

Class Notes



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College

ARTS, SCIENCES & ENGINEERING

1950 Madeline Goldstein Haft '57M (MS) hosted a mini-reunion at her home in Lexington, Massachusetts, in June. From left to right are **Rika Sarfaty Spungin**, Madeline, **Ruth Saltzburg Aisenberg '51**, and **Marcia Paley Camac '51**. All four women grew up in Rochester, and have remained friends since college.

1951 Ruth Saltzburg Aisenberg (see '50). . . . **Marcia Paley Camac** (see '50).

1956 Donald Messina '57 (MA) sends an update. He's been a high school teacher since 1957, teaching social studies, English, and driver education. He's been at Aquinas Institute in Rochester since 1993. In addition to his teaching, he works on many hobbies and interests. Since his mother's death in 2001, he's focused on classical conducting and volunteering logistical and administrative help planning concerts in a variety of venues.



1950 Haft

He's particularly proud of his work arranging musical performances at St. Andrew's Church and later, at St. Michaels Church. "I created a special City East Parishes concert in 2010, inviting choirs from St. Stanislaus and St. George Churches, the Germania choir and the Italian American Community Center choir, for which I created a special finale. I wrote new lyrics of a religious theme for Verdi's

'Va pensiero' choral work from his opera *Nabucco*. At the end of the concert, all four choirs were together as one at the foot of the altar to sing the new lyrics as I conducted. Next, everyone in the audience was given a copy of the new lyrics, and I had everyone stand and join the combined choruses in singing a repeat as I led. A very beautiful and memorable climax."

1965 Barry Libin sends an update.

A member of the Milton Society of America as well as the Dramatists Guild, he's written a novel, *The Mystery of the Milton Manuscript* (Urim Publications), in which an Oxford University student's investigation into his professor's death reveals the enigma of Milton's *Paradise Lost*. Barry has also written a play, *The Triangle*, based on the 1911 Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire, and a musical, *The Fiftieth Floor!* He has also contributed lyrics to *Bring Them Peace: A Song for Haiti*.

1966 Linda Chalmer Zemel '68W (MA) has written *Cousins*, a picture book for children ages three to eight. Linda teaches in the communications department of SUNY Buffalo State College and edits and publishes the literary journal *Person, Place, Thing*.

1968 Dale Dapkins has written a new work of self-described social science fiction, *Blue Moon* (Whiz Bang Publishers).

1970 Nancy Heller Cohen '70N has written *Hanging by a Hair* (Five Star), part of her Bad Hair Day mys-

tery series, as well as *Warrior Lord* (Wild Rose Press), part of her Drift Lords paranormal romance series.

1971 Dan Kirschenbaum has written *Athlete, Not Food Addict: Wellspring's Seven Steps to Weight Loss* (New Horizon Press). Dan is a sports psychologist and professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Northwestern University. . . . **Leslie Neustadt** has published a collection of poetry, *Bearing Fruit* (Spirit Wind Books). She was assistant attorney general for the state of New York before taking an early retirement "after being diagnosed with an incurable form of blood cancer," she writes. "I have not worked for many years, but have taken up writing poetry and making visual art." As for the proceeds from her book, a poetic memoir, Leslie writes: "I am donating the entire purchase price of the book to various not-for-profits that do cancer research, provide patient support, address child abuse or provide expressive art therapy." Leslie speaks widely, exhibits her work, and maintains a website, leslieneustadt.com. . . . **Clayton Press** is a partner in Linn Press art advisory services. He's the editor and a contributing author of *Love Story: Anne and Wolfgang Títze Collection* (Verlag für moderne Kunst). The book accompanies the premiere exhibit of the collection of international contemporary art. The exhibit takes place through October 5 at two venues of the Belvedere in Vienna, Austria: Winter Palais and 21er Haus.

1972 Carl Filbrich has written a novel, *The Heavenly Casino* (Five Star Press).

1975 Andy Sternlieb writes that he graduated in May—on his 61st birthday—from Teachers College, Columbia University, with a master of arts degree in education policy.

