

science department at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. His daughters seem rooted in Tennessee, with one in college and the other in high school. And his wife Mary (Bennington '66) keeps the art interest alive as well as a connection to the Purple Valley. She teaches art at a prep school for girls.

At the time of the 35th, **Roger Kubarych** was in Germany as part of a career change. He has also written a book, *Stress Testing the System, Simulating the Consequences of the Next Financial Crisis*, which was to be published at the end of September. Among other items, he discusses Osama bin Laden, in the book presciently written six months before the attacks.

Several others from New York and Washington used the list server to let us know they were safe after the attacks. We heard from or of **Dave Batten**, **Karl Garlid**, **Jon Linen** and **Dave Tunick** in New York, and **Ron Bettauer**, **Ron Promboin** and **Coleman Bird** in DC.

Graham Cole considers it "great, good fortune to serve as headmaster at Westminster School in Simsbury, Conn., a wonderful, small, co-ed boarding school of 360 students." He has been there for eight years, after confirming the Peter Principle at Lawrenceville by working up through the faculty ranks to dean of faculty and associate headmaster. Graham and wife Carol are proud parents of two 20-something sons, who are unmarried, impoverished, but still above average. "My hair is white, my knees are shot, and some other parts aren't working so well lately, but I suspect that all of us have such infirmities now," he says.

Also reporting more rewards than frustrations during 35 years in independent education is **Jim Kraemer**, director of college counseling for the Nichols School. He was remarried in 1999 and says, "I'm an incurable optimist, and this time I got it right." Jim has five above-average children ranging from ages 14 to 32.

In lieu of himself **Jon Smith** sent an update. He has been an attorney with the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission for more than 21 years. He is grappling with the question of whether it would be a wise tradeoff to fill in two square miles of San Francisco Bay in order to expand the airport. Jon says his children Stewart, 14, and Julia, 12, "have developed critical opinions about his taste in clothes, music, movies, etc." His wife Moira (UC Berkeley '78) is a real-estate agent. "Life is very full and rich; time seems to become more precious every day," Jon says. His office is on the Embarcadero, and he does lunch. Visit.

Pete Haller also practices environmental and natural resources law. He lives in Mill Creek, Wash., 25 miles north of Seattle. Sorely tempted to abandon the social consciousness agenda, he almost went with a high-tech startup last year. Somehow it never happened. The result is that he is still employed, while the startup has vanished. His oldest son, age 24, is

"pursuing a living" as a rock guitarist in Nashville. His daughter, age 20, attends the University of Washington (Class of '03) and plans to attend law school, and his youngest was to begin UW in the fall. Pete's wife of 27 years teaches fourth grade. His son gave him the moniker "Potbellied Stallion." Pete denies that he is the former and admits he is not the latter, but says, "life is good."

Ben Coplan remembered that he had not returned to Williamstown in 20 years and sent news. He is a pediatrician with Kaiser in Fremont, Calif. He was promoted from chief of the department to ex-chief, which he says is a vast improvement. He and wife Toni are trying to adjust to a quieter and more modest lifestyle, now that daughter Amelia has gone off to Scripps College.

It is with sadness that we report the death of classmate **Peter Dillingham**. Peter came to Williams from New Trier Township High School, along with **Jan Van Horne**, **Hank Harrington**, **Stew Leber** and **Bill Ewen**. He spent freshman year in Lehman West with **Wink Willett**, **Carl Casselman** and **Rusty Halderman**. Rusty wrote, "He had a brooding, defensive mien, but a fun sense of humor and a real talent for playing the guitar. He sat in his room behind a closed door for hours, entertaining us with a variety of folk, classical and flamenco selections, switching from one to the other with amazing alacrity." **Ron Worland** wrote, "I knew Peter well at Williams. He was a bit or more liberal than I was then. He was a member of Phi Sig while we were briefly fraternities. I remember Peter with his 12-string guitar and loving life. He was different in his own way, and we always appreciated his style. Peter was not afraid to be outspoken, and I will always remember his verve for life and dedication for what he thought was right. An individual and his own man." Peter is survived by his wife **Diana**. We also learned of the sudden death of **Jody Dobson's** oldest son Marc. Our deepest sympathies go out to him. Too much sadness this fall.

Former class secretary **Charley Gibbs** and wife Teddy became grandparents for the first time in August. He said, "New life is humbly amazing."

May we all be thankful for the successes and joys of life that come our way and for the friendships and communities that sustain us and give us courage and strength to endure sorrows and days of dark despair.

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More health news tops this issue. **Don Steinmuller** reports from Chicago that last year started off with a diagnosis of esophageal cancer. After a lengthy course of treatment and surgery he has recovered. So far tests have detected no further evidence of cancer. The silver lining is that he has re-assessed his work

schedule and now has more time for his family, golf, vacations and visits to Williamstown. He hoped to see old friends at homecoming. His daughter **Kelly** is a senior majoring in political economy. His oldest daughter **Nicole '00** teaches kindergarten and third grade in NYC and plans to apply to medical school in 2002. Pondering the football season Don muses, "We did lose all those homecoming games to Amherst, didn't we?" Unfortunately the answer is, yes!

Ted Botts finally called it a day after 30 years working on Wall Street. He started his own business, Kensington Gate Capital, in Greenwich, Conn. He lives not far from there with his two labs and wife Kathy, who reportedly refuses to let him come home for lunch. Ted was soon to be grandfather to the child of James and **Kristen Ward '94**. His son **Jono '97** started medical school in September. **Lindsey '00** is working at Lazard Freres in NYC.

In Buffalo, N.Y., **Harry Schooley** and his wife Lon, whom he courted all through college, celebrated their 34th wedding anniversary last July. Their son HB is 31, single and lives in Carboro, N.C., where he is a struggling screenwriter. **Chris White** is his godfather. Harry is in his 30th year of teaching history at Buffalo Seminary, an all-girls prep school, which, in spite of its name, is non-sectarian. Except for five years teaching at a similar school in Shaker Heights in the early 80s, he has taught at "Sem" since graduation from Williams. He is proud to have sent a number of excellent students to Williams over the years. One of these, **Mary Roach '78**, became head of Sem's board of trustees. Harry is ramping up for retirement by reading, writing and doing the occasional cartoon, as he did for *The Williams Record*.

Bryan Hickman skied with **Harry Tether** and **Bob Ingalls** last winter. He said both are looking great and enjoying their respective banking and computer science professor jobs. Bryan's business, which manufactures small buses, completed a major expansion last December. His biggest news, though, is that his daughter **Danner** is a member of the Class of 2005.

Bill Woodworth says all is well in Cherry Hill, where he is keeping his clients' heads above water in a puzzling market. His kids are through college. He comments, "Now to pay the loans off." He has a season ticket to the local weekly rodeo (yes, in New Jersey), and he volunteers for a horseback-riding program for the handicapped.

