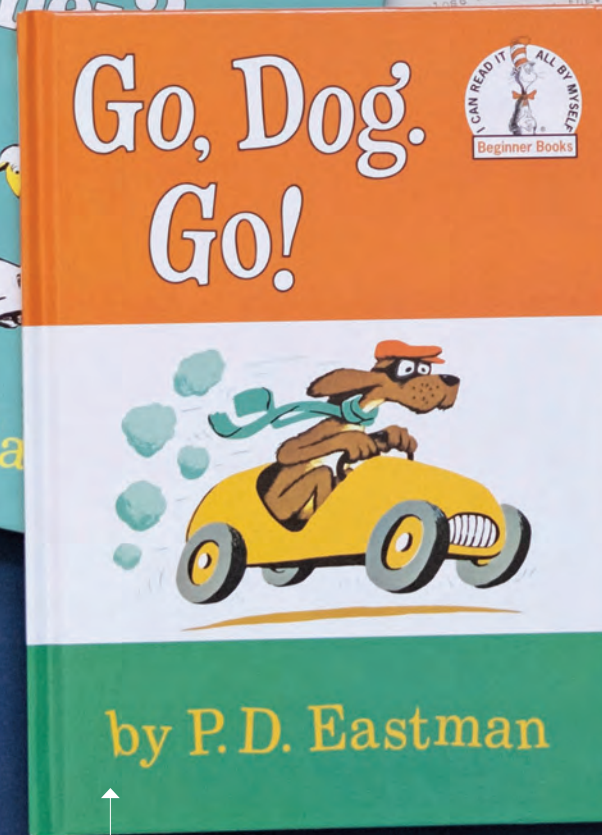
FROM OUR FILES

Insights from the letters of illustrator and author P.D. Eastman '30

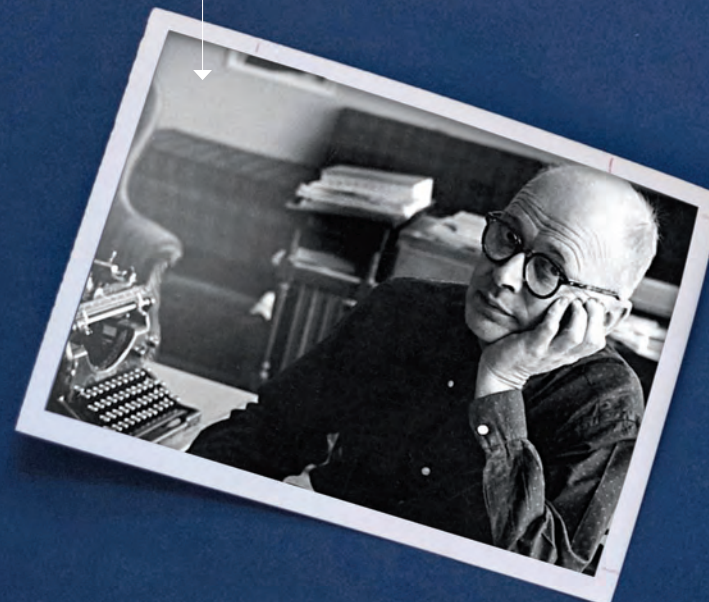
Born in 1909, acclaimed children's book author, illustrator, and animator Philip Dey "P.D." Eastman '30 was raised in a large house near Amherst College, where his father, Clarence, was a professor of German. One of three brothers, young Phil followed the eldest, Tony, to Andover, but transferred to Williston Academy in February of his senior year. (The youngest, Karl Eastman '32, would follow Phil to Williston.) The reasons behind Phil's transfer are not noted in his Williston file, but he offers a hint in a 1947 letter to his friend and former French teacher Howard "Boardy" Boardman. "I have always had a warm spot in my heart for Williston because of the circumstances under which I came there," he wrote from Los Angeles, where as a storyboard artist for United Productions he was helping create the Mr. Magoo cartoons, among others. "It opened its gates to an errant soul in need of adjustment. When you get a bad jolt you need kindness, which I seemed to get at Williston."

After graduating from Amherst College in 1933 and studying at the National Academy of Design in New York, Eastman worked for the upstart Walt Disney Studios, Warner Bros. cartoons, and others. During World War II, he served making orientation films in the Army's Signal Corps Film Unit, which happened to be headed by Theodore Geisel, better known today as Dr. Seuss. Geisel would become a mentor and colleague after the war when Eastman moved to Westport, Connecticut, and began writing and illustrating picture books under the Dr. Seuss Beginner Book imprint. Beginning in 1958 with *Sam and the Firefly*, Eastman turned out a series of childhood classics, including *Are You My Mother?*, *Go, Dog. Go!*, and *A Fish Out of Water* (which he illustrated). Married in 1941 to Mary Louise Witham, he had two sons, one of whom, Tony, also became a book illustrator. Eastman died from Parkinson's complications in 1986.

In 1960, enclosed with a contribution to the school, Eastman sent Boardman and others a note that reflected glowingly on his time in Easthampton, while revealing the playful wit that informs so much of his work. "As I look back upon school years, I am convinced that some of the best teaching I encountered, school or college, was at Williston," he noted. "The man they had in French was especially good."



The artist in his studio. "Some of the best teaching I encountered," he wrote, "was at Williston."



PHOTOGRAPH BY DENNIS CROMMETT

Eastman's illustration style helped define the Dr. Seuss Beginner Book imprint. His collaboration with Theodore Geisel began during World War II, when they served together in the Army's Signal Corps Film Unit.

In one of his last notes to the school from his new home in Connecticut, Eastman pledges his financial support and praises the education he received, with a last playful nod to his friend and former French teacher Howard Boardman.

In a 1947 exchange of letters with Boardman, Eastman encloses a donation to the school and explains that he "always had a warm spot in my heart for Williston because...it opened its gates to an errant soul in need of adjustment."



WOMEN DEFINING THE FUTURE

The merger of Williston Academy and Northampton School for Girls in the fall of 1971 ushered in a new era of coeducation for both institutions—and brought with it no small amount of trepidation about what lay ahead. In the ensuing half-century, however, the positive consequences of that decision have become increasingly clear, and nowhere more so than in the success of the school’s female graduates.

As Williston looks ahead to its next 50 years, the school is honoring these remarkable alumnae, as well as those whose promise is still unfolding. We here present our “50 for the Next 50,” a collection of women who’ve shaped and will continue to define the school’s future.

Narrowing the list to 50 honorees was not easy. After soliciting nominees from the school community, our selection committee supplemented those names with others who have achieved reknown in their work. The school was fortunate to have on its committee two women who themselves have and will continue to shape Williston’s future: Dean of Faculty Corinne Fogg ’99 and former Assistant Head of School Ann Pickrell.

In reviewing the list, Pickrell, who in her 40 years at Williston knew most of the honorees, noted how gratifying it was to honor their success. “To work with, live with, and collaborate with these young women is an amazing experience. I’m incredibly proud of them,

THE JUDGES



Dean of Faculty Corie Fogg ’99 (left) and former Assistant Head of School Ann Pickrell

and hope that they will look at this as the honor that it is.” Bringing her perspective as an alumna and Dean of Faculty, Fogg noted the honorees’ breadth of achievement—in fields as diverse as culinary arts, politics, law, music, athletics, and education. “This is a dynamic group of women across all ages and stages of life and in almost every industry. To me, that speaks volumes for Williston’s capacity to prepare young people for lives well lived—and to fully be oneself.”

To better understand what motivates our honorees, we asked them for their thoughts on a number of topics. A sampling of their answers is presented on these pages, and their full responses are available on williston.com (as are Pickrell and Fogg’s answers).

While these women have blazed widely divergent trails, their comments reveal common values, including the importance of breaking out of your comfort zone, trusting your instincts, speaking out, and living life fully. Pickrell sees another unifying theme. “They all are following their passions,” she observes. “They all had the confidence to go after what they were interested in—whether they won an Olympic medal or an Emmy, or made it to the *Billboard* list of top-selling records.” Looking ahead, Fogg hopes that the list will be an inspiration to current and future students. “I want students to see themselves reflected in the depth of this group. It’s a deep pool of expertise into which students can dip pens of their own to write their future life stories.”

HEIST

BETSY ASSOUMOU '05

Chief financial officer of the international non-profit Health Goes Global and student at UVM's Larner College of Medicine

ESTHER AYUK '09

Speech-language pathologist and coordinator of the Aphasia Center at MGH Institute of Health Professions

CAITLIN BERUBE '13

Transfer pricing manager at Deloitte and recent graduate of NYU's Stern School of Business MBA program

LAURA BOWMAN '13

Chef and proprietor of the events catering company Blue Door Gatherings

PAIGE BRINKLEY '04

Attorney for the National Labor Relations Board

KOYALEE CHANDA '92

Vice president for Kids and Animation at the media production company Hello Sunshine

BRITTANY COLLINS '14

Educator, founder of Grief-Responsive Teaching, and author of *Learning from Loss: A Trauma-Informed Approach to Supporting Grieving Students*

KRISTINA CONROY '10

Doctoral candidate in clinical psychology at Florida International University, specializing in issues impacting children and teens

JO-ANN W. DAVIS '76

Retired senior vice president and chief administrative officer for Baystate Health

JENNIFER DUBOIS '02

Award-winning author and associate professor of English at Texas State University

ANN DOWD '74

Award-winning television, film, and stage actress

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SHERRIE-ANN L. GORDON '00

Prior to her death in 2015 at age 33, Gordon was multicultural outreach coordinator for the AARP and a community-focused entrepreneur and consultant

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Williston Northampton School's director of financial aid

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AMBER HAMILTON '94

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ZULEKA RU-GLO HENDERSON '98

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ABIGAIL HIRSCHHORN '83

Co-founder of the brand and marketing agency H.I. | Human Intelligence

HILLARY IRVINE '07

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TOMOE ISHIZUMI '01

Co-founder and CEO of the consulting company Palo Alto Insight

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LISA VAZQUEZ '99

Portfolio manager at the Mass General Brigham Investment Office

STELLA WANG '04

Co-founder and CEO at the Helsinki-based gaming company Dazzle Rocks

CONNIE WILSON '86

Communications and public relations consultant, and owner of Connie Wilson Communications

HAOSHU XU '13

Senior consultant at Deloitte Catalyst

What advice would you give to a girl graduating today?

BRITTANY COLLINS '14

Educator, founder of Grief-Responsive Teaching, and author of *Learning from Loss: A Trauma-Informed Approach to Supporting Grieving Students*

Find your mentors and keep them close! The most meaningful interpersonal relationships, professional and academic opportunities, and life advice I have had the privilege of receiving have all originated from authentic, reciprocal, mentoring relationships—from Williston, to college, to the workplace, and beyond.

NINA GOODRICH '74

Recently retired executive director of the Sustainable Packaging Coalition and GreenBlue, an environmental nonprofit

Study science. It helps to understand how things work. Be curious. Look for more than one source. Ask for the data.

ZULEKA RU-GLO HENDERSON '98

Founding director of the Center for Black WellBeing and former lecturer in social work at Columbia University

Know that you are perfect and worthy, right now. Trust that you have something unique to contribute to this world. Listen inward for guidance about what that thing is—look for the inspired idea that makes you light up, and go deep in its direction.

KAYTLYN RACZ '05

Senior manager for global content at Owl Labs, maker of specialized meeting cameras



Experience life—and not just through your phone. Get out there and take advantage of the opportunities that are given to you. And when you are in the moment—whether it is getting an award at work or traveling to a new place with friends—put your phone down and take in everything that is around you.

EMILY ROSE PEIRENT '15

Doctoral candidate in the University of Michigan's neuroscience graduate program

Life's too short to spend it doing something that makes you miserable. It's OK to make a difference in the world and make yourself happy at the same time.



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CATHERINE SAINT LOUIS '92
Executive editor at the podcasting company Neon Hum Media and former reporter and editor at the *New York Times*



It's important to practice speaking up. Sometimes you don't want to be the one to say something, so you let a comment or an unacceptable action slide, but the sooner you realize your power is in your ability to say something, the better. But it takes practice. So find a way to become the person in the room with the courage to speak up.

TAMSIN SMITH '84
Founder and president of the brand strategy firm Slipstream Strategy and former president of the AIDS-fundraising organization (RED)

Don't settle for the first draft version of your life. Stride into the journey, learn something from every twist and turn, and make it epic.

HAOSHU XU '13
Senior consultant at Deloitte Catalyst

No matter which field you end up pursuing, try to become tech-savvy. Technology is disrupting the way we learn, work, and live, and will continue to do so. It is important to develop at least a fundamental understanding to be successful.

SUSAN E. JACKSON '80 JP
Member of the Parliament of Bermuda since 2012 and a corporate communications specialist

Every opportunity to grow and excel is available to you, unlike any time in our history. Far beyond the women who preceded you is an open invitation to the possibilities. Explore your interests and talents with the view to success. There will always be challenges. The difference for you today is that there is so much more support available to you to assist you in making a positive impact on your personal development and the broader communities in which you serve.

The aspiring woman also assumes the responsibility to contribute to the future strengthening of female equity and equality. Whether a young woman chooses to lead by example in their chosen life pursuits, or takes a more civic role to improve standards for all, the successes of each woman signify the "ripple effect." Every effort, every success, symbolizes the pebble splash in the pond to the eternal rings of infinity.

GABBY THOMAS '15
2020 Olympic medalist, professional runner, and epidemiology student at UT Austin

Do things that scare you. You can't change the world by playing it safe.

WHITNEY FOARD SMALL '79
Senior director, corporate communications, for Tyler Technologies

Read widely, travel often, be curious, learn languages, and love what you do.

LENA GANDEVIA '15
Business development analyst at the England-based safety-equipment group Halma plc

The past 18 years may feel like they define you, but they don't. As you embark on the next chapter, be open to change and challenges. You will grow and transform in ways that may surprise and amaze you. Whoever you think you are today, that's only one of the many identities you'll have over the course of your life.

MARTHA GRINNELL '85
Realtor, former professional triathlete, and founder of Martha Grinnell Multisport Coaching

Always remember that your actions, body language, energy, and words have influence on others at all times. You have the opportunity and the privilege of being a role model in any moment and in all interactions. One encouraging statement to a girl, young woman, or adult female can positively influence her for a lifetime.

SUSAN DEL PERCIO '87
Crisis communication consultant, public affairs strategist, and political analyst for NBC and MSNBC News



1. Ask lots of questions—and really listen to the answers.
2. Always follow your moral code.
3. Never be afraid to try because you are afraid to fail.
4. To fail is human—to succeed in spite of our failures, this is what makes us remarkable.
5. Go for it!

GRETCHEN TUCKER '07
Senior governance and privacy attorney and chief diversity and inclusion officer for BeesMont Law Limited, in Bermuda

You are enough. It is always possible to succeed based on the attributes that you bring to the table, which should include a willingness to adapt and learn. During some stages, you will feel pressure to conform—identify when you feel this pressure and consider whether conforming will truly support your aspirations. Allow yourself the space to change your mind and grow as an individual, and allow others the same latitude. In time, you will start to develop your own definition of "leadership."

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LAURA BOWMAN '13
Chef and proprietor of the events catering company Blue Door Gatherings



Stay true to what you are passionate about and trust your intuition. I knew that I wanted to attend a nontraditional college after attending Williston. Williston gave me the confidence to pursue a career in food. The rigor of my high school experience set me up for a fast-paced, challenging work environment and success as a business owner.

ESTHER AYUK '09
Speech-language pathologist and coordinator of the Aphasia Center at MGH Institute of Health Professions

Your voice is powerful. Use it to uplift others and remind yourself of your purpose. When in doubt, ask questions, and a few follow-up questions too. You deserve the time and space to do so. Lean into the hard, messy process of learning. You'll come to appreciate the lessons learned along the way.

LISA FREED '72
Producer for the CBS newsmagazine "48 Hours"

Take every opportunity that is offered. You never know where it will lead. I have taken jobs that seemed far from what I really wanted to do—but turned into amazing experiences.

