

Jim Kile and his wife in Fort Collins, Colo., are doing more travelling. They visited their daughter Tracy in Boston/Cambridge, where she is working with an interactive marketing/consulting firm. Their son Steven graduated in December from the U. of Colorado in architecture/environmental design. Jim writes, "The last tuition check has cleared!"

Andy Cadot and Lindsey spent two weeks in September hiking in Cornwall and Snowdonia National Park (northern Wales). They are both working hard on a campaign to pass a referendum for a \$50 million bond issue to fund open space and recreational land purchases in Maine. Andy is on the Maine Board of Environmental Protection. His law firm is thriving.

Steve Frazee's daughter Courtney is a 5th grader at Tenacre Country Day School in Wellesley. Her soccer coach is **Katie Boies '96**. Steve and his wife Esther are still teaching, but they dream of retiring to San Diego.

George B. Cannon attended the Convocation of the College in September as a participant in the ceremony honoring Professor Robert Gaudino. He writes, "The exhilaration of working with bright minds from many classes was a wonderful memory of our undergraduate days."

Dana Stevens has resurfaced as a professor of economics at the American University of Armenia, in Yerevan which is in the shadow of Mount Ararat. He says, "On a clear day you can see Noah's Ark in the glacier." He married Zhanna Yeraniosian last August in Sarasota, Fla. Zhanna is from Tallin, Armenia.

Bill Crane switched employment last July. He is now a Hearing Officer for the Bureau of Special Education Appeals within the Mass. Dept. of Education. He finds the process of reaching fair resolutions to important and complex educational disputes often challenging. He says it has been a joy watching their two girls grow up. The older is a biology teacher in N.Y.C., and the younger is a senior at Lexington High School with college choices looming. Steve's wife Barb continues quilting and community education work.

Gregg Meister has been working on a Web site for our class with some consultation from **Burke Moody**, **Chris Covington** and **Allan Stern**. Your secretary is not certain if it is open for business yet, but the site address at one time was: <http://interlink-media.com/williams67/williams67.html>.

Your secretary spent last autumn back in the fields duck and pheasant hunting with **Tom Mahler**. We ranged from the prairies of Saskatchewan to northern Minnesota to South Dakota. At least one of the transits (to S.D.) was compliments of Tom piloting the twin-engine aircraft he is often in. Tom's son T.R. presented him with another grandchild last summer. He took time off from his hectic work schedule to travel to Italy with his wife Barb last year and they manage to escape from time to time to

their condo in Mazatlan. Your secretary fully enjoyed the late November hockey tilt in Minneapolis between Williams and the local U. of St. Thomas. It was great fun to see Williams uniforms in action in the Twin Cities. Unfortunately we lost!

That's it for now. Remember, you can send me your news at my e-mail address any time you wish. I promise. You don't have to wait for my next e-mailer.

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It's been, oh, about 31 years since we've heard from **Bruce Thal**, so I dropped in on my old roommate at his office in Philadelphia. You would recognize him immediately if you heard the voice and imagined some hair. The warm laughter hasn't changed a bit, but it takes a moment to get used to the pinstriped suit. Bruce claims to have developed a special niche in the practice of law as a leading expert in the jurisprudence of garbage, specifically the interstate transport thereof. By all appearances, one can make a good living representing migratory trash. He and Lettie have two handsome children and live in the city.

Four reports from the World of Medicine: Dr. **Bob Stanton**, in Billsville for an Alumni Fund meeting, toured the new science facilities. "Quite a place," he says. Bob's 10-man orthopedic group just opened its own new facility, an in-office fully certified operating room.

Dr. **John Herpel** reports from Claremont, N.H., that "My career as an ophthalmologist in New Hampshire, barely two hours from the Williams campus, affords me the joy of patient care and the burden of bumping and grinding along under the heavy hand of managed care and government regulation. Fortunately, these circumstances will prompt my early retirement. Then, my decision to live in the Williams locale will finally pay off."

A different view comes from Dr. **John Fulkerson**: "Spent a week driving a bicycle around Tuscany with my wife Lynn and daughter **Phoebe '95** in October. Checked out the wines and vineyards (I now have a small vineyard in Litchfield - 125 vines and growing). I am actually enjoying medical practice these days, despite the insurance company problems we face. We still have the privilege of caring for people, and that is rewarding!"

Finally, an unsolicited testimonial from Dr. **Eddie Weeks**, whose postcard says simply, "Pat O'Grady is a kind, generous person and the best cardiologist in California. Hurray for Pat." A phone call confirms that this is a general comment, not the result of any life-threatening personal experience.

Denny Kelly and Linda are "almost complete" on a five-year project renovating a Victorian house in Harvard Square. **Bruce Healy** continues his post-

theoretical-physics career as a culinary author with *The Art of the Cake*, published recently by William Morrow. The cover illustration on Amazon.com looks terrific.

From Oregon, **Spencer Boobe** reports on bird hunting with **Dodger Newhall** and **Ted Ragsdale**. "The wildlife still thrives," Spencer writes, and we leave that to your own interpretation. He goes on: "Visited Princess Royal Island, B.C., with Margot and **Robert Herzog** in August. We were blessed with blue sky, white bear, black wolf, salmon runs and orca. Robert and Margot were in their element, when not in the village. Robert awoke one morning in the MV *Columbia*, looked out the salon window at the DeHavilland Beaver, and said, 'Is that airplane tied up to our plane again? I hate it when that happens.'"

Jay Healy sends an update on his work: "I still cling to the naïve notion that public service is a reputable career in my efforts to help farmers as agricultural commissioner in Massachusetts. I have actually helped preserve over 20,000 acres of farmland through a couple of new programs that focus on smart, profitable farming. It is flattering that some larger, 'more agricultural' states have started to emulate our new programs. On the home front, our teenagers still talk to us, sporadically, so we have few complaints."

