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Introducing the 10th President of Keene State College

Dr. Anne Huot

Keene State College's new leader already has a couple of things in common with a number of the students on campus: she's New Hampshire born and bred, and she's from the first generation of her family to go on to higher education.

Anne Huot, PhD, was named the 10th president of the College March 26 at a meeting of the University System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees in the Mabel Brown Room of the Young Student Center. "New Hampshire is

academic administration. She comes to Keene State from The College at Brockport, State University of New York, where she served for six years as provost and vice president of academic affairs.

In her remarks to the College community after the trustees voted unanimously to appoint her president, Dr. Huot invoked the College motto: "I am entering to learn, and I look forward to going forth to serve."

Hometown: Manchester, New Hampshire

Education: BS in Medical Technology, University of New Hampshire; MS in Medical Technology, University of Vermont; PhD in Cell and Molecular Biology, University of Vermont

Resume: Faculty, University of Vermont, 1990-1999; interim and then executive dean of the Graduate College, University of Vermont, 1999-2003; associate provost and then executive vice provost and head of the Office of Academic Affairs, State University of New York-System Administration in Albany, 2003-2007; provost and vice president for academic affairs, The College at Brockport, State University of New York, 2007-2013

Family: Partner, Joanne Cepelak, PhD



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my home, and the opportunity to further establish Keene State College as a preeminent public liberal arts college is both humbling and exciting," she told the gathered faculty, staff, and students. Her partner, Joanne Cepelak, and her father, Don Huot, who lives in Manchester, were on hand for the introduction and reception.

Dr. Huot's academic career has been public higher education-based, starting with her own undergraduate and graduate studies at the universities of New Hampshire and Vermont. Since earning her PhD, she's conducted research in her field, served on the faculties of the state universities of Vermont and New York, and taken on positions of increasing responsibility in

Following a reception, Dr. Huot met with the Student Assembly. "I took this position for you," she told the assembly members, "to ensure stewardship of your education. It is important that you and the generations of students to come continue to have access to the outstanding education that is a hallmark of Keene State College."

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a conversation with Dr. Anne Huot.**

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From Jay Kahn, *Interim President, 2012-2013*

A Welcome to Incoming President Anne Huot and a Look Back over the Past Year

Welcome, Anne, to a community dedicated to student success. From distinguished professors to financial aid staff, from academic and admissions advisors to athletic coaches, from alumni mentors to grounds and trades staff, the Keene State College community is committed to helping undergraduate students succeed.

Who are those students? Many are traditional high school graduates, but increasing numbers are nontraditional in their age, in their workforce history, in military experience, and in cultural backgrounds that they bring to the College. The campus is becoming more diverse and more global in its perspectives.

Many of us at Keene State recognize the transformations that occur through public higher education because we are ourselves products of public institutions. I often find myself talking about students' multidisciplinary experiences, which begin when they take their introductory integrated studies courses in writing and quantitative literacy. Once they get familiar with their majors, they begin to branch out to other fields, so that by the time they're seniors, they've been able to cultivate an interest in multiple disciplines. What many academics have discovered in their own study is that the really interesting work is done where disciplines converge, and you can make greater contributions to your personal development and your intellectual thought where you connect multiple disciplines around problems and solutions.

Students also have had opportunities to broaden their own scope of influence at the College, community, and state levels this year. They've participated in community service days, met with lawmakers, hosted visiting officials, attended alumni events, and testified at legislative hearings.

As president, I've discovered how easy it is to form relationships with our students. I've interacted with them through programs like the Student Ambassadors, through campus performances and events, through Student Assembly and class officer meetings, through recognition occasions like a breakfast for this year's all-American athletes, and while taking Maizey, my golden retriever, on night-time walks through campus. They've shared with me their stories about how their time at Keene State has given direction to their lives. Getting to

know them and encouraging their intellectual curiosity and career ambitions has greatly enriched my year.

Ensuring that students and potential students have access to affordable, quality public higher education continues to be a major concern. The sticker price of tuition and other fees inhibits some students from attending and causes others to put off college or drop out before graduating. Making the case for greater student support to donors and legislators has taken a lot of time and effort this year. The campus itself is energizing, and then I've had to convey that energy in



terms of value added to the state by educating in-state students here at KSC – value evident through the projects students complete, the awards students, faculty and the College receive, and the jobs graduates fill in-state.

The end of the school year, with its graduation and honors ceremonies and its orientation sessions for admitted first-year students, is a reminder that transitions are important moments. For our seniors, culminating experiences like the Academic Excellence Conference serve to anchor what they've accomplished and launch them on the next stage of life. For incoming students, their arrival on campus is full of expectations and promise.

This summer, the College itself undergoes a transition, as I move on from my year as interim president and our new president settles in. Anne, I wish you the best in your new beginning here. May you be as supported and energized by the campus community as I have been in my years at Keene State.

A NOTE ON THIS ISSUE

Ask Jay Kahn, interim president 2012-13, about excellence at Keene State College, and he talks about areas of distinction. "It's important to have a core around which you can define excellence," he says. "Excellence needs to be purposeful and integrated, and through that you get a sense of cohesion, cohesiveness, and synergy."