JO-ANN W. DAVIS '76
Retired senior vice president and chief administrative officer for Baystate Health

Resist every temptation to doubt your capabilities. Honesty, integrity, and humility are essential no matter what your pursuit. Fiercely protect your reputation and credibility, always. Be kind and respectful to others, no matter what their status or level in life or in business. Listen more, talk less. Do not be a complainer or "problem finder"—be an optimistic, thoughtful "problem solver." Remember that when preparation and opportunity intersect, great things happen. Never lose your sense of humor. And finally, always be on time!



MICHELLE PARRISH '01
Owner of Soul N' Vinegar, a neighborhood food shop in Richmond, Virginia



You do not need a lot of friends. Invest in the people in your life that encourage your happiness and share your dreams and ideas with each other.

KOYALEE CHANDA '92
Vice president for Kids and Animation at the media production company Hello Sunshine

Here's what I wish I could say: You are graduating in a time where women's equality is the baseline. You can count on equal pay and advancement in the workplace. You will be given the same respect and privileges as your male counterparts. Sadly, I cannot in earnest say any of this. Instead, I will say: Keep your female friendships close. Support each other. Encourage each other to take risks. Give each other courage to speak up and stand up. Align yourself with men who believe in the power of female leadership and women's contributions. Stay vigilant and call out the inequities as you see them. Normalize dissent.

ANN FUTTER LOMELI '73
Former senior vice president, co-general counsel, and secretary at MassMutual



Stand up for what you believe; speak out in life and at work. At work, despite advice from those around me to the contrary, I spoke out a lot. If I'd been afraid to speak out, I would not have succeeded in my career. It's not without risk. But, early on, I decided I wouldn't work at a place that didn't support the free expression of ideas—and I didn't.

Good friends are very important. It is not the number, but the quality. Good friends are supportive and kind, and they listen well. Friendship is a two-way street. You may not find your closest friends until you're in your 20s, 30s, 40s or later. There's no rush.

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Tell us about a woman who is your hero...



ANN DOWD '74
Award-winning television, film, and stage actress

My mother, Dolores Dowd Dean. Her acceptance of life, gratitude, humility, kindness, humor, generosity, and faith.

LEE DANGLEIS GREENER '06
Williston Northampton School's director of financial aid

Denise Wellman was the Director of the Visitor Center at the University of South Carolina when I was a student ambassador and tour guide. She modeled for me the power of encouraging students to step outside of their comfort zone with empathy and support as well as the importance of questioning why we do the things we do. She helped me move past external validation and gain the confidence to push boundaries and ask hard and thought-provoking questions.

WHITNEY FOARD SMALL '79
Senior director, corporate communications, for Tyler Technologies

Cynthia Owens, girl reporter extraordinaire. Cynthia was *The Wall Street Journal* correspondent for Thailand when we first met. I was and still am in awe. She went on to work for ABC News in New York, and CNBC Asia Pacific. She then switched it up and brought her intellectual horsepower to integrated strategic consulting for companies and products.

DESTINY NWAFOR '17
Software engineer and former president of the National Society of Black Engineers at Cornell University



Issa Rae! She is incredibly dynamic, creative, and authentic. I have followed her from her web series, "Awkward Black Girl," to her HBO show, "Insecure." Seeing the impact of Issa Rae's work grow over time while staying true to herself is inspirational, to say the least.

JO-ANN W. DAVIS '76
Retired senior vice president and chief administrative officer for Baystate Health

My mother, Angela Wright, was a bold woman before it was popular to be one! She has spent her life as a community servant, and as a pioneer and advocate for the less fortunate, doing so in very meaningful and tangible ways.

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SHANNON O'BRIEN '77

Chair of the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission, former state treasurer and receiver general

Former Williston teacher Cathleen Robinson Brown. She was the advisor to *The Willistonian* during my time as a student. She not only helped me improve my skills as a journalist, but gave me confidence to take on the position of editor-in-chief my senior year. I learned so much from her about time management, leadership, and how to pursue a standard of excellence.



KOYALEE CHANDA '92

Vice-president for Kids and Animation at the media production company Hello Sunshine

My late mother-in-law Judith Berman Brandenburg was a feminist way before it was cool. In the 1980s and '90s, through her work in higher academics, she saw how inequities in the workplace were keeping women from advancing. She saw how sexual harassment was rampant and went unchecked. She established sexual harassment policies at Yale and Teachers College, Columbia. She was integral to starting the Women's Studies program at Yale. As an English major at Wesleyan University, I enjoyed curriculums that were representative of women writers and thinkers, largely due to the work my mother-in-law and so many other early feminists did. We stand on the shoulders of trailblazing women.

MARTHA GRINNELL '85

Realtor, former professional triathlete, and founder of Martha Grinnell Multisport Coaching

Joan Benoit Samuelson, who won the first women's Olympic Games marathon in 1984. She was my role model when I started running as a young girl in the early '80s and the reason that I stuck with it, through the good and difficult times. I not only admired her consistency in producing impressive marathon times that are still up there with the best, but also her humbleness, grit, and determined training ethic. I learned that women can be kind *and* fierce in work, athletics, and in life.

PHOEBE STEPHENS '93

Jewelry designer and co-founder, with her sister, of Anndra Neen jewelry



This year I became a first-time mother and, as cliché as it may sound, it made me realize that my heros are women who can juggle it all. As women, we are still fighting to have equality in so many different fields. As the world seems to be going backwards, we women have to work harder together. Raising good human beings today is more challenging than ever. Because of this, our kids need a range of skills, self-confidence, and strong values. My role models are the mothers who get up every morning and balance children, careers, and partnerships.

GRETCHEN TUCKER '07

Senior governance and privacy attorney and chief diversity and inclusion officer for BeesMont Law Limited, in Bermuda

During my time at Williston, it was those classmates and teachers who were from the LGBTQ community that have had the greatest impact on my concept of leadership. They showed me new possibilities for life and the ability to act with compassion, kindness, and joy, despite challenges and negativity from others.

HILLARY IRVINE '07

Artist, art educator, and founder of Revival Fine Art and Conservation Services

Ann Pickrell. I immediately knew she would be an important person to me when I met her for my interview 20 years ago at the Homestead. Ever since, the lessons that she imparted upon me have had a deep and echoing resonance. She has an indomitable spirit, never steering away from difficult things, and an incomparable grace.

GABBY THOMAS '15

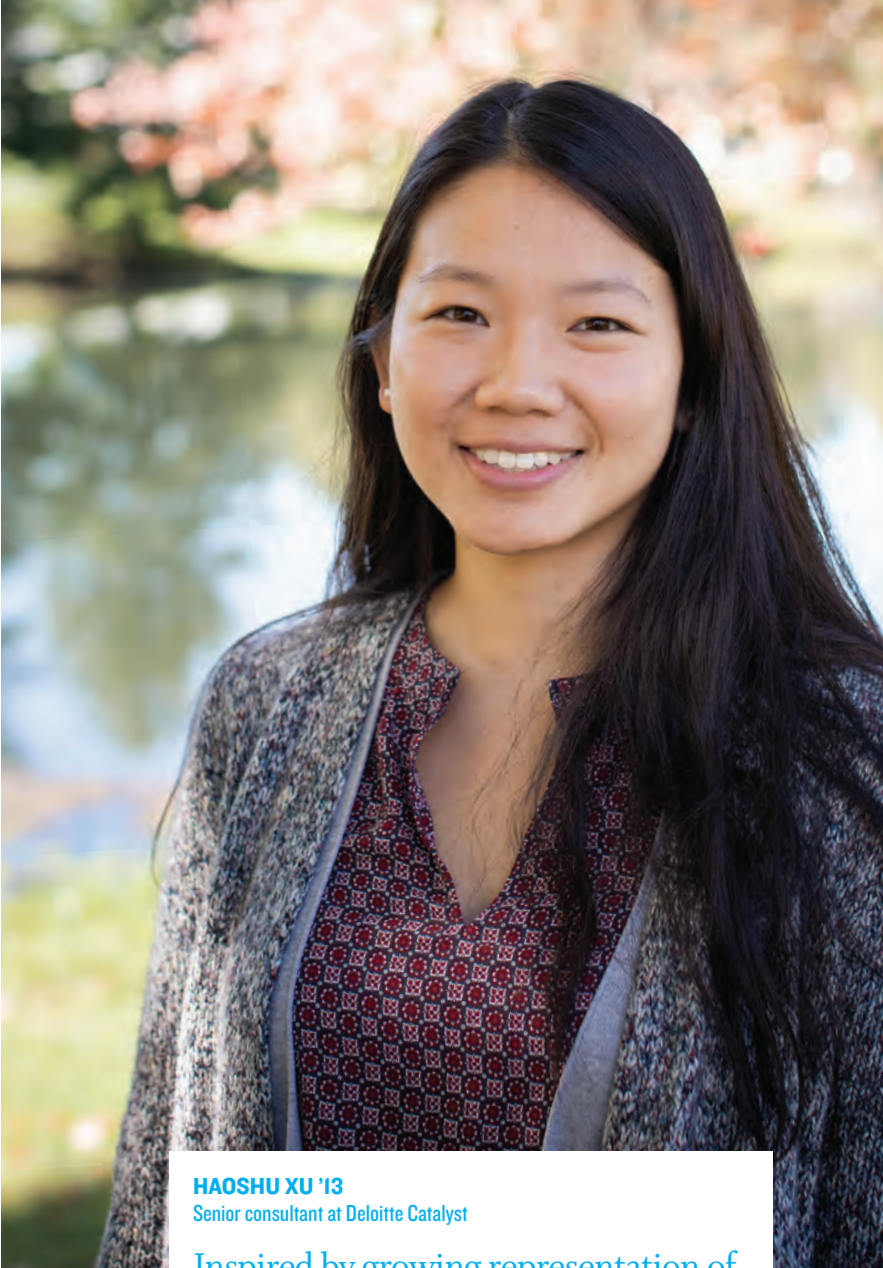
2020 Olympic medalist, professional runner, and epidemiology student at UT Austin



Serena Williams. She is the epitome of hard work. And she hates losing, so we have that in common.

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What's next for women in your profession?



HAOSHU XU '13

Senior consultant at Deloitte Catalyst

Inspired by growing representation of women in leadership positions, female professionals at the intersection of technology and business will be able to bring more of their authentic selves to the workplace. They will feel less pressured to act like their male counterparts and more empowered to lean in to their unique strengths.

HILLARY IRVINE '07

Artist, art educator, and founder of Revival Fine Art and Conservation Services

I think that more women will be pioneers, building businesses of their own, so they can create something that highlights their unique ideas and vision. I am delighted to see women stepping into their power ever-earlier in their journeys—for me, it started at Williston.

KENDALL HANLEY '04

Manager of officiating for the North American Hockey League

The past few years have seen so many doors open for women to have careers in hockey, whether on or off the ice. I'm so fortunate to be a part of it, and know it's due to the hard work of the women who came before me. Our job is to succeed in these careers, to keep that door open for the next generation. It's only a matter of time before you see women officiating in the NHL—and when they do get there, you can bet I'll be in the stadium watching and cheering them on!

ELLIKA BARTLETT MCGUIRE '99

Psychiatrist, psychoanalyst, and educator



The pandemic accelerated the already worsening mental health of our nation's children and adolescents, and we are taking notice. We have had to shift to seeing patients online, to shift plans and protocols over and over. While this has been challenging, it has also provided new tools to reach the most vulnerable patients, and more opportunities for innovation and collaboration in our field. Women make up a slight majority in the field of child and adolescent psychiatry, and we have the opportunity to continue to lead the way.

CEARA C. MAHONEY '98

Assistant district attorney for Middlesex County, Massachusetts

I hope and believe that there will be continued support for the idea that women can have a work-life balance without sacrificing their careers and advancement, that their law careers are not over once they have children, and that it is no longer a question of whether a woman can “have and do it all.” Instead, I hope the focus turns to finding new ways to support and encourage career longevity and continued advancement for women in the field of law.

LENA GANDEVIA '15
Business development analyst at the England-based safety equipment group Halma plc



We're already seeing more and more women in engineering and tech, and I'm sure that trend will only continue. In particular, I think we'll see a lot more women in leadership positions. C-suite roles are still predominantly held by men, but I expect (and hope) that won't be the case for long.

BRITTANY GLENN '07
Senior director of VIP Experience, Retention and Operations for the Boston Celtics

I look forward to seeing more women in executive roles, specifically team presidents. I was hired at 22 years old by a woman, and was fortunate to be surrounded by an extremely impressive and supportive group of women throughout the Boston Celtics organization. They have continued to be an immense part of my growth and career over the past 10 years.

LISA VAZQUEZ '99
Portfolio manager at the Mass General Brigham Investment Office

I used to joke that growing up playing boys hockey prepared me for a career on Wall Street because in many ways it felt like a men's locker room. Two decades later, the industry still has a long way to go, but it has made meaningful progress. My office values the perspective I've gained by being a mother and an athlete. On my team, we want to bring the best perspectives to the table when we make investment decisions, and we know a lack of diversity would put us at a disadvantage. The industry is recognizing that not only is it the right thing to do, but it's necessary to stay competitive.



ASHLEY GEARING '09
Recording artist, singer, and songwriter, now touring with her country duo, The Wildcards

For so long, women in the entertainment industry have had a short timeline before they were considered "too old," or forced to stop touring or doing what they love because they wanted to have a family or "weren't as marketable." Talent doesn't go away with age. A woman's craft and talents grow even stronger with time and experiences. A woman should get bolder with every birthday.

LAURA BOWMAN '13
Chef and proprietor of the events catering company Blue Door Gatherings

I hope to see more women in food. I don't think it is an easy career for women. The majority of professional kitchens are still dominated by men, and unfortunately the culture of many kitchens is still so outdated. I think until we see a shift in the workplace environment, we won't see a lot of women pursuing careers in food. It is something I feel passionate about changing with my own business.

NINA GOODRICH '74
Recently retired executive director of the Sustainable Packaging Coalition and GreenBlue, an environmental nonprofit

The field of sustainability is changing and growing at a rapid rate. It's so important, even if sustainability is not your chosen field, to understand why it is important and to use it as a lens for decision making. The next generations will have to think about resources differently.



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What is the best advice you ever received?



SYLVIA SKERRY '14
Youth program associate for UNICEF Jordan, working in Syrian refugee camps

One of the things Greg Tuleja always used to shout to us when we were in the middle of a hill circuit during practice or mid-race, starting to believe the finish line would never appear, was, "This is when you get better." When I find myself in situations that can seem impossible to overcome, these words help me remember that learning to tackle the hard parts of life, one step at a time, will give me the skills to face whatever is to come.

ELLIKA BARTLETT MCGUIRE '99
Psychiatrist, psychoanalyst, and educator

Life is a whole lot more enjoyable when you focus more on what matters to you, and less on proving your worth to others.

CONNIE WILSON '86
Communications and public relations consultant, and owner of Connie Wilson Communications

Ask questions. It's always better to ask questions now that will help a project or situation (at school, work, or home) instead of being afraid to ask, and creating complications down the line.

LISA VAZQUEZ '99
Portfolio manager at the Mass General Brigham Investment Office



Many people say they hate networking, like that's a badge of authenticity. Networking doesn't have to be transactional or fake. In fact, it's the opportunity to know people in your industry at a deeper level. Building relationships in your network gives you professional allies. It lets people know you are trustworthy and credible. Build and nurture your network.



ESTHER AYUK '09
Speech-language pathologist and coordinator of the Aphasia Center at MGH Institute of Health Professions

Much of the great advice I've received has come from the pages of books loaned or gifted to me. A recent favorite of mine is Elaine Welteroth's memoir *More Than Enough*. Her shared experiences and reflections continue to help me navigate the privileges and power that come with advancements in my professional career: "Shonda Rimes coined the term: 'First. Only. Different.' Being an 'FOD' in your field comes with a unique responsibility and a powerful opportunity: to rewrite rules, to redefine norms, to represent for the communities that haven't had a seat at the table before. But what good is a trailblazer who isn't willing to leave signposts along the way that make it a little less confusing, less lonely, less disorienting for the next woman or person of color to follow?"