Finally, a nice note from **Tony Suh**: "My son, **Jason Suh Leith '03**, is in Billsville and enjoying it. Recent trips there by my wife and I bring back fond memories, despite only one and a half years I spent there. Williams has improved in almost all ways since my days."

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Dick Tobin has entered his 12th year as director of college counseling at Greenhills in Ann Arbor, Mich. "Some while ago, I stopped being a rookie, and I guess excuses for any mess-ups disappeared with that status." Dick is still enjoying the work, though he does say parent and student anxieties and stress are rising. His school has sent several recent graduates to Williams, "although that hasn't included my own two oldest children, who are both at Wesleyan, one in her last year, the second in his first." Dick says he keeps himself sane "by continuing to play pick-up basketball with a bunch of other vintage types a couple of times a week. I still remember the buckle in the floor in the old upstairs gym at Lasell, where I learned the rudiments of the game and plateaued ever after. I hope all of our classmates are keeping themselves healthy and well and enjoying their work as much as I do."

Bob Cronin "dropped off our one and only, Foster '03, at the College and attended our first parents weekend. His

roommate is the son of **Nan Swan '68**. I sat through one course thinking "This man is brilliant - I don't know what he is saying, but he is brilliant. Saw Margie and **Bob Ware '70** and learned all about the Williamstown Film Festival and bumped into **Bob Young** at the Five Corners Country Store on our way out. He seems to be doing well and had just finished dropping off Ian also '93. Emptynestdom is a new experience - but what's going on at the College would make all proud." Bob is still running the theater program at Episcopal Secondary outside Philadelphia.

Tom Goodbody also attended Parents Weekend, visiting son Nicholas. "While there, we had dinner Friday with Cheri and **John Hayes** (Chris '03); attended the wet and suspenseful Tufts football game with **Michael Goodbody** (Lucas '03); and had dinner Saturday with Lucy and **John McKenzie** (Melissa '03). Deja vu all over again."

Class president and newlywed (Oct. 16) **Bob Grace** is now settled in his new home in Suffern, N.Y., "which backs up on both Harriman State Park and Kaibab Park. Very countryish and private. Reminds me of Williamstown. Trip to California, including balloon ride, followed."

Andy Lynn says "having lived in Florida for 26 years, I really feel out of the loop. I've pretty much lost touch with those Ephs I spent time with for four years. I'm sure most of my classmates don't remember me. I missed our 30th reunion because my son graduated from Emory and my daughter got married. Regards to all."

Down in his beloved Houston, **Larry McCullough** is "staying busy with teaching and research. Am the coordinator of a new ethics consultation program at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital in the Texas Medical Center and am directing an NIH-funded project on improving the consent process for human subjects research. I take special pleasure in mentoring research projects of our fourth-year students doing research in our unique, four-year ethics track. Some have published their work, which is satisfying. Greetings to you and classmates who live in the U.S. and other foreign countries!"

From the left coast, **Mike West** is busy as an "Internet technology/E-commerce consultant based in Santa Cruz, Calif. Spending more time on the Vineyard these days though. Family doing well." Mike also checked in with **mwest.com**, a new website for his market research and consulting company focusing on electronic commerce and Internet technology.

Class treasurer **Paul Harsch** had no personal news but wants classmates to know that "Williamstown is changing. Up until the last few years, things moved slowly here, but ever since **Bo Peabody '94** and his econ professor Dick Sabot launched Tripod, things started to move rapidly. The acceleration continues, albeit at a Berkshire pace. More house and

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In early December, I helped out at the Williams Club for the Campaign 2000 Telethon. In that capacity, I was able to speak with the following classmates and their families. **Ernestina** and **Hank Shay** live in California where Hank is a senior official at the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory. His special project is nuclear stockpile stewardship. **Judith** and **Clarke Brinkerhoff** live in Washington, D.C., where Clarke works with the FTC's Division of Financial Programs. **Scudder Parker** is with the Department of Public Service in Vermont. His office regulates the operation of every efficient generation in the state.

Malcolm has retired from IBM after 30 years and is a programming consultant. His wife, **Connie**, is a paralegal working for the State of North Carolina. **Sally** and **Harry Lum** live in Truro, Cape Cod, but Harry is constantly traveling for his consulting business and so I spoke with Sally. She teaches 10th grade English at a nearby high school.

Steve Robinson lives in Eugene, Ore., where he works in the policy division of the state Department of Transportation. His wife, **Nancy**, is an elected member of the city council. Finally, I spoke with **Pete Swanson** who is a faculty member at the Medical College of South Carolina in Columbia.

Jan and **Sam White** are well-occupied. **Jan** continues to find court (unfortunately not tennis court) related research projects that keep her busy professionally. **Sam** is occupied with research programs on several public policy issues. His life is not all work, however, as he can be spotted several nights a week on various hockey rinks during the club season.

After more than 30 years of investment banking with oil and gas industry, **Rod** will be retiring this year from Merck & Co. He has been elected to the board of Apache Corp., which will keep him active in the industry. He and **Christine** have purchased a home in Key Largo, Fla., where they will enjoy the winter months.

Peter Monroe has done the unthinkable – joined with an Amherst man to form a real estate development company called Wilherst. Turns out that **Peter** and his friend, **Mark Rosenfeld**, were both captains of their college tennis teams and met each other in Clearwater, Fla. The company's specialty is retail development projects and **Peter** is enjoying the small company culture after his role as the president of the RTC Oversight Board.