He mentions student achievements in the humanities, outstanding music and theatre performances, a growing body of student research in the sciences, project-based experiences in the social sciences. He brings up the versatility of the student body and how students' interests overlap fields of study. He talks about the interest of employers in the College's students, and about collaborations in the community. "I think that physically this campus embodies the strength of these areas of distinction," he says, pointing to the success of the new TDS building in lifting the level of student work. "To be able to transfer what takes place within buildings to the buildings themselves, their appearance, is what makes this campus environment unique and attractive."

At Keene State, we celebrate the achievements of our students, graduates, faculty and staff, and programs on a regular basis, and, in fact, we could easily fill every edition of *Keene State Today* with stories about awards and accolades. In this issue, we're honoring some of the recent standout accomplishments not because they are unusual but because they are representative of the kind of success Keene State community members achieve every day on campus and in the world. They also demonstrate how, in combination, the College's various areas of distinction add up to a culture of excellence.

MUSINGS ON EXCELLENCE

We asked a handful of people to share their thoughts on excellence, how it's manifested at Keene State, and why it's important. Here's a sampling of the responses:

"Faculty scholarship, student learning and scholarship, facilities technology access, experiential learning: they all need to be exemplary. Then you get the synergy and the cohesion and the integration and the evidence of excellence."

– **Jay Kahn**

Interim President 2012-13



"I think excellence is a way of perceiving yourself and the world. That perception translates into doing the best job you can do. We all have choices – many times a day. We can choose to do a job completely, to the best of our ability, or to take shortcuts. If we care about our students, our colleagues, and ourselves, we figure out what needs to be done and we do it right. The result is a high level of personal satisfaction, respect from others, and successful contributions to student success."

– **Andrew Robinson**

Vice President for Student Affairs



"At Keene State, excellence is very apparent. Getting an education isn't only about going to class. So many students are fulfilling multiple degrees or multiple

areas of study; you don't just pick one major, you pick a lot of different things and try to figure out how to combine them to really suit your interest. And students are very engaged on this campus. They're passionate about their fields of study, they're passionate about service, they're passionate about student affairs issues."

– **Allie Bedell '14**

Honors Program, political science/journalism major, Holocaust and genocide studies minor



"In thinking about excellence from the standpoint of advancement and philanthropy, I thought through what it is we're actually doing and why. We are giving students the opportunity to fulfill their potential for excellence, and providing the faculty with the resources and the environment and the opportunity to live up to their full capacity. We're raising money, we're getting partners in from the community and corporations and other areas in order to enable a student to say, This is where I want to go, this is what I want to accomplish with my life, and now I'm ready to do that. If our faculty are doing research in an area, or they want to be the very best teacher at biology or social science or whatever it is, the philanthropy we are doing means we're bringing together as many resources and as many partners as we can to support each individual to fulfill that potential."

– **Maryann LaCroix Lindberg**

Vice President for Advancement





Heidi Welch '96 *A Life Set to Music*

A Focus on Students Makes a State and National Impact

By Jane Eklund

Part coach, part den mother, part motivational speaker, and all music teacher, **Heidi (Blish) Welch '96** stands facing the altar of the Smith Congregational Church in Hillsborough, New Hampshire, where the 60-plus students in the Hillsboro-Deering High School Chorus are arranged in tiers, and offers a kind of invocation.

"This is the biggest choral work we've ever done," she tells the students, who stand with their eyes closed, some swaying slightly. "Make this piece bigger than you ever, ever expected. ... Let that hope and that light in."

The chorus members have just finished an early-morning rehearsal of John Rutter's "Requiem," which they are scheduled to perform at an upcoming concert at the church to benefit suicide prevention. Welch's pep talk seems designed as much to launch the young people into the world as to rev them up for the concert. "You will have an impact. A huge impact," she tells them.

The impact Welch has had on the hundreds of students she's taught in her 17-year career was recently acknowledged in a big way. After being selected the 2013 New Hampshire Teacher of the Year, she was named one of four finalists for National Teacher of the Year, a program sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers.

The designation earned her a trip to Washington, DC, for a ceremony with President Obama in the White House Rose Garden. She also participated with the other finalists and the winner, Jeff Charbonneau of Washington state, in a round-table discussion on education led by Jill Biden, a teacher and the wife of Vice President Joe Biden.

A Place to Feel Safe

After the chorus rehearsal wraps up, Welch and her students return to the high school, a short walk away. She settles into the music room, an airy, colorful space, and looks back over her teaching life. She's been at this school for most of her career, taking the job 15 years ago after a two-year stint teaching music to kindergartners

and elementary schoolers in Claremont. When she started at Hillsboro-Deering, the school's music program was limited to the band.

Welch added a guitar program, seeing that as a way to get students into the music room. She added courses, including music theory and some that are much less standard: Musical Theatre Appreciation, American History through Music, and Music in Film. A once-a-week afterschool chorus that drew six girls the first year has grown into a class of 65 with an ample supply of male voices – not bad for a school of 440.

*The minute you walk into my room,
you become part of this family.*

And all that time, she's been creating a space where students can belong. "The minute you walk into my room, you become part of this family," she'd told

the choral singers earlier. The music room, its concrete block wall a quilt of messages painted by graduating seniors, is testament to that.

"This is a place where I want them to feel safe, where I want them to feel loved, where I want them to feel supported, where I will keep extremely high expectations," she says. "The expectations musically are



Heidi Welch directs the Hillsboro-Deering High School Chorus.



Heidi Welch's White House visit included a photo op with the president in the Oval Office.

high, my expectations for them academically are high. I want them to be smart, I want them to be musicians, not just players and singers, and at the same time I want them to feel like when they come in this room, they're going to feel their support system. And I tell them all the time, You are a member of this family."