Scanlon Gail e-mailed an advertisement of the two plays he performed this past summer, *Sisters of the Winter Madrigal* and *Dirty Ugly People and Their Stupid Meaningless Lives*. The world premieres ran at the Los Angeles Center Theatre Group to critical acclaim.

Gregg Meister and his wife were in Budapest and Prague in the spring celebrating their 30th anniversary with their daughter **Miriam**, a sophomore at Haverford. Gregg has been doing

yeoman's service developing the class Web site. He encourages you to check out www.williams67.com. It is important that you review the information there for accuracy, particularly your e-mail address. **Mark Piechota**, lead man for reunion planning, has suggested that we all provide some information (link/article/picture) between now and 2002. Gregg hopes to have a complete listing of the class on the site, including a list of our deceased members. Special thanks go to Gregg and the other folks who helped out on the site. Thanks also to Mark Piechota for shouldering all of the reunion responsibilities.

Dennis Sullivan, a professor of economics at Miami University (Ohio), was one of two recipients of the outstanding professor award presented by the University's Associated Student Government. Dennis has been on the Miami faculty since 1973; he is director of international business programs.

Terry Sands, our hard-working and resourceful class agent, is looking for "a few good men." Actually, he would like a number of classmates to assist in the Alumni Fund drive this year. It would be a great way to contact classmates to start building excitement for reunion. E-mail him at tsands@lbhs.com if you're interested in helping. This year, Terry completed his 12th season as director of summer community theater in Gloucester, Mass. The group presented *Damn Yankees*, hoping it would spur on the Sox. So it goes.

I regret to have to pass along the news that **Howard Kestenbaum** is among those listed as missing in the World Trade Center attack. I will keep you informed as we learn more.

That's all for this edition. Have a great holiday season, and I'll see you in the spring and summer issues, just a couple of months ahead of the big reunion in Williamstown. "Be there," as they say.

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A thoughtful letter arrived from **Jim Barns**. Jim is a supporter of the Vietnam vets counseling center in Charlottesville, Va., and a member of the Mental Health Association board. He wrote in response to the deaths of two classmates in the past year that may have been related to depression and included a letter that he wrote almost two years ago to the editor of the Charlottesville newspaper, after the suicide of a prominent person there. A portion of it says: "He was a thoughtful, fun-loving and purposeful person. Yet future life had become unbearable for him. It was another case of 'You never would have known it.' Most of us are not all we seem, and we also carry burdens unseen. Since I did not know him, I do not feel the loss beyond words that his family and close friends must

feel, nor the anger. What I know is that often this does not have to happen. These troubled people have become cornered by their own counsel. There is no exit, no other solution. This plea for active caring will be a great success if it encourages someone, someday, to ask, 'Are you OK?' or 'Why don't you come over to our house tonight?' when he or she senses a troubled person. Such a gesture could get that person off a dark path or give him or her a chance to talk. Simply showing such caring may be enough of a boost. If you sense it, say something. No harm – and there may be the time when it makes all the difference."

These notes are written the week of Sept. 11, when the subject of mortality is quite immediate. **Bob Scott**, president of Morgan Stanley, was addressing a group in the World Trade Center when the first plane hit. **John Oppenheimer** was on the phone with a former employee near the top of Tower 2 when his friend said his final words and the phone went out. **Ross Anthony** viewed the devastating Pentagon fireball from his office at RAND, across the street.

All of this reminds us of the importance of friendship and community. It is not trivializing to suggest that you mark down June 12-15, 2003, our 35th reunion, as a time to reconnect with the friends and community we have shared. In the meantime, you might want to call up a classmate just to say hello.

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A sad note to start: **Smitty Hopkins** died July 30 from lymphoma. Alice S. Prince, M.D., at Columbia University sent word: "Smitty was the associate medical director at St. Lukes/Roosevelt Hospital in NYC, the same hospital where he trained in general surgery and practiced for 18 years. Besides his M.D. in 1975, he also received an M.P.H. from Columbia in 1998. He was in charge of quality assurance at the hospital, a job he took very seriously, despite his illness. He was exceptionally proud of his sons Daniel (Harvard '00) and Benjamin (Amherst '03), despite their choice of colleges. He particularly enjoyed sitting at the Williams pool last winter watching Ben win the diving competition and smirking as Williams won the meet. Contributions to the Massachusetts General Hospital Bone Marrow Transplant Unit are welcome."

To more pleasant news. Many of us are experiencing empty nest syndrome, but some of us are starting all over again. **Dorsey Lynch** gets this year's vote for the oldest new dad in the class. "Joyce and I celebrated arrival of daughter, Katherine Ann, on June 24. We've been married since 1986 and have a son, Kevin, 6. Admittedly, a late start for Katherine Ann, but she should keep me young(er)."

Ridd Larsen is the managing partner of Howell Larsen Associates, LLP in Lexington, Mass., a firm he helped to establish earlier in the year. It provides fiduciary services such as estate settlement, mediation and business management for individuals and families.

Dick Peinert, Vic Richards '70, Lee Homan '70 and their wives had their annual reunion in July. Dick says, "All is well with them. Vic is town manager of Milton, N.H., while Lee is starting his third year teaching at Kentucky Country Day School in Louisville. Played golf with Vic a couple of weeks later at a tournament in Franchestown. I now understand why we Mass. folks refer to it as 'Cow Hampshire.'"

Dick played golf in the Williams tournament with **Terry Palmer**. "Since Terry had the gall to make fun of my tree-seeking missiles off the tee by e-mail, I am now revealing to the whole Williams world that he 3-putted from one foot," he writes.

Dick also writes that barrister **"Tom Siplkins** is threatening to run a marathon, since I made light of his lack of lightness in last *Alumni Review*. Tom, if you run it, I will be happy to be a sponsor. Tom's last daughter, Ali, is off to college at Wisconsin, and he is going through empty nest withdrawal, as well as bank account withdrawal." As for Dick: "Not much new with us. Same job, same wife, same kids."

Tom Goodbody had the summer highlight of "backpacking for a week up in the White Mountains in New Hampshire with a non-Williams cousin of mine. Best views were from the top of Mt. Garfield, which I climbed wearing my Williams T-shirt. My son, **Lucas**, is starting his junior year at Williams. He has improved the family reputation, as far as I can tell. I'm still seeing way too much of Toylet (Terry Palmer, by any other name), who continues to amaze with his Alumni Fund results. Also had ... dinner with **Lou Buck '70** and his wife up in Glens Falls this summer."

In Grand Marais, Minn., **Twain Woodruff** writes that his poetry can be found on two Web sites: The Zone and shadowpoetry.com. "I am living along the north shore of Lake Superior with my muse, a great woman, and trying to complete my novel *A Geography of the Soul*. I am still playing ice hockey on outdoor rinks in winter wonderland."