I am indebted to **Jim Worrall** and the Alumni Fund for the following pieces of data from classmates. **Robert Felder** has been the U.S. Ambassador to the West African nation, Benin, since 1998. He is looking forward to returning to the U.S.

by late in the year 2000. **Gordy Sulcer** provided a quick update on his family. **John Wheeler's** daughter **Anri** is now a freshman at Williams. **Mike Atkin** has changed jobs to become the director of marketing at Berbee Information Networks, an Internet development company in Madison, Wis.

Meg and **Mike Adams** sent us an informative note which included photos of them as proud grandparents holding grandson **Joshua** who was born last July to son **Michael** and his wife.

Joe Small has been working overtime to organize the 35th Reunion and recently told me that in the span of two days, he saw **Peter Hutcheon** lecture at the New Jersey Judicial College, hear **Art Wheelock** interviewed on NPR and then witnessed a brief appearance by me on daytime CNN-fn. **Joe**, with help of **John Storey** and **Jim Worrall**, has organized a full weekend for the Reunion, June 8-11. The Storeys will host a dinner for the Class on Thursday June 8, with Friday's dinner set for a tent near Wood House. The final event will be a dinner at the Faculty House on Saturday night. Please contact **Joe** at 609-924-8344 with any questions about the weekend.

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Regretfully the shelves contain no earthshaking news, mostly job changes, all seemingly good ones. **David Harrison** reports that he is cutting back to 65 percent at work and "hoping to become fluent in Spanish, better at golf and skiing, become computer literate, not necessarily in that order." Good luck, **David**. I have a hard time remembering the day of the week – a new foreign language at this stage is impressive to me, but also too hard.

In a blast from the past, **Robert T. Vallean** reports that he also is retiring after 30 years at Colgate-Palmolive so that he can enjoy the new millennium. He and **Kathy** are going to spend time in Colorado and on Cape Cod. Anyone can check to see if he is serious, for he indicates that we are welcome to call when we are in the area. **Alan Pearlman** simply reports that he is looking forward to the new millennium.

Lisle Dalton is having somewhat of a lateral employment move in that he reports he is retiring from the Lexington Clinic after 20 years and moving to a clinical teaching position at the medical school of the Univ. of Kentucky. Good luck to **Lisle**.

Finally, **Denis J. Jakuc** is changing jobs. He is moving from Young & Rubicam to Frankfurt Balkind as a creative director. For those of you, like me, who don't know, Frankfurt Balkind is a mid-size agency with offices in New York, Los Angeles and San Francisco. **Denis** reports that he is doing integrated communi-

cation for the dot.com economy – everything from tv commercials to websites. He is very excited.

Teddy and I continue to enjoy living in the lowcountry of South Carolina.

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After quite a long absence from these pages, **Rick Williams** writes that he had opted to retire after 25+ years in the corporate wars. However, his next door neighbor, a former astronaut, came up with a great new commercial idea. He was able to talk **Rick** into joining him in the ensuing software startup venture. They have now secured \$15 million in funding and are off to the races. **Rick** divides his time between his homes in Avalon, N.J., and the Keys (Islamorada). He hopes to get back to Williams town in May for Coach Samuelson's retirement.

Bill McClung had prostate cancer surgery last December. It was detected during his first physical in six years. He has now embarked on the radiation phase of the treatment. He reports that the surgery and recovery both went well. (Sec. - Mend well, **Bill**).

Andy Binder, also long absent from this column, has been living in Santa Barbara for the past 20 years. He practices pulmonary, critical care and sleep disorder medicine. He and his wife **Carolyn** will celebrate their 27th anniversary this year. **Andy** is also the president and founder of a small medical device company. He laments the dismantling of the medical profession as we have known it, at the hands of government and insurance companies.

Ted McPherson enjoyed playing basketball for the alumni in a game vs. the Williams JV team in Williamstown as part of Alumni Basketball Weekend in early February. **Gordie Gee** was also a teammate. They reportedly had a fair number of somewhat younger alumni ringers on their team and so were able to look good in spite of finally being toppled by the current students.

Dana Stevens and his wife **Zhanna** have returned to Yerevan, Armenia, where he is a professor of economics/finance at the American University of Armenia. **John McCarthy**, a long time resident of Geneva, Switzerland, writes that **Howard Klee** and his wife **Julia** have also now moved there. **John** and **Howard** met up for the first time in 35 years and discovered that "neither has changed a bit."

Tom Phillips says that life in Seattle is great in spite of all the bad publicity surrounding last year's WTO rioting. **Tom** says he has "caught the Seattle computer bug," and through his national city planning practice is getting citizens involved using the Internet. He is also having a great time "helping his

hometown grow with grace" as a member of Seattle's Design Review Board. In what little is left of his spare time he is coaching his 12 year old's Little League baseball team.

Over Thanksgiving, **Bill Taylor** and his wife celebrated their first daughter's wedding in Columbia (S.C.). They were joined at the event by **Tammy** and **Bruce Kraig**, and **Judy** and **Gary Lamphere**. **Bill's** pediatric practice is up to nine pediatricians and is "hectic but fun."

Bill Woodworth's son **Andy** graduated from college in January while younger son **Peter** is celebrating the publication of his third book by White Wolf in Atlanta. **Bill** and **Ann** are still portfolio managing and social working, respectively, and are "looking at each other in amazement at having been able to pay all that tuition." Next year will be a "tuition free" year!

That's it for this issue. Thanks to **Terry Sands** for his efforts in the Annual Campaign. Remember that e-mail is always a good way to send your secretary news about the reunion. I'll be waiting for my invitations.

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A Christmas card from **John Murray** in London reports that he is now "doing a 'boutique' investment banking business with friends." Friends so far, at least. More foreign correspondence from **Andrew Weiss**: "I spent June in Nepal and Tibet with my daughter **Annie '02**. The hedge funds I manage are getting more involved with ever more obscure places. The latest is Kazakhstan and I think Azerbaijan looks next, but Nepal and Tibet are too obscure even for us. Tibet is depressing. The Chinese provide nothing for the Tibetans: no schools, no hospitals, not even police, no paved roads – just lots of soldiers."