Abbreviations

E	Eastman School of Music
M	School of Medicine and Dentistry
N	School of Nursing
S	Simon Business School
W	Warner School of Education
Mas	Master's degree
RC	River Campus
Res	Medical Center residency
Flw	Postdoctoral fellowship
Pdc	Postdoctoral certificate



1984 Cohen-Halin

1976 Ira Kaplan, a managing partner of Benesch Attorneys in Cleveland, received a 2014 ORT America Jurisprudence Award from the Northeast Ohio chapter of the organization ORT America. ORT is derived from the Russian *Obschestvo Remeslenovo i Zemledelcheskovo Trouda*, which is translated as "Society for Trades and Agricultural Labor." The organization was established in 1880 by Russian Jews, with support from Czar Alexander II, to establish trade and agricultural schools and model farms to help lift fellow Russian Jews out of poverty. ORT America helps raise funds for schools and programs around the world. The organization's jurisprudence award is given annually to "individuals who have made significant and lasting contributions to the legal profession."

1977 Ira (Randy) Kulman has published a book, *Playing Smarter in a Digital World: A Guide to Choosing and Using Popular Video Games and Apps to Improve Executive Functioning in Children and Teens* (Specialty Press). Randy is a clinical psychologist near Providence, Rhode Island, and founder and president of LearningWorks for Kids, an educational technology company that uses video games and other digital tools to teach executive functioning skills to children and teens.

1978 Ira Lichtenstein writes that he's published a novel, *Chief of Diamonds* (CreateSpace), based on the life of Alexander Joy Cartwright Jr., a member of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and often cited as the "father of modern baseball."

1979 Bob Bly writes that his

book *The Emancipation of Abraham Lincoln XL-3000 and Other Stories* (CreateSpace) won Honorable Mention at the 2014 New York Book Festival. . . . **Wayne Sebastianelli** '83M (MD), '88M (Res), the director of athletic medicine at Penn State, won the Joe Torg Award from the Philadelphia Sports Medicine Congress. The award was created to recognize Philadelphia-area orthopaedic surgeons who focus their careers on treating athletes, and play a significant role in education and research related to orthopaedics.

1980 Jon Cesare (see '56 Graduate).

1982 Neil Halin (see '84).

1983 Neil Mairs '84S (MBA) has been named treasurer of the board of trustees for Hospice of Rapidan in Culpepper, Virginia. Neil is also president of the firm Solutions Recruiting and coaches soccer. . . . **Deborah Paone** writes: "I graduated in May with a doctor of public health degree, a program of the health policy and management department in the Gillings School of Global Public Health at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. Faculty recognized my efforts to produce honors level work with a Deniese May Chaney Fellowship. My interdepartmental major at Rochester, gerontological issues in community health, is still relevant to my work. Thank you, U of R, for an excellent educational foundation." . . . **Gary Stockman** has been named chief marketing and communications officer at the Falls Church, Virginia, based information technology firm CSC.

1984 Lisa Cohen has published

a science fiction novel, *Derelict* (Interrobang Books). In addition, she writes that last September, "**Neil Halin** '82 and I celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary. We're looking forward to being empty nesters once our youngest heads off to college in the fall. Looking forward to seeing my classmates from '84 at our upcoming reunion!" . . . **Gretchen Lowe** has been named principal deputy director and chief counsel of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's enforcement division. In previous roles at the commission, Gretchen investigated and prosecuted cases of manipulation and false reporting of global benchmark interest rates, natural gas price indices, and other instances of manipulation and violation of trade practices and internal controls. . . . **Marnie LaVigne** '92 (PhD) has been named CEO of Launch NY, a Buffalo-based nonprofit she helped to found in 2012 to support new businesses with high growth potential. Previously, Marnie was the associate vice president for economic development at the University at Buffalo.

1985 Laura Aiuppa (see '56 Graduate). . . . **Jeff Newmark** has been named interim director of NASA's Science Mission Directorate Heliophysics Division. Jeff has been at NASA headquarters since 2009.

1986 Tim Dunne '87S (MBA) has coauthored a book, *Never Be Closing: How to Sell Better Without Screwing Your Clients, Your Colleagues, or Yourself* (Portfolio). Tim is a consulting partner at the firm ThinkX, leading workshops and participating in conferences around the world. His workshops include "The Humility of Leadership," "Busting Assumptions," and "Structured Creativity for Entrepreneurs."

1987 Ashley Johnson has been named technical director for the Department of Navy division that provides energetics research, development, testing, evaluation, support, and disposal to the Department of Defense. The division is called the Naval Surface Warfare Center Indian Head Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technology Division.