PAIGE BRINKLEY '04
Attorney for the National Labor Relations Board

Nobody's paying as much attention to you as you think they are. You can learn things this way.

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As someone who struggled with imposter syndrome, I routinely discounted my achievements and accomplishments. A friend pointed out that I never allow those I care about to do that; the moment someone around me expresses any doubt, I remind them of all they've done to accomplish their goals. My friend encouraged me to treat myself the same way. When I feel the seeds of doubt taking root, I pause and think about what I would tell a friend. Basically, as simple as it sounds, the best advice I've received is to believe in myself. If you don't believe in yourself, how can you expect anyone else to?

SHANNON O'BRIEN '77
Newly appointed Chair of the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission, former Massachusetts state treasurer and receiver general

Take time to be kinder than you have to be. It pays dividends in the long run.



KAYTLYN RACZ '05
Senior manager for global content at Owl Labs, maker of specialized meeting cameras

Comfort is the enemy of progress. I know when I'm too comfortable, it may be time to change things up.

Follow your heart. Acknowledge the gifts you've been given and respect them. Stay humble, grateful. Commit with everything you've got. The rest will take care of itself.

RACHAEL ZOE MILLER '88
Founder of the Rozalia Project for a Clean Ocean and co-inventor of the microfiber-capturing Cora Ball

Hope is not a strategy. When everything is going well on a sailboat, it is magical. But, as the captain, you have the ultimate responsibility for the people, the vessel, and in our case, the mission. I have a great friend who is a tall-ship captain and he once articulated an important point. Sometimes, usually in the middle of the night and when it is a dark and stormy night, you hear a sound, a repetitive, questionable sound. You are warm, dry, and happy in your bunk, and know you should go check it out, but really don't want to. He said that every time you get up and do the thing you know you should but don't necessarily want to do, you are putting a little bit of good in your "black box." Because someday, you will need all of that goodness. We need hope, but only after action.

TAMSIN SMITH '84
Founder and president of the brand strategy firm Slipstream Strategy and former president of the AIDS-fundraising organization (RED)



There are two kinds of people in this world: those who want to leave it with more, and those who want to leave it better. Be the latter kind.

LISA FREED '72
Producer for the CBS newsmagazine "48 Hours"
My father made documentaries, and I knew from an early age that I also wanted to make films. When I was a senior at Williston Northampton trying to figure out where I wanted to go to college, he encouraged me to get a liberal arts education rather than going to film or journalism school. He assured me that I could learn all the technical things later, but what was most important was learning how to think. He was right. I went on to major in anthropology, which had an enormous impact on the way I looked at the world, how I chose stories, and how I covered them.

MICHELLE PARRISH '01
Owner of Soul N' Vinegar, a neighborhood food shop in Richmond, Virginia

You will not be made or broken by any one thing. No one decision you make will make or break you, so just decide the best you can and choose. Also, choices are made easier by data. Don't waste your time making decisions without enough information to go on.

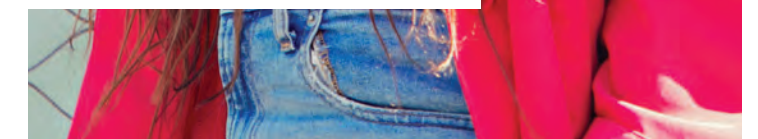
BRITTANY GLENN '07
Senior director of VIP Experience, Retention and Operations for the Boston Celtics

Remember that one day, when you lead your own team, you will remember the things you loved about your previous managers and the things you may not have loved, and you will have an opportunity to create your own management style and shape someone's future. That responsibility is truly something special.



TOLU ONAFOWOKAN '05
Head of strategy in the Ford Foundation's Office of Communications

My friend Paula always reminds me that "no" is a full sentence. There's not always a need to provide an explanation when you are setting your boundaries.



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What motivates you in your work and life?

BETSY ASSOUMOU '05
CFO of the nonprofit Health Goes Global and student at UVM's Larner College of Medicine



I continue to be motivated by the sacrifices my mother made in immigrating from Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, to Amherst, Massachusetts, in search of her American dream. I am shaped by this experience and recognize the enormous freedom and opportunity I have been given to build my life and career as I see fit.

KRISTINA CONROY '10
Doctoral candidate in clinical psychology at Florida International University, specializing in issues impacting children and teens

I have structured my work around my values to support children and teens who are struggling, and to promote health equity and social justice. I think this alignment between my personal and professional goals allows me to savor the successes and get through the more challenging aspects of my job and life!

CHRISTA TALBOT SYFU '98
Williston's associate director of admission and head coach of girls ice hockey



I'm definitely motivated by my own experience as a student. I had so many adults invested in helping me achieve my best in the classroom, on the cross-country course and track, on the ice, and in the dorm. I hope to inspire the young people that I coach and live with to be their best in all areas of their life, and to take advantage of all that Williston has to offer.

CATHERINE SAINT LOUIS '92
Executive editor at the podcasting company Neon Hum Media and former reporter and editor at the *New York Times*

I'm at my best when I'm a little scared. Once I've figured out a job, I'm a little bored, so I like it when I'm learning. I'm a reporter by nature, so I like to ask questions, like to hold people in power to account, and I like to ask questions that other people find uncomfortable to ask because I can. I started an Editors' Bootcamp to get more story editors from underrepresented backgrounds the training they need to break into the industry. It's been an eye-opening experience to teach. It's hard work (no surprise there). But what's the hardest thing to admit is there's only so much you can teach someone else. You can take them only so far. Anyone who wants to excel has to push themselves to excellence, by continuing their own education for the rest of their life and career.

PAIGE BRINKLEY '04
Attorney for the National Labor Relations Board



I've always been drawn to public service. When I was a child, my mother and I would visit local orphanages, and it was this early introduction that taught me how doing so "little" can mean so much. I continued this practice by volunteering at an old age home for the poor in Jamaica and by serving as a Big Sister in the Big Brother/Big Sister program at Williston. These experiences taught me that serving others is something that I wanted to do more than a couple of hours weekly—I wanted to incorporate it into my professional life. With that goal set, I realized that becoming a lawyer was the best way for me to make that happen.

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SUSAN E. JACKSON '80
Member of the Parliament of Bermuda since 2012 and a corporate communications specialist

What gets me up in the morning is seeing those who've found their voice from a spark I may have ignited, and watching each one gain their strength and independence to advocate on their own behalf.



TOLU ONAFOWOKAN '05
Head of strategy in the Ford Foundation's Office of Communications

I am motivated and inspired by people—especially artists and creatives—who are able to imagine a world that is different from the one we live in today and who are working towards a more equitable future.

CEARA C. MAHONEY '98
Assistant district attorney for Middlesex County, Massachusetts

It sounds awfully cheesy, and I think it may have been the subject of an assembly at Williston way back when, but I think what motivates me most, beyond my two children, is the goal of doing good well and I guess, in turn, "doing well by doing good." My career choice is not particularly lucrative, and it can be demanding and stressful, but when someone takes the time to thank me for the work that I do or how I made even a small difference in their life, it makes the sacrifices worth it. It's not often that we get those thanks, but even when we don't, the thought that I might have made a small positive impact keeps me motivated.

ASHLEY GEARING '09
Recording artist, singer, and songwriter, now touring with her country duo, *The Wildcards*

When I see my dreams through the eyes of people that truly love and know me, I am reminded of my goals and strengths. Everyone can be overcome with self-doubt; I have been guilty of letting it defeat me at times. The people that really love me remind me of how bad I want certain things in my career and life, and it is through their belief in me that I am reenergized. I am also really motivated by little victories and try to celebrate each one. Each little one adds up.



JENNIFER DUBOIS '02
Award-winning author and associate professor of English at Texas State University

In my writing life, I'm still mostly motivated by the intrinsic meaning I find in creating art—which is a good thing, since most external validation is pretty fickle and fleeting. With my teaching, I'm motivated by the joy of watching young writers begin to define themselves as artists and critics: learning how to recognize, articulate, and enact their literary values, while also learning how to usefully critique the work of those whose literary values differ from their own.

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Last June, we were thrilled to bring alumni and families back to campus after a two-year break. The energy and enthusiasm were palpable. We enjoyed dancing, laughing, and reminiscing. Pictured here, Terry Martin '85 and Ellen Rosenberg Livingston '86 enjoy a tandem bicycle ride through campus. The following pages feature a peek into all things Reunion 2022, as well as other alumni events we hosted around the country.

JUNE REUNION!

Wildcats from across the years came together for a weekend full of fun. Memories were made, hugs were shared, and tears were shed. If you couldn't make it back to campus last June, we hope the following pages will inspire you to join us June 9–11, 2023!



From left: Betsy Gadaire '67, Bob Tromblay '67, Janet LeBeau Hill '67, and Rob Hill '67



Alumni celebrate at the "50th and Beyond" dinner



Andrew Syfu, Christa Talbot Syfu '98, and son, Anderson



Above, from left: Ginny Weeks '82 and Valli Kleven Thornton '82



Left, from left: Erin Lewis '02, Teya Lewis-Collins, and Rob Collins



Above, from left: Julian Findlay, Katherine Glowatsky '12, and Michael Tanner '12

At right, from left: Sadiki Francis '02, Stephanie Martinot '02, Brittney Amanti Tattan '02, Mike Waidlich '02, Paul Haun '02, Jared Brewer '02, and Kara Stall Sandquist '02



Members of the class of 1982 (plus one from '83!) at Tandem Bagel, from left: Suzanne Cote-Croce '82, Whitney Ness, Kim Whitney '82, Megan Blaney '83, Tracy Savoie Babatz '82, Laura Ferguson '82, Tony Courtney '82, Valli Kleven Thornton '82, Robin Glover '82, Tom Labrie, Corinne Lussier Labrie '82, Hilary Fearn Mohrman '82, Kile Keever '82, Kent Wittler '82, Ginny Weeks '82, John Anz '82, and Molly Couch Ward '82



Whether relaxing in the Adirondack chairs (like Frank Maguire '07 and Jo Wakelin '06), greeting the day with yoga (at right), or tapping into their inner artist at Paint and Sip (top right), Wildcats found plenty of ways to relax and recharge.



From left: Gabby Record '17, Hunter Adams '17, Noah DeVos '17, Cam Ward '17, Nick Hill '17, Arvin Fieldman '17, Devin DeVerry '17, and Ian Ostberg '17



Kile Keever '82



Above, from left: Bill Wagner '72, John Bogdanski '72, Julie Andrew Emerson '74, Penny Dods Molyneux '74, and Ed DeBruyn '72

Left: Sue Barrett P'14, '17 and daughter Kelli Peters '17



Hilary Fearn Mohrman '82 and Tony Courtney '82



From left: Charles Ferguson '67, Bob Tromblay '67, and Betsy Gadaire W'67

At right: David Crafts '62 and Linda Crafts



REUNION BY THE NUMBERS

1

Place on the sign-up list held by Richard Eyre '72, the first person to register for Reunion 2022

1.5

Miles traveled to attend Reunion by Holly McBurnie Kissane '87

3

Married alumni couples in attendance: Gil Timm '72 and Trili Goodrich Timm '72, Janet LeBeau Hill '67 and Rob Hill '67, and Larissa and David Bartlett Bates ('99 and '02)

4

Members of the Williston Academy class of 1952 who returned for their 70th

9,164

Miles traveled to attend Reunion by Nick Nocera '07, from New Zealand. Other international attendees: Stephanie Martinot '02, from France; Lauralee Hollingsworth-Nouyou '92, Kim Gagne '72, and Richard Brown '72, from various locations in the United Kingdom

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Sharing the Spotlight

Wildcats, costumes, and props, oh my!
Our always-popular photo booth brought
out the smiles under the big tent.



(All photos from left)

1. The Wildcat and J.D. Parker-O'Grady '02
2. Mike Wills '72
3. Marla and Peter Wold '67, P'06
4. Matt Sisson '72
5. Hilary Fearn Mohrman '82, Kile Keever '82, the Wildcat, and Kent Wittler '82
6. Pierce Freelon '02 and Sadiki Francis '02
7. Lauralee Hollingsworth-Nouyou '92, Jeff Brunelle '92, Carrie Baker '92, Catherine Saint Louis '92, Sarah Williams Carlan '92, Molly Ryan Strehorn '92, Mason Turner '92, Alexas Kelly '92, and Doug "Tex" Watson '92
8. Stephanie Martinot '02, Brittney Amanti Tattan '02, Allison Joseph '02, Jessica Ward Daley '02, Jessica Donohue-Cuthbert '01, Kara Stall Sandquist '02
9. Monique Conroy, Mark Conroy, Alex Garcia '12, Michaela Fischer, Laurie Garcia, and Eugenio Garcia
10. Sarah Marchand '89 and Sy Marchand '52
11. Calin Vas and Ana Vas, children of Carrie Baker '92
12. Ellen Rosenberg Livingston '86, P'18, Corie Fogg '99, Marigold Fogg, Michael George '98, and Terry Martin '85



See more photos from Reunion at [flickr.com/willistonnorthampton](https://www.flickr.com/photos/willistonnorthampton/)

REUNION AWARDS

Highlighting Reunion last June was the conferral of alumni and distinguished service awards. In a morning presentation in the Dodge Room, Williston recognized seven exceptional individuals who in their work, in their lives, and in their commitment to the school exemplify the virtues of purpose, passion, and integrity. We gathered again in the afternoon for a special Athletic Hall of Fame ceremony, during which we inducted an all-female class of athletes plus two coaches of girls teams to mark 50 years of coeducation at Williston and the 50th anniversary of Title IX. For complete remarks from the events, please visit williston.com/reunion-remarks.



1. FOUNDERS AWARD: **ELLEN ROSENBERG LIVINGSTON '86, P'18**
Trustee, class representative, and co-chair of the Williston Northampton Fund and the *Williston Builds* campaign, Ellen Livingston has never been content to stand on the sidelines. As a student, she excelled on the lacrosse and field hockey teams. Today, she directs her energy and organizational skills to expand and improve educational opportunities for future generations. In addition to her work on the board of trustees, Livingston has served as a dedicated admissions volunteer, a past member of the Williston Head's Visiting Council, and her class Reunion Planning Committee. Livingston and her husband, Richard, live in Weston, Mass., and are the parents of Maxwell '18 and Charlotte.



2. DANIEL AND JANE CARPENTER AWARD: **JOHN B. ANZ '82**
Noted for his breadth as a student—*Willistonian* editor, Caterwauler, standout athlete—John Anz continues to find diverse ways to contribute to the life of the school. A two-term Alumni Council member, Anz was Williston's Alumni Director from 2002 to 2010, the beginning of a successful career in nonprofit development. To this day, Anz continues to help drive our success as a volunteer for the Williston Northampton Fund, Founders Day, and Reunion. Drawing on his passion for music, Anz also served on the committee that produced the new school alma mater, "O Williston," in 2007. He lives in South Hadley, Mass., with his wife, Brenna. They are the parents of Bennett and Teagan.



3. WILLISTON NORTHAMPTON MEDAL: **SHEILA M. FISHER '72**
A member of Williston Northampton's first co-ed graduating class, Sheila Fisher earned her B.A. *summa cum laude* with Highest Honors in English from Smith College and received her M.A., M.Phil., and Ph.D. from Yale. Since 1984 she has taught at Trinity College, where her specialties include Chaucer and medieval women writers. In addition to past service as chair of the English department and Associate Dean of Faculty, Fisher co-directs both the Trinity Prison Seminar Series, which offers college courses to incarcerated women, and the Free to Succeed Program, which helps people pursue college education after prison. Recipient of the Brownell Prize for Distinguished Teaching at Trinity, she is the author of *The Selected Canterbury Tales: A New Verse Translation*.