Garrett Thornburg writes that he was married to **Catherine Oppenheimer** last fall.2 "Catherine grew up in N.Y.C., where she realized her dream of being a dancer with The New York City Ballet...Now she runs a National Dance Institute in New Mexico that serves over 2000 children...As a businessman serving on the boards of various non-profits, I had an idea of how hard their employees worked, but I didn't really understand until I married Catherine."

A complimentary article in *America's Community Banker* profiled **Bill Aggar** in his role as assistant secretary of HUD, noting that he administers HUD's mortgage insurance funds, including FHA, worth close to \$500 billion, and other programs. He is also on the boards of the Federal Housing Finance Board and the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation.

Alumni Review guidelines prevent us from reporting on our children; these are class notes, not family notes. But out

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of academic respect we'll make an exception to note that **Addison Wilson's** daughter Adrienne graduated as vice president of her Class of '99 at Dartmouth.

Back around 1994, class notes included a mention that **Jeff Connor** was opening a Princeton office for Reed Smith Shaw & McClay. Now, Jeff reports, that office already has more than 100 employees.

Finally, **Daniel Sullivan** ruminates: "Watching this past fall's Williams-Amherst game, I realized no one on the field (except the refs) was born before we became 30 years old." Which led to his next question: "Who will be the first '68er to have a grandchild at Williams, and when?"

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Win Todd, still practicing general business and estate planning law in Seattle, is "dealing with parenthood (Stephanie, 3; Madeleine, 1) with awe, joy, and on occasion, fatigue. I manage to play golf once a month, whether I need to or not. Sorry to have missed our 30th, but I look forward to future reunions, when my kids can play with Bob Lunn's children or everyone else's grandchildren."

Rob MacDougall has had his ups and downs in business over the last six months, which, says the family's Christmas letter, has "given him a great deal of sympathy for fire hydrants." (One thing Rob has never done in 30 years is lose his wonderful sense of humor.) His consulting practice didn't turn out as hoped, but business has picked up. "Among other things, a Bulgarian friend has hired him to write a business plan for an Internet startup for former Eastern Bloc countries – a sort of AOL for ex-commies, as one wag puts it." Here's hoping you hit the jackpot, Rob.

The family letter points out that Rob "can still make money for a good cause and to remember what real poverty is like. He led a six-month fundraising effort to buy materials and send a ten-person mission from our church to Nicaragua last July to build homes for victims of Hurricane Mitch. It was a lesson in what it really means to have a rich life." Rob also reports activity in his other passion: taking part in the Make-a-Wish Foundation Triathlon and the Marine Corps Marathon, finishing the latter in a blistering 2 hours and, er, 136 minutes. Is this the same Rob MacDougall I remember from Tyler House?

Boston attorney **Sam Bruskin** reports his twin musical daughters Emily and Julie are in a joint Columbia-Julliard program that will give them a B.A. from Columbia and a master's from Julliard. Sam and youngster Amanda went to China in March with the Milton (Mass.) Academy chamber orchestra. He and wife Debby continue to play with the



Bill Oliver '69 (L) and Gordy Bryson '69 met up on the Big Island of Hawaii last November.

Boston Philharmonic and performed in Symphony Hall in Boston and in Carnegie Hall in January. "Since other classmates seem to be into talking about their dogs, I will brag about our two year old chocolate lab, Andy, who is much cuter than President Clinton's Buddy."

From New Mexico, the latest report on Tristani's Dynasty: **Jorge Tristani** writes that two grads "met each other on the soccer field to contest the 1999 State Soccer Championship." Tristani's St. Pius X team beat **Todd Kurth's** '85 Santa Fe Prep School team 3-0 in the semifinals. St. Pius X went on to capture a share of the championship the next day for its seventh straight title and eighth in the decade of the 1990's.

Fellow Tyler House resident **Steve Sease** '68 sent me an e-mail to catch up. Steve didn't go too far from the Valley – he's lived in Vermont for nearly 30 years and Montpelier for 15. He is now director of planning for the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources – an agency he's been with for a long time. Steve occasionally bumps into **Pete Hood** '68, **Trav Travers** '70, **John Rahill** '68, **Rick Yeiser** '67, and our own **Mike Katzenberg** – who live on various hills or valleys around Montpelier. Mike is a bookseller in Montpelier, owner and manager of Bear Pond Books.

Also from the Green Mountain State, Attorney **Herb Ogden** "just hired **Jan Peter Dembinski** '79 as the newest associate lawyer in Liccardi, Crawford & Ogden."

Bob Hallem reports daughter Elissa graduated from Williams in June and is now in grad school at Yale. Bob is president of RTG Data Systems in Santa Monica, Calif.

Twain Woodruff in Minneapolis has had two poems published in volume two of *Squid Ink*, a local literary journal. "Obviously, the Midwest still views itself as being on the cusp of some ancient inner cratonic sea." Twain says he's currently 250 plus pages into his first novel, titled a "Geography of the Soul," and is seeking a publisher. Any takers? He's still playing hockey, but "because of my aging legs, I have moved to center from right wing, because all hockey players know that the center is the loafer. Hence the glory."

Sandy Smith continues life in bucolic Concord, Mass., and his return to his hometown has given him the chance to continue long-standing family traditions. Sandy is now serving in the Concord Independent Battery, a group that counts his father and grandfather as members. And after decades of service to the Orchard House, home of the literary Alcotts, Sandy became treasurer of the House, following in the footsteps of cousin Eric. Since the Louisa May Alcott

Memorial Association started in 1911, only Smith family members have served as treasurer.