From **Tom Foster**: "Isaac Seiver Foster, Class of 2005!"

Sandy Smith and wife Sally in Concord, Mass., had a rough year, losing Sally's father and stepfather, both of Sandy's parents, and an aunt. Highlights for the Smiths were their 25th wedding anniversary and daughter Samantha's acceptance into Concord Academy. "Some highs and some real lows. I have had wonderful support through all these twists and turns from ... Sally and my two children. Between them and my relatively stable health, I am a lucky guy," says Sandy.

Attorney **Wes Howard** says, "Life is good here in Denver, where Parti and I continue to raise our two kids, who got

to go to Yellowstone, the beaches of Maine, soccer camp and outdoor camp in the Rockies, while I toiled preparing a large oil and gas case for a two-week jury trial. One bright spot of my summer was spending time with **Bryan Sullivan** when I was in Chicago for a deposition. Bryan is developing real estate and was preparing to send his second daughter to Bryn Mawr. Sullie and I waxed philosophical over a brew and agreed that youth is wasted on the young."

From **Lloyd Constantine**: "On June 3, 2001, I attended the Williams graduation of my son **Isaac** ... Despite Morry Schapiro's frequent apologies for the weather (he must be better connected than I suspected) the day was beautiful and perfect. It allowed me to finally heal a wound from our graduation, when my father (who died Spring Weekend our freshman year) was not present. Adding to the magic of the day was the valedictory of a [Slovakian] woman who spoke of her feelings about graduating without her mother (who died when she was a sophomore) present. The icing on top of the cake was the presence of **Jack Urquhart's** son Ben, **Matt Gutman '00**, the son of **Paul '70** – of blessed memory – and my own Jan, Elizabeth and Sarah '04."

Musician **Art Lande** in Boulder, Colo., says his youngest son, Otis, has headed to UC Santa Barbara's creative studies program in physics, and his older son, Aaron, is a full-time classical violinist. (Must be in the genes.) "Now is a time of new freedom, more visits with old friends, more touring with various jazz groups, including a ... six-country Europe tour in November. Aubrey and I are happy and well. Here in Boulder, I'm refereeing b-ball in the city league. Life is great," says Art.

Tony Glascock was named vice provost of academic affairs at Drexel University in Philadelphia. Tony had been dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He will continue to serve as director of the Center for Applied Neurogerontology and professor of anthropology with the Department of Culture and Communication.

Bob Young and Rich Steinberg report that they each have two Ephspring. Rich's second child, **Jennifer**, is in the Class of 2005, joins sister **Dana '02**. He adds: "Our third, Emily, is entering fifth grade, thus rendering it impossible (remote?) that we'll have three tuitions to pay in any one year." Bob's son **Matt** joined the Class of '05 "so that he can keep an eye on **Ian '03**. Moving their guitars and drum set up to Williamstown has left Leecie and me in a quieter, as well as empty, nest. ... Maybe we'll put on that Rolling Stones CD and crank up the volume."

In his April 23 *Baltimore Sun* column about selecting computers, **Mike Himowitz** gave the College a plug. "With my younger son in the process of deciding where to go to school in the fall," Mike wrote, "we spent a couple of days last week on the campus of Williams College, a small, liberal arts institution in the Berkshire hills of

western Massachusetts that I attended during a period in history that our boys refer to as 'The Middle Ages.'" Mike noted that, according to *Yahoo! Internet Life* magazine, Williams is the most "wired" college in the country.

From **Joe Williams**, in response to the class mailing for notes, comes the plea: "Please, save the stamp and letter in the future, and send only an e-message." A man after my own heart.

Marty Lafferty is president and chief executive officer of Zoom Culture, which he joined in November 2000. Founded two years ago and located in Chapel Hill, N.C., Zoom Culture features the largest national network of independent, digital filmmakers, known as Zoom Directors. Marty says he's the "poster boy" for Zoom Culture's new Zoom Director video homepage – a virtual demo reel, as he describes it, for members to showcase their TV and film work. Marty has worked for Turner Broadcasting System, NBC, and FutureVision. He is a recipient of the NCTA President's Award and a CTAM TAMI Award.

Lee Griffith had an eventful June. His second daughter, **Abigail**, graduated from Williams, and he married Beth M. Anderson at the Cranwell Resort in Lenox, Mass. **Tom Parker** was Lee's co-best man (with Lee's brother) and was spotted on the dance floor wearing an Amherst T-shirt. Beth has an 8-year-old daughter Summer (Williams bound, according to Lee) and two rambunctious golden retrievers. Lee is a partner at the Connecticut law firm Day, Berry & Howard LLP and was to move to their expanded Greenwich office in early October.

A final thought: I don't know about the rest of you, but the adage of "age is a state of mind" is beginning to sink in with me, if for no other reason than sheer desperation. Think about it: every three months these notes still appear on the right-hand side of the staples in this magazine. Stay well and in touch.

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Sluggo Stearns continues to keep in touch via postcard, while wife Janelle Gamble has upgraded to e-mail. Between the two they keep us informed of their latest exploits. On vacation from teaching English at a university in Pusan, South Korea, at the end of the summer they spent time in Seoul and then traveled to Guam to visit an old friend from their days in Africa. Just before the end of the semester, Sluggo and Janelle held make-up classes for students who would otherwise receive a mandatory failing grade for missing an in-class evaluation session. Sluggo received the following e-mail from one of his students: I always think your lecture is very interesting and exciting. Please give me one more chance ... please ... Let me know the day when I

John's daughter Sara. He notes that Jock is doing well in Portland.

John also reported that in January there was the annual New York get-together. John saw **Mike Burrows**, who apparently lured our own FBI agent **David Kollender** to one of the New York "bars." **Bill Bowden**, **John Carney**, **Howard Buschman**, **Lance Knox** and **Topper Winder** were also present and reportedly in good form.

My law firm recently merged with another and has become Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A. In the process of retreats to meet our merged partners, I met Ellis Johnston, who is the stepbrother of **Mike Reilly '64**. It was delightful for me to spend the three-hour drive home from the retreat recalling fondly my interactions with Mike throughout my sophomore year. I am thankful for the impact that knowing Mike had on my life.

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Leading this issue is the very sad news of the Oct. 23, 2000, death of **Ron Warner**. He had been fighting colon cancer that was diagnosed during a routine physical the previous December. He succumbed to a related heart attack. Ron was with a securities firm in Manhattan. He had been interested for many years in Shamanism (Indian healing). According to his beliefs, his remains were laid to rest near Rapid City, S.D. He leaves his wife **Deborah**, his son Jonathan and daughter-in-law Susan, his son Geoffrey, his daughters Jennifer and Vanessa Martin, Vanessa's husband Brendan and his grandson Jared. Reflecting another of Ron's interests, memorials can be sent to the Birders Exchange Program, which protects habitats in Latin America and can be reached at 800.850.2483. We will miss this extremely warm, personable and bright member of our class. Like others, he has left us too early.