4. ALUMNI TRAILBLAZER AWARD: **PIERCE R. FREELON '02**
Educator, musician, and entrepreneur Pierce Freelon has taught in the depart-

ments of political science, music, and African American and diaspora studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina Central University; traveled the world teaching hip-hop and music production; co-created *Beat Making Lab*, an Emmy Award-winning PBS web series; and founded Blackspace, a digital makerspace for youth in Durham, North Carolina. His album *Black to the Future* was nominated for the Best Children's Album Grammy in 2022—the same year his mother Nnenna Freelon's *Time Traveler* was nominated for Best Jazz Album. Also in 2022, his debut children's picture book, *Daddy-Daughter Day*, was released by Little, Brown. Freelon lives in Durham, North Carolina, with his wife and two children.

5. HONORARY DEGREE: **ISABELLE LOCKWOOD BOURRIE H'65**
A difference maker, Isabelle Lockwood Bourrie studied engineering at Clark University, enjoyed a distinguished career at Lockheed Martin, and continues



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to change the lives of young students though her generous and sustained support of the H.A. Lockwood '33 Family Scholarship. Established in 1999 and named for Bourrie's father, the scholarship is an important resource for the school's financial aid program. Through the honorary degree, Williston officially adopts Bourrie into our alumni community, where in addition to her father, she joins sisters Phyllis '65, Nancy '71, and Laurel '72, and niece Brooke Behringer Joyner '95. She resides in Media, Pennsylvania., with her husband, George.

6. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD AND ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: **ANN PICKRELL**
Ann Pickrell came to Williston in the fall of 1982 and spent the next four decades expanding the reach of the school and championing its students. Initially hired as a Middle School science and physical education teacher,

Pickrell was soon appointed Associate Director of Admissions, a post she held for 10 years before serving as Director of Admissions for 20. As Assistant Head of School over the past decade, Pickrell traveled extensively around the world to meet promising student candidates and their families. Beloved dorm parent, advisor, 30-year varsity field hockey head coach, and founder of the girls golf program, Pickrell connected with students as only the most gifted mentors do. In the words of one alumna, "What Williston, and specifically Ms. Pickrell, taught outside the classroom are the lessons I carry with me every day. I am forever grateful for the privilege of her counsel."

7. DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD AND ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: **GREGORY TULEJA P'05**
Teacher, coach, academic advisor, dean, poet, musician—in his 39 years at Williston, Greg Tuleja helped

shape countless lives from numerous angles. Arriving in 1983 as an English teacher and dorm parent, he went on to serve as a college counselor, Director of Studies, and, for 31 years, Academic Dean. As he moved through the administrative ranks, Tuleja never lost his passion for teaching, and remained active in the classroom as a revered teacher of English and A.P. Music Theory. Meanwhile, his record as coach of girls cross country is unrivaled: 25 consecutive winning seasons, two NEPSAC championships, and an astounding 274–95 record.

8. ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: **DANI HOLTSCHLAG '96**
Over the course of two-time captain Dani Holtschlag's Williston hockey career, the girls team won nearly 70 percent of its games. In her junior year alone, Holtschlag tallied 60 points. Also a captain and MVP in field hockey and softball, she fittingly won the Alumnae Bowl her senior

year. She went on to a distinguished career on the ice at Princeton, serving as three-time captain, gaining All-Ivy recognition numerous times, and in 2000 earning Princeton's Patty Kazmaier Award, given annually to the senior who has made the greatest contribution to the team during her college years. After graduation, Holtschlag kept her skates sharp coaching at MIT, including two years as head coach, while working in the biotech industry. She and her husband, Jason, and their two sons reside in the Boston area.

9. ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: **KATELYN KENNEDY GARVEY '02**
Along the way to amassing 16 letters in soccer, skiing, and softball, Katelyn Kennedy Garvey captained Williston to its first NEPSAC championship final in soccer; earned MVP and All-League recognition while leading girls skiing to a team title in 2002; and garnered MVP and league all-star

honors as captain of the softball team. After claiming the Alumnae Bowl as her graduating class's top female athlete, Garvey took her talents to Skidmore. There she twice was named to the Liberty League all-conference softball team as a lights-out pitcher and slugging third baseman, while continuing to carve up the slopes in winter. Garvey lives with her family in Maryland.

10. ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: **CARRIE BAKER '92**
A three-sport threat in soccer, basketball, and lacrosse, Carrie Baker graduated with 13 varsity letters, more than any student in school history at the time. Repeat soccer MVP, New England prep basketball all-star as both a junior and a senior, and three-time lacrosse MVP who set Williston's single-season scoring record as a senior, Baker was awarded the Alumnae Bowl. She attended Middlebury College, playing soccer and lacrosse

before a knee injury ended her athletic career. A passionate student, she went on to become a professor of theater and film and Associate Dean at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where she lives with her husband, Dragos, and their two children.

11. ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: **BRIDGET INSTRUM '12**
The first All-American lacrosse player in Williston history, Bridget Instrum was a two-time captain, three-time NEPSAC all-star, three-time team MVP, and the school's all-time leading scorer with 233 career goals. During her four years, the lacrosse team compiled a record of 45-3. Equally prolific at field hockey, Instrum's teams won the Western England Prep Championship and qualified for NEPSAC post-season play for four straight years as she set school records for goals in a season and a career. She also earned four varsity hockey letters. Her mastery contin-

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Members of the 1986 track team, from left: Jennifer Lussier Johndrow '89, Tracy Stewart Poulin '87, Erica Levine Faulkner '88, Lisa Baker '89, Holly McBurnie Kissane '87

ued at Middlebury, where she was named All-American in both field hockey and lacrosse and led both teams to NCAA national championships her senior year. She graduated with a degree in neuroscience and went on to become a physician assistant.

12. ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: **CONNIE WILSON '86**

As a senior captain, Connie Wilson led Williston to its first-ever NEPSAC girls basketball championship. Along the way, she earned MVP honors and made the All-Tournament team. Over her six years at Williston, Wilson collected 12 varsity letters in soccer, basketball, and tennis, leading each of the teams to some of the best records they ever achieved. After winning the Alumnae Bowl, she played soccer at Wheaton College, captaining the team as a senior. After graduation, she pivoted to a career in sports marketing with the LPGA, at the sports

content marketing firm Advantage International, and as head of her own consulting company.

13. ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME: **1986 GIRLS TRACK TEAM**

After completing Williston's first undefeated season in girls track and field in 1986, the legendary squad decided to keep going. It ran the table again in 1987 and made it halfway through 1988 before finally dropping a dual meet. Led by senior captain Beth Hale '86, who won three individual events at the New England prep championships (long jump, 200 meters, 400 meters) while anchoring the 4×100 and 4×400 relays to gold, the 1986 team featured 10 different championship point scorers. Teammates include Bethany S. Babyak '90, Melissa J. Babyak '87, Lisa Baker '89, Amanda L. Blake '87, Leah Stahlsmith Boyan '87, Susan Colina '88, Penelope A. Duda '87, Erica Levine Faulkner '88, Kristina Moskos Garbert '87, Jennifer Hatch Gubbins '88, Paula Bottorf Hoy '87, Jennifer Lussier Johndrow '89, Beth Hale Kendall '86 (captain), Julie Zentmeyer Kim '87, Devra Weisman Kingman '86, Holly McBurnie Kissane '87, Karen Cloutier LaPointe '89, Tracy Stewart Poulin '87, Karen Weed Vacaliuc '86 (manager), and Andrea L. Zellan '87.

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ALUMNI SUMMER EVENTS

The Williston community enjoyed a busy summer of networking events. At festivities from coast to coast, Wildcats and NSFG alums from all across the country gathered for art show openings, sporting events, dinner parties, and more.

NSFG EVENT

On June 17-19, we welcomed the Northampton School for Girls classes of 1970 and 1971 to campus to make up for their missed 50th Reunion celebrations. Festivities included a dinner on-site at the former NSFG campus.



Joanne Marmo Tyler '71 (left) and Nancy Lockwood Whitcomb '71

Above, front row, from left: Ina Sabloff St. Germain '71, Janet Hyland '71, Jeanne Hyland '71, Marianne Lucchesi Burton '71, Mary "Babbit" Gilmore '71, Joanne Marmo Tyler '71, Anne Whitney Freeman '70, Kathryn Verdin Henning '70, and Jane Covell Keeney '70. Back row, from left: Marie Schneller Palmer '71, Sally Myser Wadhams '71, Nancy Lockwood Whitcomb '71, Sally Parsons Conant '71, Marcia Booth Drinkard '70, Cheryl Marquis Engel '71, Martha Farrell Goodridge '71, Sara Cornwall '70, Nancy Adams '70, Whitney Griggs Raleigh '70, Saskia Huising '70, and Cynthia LeBeau Garrison '70



Left: Jane Covell Keeney '70 in her NSFG blazer

CLASS OF 2020 CELEBRATION



We were so happy to welcome the Class of 2020 back to campus for the first time since March 2020. About half the class reconvened in Easthampton for a day of story-sharing, reconnecting, and reliving memories of Williston.

Front row, from left: Luke Po, Connor Touhey, Adam Johnsrud, Jason Albanese, Eric Albanese, Gabe Liu, Rachel Goodman, Katie Borden, Casey Feins, Katherine Sherer, Caroline Forman, Noel Livingston, Sarah Kimmel, and Anya Rozario. Second row, from left: Rider Bishop, Finlay MacDonald, Daniel Simpson, Madhav Ambadi, Connor Cavanagh, Jonathan Toth, Nat Markey, Kevin Talbot, Bryn Saarela, Anni Richard, Jamie O'Malley, Dylan Fulcher-Melendy, Louisa Weed, and Julia Farnham. Third row, from left: Steven Wang, Conrad Kang, William Gunn, Abby Seltzer, Abby Hunter, Nikki Foster, Kyle Grabowski, Brie Banas, and Nina Renkert. Back row, from left: Mark Wang, Jack Long, Ethan Huang, Nick Heafey, Kenneth Wang, Matthew Pimental, Hal Stuart, Cameron Sherman, Gavin Kline, Maddy Cardaci, Vince Wang, Riley Roche, Akihva Mazile, Mike Beaulieu, Noah Brooks, Sabrina Serricchio, Mike Slate, Sebastian Santelices, Alan Martin, Shogo Kamei, Dylan Haaland, and Sam Haddad



Above, from left: Eric Albanese '20, Jason Rhett '20, Wendy Staples, Joe Rees '20, and Blayne Lapan
At left, from left: Leo Gregorio, Brie Banas '20, and Abby Seltzer '20



From left: Rachel Goodman '20, Jamie O'Malley '20, Anya Rozario '20, and Sarah Kimmel '20



From left: Nick Heafey '20, Akihva Mazile '20, Joe Rees '20, Kenneth Wang '20, Alan Martin '20, and Dylan Haaland '20



From left: Nikki Foster '20 and Abby Hunter '20

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION FOR ANN AND GREG

On June 9 we said “happy retirement” to Ann Pickrell and Greg Tuleja, wishing them well as they embarked on their next chapter!



1. From left: Frances Tuleja, Greg Tuleja, and Owen Tuleja '05
2. From left: Greg Tuleja, Frances Tuleja, and Sarah Sullivan '19
3. Chris Biehn, former Chief Advancement Officer, and Adele Tonge P'03, former Director of Communications, share a hug with Ann Pickrell (center)
4. From left: Jayson Leigh, Blayne Lapan, Sarah Sawyer, Chris Tanguay, Sarah Klumpp, and Nikki Chambers
5. From left: Alison Lucey, Dee Racz P'05, '10, Chris Eugin, Linda Haskell, Ann Pickrell, Sue Cook P'23, and Kay Cowperthwait P'19, '25
6. From left: Hillary Irvine '07, Ann Pickrell, and Jo Wakelin '06
7. A delicious spread of fruits and cheeses catered by Laura Bowman '13 of Blue Door Gatherings

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SAN FRANCISCO RECEPTION

Alumni gathered for an evening of cocktails and conversation at the Arion Press in San Francisco. The event was hosted by Tamsin Smith '84, P'22, the curator-in-residence, who organized a tour of the historic foundry and a viewing of *Shadow and Light: Al-Mutanabbi Street Starts Here*, the exhibition in the gallery.



From left: Tamsin Smith '84, P'22, Niels Gjertson '98, Serra Aladag '00, Amanda Cherewatti '02, Alice Ng P'05, Bruce Brewington, and David Connolly '83

NSFG 50TH REUNION CELEBRATION

As part of the NSFG Reunion celebration, the group enjoyed an evening at Glendale Ridge Vineyard, in Southampton, Mass. The gathering included wine, music, charcuterie, and plenty of good conversation.



Above: Leadership Gifts Officer Jill Stern chats with Kristina Madsen, from the Williston Northampton class of '73



HARTFORD YARD GOATS

Alumni came together for an evening of baseball in Hartford at Dunkin' Donuts Park, where the Hartford Yard Goats hosted the New Hampshire Fisher Cats. The group enjoyed an all-you-can-eat buffet and watched the game from the exclusive Bud Sky Bar.



Front row, from left: Will Sawyer '22, Zach Walker '22, Luke Ballard '23, Will Hamford, and Maxwell Edwards '22. Back row, from left: Matt Sawyer, Laura Ferguson '82, Jane Covell Keeney '70, Rebecca Blake '89, Steve Bischoff '76, Betty Chase Hyde '73, Ned Ferguson '78, and Bryan Crean '76



Above left, from left: Laura Ferguson '82, Rebecca Blake '89, Ned Ferguson '78, Betty Chase Hyde '73, and Bryan Crean '76. Above right, from left: Jane Covell Keeney '70, and Norman Keeney



SAN DIEGO DINNER

An enthusiastic group of Williston alumni living in San Diego gathered at Nolita Hall for an evening of reminiscing about Williston. In attendance were alumni from 1982 to 2017.



From left: Sam Caulfield '82, Isaac Serman '11 (and girlfriend, Zeora), Flo and Nick Cunningham '04, Sarah Fogleman '10, Morgan Fogleman '16, and Sam Caulfield's wife, Christine

CLASS NOTES



Katie France '08 and Rogan Magee celebrated their wedding on April 2, 2022, with some of Katie's Williston friends. From left: Theo Streeter, Patrick Christophel, Amy Ziter '08, Katie France '08, Rogan Magee, Emily Kassis '08, Stefanie Davis '08



Laurie Cormier (left) and Barbara Evans Cohn '51. Above: One of Cohn's sculptures

If you do not see your class year listed, then your class does not have an assigned class rep or any notes this issue. To send your news, please contact Steve Hoyt '95 in the alumni office at shoyt@williston.com or (413) 529-3101. We look forward to hearing from you!

1946 WA

C. Kenneth Burke
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1947 NSFG

Caroline Gavin Arnold
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John Curtiss '59 showing off his golf tournament trophy, surrounded by his teammates



Ron McEldowney '59

1950 WA

Robert Couch
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1951 WA

R. Bardwell "Tex" Heavens
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Tex Heavens shared his recent experience of Hurricane Ian. He writes, "I was watching the news and saw that this storm was blowing wind and rain as far as western Massachusetts. I've been through hurricanes as far back as 1938 and I've never seen anything like this. I was freaking out as the storm came closer and closer to Tampa Bay, Fla. It was forecast to make landfall right over the Bay. I had all my stuff packed to evacuate, something I was not looking forward to. Then little by little, as it came closer and closer, the forecast landing was being moved south. As the point of landfall moved south 100 miles to Fort Myers, Fla., I decided to tough it out and stay here. Ninety percent of my neighbors evacuated, but I didn't feel like moving into a shelter. My daughter, close by, decided to also stay. It blew big time. It was howling strong and at times I thought it would tip me over. Gusts coming by shook my unit like a salt shaker and I cringed each time, praying for that last gust to go by. The winds were blowing offshore so all the water that came in was

blown west into the intracoastal waterway upon which we border. Finally, around 8 p.m., the winds started to abate and by 11 p.m. they were way down. Wednesday, September 28, was one of the longest days of my life, constantly feeling that the next gust would get me. Thursday morning revealed that we basically came through unscathed. Only minor damage to a few of my neighbors. One hundred miles south in Fort Myers, Fla., it was a different story. As the national news has been showing, it was pure devastation. I felt that the Good Lord was looking down and spared me for another time."