Ric Corwin, living just outside Boston in Belmont, spent lots of time preparing for John Hancock's IPO, which occurred in the first quarter of '00, and was from all reports successful. Ric has logged nearly 30 years with the company, joining them just after graduation.

Jim Barnes is writing a column called "The People's University" for the *Echo*, a Charlottesville, Va., newspaper. Jim has been a reference librarian for the Jefferson-Madison Regional Library for 17 years. The column "deals with an eclectic range of topics, befitting an American Studies generalist sort." A man after my own heart.

A November press release from the Philadelphia law firm of Montgomery, McCracken, Walker, & Rhoads, announced that **Jim Sicks** has joined the firm's business department. Jim had previously been general counsel of the Berwind Group, private group of corporations, partnerships, and trusts. Jim is also "reconnecting with the College through my son, Will, who's a first-year now (one of the last of the "Parker Fellows"). It's been wonderful to get to see the school without the large load of adolescent angst I brought with me the first time around. Will reports that the student body is more upper middle class suburban and conservative than he would like, but he was heartened by the new president's apparent resolve to avoid the trend of turning liberal arts colleges into pre-professional boot camps."

Jim is in touch with Barbara and **Jon Moore** and Martha and **Fred Gramlich** on a semi-regular basis, but rarely runs into other classmates. "Occasional business trips to Oregon have given me the chance to see **Jim Azumano** a few times – always great fun – and the last time I was out West I got to see **George Scarola** in Seattle. George seems to be one of the few of us who has maintained a full-time commitment to the social issues we talked about endlessly when we were in school. It was a joy to spend 24 hours with him talking about everything from housing policy to gay rights to presidential politics to education. Victoria and I are coming up on our 30th anniversary and discovering the joys of being empty-nesters who only have to worry about our own agendas."

And from Manasquan, N.J., comes a note from Marilyn and **Bill Oliver**, saying that son "Stephen is following in his sister Becky's and Dad Bill's footsteps, attending Williams and even living on the same floor of Carter" as Becky did. Marilyn also sent along a photo of Bill with **Gordy Bryson**, taken on the Olivers' November trip to Hawaii. It's the nicest picture of two 50-somethings I've seen in a long time. Gordy is still teaching at a prep school on the Big Island of Hawaii.

Sad news to report, another classmate has left us all too early, **Don Tufts**

died on Jan. 12 after a struggle with cancer. Don leaves his wife, Pam, and three children, Rachael '98, Margo, and Sean. Remembrances may be sent in memory of Don to the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Research Center, to support Margo & Rachael's Marathon Fund, 633 Third Ave., 28th Floor, N.Y., N.Y. 10017. All donations will go to the Aubrey Fund for Pediatric Cancer research, as a tribute to his devotion to his children.

Please note my new regular mailing address. E-mail is still the same, and now the preferred way to send news and love you have it. Stay well and in touch.

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To start off this time I have a good one first. **Joe McCurdy** actually returned one of my news mailers. Not that Joe has been incommunicado all these years – it's just that he has never personally deigned to respond to my all-too-familiar pleas for news. He always let someone else write for him. I will let him explain his sudden change of heart. "This is the first time ever that I have sent you class notes info! So, you know it's big news...my son, Joe III, has been accepted early decision into Williams. He's planning on playing football. Next year my daughter, Hagan, will be a senior. Two tuitions...no increase...no discount either!"

Newspapers in Stamford and Greenwich, Conn. carried a story about **Peter Ogilvie**, who recently joined the Greenwich office of Prudential Commercial Realty. Pete previously has worked for Bankers Trust, Fairfield Paper in Ohio, and Soundprints Publishing in Norwalk, Conn. He has also lived in Russia, England, and Iran and speaks several languages.

Bill Matthiesen released a solo piano CD last spring and played a concert at the Troy Music Hall in January. The top of that he continues to keep his video business going. As of Jan. 1, **Jay Matenna** joined Reed Smith Shaw & McClay. Jay recently talked to **Harvey Levin**, **Kelly Corr**, and **Dieter Fry** and he sees **Charlie Knox** from time to time.

"Insanity runs in the family," says **Gary Miller**, and goes on to report "My daughter Jennifer is a freshman at Framingham State. She wants to be a teacher." Gary is in his 20th year as a music, English, and art history teacher at Miss Hall's School in Pittsfield. He continues to be very active as a jazz vibraphonist in the Berkshires, and is in his seventh year of a Wednesday night solo vibes gig at the Panda House in Lenox. He also gigs in several groups with regional jazz musicians, and has produced two CDs: *Blue Plate Special* and *The Vibes Hammond Sessions*. Wife Debbie, meanwhile, has established her own home pet-sitting business.

Wasting few words, **Fred Rhame** re-



Dave Nash '67 holds the four stuffed bears he considers his good luck charms after his U.S. team won the Austria Cup Championship last March in South Africa. The stuffed bears follow Dave to international competitions.

Andy Binder, full-time physician, writes that his medical company's product (this must be part time for Andy) is a non-invasive diagnostic device for evaluating response to exercise. His arduous experience in dealing with the FDA and European regulatory agencies makes him amazed that anyone tries to develop new medical technology. He concludes that his skateboarding experience at Williams prepared him well for becoming a passionate middle-aged surfer. He asks, "Bob Conway, where are you?"

Jack Hunt saw Ted McPherson at Williams' Parents' Spring Weekend. Jack was there to see his daughter Lisa '03 play lacrosse. He says that the King Ranch is fine, but they do need rain. Jack is on three state boards: water, conservation, and Coastal Council, all pursuant to appointments by Governor Bush.