In health news, Barb and **Tom Mahler** enjoyed several weeks at their condo in Mazatlan this winter. The trip went smoothly in spite of the difficulties imposed by Tom's post-stroke limitations. They recently completed a renovation of their home, and Tom is planning to participate in the annual family walleye fishing trip in Canada this spring. All good signs.

From Hong Kong comes word from **Ko Ching Po**, as we knew him at Williams, or **Ken Co** today. He has changed jobs a couple of times since we last heard from him. He was first with the Hong Kong Jockey Club teaching their apprentice jockeys practical English; and he is now at his own alma mater, the Diocesan Boys School, where he is teaching literature and English classes. He intends to stay there for three to five years and then retire.

Ron Bodinson confirms **Jim Lindheim's** complete transformation to a western adventurer, having seen electronic photos of him climbing and rafting. Ron feels it was all inspired by living on the top floor of Sage and near the Green River.

Bill McClung is chairman of math and computer science at Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln. His wife Hannah Jo finished her coursework and awaits her competency exams, dissertation and recital to finish her Doctor of Musical Arts in voice at the University of Nebraska. The family, including sons Andrew, 13, and Charles, 10, plan to be in Ludwigsburg, Germany (a Stuttgart suburb) from July 2001-02 during Bill's sabbatical.

Gregg Meister announces that the class Web site is now posted at <http://williams67.com>. We hope that the site can evolve into an informative and helpful tool for keeping the class in touch and will enable us to read things like published articles that are too long for this publication. Any comments will be most welcome. Good job, Gregg.

Mark Richards reports that he recently sent in his 24th Williams College tuition payment (**Peter '95**, **Drew '99** and **Annie '01**). He wishes that he had a few more children to keep the string going. Unfortunately, the only other candidate in the family is their 4-year-old yellow lab Maggie, and she has trouble with the SATs.

Susan and **Bill Taylor** spent a weekend with Judy and **Gary Lamphere** in New Hampshire last summer, just prior to their daughter Megan's wedding. Tammy and **Bruce Kraig** were also at the wedding. Bill laments that it appears that none of their children will make it to Williams. Breck, their youngest, is to follow his three sisters to Vanderbilt this fall. The current 73-degree February weather is affecting their eagerness to try four New England winters.

Ted McPherson and **Gordie Gee** had fun playing on the Williams Alumni basketball team versus the Williams junior varsity in mid-January at the College. The alumni eked out a 79-75 win before a large crowd. Our two classmates were best described as providing "key supporting roles." Ted was a stand out, scoring two points, and Gordie reportedly almost sank a three-pointer.

Allan Stern lost his father last January. Although his father was 91 and had been ill for some time, it was still something of a wake-up call for Allan. As a result, he and his son Eric, recently graduated from the University of Oregon, decided to take a five-month motorcycle trek through Europe. They

visited a lot of historical sites, saw gorgeous scenery and had some great (and crazy) experiences. Instead of postcards, Allan posted photos on his Web site: www.enteract.com/~astern/trip. He now has to come up with an encore for his daughter Alicia, who graduates from Barnard this spring.

John Pershing joined the law firm Tisinger, Tisinger, Vance & Greer in Carrollton, Ga. John has law degrees from Georgetown University and the University of Vermont Law

School (magna cum laude). He holds graduate degrees in economic geography (University of Chicago) and business administration (American University). He recently completed graduate work in environmental law at George

Washington University. And in his spare time?

Harry Tether was endorsed for election to the Bronxville Board of Education in an upcoming race. He has been active with school affairs for a number of years. He is managing director at Chase Manhattan Bank, where he is involved in sovereign debt portfolio management. He is also president of the American Chamber of Commerce in Argentina and a member of the Fulbright Commission-Argentina. His daughter Elizabeth is a junior at Denison University. His son Jebb graduated from Connecticut College.

Mike Roizen, author of *Real Age: Are You as Young as You Can Be?*, promoted the benefits of oral health in *The Cutting Edge Medical Report on Gum Disease*, a Fox Health Network documentary, which aired in prime time last December. Mike, the class's closest thing to a media star, says, "I discovered that advanced gum disease may damage arteries. Simple choices like flossing your teeth can make a difference in how well and how long you live."

Another spotlighted member of the class is **Bob Conway**. He was featured in an article in the February 2000 issue of *San Francisco* summarizing the development of Bob's online art gallery, NextMonet.com. It also chronicles his early start in the commercial art world with **David Tunick '66**.

Your secretary met up with **Bob Chambers '68** during a January stopover in the Minneapolis airport. Bob was exploring a possible move from D.C. to Montana. I was also recently presented the Distinguished Unsung Hero award by the United Way of Minneapolis Area.

Thanks to all who sent in news. See you next time, and meanwhile, stay healthy.

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News from the academic world this time: **John Coombe** is vice chancellor of intellectual properties and events at the University of Denver. For many years he practiced law in Denver, specializing in intellectual property and sports law, and he eventually became a special adviser to DU's athletic division. He became vice chancellor two years ago and has helped steer Denver's move into Division I athletics in 19 sports by developing several major corporate relationships.

Bob McCloud, another career-switcher, reports that he is "very much enjoying life as a computer science professor at Sacred Heart University."

Changing slightly is **Bill Perttula**, who says, "I am finishing my three-year sentence in August as marketing department chair at San Francisco State University. I look forward to returning to my 'not really full-time job' as professor. I fly to Paris soon to teach my fourth annual week-long marketing course at the University of Paris XII. I have met many people from my grandparents' home country at my lectures on Internet marketing to visiting groups of lawyers and business people from Finland. Perttula is a common name to them."

No such relief from administration yet for **Joel Morse**, however, who reports that he spends much of his time recruiting new professors in his role as chairman of the finance department at the University of Baltimore.

A nice article in a publication from Eastern Michigan University features new College of Business Dean **Earl Potter**. It describes Earl's plans for strategic partnerships with businesses in the EMU area. It also notes that he is a member of the Board of Examiners for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Awards, given annually by the Department of Commerce.

Matt Lyon says he is "still teaching at Oregon Episcopal School, but [I] have added an 'academic' class I've been developing, for seniors only, called 'A Brief History of Everything' – a summary overview of their secondary educational experience. Challenging and interesting."

Sage Hill School, **Clint Wilkins'** independent school in Orange County, Calif., is completing its first year of operation, with ninth and 10th graders. The core campus was completed, and additional buildings are planned for the next three years on the way to a total enrollment of 500. Clint says the curriculum "is built on rock-solid ground, organized around the established disciplines. ... With this as our base, we are encouraging meaningful connections between and among these disciplines, stressing a balance and intellectual discovery in everything we do."