1988 Capt. Jerome (Jerry) Zinni is commanding officer of the newly established Forward Deployed Regional Maintenance Center in Naples, Italy. The center sustains and provides technical assistance

and repair of naval ships and crafts, as well as diving and salvage coordination for the care of underwater ships, hull cleaning, and emergency salvage operations. Before his appointment as commanding officer at the new center, Jerry was director of operations and executive officer for the Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion and Repair in Bath, Maine. In that role, he oversaw design and construction of several Navy ship classes at shipyards across the country.

1989 Marianne Seidman Cohen has been named executive director of the Wakefield (Massachusetts) Area Chamber of Commerce. Marianne has experience in marketing, consulting, product development, sales, management, and event planning. She's served as vice president of marketing and product development for Mannersmith Etiquette Consulting, founded by **Jodi Rubtchinsky Smith '90**, and as event planner, director of corporate membership and marketing, and director of visitor services and promotions for the *USS Constitution* Museum in Charlestown, Massachusetts. Marianne also volunteers for the Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts, the Phi Sigma Sigma Foundation, and the University's Meliora Club of Boston.

1990 Jodi Rubtchinsky Smith (see '89).

1991 Barry Lederman '95S (MBA) has been named vice president and chief financial officer of Eisai Inc., the Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey, subsidiary of the Tokyo-based pharmaceutical company Eisai Co. Barry is also a longtime volunteer with the Boy Scouts of America, serving as an assistant scoutmaster and a member of the board of the Northern New Jersey Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

1992 Christina Zassenhaus Randolph has joined the St. Louis, Missouri, law firm Thomson Coburn as a partner in the health care practice group.

1995 Nick Sivakumaran, senior directing instructor at New York Film Academy Los Angeles, has cowritten the book to a musical, *Beyond Sight*. The musical, which debuted at Hollywood's Stella Adler Theatre last spring, tells the story of an ROTC cadet blinded in combat in Afghanistan. The cadet returns



2003 Ghoshal



2006 Haffer and Watson

home to the United States to reintegrate into society as a blind person. The musical was produced by CRE Outreach, a Los Angeles nonprofit whose goal is to empower at-risk youth, military veterans, and the visually impaired through the performing arts. The cast included several blind actors and military veterans.

1996 Lawrence Bice has joined the law firm Phillips Lytle as an associate. He specializes in telecommunications law, with an emphasis on land use and zoning issues, and works out of the firm's Buffalo and Rochester offices. . . .

Rod Bugarin writes: "I've officially started my EdD in higher education at the Morgridge College of Education at the University of Denver. I'd love to meet Rochesterians who enjoy Breckenridge's slopes and who can give me confidence to go down a black diamond run." Rod adds that he's kept in touch with **Satya Reddy**. Satya welcomed a daughter in June. Rod writes: "Now a father of two raising a family in New Orleans, he also founded Louisiana Cornea Specialists in Covington, Louisiana."

1997 Michele Spilberg Hart writes: "After 10 years running an association management business focused on medical groups, I've begun two new ventures: partnering with an independent publisher to edit their mini-monographs in the complementary and alternative medicine field; and teaching yoga, with a focus on restorative yoga." She keeps a website and blog at www.effortandeaseyoga.com. . . .

Anthony Russo has been named group market manager for Sun Life Financial and assistant vice president for the firm's Mid-Central territory, which includes Ohio and Tennessee.

1998 Jeremy Saks has joined the law firm Schulte Roth & Zabel as special counsel in the New York City office. He'll focus on mergers and acquisitions, private equity investments, and corporate governance. . . . **Lisa Staffieri Wrisley** has been named senior vice president and senior compliance and risk officer for Fidelity Bank, a community bank in Leominster, Massachusetts.

1999 Mark Ferrandino '00 (MS)

has been named chief financial officer of Denver Public Schools. He'll finish out his current term as speaker of the Colorado House of Representatives, which ends in January. Mark was bound by term limits and unable to run for reelection.

2000 Kristine Stellato '01 (T5) (see '10).

2001 Siobhan Foley has been nominated by Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick as an associate justice of the Plymouth Juvenile Court. Siobhan has been supervisor of the juvenile crime unit in the Norfolk County District Attorney's Office since 2010. . . . **Megan Greenfield '08S** (MBA) has been named executive director of the Technology Alliance Group for Northwest Washington. The group, based in Bellingham, Washington, is a nonprofit that advocates for local technology businesses and professionals.