'Band Meant Everything'

Welch is the first to note that her own growing-up years were less than ideal. Born in Claremont, New Hampshire, she landed in Manchester in fifth grade, then bounced around dozens of addresses in the city as her family was evicted again and again. She found her center by focusing on her studies, and by joining the chorus in middle school and high school. At the end of her sophomore year at Manchester Central High School, a music teacher handed her a school euphonium and directed her to learn to play it over the summer so she could join the school band.

"I loved being in band. When I was in high school, being in band meant everything to me, being in chorus meant everything to me. I think it was because it gave me a family, it gave me a home when I had no safety at home."

When her family moved to the other side of the city, Welch walked miles to and from Manchester Central every day rather than transfer to another school, because she didn't want to leave the band behind.

Close Connections to KSC

Even though she intended to study English in college, Welch chose Keene State partly because of its affordability as a state school but mostly because she wanted to study with Doug Nelson (who retired in 2006 as director of the music program). Within weeks of her arrival on campus, she dropped her plans to concentrate on the classics and British lit and became a music education major. She also, at Prof. Nelson's suggestion, put down the euphonium and picked up the French horn.

"I had an amazing education at Keene," she says, pointing to the benefits of a small, supportive music

department. She's still connected with the college: she takes on Keene State student teachers most years, and is scheduled next year to teach two courses at KSC – a night class, Musical Theatre Appreciation, in the fall, and Women in Music in the spring.

With a master's in education from New England College, she is pursuing a doctorate through Walden University. She is the parent of three: stepdaughter Brianna Welch, 17; daughter Katherine Ort (whose father is her first husband, **Kevin Ort '95**), 15; and 3-year-old Noah, her son with Randy Welch, whom she married in 2006.

Life is good. The national Teacher of the Year finalist tells her students at Hillsboro-Deering that her wish for them is that they find work they love as much as she loves her work.

"I don't take sick days," she says, "hardly any at all, because who would not want to come into this space every day? It's not a cubicle where you're just punching in numbers, it's really cool. So being honored like that, for something that you love doing, it seems so crazy."


 Read more online at keene.edu/mag.

What else have Keene State alumni been up to in the awards and accolades department? Here's just a sampling:

Michelle Tiani '03, an elementary school physical education teacher and high school coach for the Keene School District, has been named Elementary School Physical Education Teacher of the Year for New Hampshire.

 Read more online at keene.edu/mag.

Kristine Finnegan '91 was selected 2012 New Hampshire Library Director of the Year by the NH Library Trustees Association. Finnegan heads up the library in small-town Nelson, where, during her 20-year tenure, a new library building has been constructed and the old library listed on the state Register of Historic Places.

 Read more online at keene.edu/mag.

The Samaritans and the organization's program coordinator, **Carmen (Prandini) Trafton '95**, received the 2013 Campus Compact Presidents' Community Partner Award for the training of Keene State students to staff a crisis hotline and provide support to those in need in and around Keene.

Keene State Alumni Award winners were honored at the reunion luncheon in June. They are:

- Sprague Drenan Award: **Susan Fortier '86**
- Alumni Achievement Award: **Dr. Walter Asonevich '77**
- Outstanding Service Award: **Dr. Jay Kahn, Interim President, 2012-13**
- Alumni Inspiration Award: **Shawn Curtis '99**



From left: A student discusses his work with NH architects (👁 Read more online at keene.edu/mag); KSC honors outstanding women; Chinese educators visit; students present at the Academic Excellence Conference.

Promoting Excellence on Campus and Beyond

Whether it's on campus or in the community, among students or faculty or outside achievers, Keene State seeks to cultivate excellence – by hosting conferences, honoring notable citizens, and encouraging good works. Here's a sampling of recent occasions of the college fostering excellence.

■ Keene State presented the 2013 Outstanding Women of New Hampshire awards in March. The honorees were Dr. Trinidad Tellez, director of the Office of Minority Health and Refugee Affairs at the NH Department of Health and Human Services, Dr. Yvonne Goldsberry, senior director of community Health at Cheshire Medical Center/

Dartmouth-Hitchcock Keene, Dr. Loren Launen, Keene State biology professor, and Deena Snoko '13, a biology major who has represented the College in national forums.

■ From July 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012, 1,094 KSC students put in 62,882 hours of community service. That number helped lead to the College being named to the 2013 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

■ The New Hampshire Science Teachers' Association held its conference in the Putnam Science Center during the college's spring break.

■ The Summer Statewide Educator Conference, co-sponsored with the

NH Department of Education, is scheduled for campus July 24 and 25.

■ Twenty-two educators from Shanghai, China, visited campus in February for an exchange on teaching approaches and helping students succeed.

■ The 13th annual Academic Excellence Conference, which highlights research by Keene State students, was held at the college in April.

■ The New Hampshire chapter of the American Institute of Architects met on campus April 25. Members enjoyed a dinner, talked with senior architecture majors about their entries in a design competition, and toured the TDS Center.





ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE CONFERENCE

2013 participants reflect on the academic fields they love.

"There are many things I like about being a mathematics major. One thing I enjoy is the sense of community I get with the students and professors in the department. Everyone is always friendly and willing to help each other. I also enjoy the opportunities that being a math and education major has provided me with, such as tutoring in the math center and in local elementary, middle, and high schools."