Don't faint! Warner Fletcher actually wrote in! He says he made the mistake of skiing with Kathie and Bill Biersach this winter at Cannon Mountain, N.H. The Biersachs' apparently haven't aged a bit, evidenced by Bill who, allegedly unlike Warner, skis as aggressively as at Williams. Mary and Warner also visited with Jimmie and John Hufnagel at their new estate in Pond Ridge, N.Y. Warner also talked with Mark Richards, who at the time was heavily involved in the plans for the June wedding of his son Peter in New Orleans. Warner also notes that David Rikert, still with Nike, has returned from the Netherlands to Portland, Ore. Warner himself still enjoys work but also his place in Kennebunkport, Maine (visitors encouraged). His three boys are out on their own. "No more tuition checks!" A familiar refrain.

Paul Lipof says his kids are out of the house and doing well; his wife is terrific, and his daughter was accepted at the UConn Medical School and will start this fall. Paul had a pleasant evening in April with Tom Phillips, who was in Manhattan for an urban planning conference. Meanwhile Paul is shedding a few excess pounds and getting in shape to hit the tennis courts and road bikes this summer.

That's it for this issue. Enjoy the rest of the summer and catch some of the healths out there. We don't seem to be getting any less frazzled these days.

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Reporting from the global economy is Jim Boynton: "Having led New York-based Christy & Viener into the first trans-Atlantic law firm merger with European-based Salans, Hertzfeld & Heilbronn, this year I am chairing the firmwide executive committee. With offices in New York, London, Paris, Warsaw, Kyiv, St. Petersburg, Baku and Almaty, and with more than 12 nationalities among our partners, we are a firm for the new millennium." (Extra credit to those who can name the respective countries.)

Also on the road is Jeff Brinn '68 and '70. His SEC consulting and related services as a CPA have included teaching continuing education seminars for accountants in California, Texas, Chicago, Washington, Boston, Baltimore and Atlanta, among other places. Washington allows him the chance to visit with Ginny and Bill Shapiro. "In June, Myra and I will return to Williamstown for the 30th reunion of my graduation class and our 12th reunion overall (that's 37.5 percent of all possible reunions since 1968). I expect to set the all-time record, at least for a non-Williamstown resident."

Bill Blanchard "saw Steve O'Grady at the ECAC lacrosse tournament, where he was watching his senior son at Bowdoin play Wesleyan, and I was there to help coach Williams." Bill reports a long list of athletic involvements among his children, but "stubbornly, I won't give in to age — or common sense — as I've signed on to play in a 'masters' lacrosse tournament in Lake Placid this August with Bob Koegel '73 and other Williams alumni of our vintage. Sold our cruising sailboat and bought a kayak."

Also following a child's sports is Lowell Davis: "Our daughter, Laura, is a freshman at Trinity College playing field hockey and lacrosse. With my busy sports schedule here at the Landon School, I was able to see her play only one game throughout the year. You guessed right I had to drive to Amherst to watch her play."

Chris Dornin says he is watching his five children grow up, including son Laird '97, now a software writer for Sun. Chris is a writer for a small-town paper, and "I still write a little poetry."

Earl Potter recently moved to Eastern Michigan University as dean of the business school. He also serves on a national committee of the United Way.

Barton Jones moved from Gramercy Park to Hell's Kitchen and from his position in a big-time law firm to become general counsel of the pension fund of

the Episcopal Church. I ran into Bart in April in Williamstown; he was there for a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Society of Alumni. He was happy and proud of both New York moves.

Also moving, legally speaking, is Bruce Berman. After 15 years in the Miami office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges, he heads to the Miami office of McDermott, Will & Emery.

Closest to Williamstown connections, Jim Thompson reports a special visit: "The art department at Western Carolina University, where I work, recently hosted S. Lane Faison Jr. '29 as a visiting critic for a month. 92-years-young (his father, WWI Maj. Gen. S. Lane Faison from Faison, N.C.), Lane delighted and enlightened with his wit, wisdom and indefatigable enthusiasm. Williams teachers sure do know how to teach (they don't make them like that anymore)."

I saw Jeff Stiefler at the Williams graduation this year, there for his son Todd. Jeff says he is "just doing a few Internet things, like everyone." Also celebrating Williams graduations of offspring this June were Arnold Cover, Bill Ronai, David Shulte and Curt Waugh.

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Bill Hoffman, after 14 years as chief counsel to the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control, now has a new job providing legal advice to Treasury on IMF and Russian, Central and Eastern European matters. "In other words," says Bill, "I will be doing my penance by fostering international trade and development. I will be doing full-time lawyering (my first love, professionally), having shed my management duties and many of the extra nightly hours. Marie and the kids have been getting the short end of my time for too long, and we decided that it was time to take action, even at some economic cost."

"To add emphasis, the management upstairs tossed me a 'transient ischemic attack' a month ago — a stroke that leaves no lasting damage except to one's delusions of immortality. The forced vacation following the TIA had the benefit of convincing the general counsel that my office had enough management depth to operate sans Hoffman without bringing down the Republic. I am greatly looking forward to learning new areas of law, and to family activities that have been too long in abeyance!"

In Maryland, Dudley Staples has moved to a dot-com. "The biotech company where I worked as general counsel (Biowhittaker) was sold. I lasted for a year after the sale, but ultimately the buyer eliminated my position. Now I am general counsel for an online merchant (onlineofficesupplies.com) near Frederick, Md. As a result, I get jokes about my last name. Almost everyone is 20-30 years

younger, but it's interesting work in a field where the rules are still being made up. One of the other execs (Dan Pritchard) is also a Williams alum — but Class of '89 (as I said, 20-30 years younger)."