2002 Malik Evans has been named to the new position of business growth manager at ESL Federal Credit Union, the credit union founded by George Eastman in Rochester in 1920. Malik was most recently a vice president and branch manager at M&T Bank. He has also served as president of the Rochester City School District's board of education for the past six years, and will finish out his remaining term, which ends in 2015. . . . **Joanne Wu '06M** (MD), '10M (Res) was featured as a "Woman to Watch" in the *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle* in June. Joanne is a rehabilitation physician at Unity Hospital in Rochester. During her residency, she trained to become a yoga teacher, and now teaches yoga at Aerial Arts of Rochester. She also became board-certified in integrative and holistic medicine, and is certified as a holistic health coach by the Institute for Integrative Nutrition in New York City. She's a Medical Center alumni board member, spin instructor, triathlete, marathoner, and member of the Monroe County Medical Society's Integrative Health Committee.

2003 Niladri Ghoshal writes: "I was selected as one of *Albany Business Review's* 40 Under 40 for 2014 for my work as owner and vice president of marketing for Polyset Co. in Mechanicville, New York." Niladri adds that he was joined by several Rochester classmates at the awards luncheon. Pictured from left to right

are **Blaise DiBernardo**, Niladri, **Colleen Mooney**, and **Justin Birzon**.

2005 Christian Pulcini, a fourth-year medical student at Tufts University, has been named a 2014 Massachusetts Medical Society Scholar. Scholars are recognized for "outstanding academic performance and community involvement." As a medical student, Christian was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society and was the medical student chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics. He'll do his residency in pediatrics at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

2006 Adam Begley and his father have been building a whiskey distillery in Pittsford, New York, for the last three years, and released their first product in the spring. "The market for craft spirits is accelerating," Adam writes. "Our business is O'Begley, and we specialize in producing Irish-style whiskey." O'Begley maintains a Facebook page with pictures of the distillery. . . . **Julia Watson** and **Ian Haffer** married last March at the Four Seasons Hotel in Boston. Standing behind Ian and Julia are (from left to right) **Jessica Brandeis**, **Ray Finocchio**, **Stacey Fox**, **Lindsay Dahlben '07**, **Nicholas Melendez '08W (MS)**, **Jeffrey Leslie**, **Nicholas Grow**, **John Jimenez**, **Stephanie Lovett '07S (MBA)**, **Julia Keltz**, **Isaac Standish '04**, **Debra Orringer**, **Alexandra Sims Freedman**, and **Olivia LaBoda '05**. Also present but not pictured was **Kimberly Elson '05**.

2008 Lauren Alessi and **Rana Pedram** traveled to Peru in March and sent a photo from Machu Picchu. Lauren is on the left and Rana is on the right.

2009 Arielle Camp (see '10).

2010 Diana Hartnett Reska sends a photo and an update. She writes that she, **Arielle Camp '09**, and **Kristine Stellato '00, '01 (T5)** graduated in May from the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine.

2011 Aaron Sperber '11E sends an update. He and **Jamal Moore '12E**, who were both members of the YellowJackets a cappella group, have founded a five-member vocal pop group called the Exchange. They've released a music video for their new single, "Kerosene." Aaron writes that the five members of the group met



2008 Pedram



2010 Reska

in Los Angeles in 2011 as performers and competitors in NBC's *The Sing-Off*. "This past spring, we were the opening act for the Backstreet Boys on their 32-city European tour. On this tour we performed songs from our new EP, *The Good Fight*, that marks our first step into music with instrumental backing, branching out from our a cappella roots."

2012 Marcus Williams has been named general manager of the Hampshire Mall in Hadley, Massachusetts. Marcus worked most recently as a revenue analyst for the mall's owner, Pyramid Management Group.

Graduate

ARTS, SCIENCES & ENGINEERING

1956 Frank Cesare (MS) writes: "I'm proud to announce that my grandson, Stephen Cangelosi, has been accepted for undergraduate admission to the School of Arts

& Sciences Class of 2018 and is the recipient of a Meliora scholarship. Stephen is also the nephew of **Jon Cesare '80** and the cousin of **Laura Aiuppa '85**."

1957 Donald Messina (MA) (see '56 College).

1958 Florence Cawthorne Ladd (PhD) writes that she's written her second novel, *The Spirit of Josephine: A Family Reunion in Paris* (Côte-d'Or Press). She published her first novel, *Sarah's Psalm* (Scribner) in 1996. Florence is the retired director of Radcliffe's Bunting Institute, now the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University.

1959 Michael Lodato (MA) has published *A Handbook for Managing Strategic Processes: Becoming Agile in a World of Changing Realities* (AuthorHouse). Michael worked in strategy, sales, and marketing for more than 40 years and was an associate professor and executive-

in-residence at California Lutheran University.