Rebecca Brady '14, mathematics and secondary education major. She's presented her paper "Rectangular Occurrence of Pi" at three conferences, including the Academic Excellence Conference, and is headed to Bosnia for the summer to intern at the Tuzla Summer Institute.



"Ever since I was young, I've been interested in building things. When I was in high school I discovered a few courses in architectural drafting that really captured my heart and mind. The combination of mathematics, leadership, and creativity that are essential in architecture fit my personality very well. ... I love that I have the opportunity to take classes outside of the architecture program that relate to my field of study – for example, the construction management courses I completed alongside my required architecture courses."

Jacob Blake '13, architecture major. At the AEC, he was part of a group that presented a workshop, "TDS Center as a Teaching Tool." His future plans include working as an assistant manager for a construction company and coming back to campus for visits – something he recommends that all alumni do.

"I chose architecture because the classes are small yet competitive, the faculty are well versed in their respective specialties, and the TDS Center is one of the best buildings on campus with regards to fostering a dynamic and intellectual environment."

David Henning '13, architecture major. He hopes to work internationally as an architect. At the AEC, he gave an oral presentation: "Investigating the Use of the Sterling Memorial Library as Propaganda for the Relationship Between the Sacred and the Secular at Yale University."



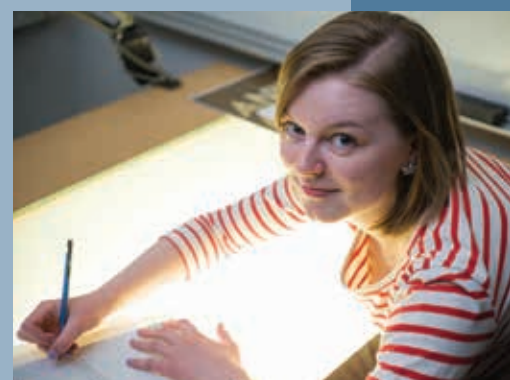
"I enjoy that I am able to surround myself with passionate and talented artists who simultaneously support me in endeavors and push me to do better. This year, I created a seven-minute original dance work entitled 'Composition' that features an original, live musical score for Research and Choreography class that has been selected by dance faculty to be fully produced in *An Evening of Dance 2013*."

Alexander Davis '14, theatre and dance major. He and another student performed *Composition and Movement: A Collaboration* at the AEC. At Keene State, he participates in service projects, serves as a resident assistant, and does improv comedy.



"As a graphic designer, I love what I do; I never stop designing. Whether it's for a class, on my own, or analyzing designs in my head, relaxing, hanging out with friends, and listening to music all help to rejuvenate my design abilities, which also helps inspire me to complete my next project."

Victoria White '13, graphic design major. The recipient of a Graphic Design Fellowship scholarship, she and another student created a poster presentation for the AEC titled "A Method to the Madness: A Look at the Process and Methodologies Employed in Graphic Design III."



"I like how the material I learn about in class can be used to gain a better understanding of how people operate outside the classroom, and I can apply that information to my own relationships. Studying psychology has helped with my personal growth as an individual."

Emily Winskowicz '14, psychology major. At the AEC, she took part in a panel discussion, "Global Engagement in Nicaragua," contributing knowledge and insights she picked up in Nicaragua last summer. The most interesting research project she's undertaken, she says, was a paper on Nicaraguan mural paintings.



AN OYSTER OF A THEATRE CONFERENCE, *with Multiple Pearls*

By Matt McDougal '15



Photo: Will Wrobel '11

Seventeen students in the Theatre and Dance Department headed to Cape Cod at the end of January to participate in the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival, Region 1. They presented work in the areas of acting, design, stage management, and theatre criticism, and took home a number of honors, from a national honorable mention for Excellence in Sound Design to a regional first place in Costume Design. (👁️ Read more online at keene.edu/mag.) Matt McDougal, who took the stage at the festival to perform scenes and a monologue, penned this account of his experiences.

I started preparing for the 2013 Region One Kennedy Center for American College Theater Festival (or, to shorten that mouthful, ACTF) way back before the new year, honing two scenes and a monologue from the plays *Oedipus at Colonus* (by Sophocles), *Sure Thing* (by David Ives), and *I Am My Own Wife* (by Doug Wright). I enjoyed working on the scenes immensely, in particular the intensive focus and critical

feedback provided by PeggyRae Johnson of KSC's Theatre and Dance Department for me and my scene partner, Kristen Licht. Although I didn't progress past the first round, I'm still proud of the work I presented, and I received really useful feedback from the panel of academics and professionals in the field of theatre. One commented on my strong stage presence; another on my vocal work. Fortunately, I presented my work relatively early in the week, and once I had the weight of nerves and stress of the competition lifted from my shoulders, I felt as though the rest of the week was my oyster, and all that remained for me was to find the pearl.

In the end, this oyster ended up having multiple pearls. I had the pleasure to meet, connect, and collaborate with countless students from schools including Saint Michael's College, Boston University, and the University of Southern Maine. I watched and was inspired by the exceptional performances they staged. I still remember viewing one show that left me an emotional train wreck due to its contemporary tragic plot and another more traditional piece that had me booming with laughter the very next night.