1951 NSFG

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Barbara Evans Cohn recently met with Laurie Cormier, Director of Advancement at the Williston Northampton School, and shared some of her beautiful sculptures.

1952 WA

Robert Thomas
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Erich Cramer and his wife hosted their annual major event for the Mattituck-Laurel Historical Society on the North Fork of Long Island on June 11. He sends his greetings

to his classmates. He writes, "I attended Williston for six years from September of 1946 to June of 1952, probably longer than most of my peers, and have fond memories of that 8 percent of my life. I am happy to be alive and still fully engaged with many others as we struggle to keep this good ship USA from sinking—lots of battle damage to repair and, even more importantly, figuring out a reasonable way forward without killing others or ourselves. I support what Williston does day in and day out; you too are in this battle to keep this country alive and well."

1954 WA

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1957 WA

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1958 WA

65TH REUNION

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1959 WA

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John Curtiss shares, "My team won the Groton Long Point golf tournament for the third straight year! You have to know how to pick your partners!"

John Harper shares, "My good wife of 59 years, Judy, and I are working on the house getting it ready for the inevitable of moving to one-level living. This process might take 25 years. When we visit friends who have made the move to smaller confines, I just feel four jail cell

walls confining my freedom. I grew up in Portland, Conn., on a 50-acre farm and now have a glass house with 13 acres located in the woods. Maybe I qualify for a visit to the local shrink. Last winter the utility bill nearly doubled so this winter we will keep the house around 62 degrees. Global warming will help cut the bill. To meet code, we were required to reduce space between 300 vertical deck balusters to less than 4 inches. Currently I am in the process of staining the exterior, which requires ladder work. Yes, Mother, I have a good ladder with an adjustable base which gets its top tied down. I gave up tennis at age 78 after 70 years of fun because rehab from surgery was not high on my list, plus my playing friends were 'kicking the bucket.' I enjoy refurbishing furniture and generally using my knowledge to make things better. Judy enjoys volunteering her time for the Glastonbury Historical Society and now is running their annual tag sale, which is the size of two tobacco barns and is being held from September 30 to October 2. She is also one of the directors. In case anybody would like to contact me, my email is j.harper4@cox.net. I've enclosed an action picture of our classmate Ron McEldowney in Colorado [opposite page, top]. I was his best man at his wedding and football teammate at Williston. Ron passed in 2019."

Tom Korson writes, "As many of you know, I lost the love of my life, Mary Mullarkey, last year to end-stage MS, and of course that upended my life and I quickly realized that I would have to figure out what to do with the rest of my life. Among other things, I started dating, and I continue to do that,

with mixed results. When we were young and dating the situation was very different. So, I have emboldened myself to try dating at the age of 80, with interesting results."

Chip Palmer shares, "We have spent the summer here at our home on Cape Cod and have enjoyed great weather and visits with each of our four children and their respective families. For the first time since 2019, our whole family (all 19 of us, including nine grandchildren) assembled for a long weekend at the end of July. It was wonderful to have us all together. Perhaps to your surprise, I have continued in my role as 'Of Counsel' with the same law firm with which I started in January 1967 and continue to enjoy working with representatives of clients with whom I have worked for a number of decades. It is startling to think that the members of our class are approaching their 60th college reunion next spring and 65th Williston Academy Reunion in the spring of 2024! I remember when we were Williston students and thought those alumni returning for their 25th Reunion looked ancient!"

Geoff Purdy remains in contact with Pete Piazza and Terry Cross. He lives atop a hill in the woods. After 70 years in a chair, he has developed some limitations in his shoulders and hands, which have limited his ability to enjoy shooting trap, as even a light shotgun is a challenge. Now he uses a clever German power-assisted chair. He has many memories of our class and faculty, Heppy being one of his favorites. He enjoys being in contact with classmates.

Andy Solomon recently checked in with an update on his health. He shares, "Recently I was out returning from walking my dog with a photographer who came over from London to spend a week with me, and as we walked up the drive of the condo, I casually mentioned a slight tightness in my chest. By the time I had showered and came into the living room, he had told Dana, she was on the phone with my cardiologist, and two days later I had an angioplasty correcting a coronary artery, which was 99 percent closed! The shooter, whom I had never met but with whom I have a very close tie on the internet virtually, saved my life. He is my brother by a different mother! I am in cardiac rehab and all seems to be going well. Being physically active, something I learned at Williston Academy for all three seasons, has conditioned me well. I was deeply saddened to have nothing to offer for the last Class Notes section of the Bulletin and have our space blank. I am certain that many of you felt the same. Connections and friendships are hard to develop, and it is so important to nurture them. I really urge each of you to share with the rest of the class. It might not seem so important to you to do so, but you would be surprised to know how many look forward to our notes. I had COVID. It was asymptomatic, but I was forced to remain in isolation with 24-hour, very caring room service and watch the Winter Olympics all the time. I hope you all have been fortunate to avoid illness. At our age, as octogenarians, good health is so valuable. The alternative is such a compromise. Getting older is really strange. One thing for me is I find I have perfect memory of things which never occurred at all!



Photographs by Andy Solomon '59

I also had cataract surgery and my recovery is fine, although I have not found a significant improvement in my vision. Now on to the other eye and hope for the best overall improvement. I still enjoy the marvel of photography [see above] and from our place on the 20th floor have a wonderful view of east, north, and west."

Roy Weiner writes, "The joy of elderly parents—our 7-year-old grandson, Henry, and his parents, Sara and Corky, visited us this summer. Adam has flown down to Gainesville from NYC and is also expected next week. Craig is coming later in August with his children, Eiji and Sam. We are relatively healthy and living a very quiet existence, in due respect to the risks of COVID. Zoom is our 'savior'! Hopefully, more excitement will be possible after COVID."

Syd Williams writes, "It has been just over 63 years since my ignominious departure from Williston Academy. The years have disappeared in the proverbial cloud of dust, but memories remain, including fond memories of Williston and my classmates. Uncomfortable



From left: Joani Montgomery Mihalakos '61, Faith Barrington '61, Lindy Burr Bouffard '61

edges of the past become smoothed by the passage of time, and that is true as I look back on my three years in Easthampton, where I ignored the virtues of diligence and temperance, while I excelled in the sin of sloth. Fortunately for me, two and a half years out of Williston the woman who is my wife came into my life. It was she who caused me to consider the seven virtues rather than a concentration on the seven sins. We have now been married for over 58 wonderful years and raised three children who avoided their father's early wanton ways. In turn, they have produced 10 delightful grandchildren who range in age from 14 to 22. Except for a year in New Hampshire when I completed my degree, we have lived in Connecticut for our entire married life. Fifty of those years were split between Greenwich and Old Lyme, with brief stops in Glastonbury, Durham, and now in Essex, where we live in the retirement community of Essex Meadows. If the best measure of a life is being able to look back and see happiness as the recurring theme, then my life has been a success. There have been

hard times. I lost my father in 1968 at age 58, and my mother 22 years later at age 79. Two sisters have died and a brother. But I also have been lucky. Think of the millions of decisions one makes in a lifetime. What if I had not met Caroline on that New Year's Eve in 1961? What if she had spurned me? What if I had done my Army duty a few years later than the summer of 1962? But once married and working, it was a balance I sought between family, work, and community. In retirement, I took up writing, which has given me purpose, forces me to concentrate, to study and learn. Were there decisions I made that I regret? I am sure if I thought hard enough, I would discover several. But I have no interest in rewriting history. Our history has been written. It is the present and the future that concerns us. I have been happy, and I recognize that luck has played a role, for which I thank God."

1959 NSFG

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From left: John Snyder '62, David Crafts '62

1960 WA

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1961 WA

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1961 NSFG

Class of 1961 needs a class rep. Please email
classnotes@williston.com to volunteer.

A mini-reunion took place with **Joani Montgomery Mihalakos**, **Faith Barrington**, and **Lindy Burr Bouffard** as they toured the Everglades for a full-day scenic adventure!

1962 NSFG

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1963 WA 60TH REUNION

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Manfred Balz writes, "I sadly report the passing away of **Bob Kalter**, this June, from a rapid and incurable onset of illness, surrounded by his loving family, Nancy, Julie, and Jeffrey. Ever since 1962, Bob had been one of my best and closest friends. An extremely well-read, thoughtful, and cultured person, Bob was also a renowned physician and pathologist and a

superb family man. We had hoped to meet again for Reunion at the school—but, alas, in vain. At his funeral, our friend and classmate **Cliff Kern** gave a moving remembrance speech."

Sandra Hawkins informed the school of the passing of her husband, **Rodney Hawkins**. In the obituary she writes, "He [Rod] always credited Williston Academy with giving him an excellent education and many memorable times including playing soccer and performing as part of the choir. Some of the friendships he made there lasted a lifetime. He never forgot the opportunity afforded by Williston when he was selected as an exchange student to Germany in 1963."



1964 WA

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1964 NSFG

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1965 WA

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Charlie Hayes writes, "Other than the hassle of moving from Annapolis to Ashburn, Va., I have nothing to report. Regrettably, no offenses against the laws of men, nature, or God."

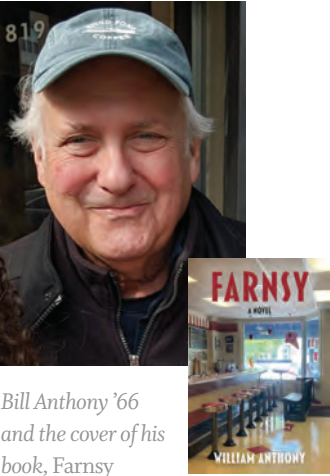
Teak Kelley shares a group update. He writes, "The Guys of '65 have kept busy since our last *Bulletin* news. It's been a hot summer, but despite the heat I won the 2022 Stroke Play Club Champion in my division. Denise and I came north from Florida at the end of April to help celebrate my mother's 101st birthday in South Hadley. Since Memorial Day, we have been in our summer place in Gilford, N.H., playing golf at Laconia Country Club every chance we get. **Hank Mitchell** spent another summer fishing in Mattapoisett on Cape Cod; as soon as summer is over, Hank will return to his home in Alaska. Last year, **Bill Hough** and his wife, Elise, made a 'big move' from Miami to Medellin, Colombia, where Bill continues to enjoy and hone his skills with photography. He and his wife have enjoyed their South American adventure so much, they have decided to make their 33rd-floor penthouse their

permanent home! Bill also alerted me to a LinkedIn post about classmate **Ron Varney**. At the Annual Family Wealth Report Awards dinner in May 2022, held at the Mandarin Oriental hotel in Manhattan, Ron and his Fine Arts Advisors company won the First Place award as a specialist in wealth management, art, and private collections. **Charlie Hayes**, one of our most loyal news contributors, moved from Annapolis, Md., to Goose Creek Preserve in Ashburn, Va. While he was 'cleaning out' and packing, Charlie came across a history report, tucked in a Williston Academy folder, that he wrote in 1964. He suggested we all look through our stuff for old report cards, textbooks, reports, and notes we may still have, and offer them to Williston for their archives. In a box of books he was bringing to his new house, Charlie came across a second-year Spanish textbook, inscribed: '**Bill Hayes**, Williston Sem #32 Ford Hall, April 4, 1923.' It was Charlie's father's book when he attended! Also moving to Virginia, **Mike Smernoff** and his wife, Leslie, after 37 years in Tallahassee, Fla., packed up and moved to Fredericksburg, Va. That is closer to one of their daughters in Arlington, Va. Mike suggests to all of the Guys of '65 to start divesting themselves of 'junk, immediately,' as that ultimate task becomes more

difficult as we age. In December of 2021, **Larry Yee** traveled from his home in Hong Kong to the United States, and because of flight bans and COVID restrictions, he stayed in the United States in the early spring and traveled. Larry visited Seattle, San Francisco, and NYC. He came to Easthampton and watched the *Mamma Mia!* production at Williston, which brought back fond memories of some of the shows of our time in our theater. **Jeff Bastable** attended a Williston gathering in Palm Beach, Fla., at the end of February, sponsored by classmate **Kevin Hoben**. Jeff, who with his wife, Susan, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this summer, and Kevin Hoben are, as we all know, two of our most supportive classmates. They connected with classmate **Ned Lynch** in Fla. this winter. Jeff alerted me to some news of a summer service at the Watch Hill Chapel in R.I.; one of the concelebrants was our own **Reverend Richard C. Allen**, recently retired from full-time duties at the South Congregational Church of Glastonbury, Conn. The Rev. 'Cy' is taking up the game of golf. Tough to take up any sport at our ages, but Cy was such a good tennis player that I told him he'd be a natural."

David Stevens writes, "I'm a proud father of my son who's a major in a company going public. I'm still living at the beach in San Diego, retired, and in escrow to sell my former office."

Upon her arrival at Reunion this past June, longtime friend of Williston (and daughter of Howard A. Lockwood Jr. '33) **Isabelle Lockwood Bourrie** was surprised



Bill Anthony '66 and the cover of his book, Farnsey

with an honorary degree (see page 57). Isabelle has demonstrated a loyal commitment to our community over the years, as if she had attended the school herself.

1966 WA

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Bill Anthony checks in again about his new book, reminding everyone to pick up a copy! He shares a sneak peak of the story: "A year in the life of a young policeman on the Maine coast. Farnsey's in love with the ex-wife of a lobsterman. When some Necco wafers start popping up in some seasonal cottages, a mystery unfolds. It's now available through Maine Authors Publishing: wanthonnywriter.com. This book probably comes as close as any to explaining the meaning of life, with a liberal sprinkling of Maine humor. I think Mr. Henchey would have approved and Mr. Bedrosian would've said it's pithy."



Top, from left: Don Klock '68, Diane Klock, Doug Fuller '68, Pam Fuller, and Emilie Palmieri. Above, front row, from left: Diane Klock, Pam Fuller, Doug Fuller '68, Chris Palmieri '68. Second row, from left: Don Klock '68, Emilie Palmieri

Members of the class of 1967 (and guests): Front row, from left: Ray Ahearn, Kerry Dumbaugh (Ray's wife), Janet LeBeau Hill, Leslie Israel Goldhar, Sue Wellborn Daage, Charles Ferguson, Jay Du Von. Back row, from left: Peter and Marla Wold, Don Gaudion, Ginny Donnellan Eberhard, Rob Hill, Ward West



Members of the class of 1972 (and guests): Front row, from left: Jim Ferguson, Richard Eyre, Rosemary Feit Covey, Susan Sperry, Jennifer Esten, Trili Goodrich Timm, Lisa Marcato, Bob Grenier. Second row, from left: Rick Lucchesi, Rob Jackler, Mark Sena, Dale Miquelle, Rob Galbraith, Dave LaPlante, Kathy Hicks, Ted Dane, Susan Andrew, Judith Miller Conlin, Mike Romano, John Bogdanski, Daniel Desjardins, Matt Sisson, Sheila Fisher. Back row, from left: Steve August, Kim Gagne, Daniel Cauty, Ed DeBruyn, Mike Wills, Gil Timm, Chuck Tauck, Fred DeBruyn, Jim Robinson, Bill Wagner, Jim Gaffey, Mike Nozik, Leonard Cleary (Sue Andrew's husband), Korty Church, Frank Gotwals, Peter Birnbaum

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55TH REUNION
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Don Klock celebrated a mini-Willy/Clarkhouse get-together in Sarasota at the home of **Doug Fuller** and his wife, Pam, who hosted a fantastic lobster dinner in February.

1968 NSFG

55TH REUNION
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Reeve Chudd shares, "After 43 years practicing estates and trust law with the same firm in Beverly Hills, I switched my status to senior partner (which, in California, I call señor partner) and am slouching toward full retirement. In addition, my family and I moved from Pacific Palisades on the ocean to Carmel, Ind., on the northern municipal border of Indianapolis, where we are enjoying for the first time the absence of traffic, pollution, drought, fires, high taxes, and other maladies of Los Angeles. Yes, we sacrificed the ocean view and incomparable weather for paradise in the park which we now call home. Does anyone still have a Blue Book? I'd love to show my grandson, who is a sophomore at Purdue, what we dealt with in Easthampton."