Austin Wand has moved to take a position as an academic radiologist with the University of Cincinnati. He

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Kenneth Willcox '67 was recognized as an Unsung Hero by the United Way of Minneapolis. He has volunteered with the United Way for more than 15 years and has served on more than 40 committees and task forces.

CLASS NOTES



Joseph McCurdy '69 (left) and his nephew, Williams water polo co-captain Pat McCurdy '02, at the National Collegiate Club Water Polo Championships in Seattle, Wash., in November 2000. Williams finished 10th.

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says, "I have been impressed with how bright the medical students are, including the children of some of my classmates. One student had a familiar name: **Tom Carothers'** son Joshua. Tom and I have one other thing in common: both of us have daughters in the Williams Class of '02."

Scott Miller, formerly a principal on Staten Island, has become deputy superintendent of the school system there. (When he went to New York to teach after graduation, he had intended to stay for one year.) An article in the *Staten Island Advance* quoted the head of the Federation of PTAs there, saying, "That's great news. Scott Miller is a wonderful man. It's a great appointment. He's very smart, well-mannered and interested in what parents have to say."

Finally, congratulations and thanks to **Tod Hamachek**, who completes a five-year term as a Williams trustee this summer, serving in recent years as chairman of the board's Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid.

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I start this time with a hearty thank you to all who gave to the recent Alumni Fund drive. The Class of '69 finished second in the race for the largest percent increase in giving, beaten only by the Class of '70. We had one of our best performances ever, exceeding 59 percent in giving, a hefty 16-percent jump in participation and just one gift shy of the magical number 60. Special thanks and kudos to **Terry Palmer**, **Rob Brokaw** and **Larry McCullough**, class agents, who led the effort, and to the many associate agents who participated.

In his recent Alumni Fund activity, Mr. Palmer caught up by telephone with three classmates. He reports that his freshman roommate **Steve Rensch** and wife Margo have "chosen a non-traditional life in Arizona," with Steve

continuing his love of hoops by coaching basketball. He runs an annual invitational tournament that attracts more than 30 teams from the Southwest.

Congrats to **Gordy Bryson**, who, Terry writes, after many years has ended his football coaching days at Hawaii Preparatory Academy, where he also taught English. "If anyone would have clued me in that this gentle behemoth would ever learn the King's English, I'd have given odds," says Terry. The Big Island Football Officials Association honored Gordy last season for his great influence on the league and his commitment to the community. Gordy's better half, Liz, a member of ALOHA (Astronomy Librarians Of Hawaii), works at the Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope Co. in Kamuela. And finally, Terry reports that the Rev. **Bob Lee** "meets the challenges of life, death, marriage, temptation and spiritual discovery every day and night from Burlington, Vt., where he is the senior pastor at the First Congregational Church."

Restaurantur **Yogi Santa-Donato** is in "the final planning stage of relocating my restaurant" from Mohegan Lake to Yorktown Heights, N.Y., a distance of about six miles. Yogi's target for his grand opening is early to mid-June. If any alumni are in the area, stop in at Yogi's Steak and Seafood House. I'm told the food's great, surpassed only by the hospitality of the owners.

From Bangkok, **Chaityawut Wibulswasdi**, aka Pooh and former CEO of the Bank of Thailand, is still writing children's books in between jobs. Pooh said, "**Pete Naylor** '68 dropped by for a short visit while on his way to India. We had a good chat, covering our times at Tyler House." Pooh's two daughters are on the West Coast attending college.

An e-mail from Cindy Potter, wife of **Bran Potter** '70, was seeking information about two of Texas' finest, **Jack Jacobs** and **Fletcher Clark**, who, she remembered, went into a business that designs wheelchairs for individual needs. Cindy reports that Bran is a geology professor at the University of the South in Seawane, Tenn. "What

had seemed like a two-year job before we moved back to New England has stretched to a lifetime! We've raised three children, who are now back in the Northeast," said Cindy.

From Iowa, **Henry Walker** writes about lots of activities in his life, the foremost was being named the Samuel R. and Marie Louise Rosenthal Professor of Natural Science and Mathematics by Grinnell College. "While I am honored by this recognition, it certainly is interesting getting that title on a business card," he said. Henry's busy schedule included being chairman of the 32nd Annual Technical Symposium on Computer Science Education held in March in Charlotte, N.C. (where he expected to see **Bill McClung** '68 and **Kim Bruce** of the College faculty); finishing up as secretary/treasurer of the Special Interest Group on Computer Science Education after serving eight years in the post; completing a term as a member of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee for the Advanced Placement Program in Computer Science; serving as chairman of the Pedagogy Focus Group on Supporting Courses for Computing Curriculum 2001; and, as if that's not enough for one body, consulting for the College Board. "When at Williams, I remember hearing some folk talk about the 'quiet, contemplative life of academia.' So far, I have found no evidence of such a life," Henry writes.

Sam Bruskin wrote to remind us that his two daughters are both in their third year of a five-year program, through which they will each receive a B.A. from Columbia and a master's from Juilliard. Proud father Sam said they are part of the Claremont Trio, which won this year's Young Concert Artists International Competition, giving them professional management for three to five years and concert dates in wonderful places. Youngest daughter Amanda is a high-school senior ("empty nest syndrome coming soon"). Sam and wife Debby are also performing with the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra, but he hasn't given up his day job as yet: attorney with Choate Hall & Stewart in Boston.

Dick Peinert had dinner with Janet and **Vic Richards** and Susan and **Lee Homan** to celebrate Dick's 53rd birthday. "Vic produced a picture of pre-fire Fort Hoosac denizens for my gift that brought back a lot of memories," Dick said. Dick also had dinner with Jessie and **Tom Siplins** and daughter Ali in November, and said, "Tom and I are now about the same size, and no, I have not been losing weight."

Francis Moriarty says the "Hong Kong alumni group is active and just held a farewell for **Jack Wadsworth** '61 and wife at the Foreign Correspondents Club. I may now be the oldest alum in HK. Frightening thought."

Checking in were **Chuck Collins**, **Johan Hinderlie** and **Chris Kinnell**, who said, "Thanks to Professor Earl Faison, I was really able to enjoy my

recent trip to see some of Thomas Eakins' paintings at the Philadelphia Museum of Art."

From the *Berkshire Eagle*, we learned of the many activities of **Tom Krens**. First he spearheaded a deal between his Guggenheim Museum and the Venetian Resort-Hotel Casino in Las Vegas to create a new Guggenheim branch alongside the hotel in Vegas. Second, he announced plans for a 40-story "cloud-like" museum that would reshape New York's downtown waterfront. "The beginning of a long and complicated process," Krens said. If the Vegas deal is completed, it would make the Guggenheim the first major art museum with a permanent presence in Vegas and would mark the only significant collaboration between a museum and a casino-hotel chain in the United States.