I attended master classes and workshops on various aspects of the craft of theatre, led by people like certified fight choreographers who had been practicing their whole lives and the director of the Commonwealth Shakespeare Company in Boston. Nicholette Routhier of the Dell'Arte International School of Theatre gave a

ACTF was a chance to take part in a conference where hundreds of the most talented theatre students from New England pool their collective energies – and, collectively, we had a blast.

workshop that focused on devised theatre – a form in which the script grows out of collaborative improvisation by a group of people, typically the performers. Routhier talked about a piece she helped create over the course of eight weeks that began as pure improvisation, morphed into a creative exploration of Flannery O'Connor's short story "Good Country People," and ended up being an adapted performance of the tale.

Here's one thing I took away from that workshop:

Sometimes all it takes to create quality work is putting out an idea to the group, no matter how good or bad, no matter how much you like or dislike it. Just throw something out there. That opens the door to the next contribution, and the next – and each one is

likely to be better than the one before it. The workshop encouraged me to express whatever ideas I have when I'm collaborating with a group of people.

ACTF was a chance to take part in a conference where hundreds of the most talented theatre students from New England pool their collective energies – and, collectively, we had a blast. I hope to return next year, to connect with more theatre majors, to learn from more professionals, and to get back up on the stage with new scenes and monologues to perform.

Because, as they say, the show must go on.

How else have Keene State students been recognized recently? Here are just a few accomplishments:

■ Students in last year's Keene State Small Business Institute – a seminar that engages students in solving real challenges for real business clients – took home two first-place awards at the 2013 Small Business Institute Project of the Year Awards, held in February at the SBI Conference in Tampa, Florida. Dr. Neal Pruchansky supervised both projects.

Elias Grijalva, Abby Hajec, Sylvie McCarthy, Matthew Oakley, and Lea Swanson placed first for Specialized Project of the Year for "Raw Elements: It's Not an Accessory, It's a Necessity," a marketing plan for an environmentally safe sunscreen.

Wayland Luter, Richard Scappaticci, Brendan Koning, Matt Panicali, and exchange student Lucie Clique

placed first for Comprehensive Project of the Year for "Country Life," a comprehensive business plan for a vegan restaurant in downtown Keene.

■ The Lambda Sigma chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon took home the 2013 Campus Compact Presidents' Leadership award for a student organization for outstanding contributions to College and community events and service projects.

■ Three students have been awarded \$4,000 KSC Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships. Johanna DeBari will be comparing and analyzing the crime of rape during genocide in Rwanda and in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Jordan Chase will create a large-scale composition for chamber orchestra. James Ulcickas will study the chemical components of Japanese knotweed as a supplement to hens' diets and its capacity for boosting omega 3s in eggs.

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Scholars

Winning a coveted Fulbright Scholar Grant means concentrated time to focus on a project, teach, or conduct in-depth research, but it also means learning “by immersion” about a new place and culture. During the 2012-2013 academic year, two Fulbright Scholars from Keene State’s faculty had the opportunity to be so immersed. Shirley McLoughlin, associate professor of education, sent a missive from the Republic of Georgia, where she lived and worked during the spring semester. Deborah Merchant, also an associate professor of education, sat down with *Keene State Today* to talk about the three months she spent in Greece during the fall semester.

Friendships, Insights, and Enduring Memories

By Shirley McLoughlin

With a great deal of thought and preparation, I headed off to the Republic of Georgia as part of my sabbatical. However, none of the work done beforehand prepared me for the rich, exciting experiences in which I have been immersed. This adventure has clearly exceeded my expectations.

While in Georgia, I work at Telavi State University as a Fulbright Scholar, teaching undergraduates about blogging in a media class and teaching graduate and doctoral students about educational systems and their development. As I express to all my students, the role of teacher and learner truly fluctuates in my classes. While I am introducing students to new ideas and ways of thinking and giving them examples of life in the United States, they, in turn, have been teaching me about the history of their beautiful country, their schools, their family life, their customs, and their rituals. We marvel at our differences and our similarities, and are acutely aware of how we are changing our ways of viewing the world as part of this interchange of ideas and knowledge.

While my experiences in the university have been so fruitful, so,

too, have been my experiences of day-to-day living in this country. Shopping at an open market, walking down streets lined with vendors selling richly scented herbs and cheeses, getting together for shared meals with Peace Corps volunteers and native Georgians, learning to make *kinkhali* (a classic Georgian meat-filled dumpling) – all of these typical Georgian experiences are delightfully new to me. Whether struggling with deciphering a few Georgian letters on a store sign, sharing a cup of tea with my sweet landlady, sharing American blues songs on a neighbor’s guitar as he sings Russian ballads, or weaving a grapevine wreath with pruned branches left beneath vines in my yard, I am finding myself more and more immersed in the culture.

The heart of the Khakheti region where I am living is the vineyards; this is the birthplace of wine, where wine producing has been carried out for 8,000 years. The valley has grapevines everywhere, and overseeing them are the majestic Caucasus Mountains. As I sit on my balcony looking out at the mountains, I think back at the history of this country, of the numerous conquests the wonderfully welcoming Georgian

citizens have endured, with invasions from the Turks, Mongols, Ottomans, Persians, and last, just beyond the mountains, the Russians. Despite this difficult history, the Georgians are exceedingly kind and hospitable, and have maintained their customs, culture, and individuality. They are a remarkably strong people, and clearly have provided me with new friendships, fresh insights, and enduring memories of my time spent in this wonderful country.



Shirley McLoughlin wrote from her rented house in Georgia in mid-April. While she was on her Fulbright, she also blogged for the Huffington Post.

 Read more online at keene.edu/mag.