Andy Gerald writes, "David and fellow hombres: July 19 was the fifth anniversary of being retired from a Senior VP position at Cantor Fitzgerald. Bitter at first but it has worked out great. I trade from home in my underwear and have plenty of time for kids and grandkids. I've recently joined the Southern California Academy as

recruiting coordinator for baseball, and it's a real kick scouting high school seniors and recent postgrads for the school. I play golf several days a week and basically try to stay outdoors, especially after a three-week battle with COVID. It's certainly changed how we run our lives. I had fun seeing the guys at the last Reunion, and the next one will probably be the only way to get me on a plane again. I'm in Southern Calif., so if anyone is out this way ... keep on rocking in the free world ..."

Bill Morrison writes, "It's that time again? Time flies when you get older, I guess. Nothing extraordinary going on here other than I'm planning to wind down my consulting practice by midyear 2023. I've worked in the credit card industry for 50 years, including American Express, Citicorp, MasterCard International, MBNA Corp, as well as 16 years as a consultant. I opened seven banks in five countries, including the U.S., Canada, Ireland, England, and Spain. What fun. Post pandemic I am spending some time again with nine grandkids. If you're ever planning to visit Asheville,

please look us up."

David Reichenbacher shares, "Since retiring from teaching in 2007 I've been working in nursing homes in Philadelphia and now here in South Texas, teaching poetry, performing as a musician, and volunteering as a companion to residents. I've also hosted an open mic where the residents share their songs, stories, and poetry. The pandemic has canceled a lot of activities, and outsiders were not allowed to visit. For a while they opened up again, but recently some have begun to cancel activities again, due to the new variant virus. I think of the line from *Death of a Salesman*: 'Attention must be paid.' Sometimes all the older residents need is someone to listen. I'm finding helping to tell their stories through poetry and song is very important. And very rewarding."

1969 NSFG

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1972

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Richard Brown writes, "Reunion 2022 has been the best ever, with much input from alumni themselves as well as the school." He also wishes to acknowledge the extraordinary effort by **Judith Miller Conlin**, who has consistently provided the wonderful Sunday brunch at her home for the class of '72 for as long as he can remember.

Sheila Fisher was presented with the Williston Northampton Medal at Reunion in June. This honor is

presented to an individual who has made significant achievements and contributions to their profession and/or community, has shown a commitment to professional growth, or is recognized for leadership in their field.

1973 50TH REUNION

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Curt Barratt sent in a photo of his Williston Northampton hats (far right), the old and the new. He notes, "What a difference 20 years makes!"

Carlos Castello shares that he plans to attend his 50th Reunion this June and hasn't missed a single Reunion since graduation. He writes, "I'm happily retired and splitting my time between homes in Bogotá, Colombia, and Hollywood, Fla., after a 33-year career in the nonprofit sector involving international development and microfinance projects worldwide. I have three kids and will soon have a grandchild."

Dave "Grizzly" Griswold wants his classmates to know he plans on attending Reunion and hopes everyone can make it!

Betty Chase Hyde writes, "We are nine months away from our 50th Reunion! Planning is happening every month as the excitement builds for June 2023. Many classmates have already committed to attend. Hoping you are one of them! I have had a busy year. I spent the winter in Vermont skiing, my second grandson was born in June, and I volunteered at the U.S. Open Golf Tournament in Brookline, Mass, with **Vinny LoBello's** sister,



The old and new Williston hats of Curt Barratt '73

Brad Smith '73 with his beautiful bounty



Left: Richard Brown '72 sporting his Williston Builds tote amid his post-Reunion travel adventures



The grandchildren of Rob Tullis '73



Lorenzo, grandson of Keith Brown '78



Bruce Klickstein '78 happily holding his granddaughter, Nina

Left: John Intorcio '78 enjoys mountaintop views in Switzerland



Paul Sigris '78 played the physical therapist Emmett in an episode of HBO's "And Just Like That"

Chrissy. I have heard from many classmates with the following news. **Brad Smith** and his wife, Christine, wrote this summer that they had just celebrated their son's wedding on an island off the coast of Maine. **Todd Stall** and his wife, Carol were in attendance."

Rob Tullis writes, "I will be attending our 50th Reunion next June. My news is that my newest granddaughter, Paige Montani, was born on April 25, 2022. She is the third child of my younger daughter, Sarah [see photo, above]. My older daughter, Katie, has two children, Quinn and Cal, who round out our crew of five grandchildren. Other big news is that I am retiring! My last day is August 31. After 40 years of architectural practice, I think I have proved my point."

Ken Womack is looking forward to attending Reunion and seeing everyone this year. He writes, "Being down on the Texas coast leaves me well removed from all but a couple of classmates, so it is fun to get reacquainted with everyone every five years. This Reunion will hopefully attract some who have not been able to attend often in the past. I still work every day, where every day means six or seven days

a week and 80 hours or so. Looking for ways to slow down. My daughter, Erin, has just started working for me. I am hoping this will be good for both of us. Her first major assignment is to start taking over most of my responsibilities for the two bars/restaurants. I try to spend as much time as possible on or around the water. I spend most weekends at my house on the coast near my sailing club. I have spent a lot of my time recently fixing up my sport fishing boat. I find it rewarding to actually accomplish tasks and see the immediate results of my efforts. My son, Elliott, continues to develop his boat maintenance and repair business. He stays in very high demand. Like his dad, he loves to sail. Some months ago, he bought a 32-foot used sailboat that was in sad repair. He has almost completed a full restoration of her. It looks almost like it just rolled out of the showroom. He has added new navigational and related systems. He reworked virtually every system in the boat. He is down to the last details now, which include building and finishing new teak and holly floorboards and sewing new upholstery for all the bunks and seating. He has been sailing it with his girlfriend and buddies regularly and plans on participating in a 150-mile race down the coast in

October."

Linda Shlosser Wood shares, "I attended the 50th Reunion for the class of 1972 this past June. It was a wonderful experience to see classmates from 50 years ago, share stories, laugh, and eat! The food was excellent and the campus looked beautiful. The camaraderie, after all these years, was just so much fun. I hope everyone will consider how much fun it will be to get together for our own class milestone of 50 years. Looking forward to our time together!"

Abby Zanger writes, "I live in Cambridge, Mass., and have a boring life, especially during COVID. I was a French professor and taught gender and the history of the book, as well. We hope to get to Paris this fall to visit our son, who will be doing thesis research there this year in sociology. I may also do a bit of my own research while there for a project on a female poet/translator I am working on. I keep up with a few Williston Northampton School people mainly via Facebook, although I actually saw **Carl Ehrlich** and his wife a few weeks ago when they passed through town, and I hope to see **Debbie Leopold** this weekend (it's mid-August as I write)

at an event in Holyoke. I have not been back to Reunion or been on campus in 25 years but I may come to the 50th."

1974

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Williston staff spotted **Ann Dowd** as a clue in a Sunday crossword this past April: *Ann of Hulu's "The Handmaid's Tale."*

1975

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1977

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1978

45TH REUNION

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Keith Brown shared a photo of his grandson, Lorenzo (opposite page).

Tina Buehler reports, "It was great to see Maggie Hodges '79 and Whitney Foard Small '79 in January for a great meal and the everlasting pool games. Need I say who won? Even after hand surgery! Well, some things never change, like Maggie and Whitney still look the same after all these years. I'm so proud of Maggie for her up-and-coming artist work. I bought a painting last year and I'll cherish it always. She's so skilled and I'm proud to own one of her paintings. Someday she'll be famous and it will be worth a lot more than I paid! And not to mention Maggie's daughter, who is following in her footsteps as it relates to framework. I sent a print down to get framed and Maggie's daughter did a wonderful job. What talent in that family!"

Carol Adams Dupree shares, "Life has been good. Spending time at our beach RV lot fixing it up and enjoying the view. I saw **Shawn Benoliel Lawrence** and Bill Lawrence '77 this summer and it was so nice to visit. I've been spending time taking art classes at our local art center at home. I have a new 'show' dog (they just 'show up,' as in a stray). It's very cute and small, and

our older dog loves her. Our 'kids' bring us a lot of joy! I hope to hear more about the class of '78."

John Intorcio shares greetings from Switzerland (see photo above)!

Amy Holzer Irvin sent in a note early in the spring: "I realized recently that my birthday this year is 2/22/22, so I am thinking I might have to do something exciting to celebrate. Given the current state of the pandemic, I think I might be limited in my options. C'est la vie! This year will be a very special year for us, as we will become grandparents for the first time, in June! I can't wait for this new chapter of my life to begin. This past year has completely been taken up with business related to the settling of my mom's estate, including the auction of the contents of her home, which included two very rare documents related to the formation of the Ohio Company, a real estate company formed in 1786 in Massachusetts by Rufus Putnam and Brigadier General Benjamin Tupper, whose purpose was to form a settlement which later became Marietta, Ohio, and surrounding area. The sale of those two pieces of Ohio history made up two thirds of the proceeds of the auction, which was very exciting to witness. I still

do not know when or how these documents came to be in my family. It has been a long and exhausting year, so I am looking forward to some relaxation while the real estate broker works on the sale of her property on the beautiful Ohio River. I hope everyone is doing well and making the best of what is a difficult situation all over the country. Hopefully we will be able to gather at Reunion next year!"

Bruce Klickstein shared a photo of himself with his new granddaughter, Nina (above). Bruce says, "It is wonderful being a zeyde!"

Paul Sigris writes, "Performers of all kinds have struggled throughout the ongoing pandemic, which is why I was lucky to book my little cameo as Emmett, the physical therapist rejected by Sarah Jessica Parker's character, Carrie, on episode 5 of "And Just Like That," the popular reboot of "Sex and the City" on HBO. We shot the scene in August 2021, and it aired at the end of December."

1979

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From left: Eric Woods '81 and Bill Carellas '81

1981

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Bill Carellas writes, "I had the distinct pleasure of breaking bread with **Eric Woods** in Washington, D.C., one hot August night. We had an amazing time talking, laughing, and catching up on 35 years of life. He looks great, is doing great, and is definitely making an impact. I am very thankful we were able to connect after many years of trying. Reunions don't need to happen every five years, and they don't always need to happen at Williston."



Members of the class of 1982 (and guests): Front row, from left: Brenna Anz, Tony Courtney, John Anz, Kent Wittler, Mary Pols. Second row, from left: Ginny Weeks, Sue Cole, Valli Kleven Thornton, Megan Blaney '83, Hilary Fearn Mohrman, Brenda Hannaford Bryan, Kile Kever, Sarah Martin Banse, Tracy Savoie Babatz, Laura Ferguson, Robin Glover, Kim Whitney, Suzanne Cote-Croce, Molly Couch Ward

1982

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John Anz was awarded the Daniel and Jane Carpenter Award at Reunion in June. This award is given to an active volunteer who, through “effort and energy” as well as financial contribution, has had a substantial impact on the school. (See article, page 56.)

Suzanne Cote-Croce and **Valli Kleven Thornton** spent an amazing week together, post-Reunion, over the Fourth of July holiday. Suzanne writes, “We had time together relaxing in Stockbridge at the Red Lion Inn and taking in so many of the beautiful local sites and attractions, including the Norman Rockwell Museum. Our Tanglewood lawn picnics (yes, two! Both nights!) were fabulous. There were so many photos to choose from, but I think the genuine happiness on our faces and the beautiful back-

drop of the Berkshires in this one [above, right] says it all! So thankful for this summer and our Williston roots, which reach far and wide.”

1983
40TH REUNION

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1984

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Chris Kelley reminisces, “I was in the Peace Corps for two years in Honduras. I met my wife (a fellow volunteer) there. We are coming up on our 30th anniversary this May. Ultimately, I went to medical school on an Air Force scholarship and went into internal medicine and then pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine. I got two all-expense long-term trips to the lovely

land of Afghanistan as a CCATT (Critical Care Air Transport Team) physician. Basically, we put an intensive care unit on the backs of planes like C-17s, KC-135s, or C-130s and transported critically ill battle-wounded soldiers in and out of theater to higher levels of care. Had a number of hair-raising flights filled with turbulence and ‘turning and burning’ planes of that size should never experience but also had many great transports to Germany. I got out of the service in 2010 and went into private practice in Bend, Ore. I stayed there for six years until I found a job in Alaska that provided me with everything I was looking for (getting back to my Peace Corps roots as a physician). I now run the ICU at Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage, Alaska, and am Department Chair for the pulmonary, critical care, and sleep departments. My wife and I had two kids along the way. One is a junior at Carleton College (currently doing a term in Bahrain and the UAE), the



Valli Kleven Thornton '82 (left) and Suzanne Cote-Croce '82 at Tanglewood

other graduates from York University in Toronto. She is going on to graduate school at the University of Sydney in Australia. I look forward to diving the Great Barrier Reef with her in the years to come.”

David Mehr shares an update: “My wife, Jen, the three Mehr kids, Jen’s dad, and our many animals moved from Northern NJ. to the shores of Lake Michigan (Milwaukee) in 2019 before the pandemic. We love New Jersey, but it was time for something new, and I was born in Wisconsin and graduated from Wisconsin. William (14) is in eighth grade, Mary Kate (17) is a high school senior, and Charlotte (19) is a freshman at Marquette University (Magis!). Jen works at Milwaukee’s Riverwest Food Pantry, and I work for the Archdiocese of Denver. Indeed, we have the full American package! And, of course, **Andy Snyder** and I remain connected at the hip as we were in Easthampton during the Reagan administration.”



Suzanne Cote-Croce '82 introduced her grandson Chandler Croce, who she says is growing his kitten meow into a mighty roar as Wildcat training for the class of 2039!

Constance Murphy Maddy shares, “I live in Great Falls, Va., which is a suburb of Washington, D.C. We have been living here for over 20 years. My son, Conor, who is 25 years old, graduated from RPI with a master’s in electrical engineering and works for Ball Aerospace in Boulder, Colo. While he was growing up here in Virginia, I worked in barns and rode horses prepping them for sale and shows. I acquired two along the way and now just enjoy riding the two I have out in Middleburg, Va. My husband, Tyler, who is a lawyer in Washington, D.C., and I go back to Saratoga every summer to get out of the heat and humidity of the South. I keep in touch with **Nancy Seaman Thornton**. She was recently an incredible support to me when I unexpectedly lost my father last year. There is nothing like having a friend like Nancy, who has always been there for me since our days at Williston Northampton School and was there for me when I needed it most.”

Liz Stone Maland writes, “I fell in love and eloped back in 1990, leaving a Ph.D. program in social psychology in Boston to follow

the love of my life to San Diego. I started working for the City of San Diego as a crime analyst (loved it!), and promoted my way through a variety of positions (grants analyst, financial analyst, small business liaison) until I was appointed by the City Council to the position of city clerk. As the city clerk, I manage a staff of 45, I am the elections official for municipal elections and the filing official for all disclosure requirements (local and state), and I support the City Council in all aspects of meeting management for their legislative sessions. I am also the official record keeper for the City of SD. I worked with the U.S. Department of State to open a passport agency in the city hall lobby, and I developed and implemented a digital archive. My office has been recognized with state and local awards for work in preservation and access. Here’s a link to my website if you are interested: sandiego.gov/city-clerk. Through all of this, my marriage ended in 2000, and as a single 35-year-old woman, I decided to have a child in 2002. My daughter, Cloe, is a sophomore at Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Ore. She is doing super well academically and also runs cross-country and track and field for the L&C teams. She is the love and light of my life. I am excited to retire in the next year and start the next chapter of my life.”

Now living in Scottsdale, Ariz., **Bill Okun** would love to see anyone who is here or visits. He writes, “I miss Williston and the true friendships we shared.”