Bill Homan was "motivated to write my 'decadal' letter to the class notes after enviously reading about **Sal Mollica's** 'retirement.' I always figured that with his cleverness he'd be among the first to escape the rat race." Bill is director of the Department of Surgery of White Plains Hospital Center and chief of the General Surgery Section, and that's in addition to his full-time private practice of abdominal surgery. Bill's book, *The Hernia Book*, "while narrowly missing *The New York Times* best-seller list (only kidding)," has established his reputation in this surgical field. Bill says he has also "taken up the gauntlet of caring for the last bastion of lawful prejudice in our society, the morbidly obese. Having become director of bariatric surgery at White Plains Hospital, I have, with my wife Valerie, established a nationally recognized comprehensive program for bariatric surgery. (Details at www.HomanMD.com). Valerie and I, along with our Maine-coon cat Sebastian, spend what free time we have at our house on Block Island. With my IFR rating (I think that has something to do with boats), the island is much more accessible, what with its seemingly unique weather system. We hope to spend a few weeks there this summer – something we have never before been able to do."

That's it for now. I need more news next time, gentlemen, so send any time. In the meantime, stay well and in touch.

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Hot-line news! Hot-line news! Stearns and Gamble tie the knot. Yes, **Jim Stearns** and **Janelle Gamble** exchanged vows this summer in a civil ceremony in Bloomington, Ind. Now the happy couple is off on another international adventure, teaching English-as-a-second-language at the national university in Pusan, South Korea. They

title, buy it. His wife Lee Smith has finished a novel as well.

Jon Schelling, whose wife Mary was a college roommate of Hal's wife, is developing a new form of fishing boots with changeable soles, so that the same boot will work for many different stream-bed surfaces. Out west, he often experiments with these on fishing trips with **Tom Jack '67** and **Steve Cohen**.

John Van De Graaf is practicing law in Austin, Texas. He and Laurie are delighted to have bid adieu to Detroit winters. In fact, "ecstatic" is not too strong a word. They see **Harrop Miller**, another transplanted Wolverine who also was at reunion and looks terrific.

Bill Roe is living in Florida, another fugitive from winter, Minnesota in his case. He still owns the family business up there but can run it from a distance. It is now non-union. He has told about his saga there in earlier class notes, a story about unions and sabotage and (honest!) gunfire; what a relief to hear that everything is at peace.

Gil Watson, who has been at the *Baltimore Sun* for more than 30 years, was present with his wife Ellen. In one of those moments that make reunions the stuff of novels, Gil's former wife Joanna was there with **Charlie "Chip" Tucker**. At the class dinner in Greylock, the four of them were laughing happily together, all looking forever young.

Dave Cook lives in Maine and sells real estate. He plans to pursue his writing now that the twins are out of college. **Winston Kipp** also is in the Pine Tree State, as administrator at the Augusta hospital. Both of these guys continue to survive Maine winters, a feat that everyone should admire.

Bob Valteau, retired from Colgate Palmolive after 30 or so years with their international division, appeared more relaxed but otherwise unchanged. He and Kathy are renovating houses in Colorado and Cape Cod. **Karl Garlid** and Mary Meyer are also "rehabbing" an old brownstone in Brooklyn. They were in the vanguard of the gentrification of Bedford Stuyvesant, and Karl has developed into a master craftsman.

Pete Allen directs sales and marketing for a Massachusetts pharmaceutical firm. He has given up squash as a concession to the passage of time but still plays competitive tennis. **Bill Adams** plays tennis and squash (although his son **David '00** can beat him). In his spare time he runs a company that produces software for perinatal testing. **Bill Ewen** also still plays a mean game of tennis in between teaching and cheering on his son Gordan, who competes in the Special Olympics.

Bob O. Bates came from the West Coast. He directs special projects for the California Department of Health, which he says is even more challenging in the dark. Another medic from the west, **Ron Worland**, continues his plastic surgery practice on the Oregon Coast, and **Al Pearlman** fixes weak and broken hearts in Seattle.

On the East Coast, **Dick Pingree** is practicing medicine in Boston, but he is no longer a television doctor. The

politics at the station were heavy-duty, he said, although he did say that Tim Johnson, ABC's TV medical man, is excellent and able to rise above such pressures. **Bob Rubin** (our Bob Rubin) practices nephrology at Georgetown and so far has been unaffected by the political shifts in the other part of town.

Peter Hoyt returned from London three years ago and works on architectural renovations of landmark public buildings, such as Boston Symphony Hall and the Mary Baker Eddy church. He brought along his partner Doug Colt, who enjoyed the mountains and the sunshine as much as the rest of us.

We regrettably have not mentioned everyone we saw, not by a long shot: **Bob Asbury**, **Dave Batten**, **Punky Booth**, **Andy Burr**, **Dave Corwin**, **Walt Corson**, **Bill Cruise**, **Lisle Dalton**, **Ned**

Donohue, **Joe Feely**, **Tom Gunn**, **Jim Harrison**, **Rusty Haldeman**, **George Helmer**, **Jeff Jones**, **Tucker Jones**, **Bob Krefling**, **Jon Linen**, **Larry Niles**, **Con O'Leary**, **Ron Promboin**, **Pete Richardson**, **Allen Rork**, **Kent Titus**, **Charles Tucker**, **Dave Tunick** and **Gordon Wishard**. We were genuinely

glad to talk with each of you. If we forgot (it happens) and you've been left off, we're sorry. Write to either of us, and we'll give you top billing next time.

More than half the class was not able to attend. **Rusty Powell**, one of our art museum mafia dons, chose to return the preceding week to see his daughter graduate in the midst of a wild thunderstorm. Congratulations are due him, but we had better weather. Several classmates sent out news via the class list server, and we will provide summaries in the fall. And lest we forget that life can be harsh, we learned that **Jan van Horn** is having a particularly difficult personal time of trial. We wish him strength and courage.

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Leading this issue is **Bob Heilbronner**, from whom we have not heard for some time. He is living with his wife and 6-year-old son in the mountains outside Ashland, Ore. For seven years he has worked as a therapist for County Mental Hospital. He deals predominantly with adolescent boys, helping them find the right relationship with self and the society and world around them. Also not seen in these pages recently and also from Oregon (Portland), **Peter Watson** writes that he is still delivering babies and coaching soccer. He has sent three of his former soccer charges to

Williams. His son **Eric '97** married **Paola Gentry '99** in the Thompson Memorial Chapel in June.