Abroad

Photo: Courtesy of Shirley McLoughlin

Food, Adventure, and Collaboration

“This experience opened up opportunities,” says faculty member and alumna Dr. Deb Merchant ’80 of her semester at the University of Macedonia. “I really feel like the focus of my scholarship is shifting to include an international perspective.”

From her visits to schools in Thessaloniki, Merchant discovered that there are vast differences between the special education systems in Greece and the United States, specifically in the area of inclusion. In Greece, the majority of students with disabilities are educated outside of the general education classroom, most often in a separate school. With this information, she had to switch gears. “I experienced a shift in thinking,” she wrote in her Fulbright report. Instead of highlighting what Greek special educators aren’t doing, the focus should be on what special educators are doing to meet the needs of students with disabilities and how more inclusive settings can be created.

In the process, she gained a friend and collaborator, Lefkothea Kartasidou, a professor at the university with whom she taught a graduate course, conducted a survey, and led a workshop for special educators. Their work continues, as they communicate on a regular basis via Skype and email. In fact, the two are working on an article together, and the results of the survey they conducted will be presented at

a conference in Rhodes, Greece, this summer.

Off campus, Merchant and her husband, Randall Merchant ’77, an artist, enjoyed their urban neighborhood in Thessaloniki,

kokoretsi, was particularly tasty – though they were a bit taken aback when they learned later it contained liver surrounded by various parts of a lamb’s intestines. “Had I known, I might not have eaten it” she says, adding, “It was delicious.”



In addition to teaching and doing research, Deb Merchant toured Greece with her husband.

the Macedonia Region’s capital city. They also traveled around the country, visiting Rhodes, Delphi, Meteora, and Athens. They hired a local resident as their tour guide and visited the countryside, going to vineyards and ancient ruins.

And they ate. “What was fun was having local folks order at the restaurants,” she remembers. They typically chose meze, or small plates, so they could sample a variety of foods. One, called

Merchant left feeling she had just scratched the surface in terms of her research and work with special educators in Greece. Her husband, who was very productive during their stay, found Greece to be a great place to create art.

“I felt like we got a really good sense of the country,” Merchant says. “We want to go back and continue our work.”

Above & Beyond



It's particularly appropriate that the Alumni Association bestows the Distinguished Teacher of the Year Award, notes Patty Farmer '92, director of Alumni and Parent Relations. Given the College's beginnings as a normal school and then a teachers' college, along with its long history of producing educators, the award is a way to honor and continue a great tradition.

And with fourteen Distinguished Teachers from years past still on the faculty and many others who are retired and living in the area, it's a great time to honor their service to the College and to their students, and to honor the kind of great teaching that inspired the award.

"I put a lot of work into teaching," says Therese Seibert, the 2007 honoree,

"and I try to have very high standards and challenge students. So to have the validation that all the work and thought that goes into teaching is recognized – it means a lot."

Each spring a committee that includes past winners, an alumna or alumnus, a representative of the College president's office, and two students sifts through a pile of

Distinguished Teachers of the Year Add up to a Big Presence on Campus



Photos: Will Wrobel '11

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hefty nomination packets. The group considers nomination essays and the required five letters of support from colleagues, students, and alumni, and balances them against the selection criteria – excellence in teaching, encouragement of independent thinking, rapport with students, and effective student advising.

The teacher who's selected, says Farmer, is the one who's gone above and beyond, pushing students to do their best, providing substantial academic guidance, and often contributing to students' sense of responsibility and work ethic.

The process is competitive, and the students on the selection committee typically have a lot of influence. "It's

a true opportunity for the students' voices to be heard," Farmer says.

For the selected faculty members, the Distinguished Teacher designation is a personal honor that's also indicative of Keene State's emphasis on quality teaching. The 2010 Distinguished Teacher, Beverly Ferrucci, calls the award "a superb opportunity to reflect on the


Above & Beyond: The Faces of the Distinguished Teachers

ultimate value that our College places on teaching excellence.”

Working with KSC students can be profoundly gratifying, some of the honorees note.

“What made me stay at Keene State and excel at Keene State was how much some of the students became capable of doing when you gave them a push,” says Neal Pruchansky, the 2004 Distinguished Teacher. “Some of their work has been astounding. They’ve won national awards, and they just have made me proud to be here.”

Professor Emerita Eleanor Vander Haegen, the 1989 honoree, reflects on “a wonderful career”: “I do believe that students who came to Keene State were people who had a great deal of talent and who could do wonderful things in our society. This was an opportunity for them to get an education at a reasonable cost and go out and do great things. And many of them did. It was good to be part of it.”

 Read more online and download the nomination form at keene.edu/mag.



David Leinster, 1990
History (retired)



Anne-Marie Mallon, 2009
English and Women’s Studies



Richard Cunningham, 1984
English (retired)



Kenneth Bergman, 2000
Biology



Ockle Johnson, 2002
Mathematics



William Seigh, 2011
Dance



Jan Youga, 2003
English



Stephen Stepenuck, 1981
Chemistry (retired)



Albert Rydant, 1991
Geography



Gregory Knouff, 2005
History



Neal Pruchansky, 2004
Management



Paul Vincent, 2008
Holocaust Studies



Beverly Ferrucci, 2010
Mathematics



JoBeth Mullins, 2006
Geography



Nancy Lory, 2001
Special Education (retired)



Susan Whittemore, 2012
Biology



David White, 1985
Education



Klaus Bayr, 1995
Geography (retired)



Therese Seibert, 2007
Sociology



Eleanor Vander Haegen, 1989
Sociology (retired)


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The financial aid package, along with the scholarships I have received here at Keene State College, are what made it possible for me to attend school and pursue my dreams. Without assistance, I would not have been able to afford college. The financial assistance here has turned my dreams into a reality.