Dudley finally retired from the Navy Reserve after 29 years and four commands. Just after he left his last duty station, the Navy Exchange Command, Rear Admiral Dick Ginman '70 took over as commander. Dudley is fortunate to see several classmates from time to time including Mike Himowitz and wife Paula. "Mike is in charge of the tech section of the *Baltimore Sun* and an occasional contributor to *Fortune* and other publications. Mike's articles are written so well (in addition to being entertaining) that even the marginally computer literate (like me) can understand."

Dudley also reports sightings of Cliff Low, Bruce Plenk, Dave Reid and Randy Boyd, the last of whom he recently saw at Easter services at historic Westover Church in the countryside along the James River between Richmond and Williamsburg, Va. "Randy still is the picture of a southern gentleman we all knew."

Alan Dittrich also made a career change, this one to beautiful downtown Providence at Brown University, where he became director of prospect development in February. "I am responsible for prospect and market research, marketing communications and donor stewardship for Brown's Development Office. It's interesting to see from the inside all that goes on behind the telephone call or letter that asks a graduate to support the University. It is also fascinating to see what happens after the donation is received. Diana Elvin, in the Williams Development Office, and one of the grande dames of donor stewardship, made the initial connection between Brown and me."

Alan son's Justin finished his first year at Williams in June. "It's been a wonderfully enriching year for him, both the ups and the downs, as college should be. Going to Williams parents' events has deepened and strengthened my esteem for alma mater and convinced me that he made the right choice. And to the classmates who tolerated my long-winded fund-raising calls, thank you for your support."

Speaking of fund-raising, longtime class agent Terry Palmer is again in search of a successor. "After six years and nearly a half-million dollars in unrestricted giving to Williams, your head class agent wishes to find a better organized and more energetic and enthusiastic successor. The hours are open, the rewards are numerous, and the College is making the organizational details easier all the time." Apply any time.

Eric Kelly received a gubernatorial appointment to the Indiana Land Resources Council, a group with "no regulatory authority, but the fact that the legislature has recognized that land is a resource is progress." Eric also has been elected to the boards of the Community Associations Institute and its related CAI Research Foundation, picking up those duties as he leaves a four-year term on

where he plies his computer skills in the dot-edu world at a less frenetic pace than what he faced in the dot-corn environment.

Dr. **Fred Hendler** lives in Louisville, KY. He attended reunion with his son **Clint**.

Reunion carried special meaning for **Art Wheelock**, who attended with his wife **Perry**. **Perry's** daughter **Louisa** is looking at colleges, and she got a full view of Williams that weekend. For **Art**, it was especially moving, as his father, **Arthur Wheelock '40**, was there to attend his 60th reunion.

Jeanne and **Don Ross** enjoyed seeing **Don Clark**, **Frone Crawford**, **Jere Thompson** and **Mike Finney**. **Don** and **Jeanne** live in **Newton, MA**.

The class owes **Mike Brewer** a sincere debt of gratitude for his efforts as class president. **John Storey** is an excellent choice to succeed **Mike**, and I look forward to working with him and Vice President **Dave Coolidge**. **Mike** faces extreme time demands as chairman of the National Symphony Orchestra in **Washington, DC**.

Through the orchestra, he has led visits and performances in **Japan** and **China**. His wife **Janet Brown** is preparing for her fourth set of presidential debates as the executive director of the Commission on Presidential Debates. The commission is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization that began sponsoring the debates in 1988. **Mike**, thanks for a job well done.

Since our daughter **Nora** was graduating from **Stanford** the same weekend as reunion, we were unable to attend. But we send kind words to **Joe Small**, **Jim Worrall**, **Phil McKnight** and **John Storey**, who made reunion a big success, with more than 50 classmates attending. Thanks to **Saranne Murray** and **Jack Foley**, who obtained our 35th hats and saved them for us until we visited them at **Groton Long Point, CT**, in **July**. We were joined by **Diane** and **Ron Kidd**, and by **Lorinda** and **Tim Reichert** and we celebrated a mini-reunion of our own.

Ed. Note: *The Hon. Joseph C. Small* was named presiding judge of the *New Jersey Tax Court* effective Oct. 1. *Joseph* and his wife *Alice* live in *Princeton*. Their daughter is *Emily Small '00*.

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Perhaps the summer heat accounts for the scant amount of news I received for the fall class notes. Thanks to those who sent updates.

Jeff Fletcher was appointed director of the Center for Member Programs at the National League of Cities (NLC) following 25 years as its director of public affairs. **Jeff** joined the NLC staff in **October 1972**.

An article in the **April New Yorker**

about **Thomas Krens '69**, director of the **Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation**, points out that he "didn't know any of the so-called Williams-Mafia – a group of art history majors and athletes who were at the school in the 60s and now occupy several high museum positions: **Earl (Rusty) Powell III**, director of the **National Gallery of Art**; **James N. Wood '63**, director of the **Art Institute of Chicago**; **John R. Lane**, director of the **Dallas Museum of Art**; and **Kirt Varnedoe '67**, chief curator of painting and sculpture at the **Museum of Modern Art**." **Thomas** says he and **Kirt** have become good friends and are both motorcycle buffs.

Roger Kubarych wants information about those of you in the **Chicago** area. He is no longer working at the **Council of Foreign Relations** and is at work on a book titled *Unsung Heroes*. It is my understanding that the book examines the people behind the scenes who significantly affected some of the recent monetary decisions. In addition, he periodically writes articles for a **German** magazine.

Bob Cunningham was sitting "in the snowbound lodge at the **Balsams** in **New Hampshire** one late February afternoon watching the **Pebble Beach Pro-Am Invitational**. Just as I lamented that I had not yet in my life either walked on, let alone played at, **Pebble Beach**, the **TV** cameras scanned the next player strolling down the fairway, and let us viewers know who the stroller was: **John Linen**. ... Don't forget that long putt I gave you at **Taconic** in **April 1963**."