Scott Baker and his wife Inga live in Jacksonville, Fla. Son Ed is a senior at Harvard and is to begin work for Bain Consulting in Boston. Son Christian is a sophomore at Emory. Scott is CEO of Paul Davis Restoration, a franchiser with 220 insurance restoration contractor franchisees across the United States. The company is expanding internationally, and Scott and Inga enjoy the travel.

College president **Buddy Karelis** (Colgate) reports: "I was stopped in the gym by a student who demanded why I was wearing purple exercise shorts. 'Are you trying to turn this place into Williams, Mr. President?' he asked. 'Different shade of purple,' I told him."

Buddy surfaced a "treatment" that he

co-authored with President Morty Schapiro for an episode of *The Twilight Zone*. It was rejected by CBS.

In June, **Jonathan Lovell** married Ellen Wilson in Pasadena, Calif. Ellen is a special-education teacher in San Jose and, like Jonathan, a

Scottish Country Dancer. They spent their honeymoon in England and Scotland. In St. Andrews they attended a two-week Scottish Country Dance Summer Institute at the university.

At Spring Parents' Weekend, **Jack Hunt** saw **Ted McPherson** and **Bobo Olson**. He was there to watch his daughter **Lisa '03** play lacrosse. He says, "McPherson is always at Williams."

George B. Cannon, in West Springfield, Mass., looks forward to reunion. He says he would be happy to volunteer to help with the event if the organizers would like to contact him.

Gove Effinger and family are back in Saratoga Springs, following an academic year of living and working in England ('99-'00). Gove and his wife Alice were both promoted to the rank of professor at Skidmore this year. Their twins Laura and Sean are 16, active in theater, math and music and thinking about college (Williams?).

Paul Lipof started a new job (he is hopeful it will be his last) running the Stamford, Conn., office of the project management company Quartararo & Associates. They provide services to corporations or institutions for real-estate and construction projects. The best news, according to Paul, is that he can now live at home during the week. Paul and Yael's son Guy and daughter-in-law Susie are in Austin, where Guy works in the Internet industry. Son Ron works for NASDAQ in Manhattan "doing computer stuff" while studying for an MBA. Daughter Tamar is in her first year of medical school at the University of Connecticut. During a February visit

to the West Coast, Paul and Yael visited old roommates **John Roberts** and **Neil O'Donnell** and spouses. Paul says it was terrific.

Ed Helm, sadly, lost both of his parents this past year. On the positive side, Ed and Adrienne's daughter Joanna was married in June. The preparations for the reception at their home kept them occupied through the spring.

Bill Clendaniel enjoyed a sabbatical in Europe from September through December 2000. He had four different apartments and was able to immerse himself in his love of history, art, architecture and landscape. His return to Mount Auburn was hectic, with a significant restructuring of mission, organization and land ownership. Bill notes that his "retirement is now on the horizon." His son Cam '01 graduated in June. His son Douglas graduated from high school this year.

In a moving tribute, **Bill Taylor**, a 25-year pediatrician in Columbia, S.C., was nominated Wellspring Physician of the Year 2001. Patients and parents chose Bill from more than 100 physicians. One wrote, "I cannot imagine raising my children without Dr. Taylor's guidance and reassurance." Bill's wife Susan said, "He picked pediatrics because he loves kids and kids love him."

Dave Nash was ranked number one tennis player in the United States in the 55-and-over age category. He won the National Indoor Championships in both singles and doubles in early May. The contest was held in Boise, Idaho. In late April, he competed in Australia with the U.S. team, but the Yanks were eliminated by a tough Australian team.

Chris Covington and I met for a morning coffee last April while Chris was in Minneapolis on a business trip. Our discussion included thoughts about the 2002 reunion. It's not too soon to begin pointing toward the big event. Meanwhile, have a great remainder of the summer. Thanks for your news, and I'll see you right here again in the fall.

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Tom Wagstaff started a law firm three years ago, after 25 years in another Kansas City firm. Wagstaff & Cartwell has eight lawyers, including Tom's son, and specializes in civil litigation.

Now in bookstores: *Last of the Dixie Heroes* by **Peter Abrahams**. It's the one with the Confederate flag popping out from the cover. For the research, Peter visited east Tennessee, which is a long way from his Cape Cod home, and he now claims to love my home area. Also released in paperback is Peter's previous novel *Crying Wolf*.

Bruce Simon says that his former roommates **Bob Lux** and **Carl Wies** are aging well, and that all three of them are still active in sports. Bob was

named the North American orienteering champion for his age group. "He was the most talented athlete coming off the senior citizens' bus," Bruce says.

Close listeners to NPR may have heard a feature on **Bob Wilson** last spring, reporting on the religious Italian baroque art collection he and Theresa have formed. "We buy mainly at auction in NYC and London," Bob says. They have two sons younger than age 8, tend a large vegetable garden and travel to Nova Scotia in the spring.

Mark Pearlman is still in pediatric practice, but doctoring takes about half his time. The other half is devoted to an organization that contracts with managed care to provide pediatric services and other practice-related services.

Bill Shapiro and Ginny welcomed their first grandchild, William Kermit Shapiro, son of **Brendan** '98. Bill looks forward to Will's graduation with the Class of 2021.

Presumably partying around Williamstown on a June weekend (and I saw about half of them in the act) were **Bill Aggar, Tom Carothers, Roger Crafts, Peter DeOreo, Henry Drinker, Tod Hamachek, Ken Jackson, Scott McCulloch, Dodger Newhall, Steve Phillips and Jon Weller** — all celebrating the graduation of their children as members of the Class of 2001. Henry's daughter **Phebe** presented President Morty Schapiro with an inflated rubber ducky inner tube as she received her diploma. It went nicely with the plush, two-foot fish toy and the suntan cream that two other students brought to the stage.

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I start with a plea. I'm trying to solicit more news via e-mail. It's faster, easier and saves money on the class budget for postage. But the e-mails I have for many of you are not recognized, and my electronic calls for notes are being returned. So please take a moment to send me a valid e-mail address. If you're sure I have your current one, then just send news!

Among this edition's news, three classmates celebrated wedding anniversaries with trips to exotic places around the globe.

Earl White of Delaware celebrated his 13th anniversary with a cruise to Rome, Greece and Turkey. Following that, he organized the annual dinner for the local alumni association that Earl says he often sees **Gerry Kelly** and **Robert Glen**, both '79, and he spoke with **Neville Hughes**, who is comp-troller for a social service program in New York City.

Celebrating 25 years of marriage were **Chris Kinnell** and wife Gretchen, who traveled to the Bay of Fundi in Nova Scotia. Son **Brendan Kinnell** '00 is teaching math at Dunbar High in DC with Teach for America.