Nathan Bisson '14, Recipient of the David C. Staples Scholarship and the Keene Tuition Scholarship



Nathan’s story is common at Keene State. He is one of the 82 percent of the student population that receive financial aid, and one of 100 percent of students who are impacted by your gifts. Thank you!

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FACULTY & STAFF ACCOMPLISHMENTS



Beverly J. Ferrucci

Beverly J. Ferrucci, Mathematics
Named chair of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics' Educational Materials Committee.

Meg Henning, Health Science
Appointed a Takemi Fellow at the Harvard School of Public Health for the 2012-13 academic year. The fellows come together to focus on the problems of mobilizing, allocating, and maintaining limited resources to improve health internationally. Henning will travel to Zambia this summer to continue her work.

Jay Kahn, Interim President
Named an honorary member of the New Hampshire chapter of the American Institute of Architects. The membership is bestowed on people who have rendered distinguished service to the profession of architecture or to the arts and sciences in the state.

Alex Kelsey, Campus Safety
Received his Firefighter I certification and is a volunteer firefighter in Alstead.

Loren Launen, Biology
Honored as one of four Outstanding Women of New Hampshire by Keene State College. She earned the distinction for her contribution to the sciences at the College and beyond, and for her scholarship and academic accomplishments.
Read more online at keene.edu/mag.

Mark C. Long, English



Jay Kahn



Loren Launen

Elected president of the Association for the Study of Literature and Environment.

Emily Porshitz, Management
Awarded the 2013 Michael J. Driver Best Regional Paper Award for the most outstanding careers-related paper scheduled for presentation at the 50th annual meeting of the Eastern Academy of Management in Baltimore.

Daniel Patterson, Theatre and Dance



Emily Porshitz



Christopher Swist

Christopher Swist, Music
Celebrated the premiere of his orchestral work, *Abaprima*, by the Bard Conservatory Orchestra at the Fisher Center in Annandale-on-Hudson, New York, December 9.

Bart Sapeta, Technology, Design, and Safety
Received a Commendation Award in the New Hampshire chapter of the American Institute of Architects' 2013 Excellence in Architecture Design Awards. He was honored in the "unbuilt" category for a design called "Island Shack."



Michael Welsh

FULBRIGHT HONORS

Chemistry Professor **Jerry P. Jasinski** has been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to lecture and conduct research at the University of Mysore in Mysore, India, during the 2013-2014 academic year. Through this exchange, he will advance the knowledge base of students and faculty at the University of Mysore and affiliated institutions in the use of single crystal X-ray crystallography as a modern state-of-the-art tool in the determination of molecular structure.

Read more online at keene.edu/mag.



Jerry Jasinski

Awarded a plaque honoring his 15 years as the Critics Chair at the Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival: Region I.

Michael Welsh, Political Science
Received the Campus Compact 2013 Good Steward Award for contributions to the city of Keene, including the city's master plan, Keene Cares, the planning board, and the Marlboro Street Area Rezoning Project.

KEENE STATE: THE WORD IS OUT!

From brief mentions to longer comments to feature stories, word about Keene State makes regular appearances in local, state, and national media. One recent example is the College's prominence in the *New Hampshire Union Leader's* 2013 "40 Under Forty" section, an annual feature that profiles the best and brightest residents of the state who have yet to reach their 40th birthdays.

Two alumni and one faculty member were selected for the honor this year, and another faculty member was nominated by the College for recognition.

Eric Proulx '02 is making his mark as general manager of the Tanger Outlets in Tilton, New Hampshire, where he has worked since his post-graduation plans for student teaching fell through. "No two days are the same," Proulx told the *Union Leader*. "If I didn't love what I do, I wouldn't be here."



In 2011, Proulx earned a US Community Support Award from the International Council of Shopping Centers Foundation for his work organizing an annual 5K road race to raise money for

breast cancer research. The most recent race brought in over \$12,000. He's also helped raise more than \$350,000 through Tanger's breast cancer awareness campaign.

A resident of Goffstown, New Hampshire, who has a master's in management from New England College, Proulx and his wife, **Tara (LaBranche) Proulx '03**, have two children.

As the Portsmouth, New Hampshire-based vice president and commercial loan officer for First Colebrook Bank, **Ben Wheeler '05** is invested in the Seacoast Region. "In order to be successful in a small community bank like ours, you have to be fully entrenched in your community," he told the *Union Leader*.



His memberships in local organizations have led him to take leadership roles, including serving on the Rotary Club's board of directors and the Portsmouth-Area Chamber of Commerce's executive

committee and overseeing a five-day program for 110 youth through Rotary Youth Leaders of America.

A history major at Keene State, Wheeler earned a master's in public administration from UNH. He and his wife, **Michelle (Karcz) Wheeler '05**, and their daughter, Emma, live in Rye.

"There are tremendous opportunities for people that want to work hard and always be involved with the community and give back. That is my mantra, I want to give back," said **Bartlomiej "Bart" Sapeta**, the third in this year's "40 Under Forty" crop with ties to Keene State.