1983 Michael Dotsey (PhD) has been promoted to senior vice president and director of research at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. . . . **Elinda Fishman Kiss** (PhD) writes that she received three awards from the University of Maryland during the 2013-14 academic year: the Krowe Outstanding Teacher Award, the Top 15 Percent Teaching Excellence Award, and the Office of Career Services Distinguished Faculty Partner. Elinda teaches in the finance department of Maryland's business school.

1985 Petar (Pete) Arsenovic (MS) died in May from pancreatic cancer. His wife, Angela Friedel-Arsenovic, writes that Pete was associate branch head of the optics branch of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center when he was diagnosed in March. In 2013, he celebrated 25 years of service at NASA, and he and Angela celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. She adds that she and other members of Pete's family would welcome fond memories or photos from Pete's time at Rochester. They have also established a memorial fund in Pete's name at St. Joseph School in Baltimore. Friends can contact Angela at arsenovic@juno.com.

1992 Andreas Arvanitoyeorgos (PhD) has been promoted to associate professor of mathematics at the University of Patras in Greece. . . . **Marnie LaVigne** (PhD) (see '84 College).

1995 Daniel Diermeier (PhD) has been named dean of the Harris School of Public Policy Studies at the University of Chicago. Daniel is an expert on political institutions, formal political theory, business and politics, and crisis and reputation management. Prior to his appointment at Chicago, he was the IBM Professor of Regulation and Competitive Practice at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management.

2000 Mark Ferrandino (MS) (see '99 College).

2004 Mara Kozelsky (PhD) is coeditor of *Russian-Ottoman Borderlands: The Eastern Question Reconsidered* (University of Wisconsin Press). Mara is an associate professor of history at the University of South Alabama.

2006 Andrew Cullison (PhD), previously an associate professor of philosophy at SUNY-Fredonia, has moved to DePauw University to become an associate professor of philosophy and the Phyllis W. Nicholas Director of the Janet Prindle Institute for Ethics.

Eastman School of Music

1956 Gordon Peters '62 (MM), former principal percussionist of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, was presented with the Note of Excellence Award for Outstanding Achievement by a CYSO Alumnus by the Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestra. Gordon played in the CYSO from 1947 to 1949 while in high school in Cicero, Illinois.

1961 Paul Droste (MM) received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the International Tuba-Euphonium Association. Paul is retired from Ohio State University, where he was professor of euphonium and director of the university's marching band.

1962 Gordon Peters (MM) (see '56).

1971 Bill Quick was inducted into the Liverpool (New York) Central School District's Fine Arts Hall of Fame in May. Bill teaches percussion.

1975 Stan Kingsley Day (MA) writes that he composed a score for a production of William Shakespeare's *The Tempest* that played last winter at Chicago's City Lit Theater.

1979 Diane Abrahamian '86 (MM) is a vocal music teacher at Penfield (New York) High School, where she directs several groups including the Penfield High School Chorale, the Concert Choir, Jazz Choir, Jazz Factory, and Uptown Express men's choir. She writes that she's been named a quarterfinalist for the Grammy Foundation's 2015 Music Educator Award. She's one of 222 quarterfinalists selected from more than 7,000 nominees from around the country. Diane reached the level of quarterfinalist in 2014, the first year during which the Grammy Foundation offered an award for music educators.

1981 Reuel Ash, a partner at the Cincinnati law firm Ulmer & Berne, has been appointed to serve a three-year term on the executive coun-



2006 Petty

cil of the bankruptcy section of the Commercial Law League. Reuel remains involved with music, serving on the board of directors of Chamber Music Cincinnati, where he also served several terms as program chair.

1984 Janet Bruner Faggart (MA) writes that **Jonathan Faggart** (MM), to whom she was married for 31 years, died in March at their home in Texas. Jonathan was an ordained minister with the Assemblies of God and served most recently as senior pastor of Harvest Time Assembly of God in Sherman, Texas. He led choirs on many missions around the world and mentored music ministers. Jonathan and Janet had two grown children, and one grandchild, together. . . .

Maria Newman was featured in the July-August 2014 issue of *Fanfare Magazine* in the article "Like Father, Like Daughter: The Music of Maria Newman." A composer and violinist and violist, Maria is the youngest daughter of the Academy Award-winning composer and conductor Alfred Newman. In 2009, she released *Art of the Chamber Orchestra, Book I* (Montgomery Arts House Modern Masterworks). The recording features the performance of four of her compositions by the Malibu Coast Chamber Orchestra. Maria also appears as a viola soloist.