Henry Walker, writing from the corn fields of Iowa, celebrated three decades of marriage in August with a trip to Hawaii, arranged by his daughters. Henry, who had a hectic year at Grinnell College, chaired this year's annual symposium on computer science education in North Carolina, where he saw **Bill McClung** '67. Bill is chairman of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science at Nebraska Wesleyan. Henry says wife and family are prospering. Terry changed jobs to an insurance company in Des Moines doing e-commerce and Web programming. Daughter Donna graduated from Kalamazoo College in 1998 and works for Symantec in Silicon Valley, and Barbara is a junior at Denison, majoring in geology.

Bob Whitton left *Financial Times* in April and is "hard at work looking for the next great opportunity, more than likely still close to the operating side of publishing. There are a lot of pages and editions and print orders under the dam since I first undercounted how many *Gulls* to produce in '68! So just a few more are in order."

Bob Cronin visited China last October as part of a theater delegation and looked at the training program of the Peking Opera as well as more modern theatrical forms. "This on top of a visit to Russia has reorganized my view of the world," he says. Bob is writing his fifth middle-school musical, chairing the theater department at Episcopal Academy in Merion Station, Penn. (which, he reports, in a sign of changing times, has a bigger department than Williams did in 1969), and "trying to generally keep my newly replaced knees in order." Bob has reconnected with the theater department at Williams through his son **Foster Cronin** '03 and says he is "very impressed with the current undergrad and general level of discussion. It looks like the school is getting things right."

Andy Lynn sends "regards and thoughts to my old roommates **Tom Willmott, Bill Dickey and Keith Grimson**. Too bad we've lost touch. Looking forward to our 35th, although it frightens me to think about it."

If you haven't returned to Williamstown in some time and you've wondered what's happening to the place, **Paul Harsch** can bring you up to date. Paul has operated his own realty company in the town for years and has a better grasp on the situation than most. "Recession or no, there's plenty of doings here in Billsville," he says. "All of Spring Street has been torn up as any of you who may have been back over the last year already know. The good news is that the new street will be a vast improvement aesthetically as well as functionally. ... Plus, the College has been busy tearing buildings down at the bottom of the street and will be building a brand new home for the American Legion, where Robin's formerly stood."

Paul says real estate continues to steadily increase in value, with the few offerings going at a rapid clip. "Many more alumni and younger too, coming

back to pick up their piece of the Purple Valley. Some are spreading out to the neighboring towns in Vermont and New York. The Wild Amber Grill is now 101 North under new ownership (thanks to yours truly); the new Thai restaurant ... is popular and good. The 1896 House is creating several new suites in the former banquet space of the restaurant, and over in North Adams, work is progressing on the new inn called The Porches, next to MASS MoCA. ... These are just some of the more visible changes of recent months. Come on up and see!"

Deep in the heart of Texas, **Larry McCullough** added to his duties directing the Ethics Consultation Service at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital in the Texas Medical Center, one of Baylor's primary affiliated hospitals. Larry reports no signs of recession in Houston. "St. Luke's is soon to open a new building for the Texas Heart Institute, Texas Children's Hospital is completing a \$350 million expansion, and there is a giant hole in the ground across from my building for a new research center and Medical Center Commons," he says. "I wonder if that has to do with the price of gas that y'all (and we) are paying at the pump. Then there is a ever-present hope that next winter ... will be long and cold, obliging you to buy many cubic feet of our natural gas. When oil and gas prices crash, as they always do, it will be a different story here, but by then the buildings will be finished. I expect to visit Williamstown in August, especially to see the 'Impression' show at the Clark and poke around the new Science Center. Also hope to be back in September for the kick-off of the next round of the Alumni Fund."

In responding to my request for recessionary tales, the ever-terse barrister **Tom Siplkins** merely wrote, "Yeah, my 401k. Yours?" Same for me, Tom, but hang in there. All the pundits say we're on the road to recovery. They just don't know when.

Good news from **Scott Paist**, MD, who says, "I'm recovering ... well from ... radical prostatectomy surgery done for cancer, which was fully contained in the gland and is now, apparently, all removed. Do I get the award for the first prostate surgery in the class? Seems as though I should win something other than the *Williams Record's* award in 1969 of 'Thinks He's the Best Athlete.'"

Dentist **Gary Robinson's** niece Addie Robinson has decided to attend Williams. "She ... is an avid soccer player. She has been active on the Vail Ski Club ski team her whole life and will make a great contribution to the Williams team. I am looking forward to seeing her at Williams," reports Gary.

Rikk Larsen has switched careers after a few stabs in the dot-com world. He set up a new business with estate planning, coordination and resolution.

On Martha's Vineyard, **Mike West** says it's been "slow for me as a consultant since moving, and though things have picked up, I'm not back in the

clover yet. But the reason for moving was ... an attempt to acquire a balanced way of life, and while I fill much more of my time now with bike riding, yoga, pilates and guitar, I do spend the kind of time with my kids that I have always believed is necessary. I hope others feel as I do, but maybe not; I would like to know whether other '69ers believe that balance is worth working for."

That's it for this quarter. Remember to send me your current e-mail address and to stay well and in touch.

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Alice and I had the pleasure of spending an evening in May with **Rob Stone**, who was visiting our fair city on business. Over a glass of wine in the hotel lobby bar we spent several relaxing hours catching up on the doings of family and friends, not to mention reliving the glorious escapades of yore. I think we may even have invented some new history, as we all pretty much agreed with the guy (it may have been Ronald Reagan) who said, "I have reached that certain age when I remember with perfect clarity things that never happened."

Among the characters we talked about that night was **E. Rodman Titcomb** and his wife Cecie. Several weeks after our evening together Stoney forwarded me e-mail chronicling the activities of Mr. T. Rod. He has been busy arranging family reunions, company annual meetings and meetings of the foundation he manages. He also has traveled to visit far-flung offspring.

In May Stoney and Mary attended a Fairfield/Westchester Class of '70 dinner that had been in the planning since last year's Homecoming weekend. Attending were Linda and **Tom Crowley**, Usha and **John Burns**, and **Tod Hamachek** '68, who was honored with an invitation, presumably filling the role of some sort of mentor or sage. Any other '70-era Ephs in the area should give John a call so they can be included next time. Usha and John's son **Josh** '02 found a summer internship job 10 miles from home, working for a media research firm. Josh has been active at Williams as a JA, business manager for the *Record*, and chairman of the Student Activities Council.

Ty Tuttle e-mailed from Paris to report that the past 12 months had provided more Eph-counters than the previous 12 years. Ty has seen **Paul Miller** a few times and, thanks to Lea's position, has been invited to a number of cultural events at the U.S. Embassy, one of which was attended by Put and **Charley Ebinger**. Ty also had a visit last year from roomie **Tom Barr**, and in the spring he had dinner with cousin **Henry Halsted** '48 and his wife.

Paris seems the place to be, with Paul Miller's house providing a congenial rallying point. Helen and **Halley Moriyama**, along with kids Scott and