David Quinn writes, “Since our last Reunion that I attended, back in 2009 (wow, that was a long time

ago), I completed my divorce in 2010, after officially being married for 19 years. I am the proud and blessed father of four kids—can’t really say that now, since my oldest, Aidan, is 29, engaged, and living in Tampa, and yes, gainfully employed. My next son, Max, 28, works for a high-end landscaping design company in Denver and just started taking on the HR role to update their policies and manage employee benefits. My third son, Austin, 26, also lives in Denver, and he and Max have an apartment together. He is a software developer for an insurance company. The work is good, but the grind of the job is starting to wear on him. My fourth, Helen, 21, graduated high school back in 2019, decided to take some time off, traveled to Costa Rica and to Portugal, and has eased her way back into the college thing, not full time, but on her timetable, especially with all the changes from COVID. She has been working some interesting jobs, investigating what she likes and doesn’t like in the Boston area. I remarried in 2015. My wife, Ana, and I bought a house in Newton. She has two great kids, Gigi, 20, a junior at Syracuse University, and Matthew, 14, a freshman at Noble and Greenough School. We are a blended family, the siblings address each other as sisters or brothers, and we do the same, saying sons or daughters. I joined Accenture in 2019 out of their Boston office with a focus on an enterprise workflow platform called ServiceNow. It is odd not traveling, when normally I would be on the road 50 percent or more of the time to truly understand our clients’ needs, but adapting to Teams or to Zoom is interesting, especially moving from three-dimensional to

two-dimensional meetings and conversations. One interesting way we approach it is from a Truly Human aspect. We stop at some point in the meeting to ask how each person is doing, so we may better learn about their families and their own personal situation, and how they are dealing with today’s work/life balance challenges.”

Lisa Rawlins-Wade sends an update from beautiful Bermuda: “I celebrated my 11th wedding anniversary at the end of April with my husband, Kim Wade, who is also from Bermuda. We don’t have any kids but have a wonderful life together with a lot of love, laughs, and travel. COVID put a halt to the travel for a bit, but Bermuda was the only place I would have wanted to be during that time, so I am happy it’s my home. I continue to work in hospitality for Fairmont Southampton Hotel, going on nine years. I am the director of loss prevention and safety even though the hotel is currently closed due to renovations this year. If you have never visited Bermuda before I don’t know what you are waiting for. It is beautiful, COVID-safe, and a relaxing place. I remain BFFs since Williston Northampton School with Maggie Gonzalez ’85. We talk weekly and frequently travel together. I’m really interested in my Williston class friends like **Liz Stone Maland**, **Melissa Ryan**, **Christie Densen Root**, **Liz Corsini**, and **Mona Devine Kronholm**.”

David Rogers jokes, “I’m attempting once again to win back my blood diamonds from a particularly unsavory brigand in a game of high-stakes baccarat at the warlord’s heavily fortified bungalow somewhere in the Tanzanian rainforest of course.”



Members of the class of 1987 (and guests): From left: Ben Wilson, Tammy England, Bissell Hazen, Jennie Dunham, Holly McBurnie Kissane, John Grossman, Dudley Goar, Matt Roberts, Steve Weiner, Jamie Gass



Members of the class of 1992: Molly Ryan Strehorn, Jeff Brunelle, Lauralee Hollingsworth-Nouyou, Sarah Williams Carlan, Catherine Saint Louis, Carrie Baker, Mason Turner, Alexas Kelly, Doug “Tex” Watson



Amy Beresky '97



From left: Michael George '98, Shaun Chapman '98, and Terry Martin '85 cheer on the boys water polo team while on campus for a Heads Visiting Council meeting. Below: Lynn Maziarz '93 (left) and Shaun Chapman '98



From left: Glenn Jones '95, Sara Delano Collins '98, TJ Leenders '95, Luke Suchecki '95



At left: Greg Morrison '99, John Polizzi '99

Below: Devyn Robert Sanchez, son of Dean Sanchez '00

Tamsin Smith shares, “I live in San Francisco and run my own creative/brand consulting company. I spend a good bit of my time on art as well. I’ve had four books of poems published and a novel, and I exhibit my paintings pretty frequently around the Bay Area. My eldest is finishing up at the University of Bristol, where they read philosophy and English. My daughter Tabitha Randlett ’22 graduated from the Williston Northampton School! She is headed off to Northeastern this year. I hosted a Williston alumni event in San Francisco in May, at The Arion Press. I’m serving as curator-in-residence there.”

Rob Squire reports that he is now a soothsayer in Atlantic City, where he specializes in reading people’s feet. “It’s my unique differentiator,” he wrote. “Whereas most people just read palms, I’m focusing on feet, which are equally revealing but more difficult to work with given they are ticklish. I never know if my séances will leave them laughing or crying as I connect them with dead ancestors. But hey, it’s a living!”

Cathy Bardagy Winchild writes, “My news is all Oregon related. In 2016, my family and I moved to Portland after almost a lifetime on the East Coast. Both of my kids will

be Ducks next year at the University of Oregon. And I got to see Gabby Thomas ’15 run at Hayward Field this past summer. I accosted her trackside to tell her I also went to Williston Northampton School, but I’ll save that story for our next Reunion.”

1985
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1986
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Ellen Rosenberg Livingston was awarded the Founders Award at Reunion this past June (see page 56). It is awarded to an individual whose loyalty, devotion, and service to the Williston Northampton School has been outstanding.

1987
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35TH REUNION
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1989
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1990
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Francis Purcell
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This past spring **Matthew Frankel** launched his new community-oriented radio show called *GenXellence* celebrating classic, alternative ’80s music on Radio Free Montclair.

1991
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Congratulation to **Melissa Anderson Duffy** of White Pine Wealth Management, named one of Forbes’ 2022 Top Women Wealth Advisors Best-In-State!

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Danielle Maloney Golas
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Catherine Saint Louis announced the launch of a new podcast she’s been working on called *Puppy Kingpin*, hosted by Alex Schuman, part of an investigative documentary series that investigates scandals and corruption (see article on page 24).

1993
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Phoebe Stephens shared the news of her new baby, Rio (see opposite page, bottom). Congratulations to the family!

Lynn Maziarz had a chance encounter with Shaun Chapman ’98 at a restaurant in Portland, Maine, this summer (see photo, opposite page). The pair didn’t know each other but started talking and found out they both went to Williston. Small world!

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Luke Suchecki shares, “Laughs and memories were shared as classmates **TJ Leenders**, **Glenn Jones**, and I pored over the ’95 Log with Sara Delano Collins ’98 in Newburyport, Mass. It’s always a special occasion to reconnect with great friends and Sara was a welcome addition. She now lives in Newburyport, where I have for the last 18 years, so I look forward to bumping into her more often!”

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1997
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Elizabeth-Anne Ziemiński
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1998
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Katie Boughton See shared a photo of her daughter, Olive See, class of 2040, cheering on the Wildcats JV lacrosse team in the April sunshine (below, right).

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Greg Morrison writes, “I met up with **John Polizzi**, his wife, and their girls at Disney this summer! It was great to catch up and act like we were 18 again (in sore 40+-year-old bodies!).”



Phoebe Stephens '93 welcomed baby Rio



2000
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Dean Sanchez celebrated the birth of his third child, Devyn Robert Sanchez, born May 4, 2022.



Olivia See, daughter of Katie Boughton See '98



From left: Chelsey Zahornacky Nelson '01, Brittney Amanti Tattan '02, Katie Ciejek Shea '01, Ashley Picknelly Vassallo '02



Sally Ekus '03 (left)

2001

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Katie Ciejek Shea shared, "I celebrated Brittney Amanti Tattan '02's baby girl this past summer with Ashley Picknelly Vassallo '02 and Chelsey Zahornacky Nelson."

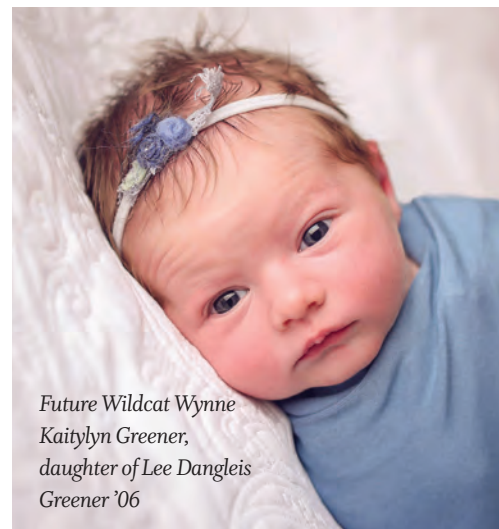
2002

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Pierce Freelon was awarded



Members of the class of 2002: Front row, from left: J.D. Parker-O'Grady, Jared Brewer, David Bartlett Bates, Sadiki Francis, Pierce Freelon. Back row, from left: Katelyn Kennedy Garvey, Kathryn Egelhofer Medow, Abbie Donah Cadigan, Stephanie Martinot, Jess Ward Daley, Brittney Amanti Tattan, Tiffany Cutting Madru, Kara Stall Sandquist, Allison Joseph, Ashley Picknelly Vassallo, Erin Lewis



Future Wildcat Wynne Kaitylyn Greener, daughter of Lee Dangleis Greener '06

the Alumni Trailblazer Award at Reunion in June (see page 57). This award is presented to a graduate of the school under the age of 40 who has demonstrated significant professional achievement, contributions to their profession and/or community, and continued promise of success in the future.

2003

20TH REUNION
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Sally Ekus shared the news of the

40th anniversary of her family's culinary agency, Ekus Group, and her promotion as a lead agent and full partner in the agency!

Liz Morency writes, "After delaying our June 2020 wedding, my now husband, Adam Kleinberger, and I finally got married, with friends and family in attendance, in July 2021 in Cambridge, Mass. It was an amazing day, made even more special by my Williston Northampton School roommate, **Julie Haney Henry**, participating in the ceremony by doing a reading. I work in Boston as an accountant for a private equity real estate firm, and I love my job."



Members of the class of 2007: From left: Nick Nocera, Michaela O'Connor Bitterman, Frank Maguire

2004

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Adam Shepard married Joel Ehnninger in Santa Barbara, Calif., on April 30, and several class of 2004 alums were there to celebrate their nuptials. Calling Los Angeles home for the past 14 years, Adam is a film executive at MarVista Entertainment and Joel is a TV producer. Their dog Jackson keeps them sane!



Liz Morency '03 and husband Adam Kleinberger (Photograph: Hannah Mezzadri Photography)



From left: Zach Robbins '07, Emily Laird Dresser '07, childhood friend of Emily's, Deepa Kenia '07



From left: Dan Clionsky '04, Josh Korth, Ted Caine '04, Emily Follansbee '04, Joel Ehnninger, Adam Shepard '04, Cate Wright '04, Rene LaPlante '04

2005

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Sidney Baptista hosted a pop-up shop in April celebrating the one-year anniversary of the launch of his new clothing line, PYNRS Performance Streetwear (see article on page 25), which came together through a crowdfunding campaign focused on creating more inclusive running apparel. Sidney writes, "We wouldn't be here today without the support of our family, friends, and our community."

2006

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Congrats to **Lee Dangleis Greener** and her family, who welcomed baby Wynne into the world!

2007

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From left: Emily Laird Dresser '07, Arthur (Emily's son), Stephanie Bruno Kendro '07, Zach Robbins '07



Mike MacDonald '07 and his wife, Kelli, with son Michael Joseph MacDonald and the family dog, Bentley



Alex Strzempko '07 and her partner, Teju Prabhakar



From left: Molly Newton '07, Liz Sklar '07, Jen Sklar Grenier '07, Charlotte Wilinsky '07



Baby Avery, daughter of Zach McMahon '07



Peter Zirkle '07 and his family

A small Williston Northampton School reunion took place this spring with **Stephanie Bruno Kendro**, **Emily Laird Dresser**, and **Zach Robbins**.

Mike MacDonald welcomed a new baby into the family, Michael Joseph MacDonald, on August 25, 2022.

Zach McMahon and his wife, Lydia, welcomed Avery Gail McMahon on June 28 (6 pounds, 12 ounces; 19 inches).

Cency Middleton married Anders Fogel on June 25.

Liz Sklar married Alex Grabauskas on July 16 at Quonquont Farm in Whately, Mass. In attendance were Williston Northampton School alums **Molly Newton**, **Jen Sklar Grenier**, and **Charlotte Wilinsky**.

Alex Strzempko and her partner, Teju Prabhakar, celebrated with a Hindu wedding ceremony in July and are planning another celebration this fall in Amherst, Mass.

Stacia Thompson, who plays rugby for team USA South, celebrated the Rugby Sr Women's 12s Championship final against Jamaica on July 16 in the Rugby Americas North Tournament (see article, page 27).

Peter Zirkle and his wife, Claire, welcomed new baby Cecelia Grace Zirkle, born on February 10.

2008 15TH REUNION

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Betsy Collins and **Casey Barber '06** tied the knot seaside this past June in Westerly, R.I.



Front row, from left: Cency Middleton '07, Maria Caligari '10, Betsy Collins '08, Casey Barber '06, Malcolm Boyd '06. Back row, from left: Megan Green '08, Olivia Moses Clough '09, Chelsea Cutting Wold '07, Joe Wold '06, Jay Brennan '15, Jim Brennan '85, Jamie LeSage '06

From left: Cency Middleton '07, Betsy Collins '08, Olivia Moses Clough '09



From left: Chris Chandler '10, Jarrad Green '10, Ellie Monkley Green, Steph Hall '09, Zach Charren-Diehl '12

Katie France writes, "Rogan Magee and I were honored to celebrate our wedding on April 2, 2022. After two pandemic delays, it was a great joy to share the day with some of my best friends from Williston!" See photo on page 65.

2009

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2010

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Reece Liang
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Jarrad Green shares, "I will be performing in *Ghost: The Musical* as the male lead at the Riverside Center for the Performing Arts in Fredericksburg, Va., from September 14, 2022, to November 6, 2022. It will be my first full musical in over two and a half years, after a year and a half of online-only work, followed by cruise ship singing. After I head



From left: Jacob Roscoe '10, Kevin Yochim '10, Kelsey Prima

back to the U.K. to be with Ellie, my wife of a little over two years, we will head to North Miami later in November to rehearse for *Cats*, which we will both perform in as Rum Tum Tugger (me) and Grizabella (Ellie singing "Memory") on Royal Caribbean Cruise Line's *Oasis of the Seas* from January 2023 to October 2023. I am also the lead singer on a power metal album entitled *Hypersonic Demolition* by Quantum

Twilight, which was released on August 5, 2022, and is available for streaming or download at all the usual music websites. You would never know that I recorded all the vocals in a bathroom closet! The guitar solos by the band's founder, Greg Russell, are definitely worth a listen."

Note: Updating his report in the Spring 2022 *Bulletin*, Jarred shared some wonderful photos from his

wedding ceremony this past April in England (see above, top). Several alumni flew overseas to celebrate the union.

Kevin Yochim married Kelsey Prima on June 16 with classmate **Jacob Roscoe** in attendance!

Stevie Lustofin Sbarro was married at The Pierre in NYC on May 14. (See photo, above.)



The wedding of Stevie Lustofin Sbarro '10: From left: Pam Simpson, Karly Simpson '13, Lisa Melendy, Laurie Garcia, Monique and Mark Conroy, Gracie Simpson '15, Eugenio Garcia, Jen Fulcher, Robert Langwerden, Stevie Lustofin Sbarro '10, Christian Sbarro, Danielle Glenn '10, Gabriela Garcia '10, Madison Fulcher-Melendy '18, Dylan Fulcher-Melendy '20, Annie Sullivan '10, Kristina Conroy '10, Jenna Spooner '10

Savannah Cheshire Sella writes, “We are living in Kodiak, Alaska! We are trying to soak up all the

Alaska things with our two kids, Alexander (5) and Everlee (3). I am working as the Director of St. Paul Preschool.”



Savannah Cheshire Sella '10 and her family

Shannon Sullivan Wotring and her husband, Matthew Wotring, were married October 2, 2021. They have moved to Philadelphia, and Shannon changed careers to nursing in 2019 and is starting a new job at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia Special Delivery Unit.