1985 Donald Boomgaarden (PhD) has been named provost and senior vice president for academic affairs at the University of Scranton. Previously, he was dean of the College of Music and Fine Arts at Loyola University New Orleans.

1986 Diane Abrahamian (MM) (see '79).

1990 Mark Steinbach (DMA), organist, curator of instruments, and lecturer in music at Brown University, has released *Organ Works of Anton Heiller* (Loft). He performs Heiller's recently discovered 1940 work, *Passacaglia*, among other compositions on what he calls "the ideal period instrument for this program, the 1962 von Beckerath 4-manual/66-stop mechanical-action organ, in the reverberant acoustics of St. Paul's Cathedral in Pittsburgh." He notes his is the first recording on the instrument since it was restored in 2009 by Taylor and Boody.

1992 Elizabeth Sayrs (MA) has been named dean of University College and vice provost for undergraduate education at Ohio University. She's an associate professor of music theory who was noted for spearheading undergraduate curricular reform and whose research focuses on access to music education for low-income students in school districts with minimal financial support for arts education.

1996 Michael Pisani (PhD) has written a book, *Music for the Melodramatic Theatre in Nineteenth-Century London and New York* (University of Iowa Press). Michael is a professor of music at Vassar College.

1998 Joel Schoenhals (DMA) has released a CD, *Chinese Piano Music* (Fleur de Son Classics). Joel is a professor of piano at Eastern Michigan University. He's been a guest professor of piano at China's Nanchang University since 2012.

2001 Penny Johnson '03 (MM) writes: "I've accepted the position

of Steinway piano consultant at the Steinway Piano Gallery in Toronto. I'm very excited about returning to my home province of Ontario, following two years in Saskatchewan, where I served on the piano faculty of the Regina Conservatory of Performing Arts. I continue to serve as an examiner for the Royal Conservatory, in addition to remaining active as a performer."

2004 Julie Fagan Thayer has been named a hornist with the St. Louis Symphony. Most recently she was acting fourth horn with the Los Angeles Philharmonic. . . . **Cynthia Johnston Turner** (DMA) has been named director of bands at the University of Georgia. Previously she was director of wind ensembles at Cornell University.

2005 Sarah Chan (DMA) writes that she's moved from Northwestern Oklahoma State University to California State University, Stanislaus, where she'll be an assistant professor of music starting in the fall semester. She adds: "I was a winner of the 2014 PianoTexas Concerto Competition (Teachers Division) held in June; I performed with the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra."

2006 Tami Petty (DMA) writes that she won the Joy in Singing Competition and will perform a debut recital in Merkin Hall in New York City on October 29. In addition, in July she married Sarah Griffiths at Chapel Island on Saranac Lake in the Adirondack Mountains.

2010 Trumpeter **Ryan Vanaman** graduated from United States Marine Corps boot camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot on Parris Island, South Carolina, in April. He then completed a month of combat training at Camp Lejeune, and is now serving for six months at the Naval School of Music in Virginia Beach. At the end of that tour, he'll be stationed with the Marine Corps Band in New Orleans.

2011 Aaron Sperber (see '11 College).

2012 Trombonist **Kevin Dombrowski** was one of four American musicians to be selected to go to Bosnia-Herzegovina for 10 months and perform with the Sarajevo Philharmonic. Kevin and the other musicians will perform in opera, ballet, and symphonic concerts from September 2014 through



SAN FRANCISCO: Kruti Desai '14S (MBA), Runila Singh '14S (MBA), Sukanya Raj '14S (MBA), and Meher Vurimi '14S (MBA)



CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA: (Back row) Laura Keenahan '15, Naba Ali '15, Christina Smiros '15, Katherine Wegman '15, Brendan Coli '16; (front row) Nicole Itzkowitz '16, Shelby Weinstein '16, John Dawson '13, '14 (T5), Paul Vergara '13



WASHINGTON, D.C.: Ross Brenneman '09 and Rebecca Leber '11



ROCHESTER: Victoria Zhou '14, Rachel Goldberg '15, Danielle Jaman '14, Taylor Robertson '12, Griffin Gyr '13, and Megan Stockdill '14



MESA, ARIZONA: Zamantha Lopez '13, Eduardo Quinonez '14, and Val Lopez '14



BOSTON: Molly McDowell '11, Emily Berkowitz '12, Ilyssa Bloch '13, and Max Hecht '13

ALUMNI RELATIONS

Happy 160th Birthday, George!