Two housekeeping items: First, mark your calendars to be in **Williamstown** for our 35th reunion **June 7-10, 2001**. Based on my experiences, the more of us who come back the more fun it is for everyone. Second, send in your annual alumni gift to get both our percentage and total up for 2000.

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The lead news this issue is the honor bestowed on **Bob Bahr**, who was elected president of the **Society of Alumni**. **Bob** will serve as president for the next two years, until our 35th reunion. He was also part of the **Williams** presidential search committee. He says, "The process of choosing a president was fascinating, and I found the final choice of **Morty Schapiro** to be the ideal leader for the new century and its challenges." **Bob** and **Susan** see **Rena** and **Ed Wing** frequently in **Providence**. The two families live three houses apart on the same street. The **Bahrs** attended the **June** wedding of **Jonathan Wing '93** in **New Orleans**.

U.S. News & World Report published a letter to the editor **March 20** from **Stu Rosenthal**. He commented

on **Williams' decision** to hold the line on tuition this year.

Brian Murphy spent a week in **NYC** last summer for meetings during the day and theater in the evening. He saw his 15-year-old son off to **Camp Rising Sun** in **Rhinebeck, NY**. **Brian** and his wife **Susan** and **Lenny Goldberg** and his wife **Katy** celebrated their respective 20th wedding anniversaries together in **August**.

Fred Sleezer relocated to **Weston, FL**, last May to join the **Curtiss Group** as a senior partner. The group, a member of **Oi Partners**, specializes in executive coaching and search and career transition consulting. **Fred** played golf with **Doug Chumbley '78** at **Riviera**.

Scanlon Gail says he's "baaaaack" from his back surgery. He's been up and about for several months and feels great. He's a private teaching and acting coach. He also performs a one-man show that evolved from his grant-funded public space work at corporate and college engagements. **Sara** finished as an assistant decorator on the set of a **Mel Gibson** flick called *What Women Want*. She then moved on to **Tim Burton's** film *Planet of the Apes*.

Tom Mahler suffered a stroke at **Easter** time. But after spending the summer in hospitals, he is at home, is increasingly mobile and is in the process of getting back much of what was damaged. He is in great spirits, working hard in his rehab, and is eager to get on with his major house remodeling project.

Jim Lindheim moved to **Castle Valley, UT**, just outside **Moab**. He fell in love with the area four years ago. It is a paradise for hiking, river rafting, photography and mountain biking, although **Jim** excludes himself from that last activity. He moved his consulting business there and has, by coincidence, become parent to the 12-year-old nephew of his life partner. He says, "While others are emptying their nests, I'm dealing with a budding teen. New adventures every day."

That's a wrap for this issue. I do need news for the next one though, so please don't be bashful. Send me updates anytime.

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I received 11 postcards in response to my request for news, and only two were unsigned. I guess losing our minds is a slow process.

Steve Fisher left consulting to become **CFO** of **Ventiv Health Communications**, a medical education and communications provider. He and **Cheryl** fly and bike around **Cape Cod**, the islands and other **Northeastern** sites. He says they usually take in at least one **Williams** football game per year.

Bill Gustafson retired after 20 years with the city of **Chula Vista, CA**. He planned to take a 10-day hiking trip in

Austria in **September** with **Mary Lou** and **Jim Briggs '60** and six other alumni. **Bill's** wife **Diane** is a librarian for a junior college near their home. Their son **Brian** graduated from **Carnegie Mellon University** last year and is working in the computer industry in the **Bay Area**.

Larry Levien visited **Williams** with his daughter **Lauren**, a high school senior. **Lauren** said of the residence halls, "Best dorm rooms of any we've seen!" She also loved the monkey carrels in the library. **Larry** adds, "I thought I was home with the construction on **Spring Street**."

Tony Kronman's daughter **Emma** went to tennis camp at **Williams** "and fell in love with the College." His son **Matt** attends **Yale Medical School**, and his two younger children are at home. **Tony** writes, "I'm in my seventh year as dean of the **Yale Law School** – a job I immensely enjoy – and have occasion to meet many **Williams** graduates who come here to study."

Bob Lux spends time with **Bob Cricenti** and **Doug Rae** now that he lives in **New Hampshire**. He's also seen **John Herpel**, or better, has been seen by him, as a patient in **John's** eye care office. Last summer **Bob** sailed in **Scotland** and **Norway** with his wife. He writes, "Escaping the rat race provides needed perspective."

After several years without an update, **Jim Halloran** writes that he switched careers from stockbroker to **VP** and analyst at **National City Bank** in **Cleveland**. He covers oil, gas and chemical stocks. **Ted Moore '92** joined his department. **Jim** and his wife **Leslie** are putting their three children through college. He writes, "One of my biggest failures is that I could never get any of them to look at **Williams**."

Henry Hecht is still teaching at the **University of California** at **Berkeley**, **Boalt Hall School of Law**, where **Norman Spaulding '93** joined the faculty. "At a delightful lunch, I realized he was born after I graduated from **Williams**," **Henry** writes. "That's a rude awakening to midlife!"

Finally, we note the loss of **Roger Wolmuth** to lymphatic cancer. After **Williams**, **Roger** went to work for **Time Inc.**, where he held numerous positions for more than 30 years. At the time of his death he was executive editor of **Wenner Media's US weekly**. A note in that magazine said he "brought to the launch of *US weekly* not only his formidable skills as a journalist but also compassion, warmth and a high-spirited sense of humor that served everyone through it all." He is survived by his wife **Shelia Dugan** and five stepdaughters.

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After reading the summer issue of this magazine, I became certifiably