Chris Zombik lives in Somerville, Mass., and works part time as an independent education consultant serving the China market. He is spending most of his time rewriting a novel manuscript and hopes to finish by the end of 2022.

2011
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Courtney Aquadro Goldsmith and **Paul Goldsmith '10** tied the knot in June in Hampden, Mass. Courtney writes, “We met in Spanish class of Señora Ram. That year Paul asked me to his senior prom, and we have been together since. The following year Paul came back to go to my senior prom. All of our siblings also attended Williston Northampton School and were in the wedding

party as well as Paul’s mother. Over 10 percent of the wedding guests were Williston alums!”

2012
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2013
10TH REUNION
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Pierre DeLiso coaches for the youth French Football Academy, working with a team of 13-year-old boys. The academy is able to welcome several hundred students regardless of nationality, and recruits young players based in N.Y. who are looking to go further in their footballing careers. The Academy offers its full-time students a complete educational pathway focusing on athletic development, academic study, and training underpinned by world-class technical excellence.



Members of the class of 2012. Front row, from left: Katherine Glowatsky, Jill Dahrooge, Bridget Instrum, Nichole Palmero, Sarah Wilkie. Back row: Alex Garcia, Adrian Mendoza, Michael Tanner, Connor Adams, Alex Nunnelly, Hunter Snyder



Mairead Poulin Doery, who is a Ph.D. candidate in anthropology at the University of Arizona, was recently awarded the SBS Outstanding Graduate Teaching Associate Award, which recognizes superior and innovative work by a graduate teaching associate. She writes, “I’m absolutely honored to receive this award. Teaching is truly my passion, and at the University of Arizona, I’m lucky to pursue it in two capacities: I teach lower-division college courses, and offer instructional and technological support to new graduate student instructors, especially those teaching online. I feel very privileged to play a small role in my students’ lives, and regularly feel that I learn as much from them as they do from me. The dedication to student experiences and success modeled by my teachers at Williston is something I try to bring to my own classroom, where I strive to make learning engaging, accessible, and, most importantly, fun.”

Felicia Dixon recently moved back

to N.Y. after working in a hospital as a registered nurse and plans to go back to school to become a nurse practitioner.



After winning the audience award at the Salem Film Fest and screening at festivals across the country, **Charles Frank’s** first feature-length documentary, *Somewhere With No Bridges*, will be available to stream on February 15 via Amazon Prime, Apple TV, iTunes, and Vimeo. The documentary’s story: “Twenty years after a beloved local fisherman, Richie Madeiras, goes missing off the shores of Martha’s Vineyard, a distant cousin locates Richie’s kind, indelible spirit in the stories of family, friends, and the sweeping sea which has defined their lives.”

Miranda Gohh has been pursuing her career in theater and is currently an associate producer for Davenport Theatrical Enterprises. She also co-founded TPOC (Theatre Producers of Color), which is a multifaceted collective



Didi Whitman Griffin '13 and husband Daniel Griffin



From left: Susan Whitman '11, Sonia Whitman '21, Didi Whitman Griffin '13

of theater makers joined together in support of the next generation of BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, people of color) producers by providing access to education, training, and mentorship. TPOC was born out of the necessity to diversify the pool of commercial producers on and off Broadway. Having observed many barriers keeping BIPOC out of commercial producing, specifically the lack of education, training, and mentorship, TPOC strives to break down these barriers and make

producing more accessible for a variety of voices. You can learn more about the organization at theatreproducersofcolor.org. The organization also has received press from playbill.com.

Didi Whitman Griffin celebrated her marriage to husband Daniel Griffin alongside classmate and bridesmaid **Hanna Whirty** and sisters Susan Whitman '11 and Sonia Whitman '21.



Natalie Hippolyte '13
and Felicia Dixon '13

Natalie Hippolyte is currently pursuing her master's at NYU and works as an account manager doing market research for Interpublic Group. She and **Felicia Dixon** see each other often in N.Y.

In January 2022 **Andy Pierce** worked with the Gift of Life marrow registry to donate bone marrow and stem cells to cancer patients.

Athena Yeung and husband Jack welcomed a baby girl in September 2021!



Andy Pierce '13 donating bone marrow



Athena Yeung '13 with husband Jack
and the couple's new baby girl

2014

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Catie Laraway Santaniello writes, "Being only 26 years old, I am an entrepreneur who owns five hair salons in the area [see photo, opposite page]. Along with running and operating these businesses, I am also an operating room registered nurse at Baystate, our local Level I trauma center."

Meredith Westover Scott got married to Brandt Scott this past June.

Brittany Collins recently accepted a position as an adjunct associate in English and comparative literature at Columbia University. She is teaching a cohort of undergraduate students in public writing.

2015

Class of 2015 needs a class rep. Please call Corinne Briggs at (413) 529-3301 to volunteer.

Melissa Falcone released her new book, *Press Yes*, a guide to navigating obstacles and uncertainty through

unprecedented times through transformation and healing. The book is available on Amazon and Kindle.

Aidan Greenwood celebrated the arrival of his daughter, Willa Jean Greenwood!

2016

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This past June, **Alyssa Stevens'** art was featured in Times Square for an NFT conference (see article, page 24).

2017

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Leah Pezanowski
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Ava McElhone Yates started a new position as department manager for the Global Policy and Advocacy Department at the International Rescue Committee in D.C.

In July, **Emily Yeager** had the opportunity to present her oceanography research at the International Coral Reef Symposium in Bremen, Germany, which highlighted efforts in coral conservation and biology.



Melissa Falcone '15
with her new book,
Press Yes

Catie Laraway Santaniello '14 outside
one of her five hair salons



From left: Benning Johnson '22, Will Gaca '22, Rosie Crooker '22,
Natalie Stott '22, Sarah Markey '22

She will be attending the next Symposium in New Zealand.

2018

5TH REUNION

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Aidenne Alden accepted a new, full-time position at HR2Fit as a human resources representative.

Congratulations to **Fiona Bundy**, who plays lacrosse for Bowdoin College and was recognized in all-conference awards by the New England Small College Athletic Conference in May. She was named a First Team All-NESCAC selection! (See story, page 23.)

Emma Gould was selected as the student Commencement speaker for the Connecticut College class of 2022. She completed her major in English, and during her four years at Connecticut College she received two poetry awards: the Benjamin T. Marshall Prize for Excellence in Poetry in 2020 and the Academy of American Poets Prize in 2021. As a junior, she spent a semester study-

ing in Madrid, Spain. Most recently, she participated in the People of Color Alliance fashion show, Beauty in Culture. Emma plans to live abroad and continue her work as an artist.

Max Livingston recently landed a new job as digital media coordinator at Katz Media in Los Angeles.

2019

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Congratulations to **Nick Barber**, honored for the second year with the Outstanding Student Leader Award for the Class of 2023 at Merrimack College's L.E.A.D. Awards!

A grandparent of **Chelsea Clark** shared how proud they were that Chelsea had been accepted at the Technion American Medical School research program for summer 2022 in Haifa, Israel.

Gates MacPherson has been named Female Athlete of the Year for 2022 by the Thorold Elite Track Club of Niagara, of which she is

an alumna and assistant throwing coach during the summers.

2020

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Abby Dennin spent the summer interning at Nickelodeon.

Gabe Liu turned heads this spring winning his heat in the 100-meter in track. Gabe is a two-sport athlete at DI Tulane!

After splitting his junior career between the Notre Dame Hounds and the Janesville Jets, **Jake Sacratini** is back in western Mass. skating for AIC.

2021

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In May, the Williston Northampton School spring dance performance entitled *Unwritten* featured choreography by the ensemble, Artistic Director Noel St. Jean-Chevalier, and guest artist **Jillian Dietz**, with original music from Jeffrey Warner

'24 and set pieces by the technical theater department.

Adam Thistlethwaite writes, "I met with **Tom Tebo** at his cottage up in Canada! We spent a few days fishing the lake."

2022

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Sarah Markey and some of the 2022 Wildest Cats reunited just before heading off to college (see photo, above).

Along with two other recent high school graduates, **Tyler Morehouse** was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship by the Williston-Richmond Rotary Club to help each student pursue their education beyond high school.



Members of the class of 2017: Front row, from left: Anna Wilinsky, Nick Hill, Devon DeVerry, Hunter Adams, Gabby Record. Back row, from left: Noah Devos, Ava McElhone Yates, Ian Ostberg, Arvin Fieldman, Cam Ward

IN MEMORY

This listing contains the names of alumni whose deaths were reported to the school between April 1, 2022, and October 11, 2022, although their passing may have occurred outside those dates.

1940

Kusa Panyarachun of Bangkok, Thailand, died on May 25, 2022. He is survived by his son, Krid Panyarachun ’70.

1943

Nancy Atwood Gordon Brewster of Duxbury, Mass., died May 11, 2022. She is survived by her daughters, Elizabeth and Carol; her son, Geoff; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Phoebe Taylor Lansdale of Woodbridge, Conn., died April 17, 2022. She is survived by her daughters, Elizabeth and Katherine; her son, Steven; and two grandchildren.

1946

James “Jim” W. Curran of Stamford, Vt., died May 29, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Rosemarie; his sons, Jim, John, Robert, and Neil; and his daughters, Maureen, Kathryn, Patricia, Susan, and Jennifer; another daughter, Andrea, predeceased him. He is also survived by his sisters, Sally and Sandy; his brothers, William and Edward; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Lucy J. Wierum of Boston, Mass., died July 5, 2022. She is survived by her daughters, Tracy and Amy; her sons, Hugh and Tim; her step-sons, Craig and Christopher; her step-daughter, Anne; her sister, Margaret; three grandchildren; and five step-grandchildren.

1949

Charles E. Stoneham of Paxton, Mass., died October 1, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Inge; his son, Charles; his daughters, Susan and Christa; and four grandchildren.

1950

David W. Colton Jr. of Boerne, Texas, died March 29, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Dee; his daughters, Lynn and Darleen; his sister, Betty Jane; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

1952

George J. Dargati of Tolland, Conn., died July 20, 2022. He is survived by his son, James; his daughters, Kaileen and Jennifer; and seven grandchildren.

Robert “Bob” A. Sweet of Ripon, Calif., died May 7, 2022. He is survived by his sons, Mark and Benjamin; his daughter, Lorelei; his sister, Barbara; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

1953

Robert Condell of Melbourne, Fla., died March 22, 2022.

Richard Dunbar of Palm Desert, Calif., died November 10, 2021.

Stanley Reynolds of London, England, died November 28, 2016. He is survived by his three sons, Ambrose, Alexander, and Abel.

Richard I. Wrubel of Middletown, Conn., died December 23, 2020. He is survived by his wife, Marcia; his daughter, Susan; his son, Arthur; his sister, Constance; and two grandchildren.

1954

Harold D. Garrity of Wellington, Fla., died July 19, 2020.

1955

Stephen “Steve” J. Britt of Stuarts Draft, Va., died December 31, 2021. He is survived by his son, James; his daughters, Catherine and Karen; his sisters, Jean and Sheelah; and four grandchildren.

Joanna Ewing Jones of Bath, Maine, died April, 2022. She is survived by her sons, Darrick, Channing, and Chris; her brother, David; and eight grandchildren.

1956

Wayne S. Jostrand of Vero Beach, Fla., died March 28, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Emily; his daughter, Katherine; and his son, Sten; a son, William, predeceased him. He is also survived by five grandchildren.

David E. Sirman of West Simsbury, Conn., died July 19, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Elise; his sons, Russell and Thomas; and two grandchildren.

1957

Janet Saccone Bullard of Modesto, Calif., died October 1, 2020.

1958

John G. Sheehan of Easthampton, Mass., died July 11, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Margaret; his step-son, Dean; and two step-grandchildren.

1960

Elizabeth J. Snow of South Hadley, Mass., died August 4, 2022. She is survived by her sister, Judy.

1962

Paul “Buck” Carroll Jr. of Pinehurst, N.C., died April 26, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Pamela; his daughter, Cailly; his son, Matthew; his sister, Debra; and three grandchildren.

Thomas W. Murphy III of Bethesda, Md., died April 21, 2022. He is survived by his son, Thomas; his daughter, Jennifer; his sister, Martha; his brothers, Mel and Mark; and four grandchildren.

1963

Rodney “Rod” H. Hawkins of Williams Lake, British Columbia, died June 22, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Sandra.

Richard W. Hoppenstedt of Geddes, N.Y., died June 1, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Margaret; his sons, Ted and John; and his brother, Robert.

Robert “Bob” D. Kalter of Larchmont, N.Y., died June, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; his son, Jeffrey; his daughter, Julie; his sister, Joanmarie; and one grandchild.

1966

Ellen Clifford McGuire of East Longmeadow, Mass., died June 8, 2022. She is survived by her husband, Arthur; her daughters, Molly and Bevin; her four step-sons, Timothy, John, Mike, and Matthew; and 13 grandchildren.

Schuyler “Sky” W. Sweet of Littleton, N.H., died June 14, 2022. He is survived by his daughter, Jolyn; his son, Wallace; his sister, Sandy; his brothers, Brent and Stephen; and five grandchildren.

1968

Susan Riley Clarke of Syracuse, N.Y., died April 14, 2022. She is survived by her daughter, Megan; her son, Joshua; and four grandchildren.

Douglas E. Kelner of Oak Park, Ill., died July 31, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Christine; and his sister, Jan.



REMEMBERING KEVIN GARRITY

Just before we sent this issue to print, the Williston community learned of the sudden death of beloved teacher, coach, and friend, Kevin Garrity. Kevin joined the school—along with his wife, Kate—having both come from teaching and coaching positions at The Frederick Gunn School, where Kevin also attended high school and was a three-sport varsity athlete. At Williston, Kevin taught physics and chemistry and served as a dorm parent and advisor. He also was a highly engaged coach at basketball, soccer, golf, and rowing, a sport he had excelled at while a student at Brown University. Kevin was known for being genuine and fun-loving, having a deep dedication to teenagers and boarding school life, and especially, for being a devoted husband and father to his two children, Cameron and Maggie.

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2023 IN-PERSON EVENTS

- February/March: Florida
- March: Boston Networking Reception
- April 13: Washington, D.C. Reception
- April: Los Angeles
- June 9–11: Reunion weekend

ONLINE NETWORKING

- Find career and professional networking at willistonconnects.com
- Williston Northampton Alumni LinkedIn Group
- Williston Northampton Alumni of Color LinkedIn Group

1969

Betsy Cancilla Wills of Glendora, Calif., died May 18, 2021.

1971

Mark W. Clemens of Piney Flats, Tenn., died May 2, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Kimberly; his son, Terrance; his step-daughter, Ashlee; his sisters, Marybeth and Susan; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

1972

Christopher “Scott” Bevins of Hingham, Mass., died August 23, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Sarah; his son, Wesley; and his daughter, Samantha.

Richard B. McKinley of Prospect Heights, Ill., died May 8, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Nian; and his siblings, Gail, Maryl, Jane, and Kyle.

1973

Ray P. Solomon of Las Vegas, Nev., died in July 2022.

Robert J. Beidler of Columbus, Ohio, died November 1, 2020.

1977

Heidi Bubel Allen of Deerfield, Ill., died June 29, 2022. She is survived by her husband, Robert; her mother, Sammie; and her brother, Peter.

1983

Richard J. Harris Jr. of Medway, Mass., died August 25, 2022. He is survived by his wife, Jane; his children, Taylor, Emily, Meghan, and Alyssa; and his sister, Debbie.

1992

John J. Swierzewski of Summerville, S.C., died September, 2022. He is survived by his sons, Cian, Davin, Tagh, and Luke; his father, Stanley; his brothers, Stanley '76, Mark '78, Paul, James, and David; and his sister Ann.

2004

Christopher S. Maller Jr. of Denver, Colo., died September 1, 2022. He is survived by his father, Christopher; his mother, Isabelle; and his sisters, Meredith and Emily.



Mark and Monique Conroy celebrate their 23rd year at Williston

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