For the fourth straight year, the Young Alumni Council and the Office of Alumni Relations teamed up around the week of July 12—George Eastman’s birthday—to sponsor birthday parties for George. This year, alumni celebrated George’s 160th birthday with parties in Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, Mesa (Arizona), New York City, Philadelphia, Rochester, San Antonio, San Francisco, the Twin Cities, Washington, D.C., and Cape Town, South Africa.



NEW YORK CITY: Annamarie Spielmann '12 and Scott Strenger '12

July 2015. The cultural exchange program is sponsored by the Bosnian-Herzegovinian American Academy of Arts and Sciences. . . . **Jamal Moore** (see '11 College).

School of Medicine and Dentistry

1957 Madeline Goldstein Haft (MS) (see '50 College).

1967 John McIntyre (MD), '73 (Res) was recognized by the Rochester Academy of Medicine with the Albert David Kaiser Medal. The medal recognizes distinguished professional and community service. John is the retired chair of the psychiatry and behavioral health department of Unity Health System. A former president of the American Psychiatric Association, John played a significant role in setting national standards for psychiatry as leader of the association's clinical practice guideline project.

1977 Eric Mazur (Res) was one of two physicians in the Norwalk, Connecticut, area to win Norwalk Hospital's 2014 William J. Tracey Award for leadership, character, and superior clinical skills. Eric served most recently as the hospital's vice president and chief medical officer before retiring this year. The hospital cited Eric's leadership as a key factor in its designation by HealthGrades as a Distinguished Hospital for Clinical Excellence. In addition, in his previous role

as the hospital's chair of medicine, he led the development of one of Connecticut's first hospitalist programs.

1981 Patricia Chapman (Res) and her husband, **Jay Chapman** '82 (Res), received Rural Practitioners of the Year Awards from the Rural Health Network of Oswego County in New York. They've both been providing care at Oswego County Health Services's Pulaski Health Center since 1984. They've also provided care in rural areas of Kentucky, North Dakota, Idaho, Alaska, and the West Indies. Both perform additional service outside their roles at the Pulaski Health Center. Both are preceptors for medical students in the rural medicine program at Upstate Medical University. They also assist local school-based health centers, chemical dependency services, and Oswego County Hospice.

1982 Jay Chapman (Res) (see '81).

1983 Wayne Sebastianelli (MD), '88 (Res) (see '79 College).

1988 Jim Musser (MD/PhD) presented the 2014 George Hoyt Whipple Lecture in May at the School of Medicine and Dentistry. The title of his talk was "Clinical Microbiology in 2014 and Beyond: High Tech, Low Tech, and Disco Tech." He's the Fondren Endowed Distinguished Chair in the pathology and genomic medicine department at Houston Methodist Hospital as well as professor of pathology and laboratory medicine at Weill Cornell Medical School.

1990 Gary Hollenberg has been inducted as a fellow in the American College of Radiology. Gary is an associate professor of imaging sciences at the Medical Center and at University Medical Imaging, where he also directs the Advanced MRI Fellowship Program.

2006 Joanne Wu (MD), '10 (Res) (see '02 College).

School of Nursing

1970 Nancy Heller Cohen (see '70 College).

1983 Carol Cornwell Strickland '99 (PhD) and her husband, David, are the coauthors of *College Success: A Concise Practical Guide* (BVT Publishing), now in its sixth edition. Carol served 23 years as a nursing educator,

both at Rochester, and more recently at Georgia Southern University's nursing school. David is an associate professor of sociology at East Georgia State College and director of the college's Student Success Program.

Simon Business School

1984 Neil Mairs (MBA) (see '83 College).

1986 Dag Skattum (MBA) has been appointed to the board of directors of Nabors Industries, a provider of drilling technology and equipment to the oil and gas industries. Dag is the CEO of Abingdon Capital Management and managing director and head of the London office of One Thousand & One Voices, an investment firm focused on Sub-Saharan African investments.

1987 Tim Dunne (MBA) (see '86 College).

1990 Nick Lantuh (MBA) has been named chairman of the board of directors of eSentire, a provider of cyber security services to businesses. Nick was founder and president of NetWitness Corp., established in 2006 and sold to EMC in 2011.

1995 Barry Lederman (MBA) (see '91 College).

2001 Roderick Cyr (MBA) has self-published a novel, *An Accidental Abduction*.

2005 Steven Crain (MS) has been elected vice president of research at the Baltimore-based investment firm Adams Express Co. Steven joined Adams Express in 2012 as a research analyst covering the health care sector.

2008 Megan Greenfield (MBA) (see '01 College).

2012 Jeffrey Bartkoski (MBA) has been named president and CEO of Mercy Flight Central. After 30 years of active duty, Jeffrey retired in May from the U.S. Navy at the rank of captain.

Warner School of Education

1968 Linda Chalmer Zemel (MA) (see '66 College).

1975 Joe Kloba (EdD) writes that he's retired as provost and chief academic officer of Palm Beach Atlantic University. He served for 19 years at the university, 11 of those as provost. He was also founder of the school's graduate counseling psychology program. He adds that he and his wife, Sandy, have been married for 47 years and will continue to live in West Palm Beach, Florida.

1986 Debra Mathinos (EdD) has been named director of lifelong learning at the Heights Center in the Harlem Heights neighborhood of Fort Myers, Florida. She oversees the development of classes and training programs, teaches adults in the center's GED program, and works with children in the after-school program.

1988 Mike Neer (MS) has retired as head coach of the Hobart College basketball team. Mike was head coach of the Yellowjackets men's basketball team for 34 years before retiring in 2010. After a year off, he took the job at Hobart in time for the 2011-12 academic year.

1998 Diane DiGravio (MS) was featured as a "Woman to Watch" in the Rochester *Democrat and Chronicle* in June. Diane teaches science at Spry Middle School in Webster, New York. She earned a bachelor's degree in science and zoology and worked as a research scientist for a pharmaceutical company for 10 years before changing careers to become a science teacher. She's led five student trips to Costa Rica's rainforests to teach about environmental conservation.

2012 Jessica Germano-Fokin (EdD) has founded the Rochester matchmaking service Discover Your Match.

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TRIBUTE

John Illig '86: Coach, Writer, Outdoorsman

John Illig was a boisterous evangelist for the oeuvre of the late David Foster Wallace; he sent copies of Wallace's books to friends, spammed our email inboxes with links to his essays, and annually harangued me to set aside a summer to wade through Wallace's novel *Infinite Jest*. So in late July, as I rode an escalator out of the Washington, D.C., Metro, I thought of John when I saw a young woman, dressed for what might have been her first job, carrying a copy of that very book. I imagined she was a recent Middlebury College graduate, a member of one of the squash teams John so masterfully coached, marching through the giant novel at his insistence. I wish I had stopped her so we could have made the connection and punched up John's number on one of our phones to let him know. He would have loved it.


A week later, John had died.

Having been the bearer of the tragic news of John's death to much of the squash community, as well as to the friends John and I shared growing up in Rochester, I found myself in the best place to be in the wake of his passing: on a squash court, teaching a group of kids many of the techniques John had taught me. A member of the varsity tennis and squash teams as a student at Rochester, John pursued a career as a tennis and squash coach that lasted 23 years, taking him to Colby and Bates Colleges, and then to Middlebury in 2007. Last year, he was named president of the men's division of the College Squash Association.

I set my racquet aside and told the kids about John. I told them about the rare amalgam of exuberance, thoughtful consideration and insight

that made John such a brilliant teacher, and about his delight in finally meeting Lolly, the woman of his characteristically unbounded dreams, whom he married two years ago.

John majored in English at Rochester and spent summers during his youth at a wilderness camp in the Adirondack Mountains. He wrote extensively about his love of hiking and the majesty of the outdoors. His published accounts of his travels along the great trails of North America—the Appalachian, the Pacific Crest, and the Continental Divide—reveal his insatiable curiosity, his determination to complete a task, and his infectious sense of humor, especially in regard to himself. John had been working on a novel at the end of his life.

Although we communicated frequently, the last time I actually saw John was at the women's college squash championships at Yale, about a year and a half ago. He was busy coaching, but as he descended from the gallery to advise one of his athletes between games, John stopped and called back to me "Hey, how's the writing going?" In the midst of a critical moment, and completely out of context, something had reminded him that I was beginning a big project, inspired, in no small way, by his own published work. This, ultimately, was the thing about John: he wanted us all to know, with the entirety of his great enthusiasm, that he remembered what each of us wanted to be when we grew up.  —JIM MOORE

Moore is a teacher and squash coach at Blair Academy in New Jersey. His daughter, Emma, is a member of the College Class of 2016.

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