An assistant professor in the Technology, Design and Safety Department, Sapeta gives back by volunteering for Plan NH – a nonprofit focusing on municipal and regional planning – in its design charrettes, which are intensive collaborative planning sessions involving citizens, planners, and officials. He's involved in establishing Keene Listens, a grassroots effort to engage residents in working to better the city.

Sapeta has earned numerous awards for his professional work, including being part of the annual American Institute of Architects Emerging Professionals Exhibit in Washington, DC, in 2012.

Dr. Emily Porschitz, assistant professor of management, was honored by the College with a nomination for "40 Under Forty" status. Through her research, Porschitz has sought to understand the dynamics experienced by young professionals in their pursuit of meaningful careers. As co-chair of the Keene Young Professionals Network, she has worked to organize social events, community service projects, educational programs, and opportunities for local young professions to meet with their counterparts in the state.

AMONG OTHER RECENT "KEENE STATE SIGHTINGS":



Keene Sentinel, March 5, 2013, "Growing Gray: Two Generations of Senior Citizens." This series on aging featured Keene State's Cheshire Academy for Lifelong Learning.

New Hampshire Public Radio, Friday, March 8, 2013, "At Keene State College, Passion for Journalism Alive and Well" by **Michael Brindley '03**.

Brattleboro Reformer, April 12, 2013, "World Learning Honors Madeleine Albright," a story by **Emily Madson**, a Keene State student interning at the *Reformer*.

Two for the Record Books

By Stuart Kaufman

Keene State athletes Janel Haggerty '13 and Drew Ledwith '14 had unprecedented success on land and in the water respectively this past season. Haggerty, a senior from Guilford, Connecticut, captured the national championship in the pentathlon at the NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field Championships at Naperville, Illinois, while Keene native Ledwith, a junior, earned three All-America honors, including a second-place finish in the 1,650-yard freestyle race, at the NCAA Division III Swimming and Diving Championships held in Shenandoah, Texas.

A gymnastics enthusiast growing up, Haggerty already possessed the athleticism and strong mental fortitude to compete in multiple events in a short period of time. Not even a lack of training facilities could derail her from her national championship aspirations.

Getting off to a good start by finishing first in the 60-meter hurdles and third in her signature event, the high jump, Haggerty faced some adversity when she finished at the bottom of the pack in the shot put. But she rallied with personal best performances in the final two events, finishing fourth in the long jump and second in the 800-meter race to claim the national crown with a school-record 3,467 points.

"It absolutely makes the hard work and training all worthwhile," said Haggerty, who was named KSC's senior female athlete of the year. "Who would've thought a girl without a track could become a national champion? I wasn't expecting it whatsoever. I was hoping, praying, for top eight, but this just tops it all off."

The local fish who didn't get away, Ledwith added to his

SPORTS SUPERSTARS

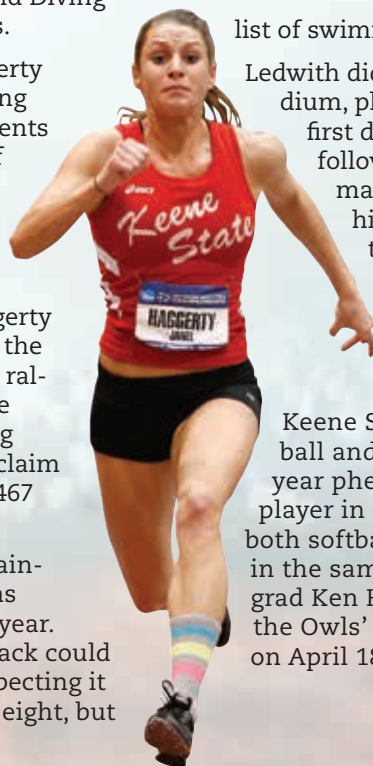
The 2013 Alumni Athletic Hall of Famers were inducted June 8. The honored athletes are **Osvaldo Molina '93**, men's soccer; **Seanna Matthews Lombardo '99**, women's swimming; **Kelly Smith '01**, field hockey; **Joe Branciforte '04**, men's lacrosse; and the **1983 women's soccer team**.

list of swimming All-Americans, which now totals six.

Ledwith didn't waste any time getting to the podium, placing fourth in the 500 freestyle in the first day of competition at the NCAA meet. He followed that up with a second-place performance in the 1,650 freestyle and also joined his teammates for a fourth-place finish in the 800 free relay with a school record time.

Overall, KSC produced 11 All-Americans at the meet and finished 11th in the team standings with 109 points.

Keene State also had some success on the softball and baseball diamonds this spring. First-year phenom Mariah Crisp became just the third player in Little East Conference history to earn both softball pitcher and rookie of the year honors in the same season, while baseball coach and KSC grad Ken Howe won his 500th career game with the Owls' 15-5 victory over Fitchburg State on April 18.



*This listing represents
class notes submitted as
of January 7, 2013*

1936

Ferne Coffin Fogg writes: "I am 97-plus years old. Live by myself. I am in good health. Go to Golden Circle if I can get someone to take me. Miss hearing from former classmates and associates.
Norma Walker '51 keeps in touch. God bless her and her Golden Circle work."

1938

Audrey Wells Curren graduated in 1938 from then Keene Normal School. She has taught for about 40 years, including Title One, and volunteers at Danbury Elementary School.

1939

Ruth Dodge writes: "My husband (Cap) and I celebrated our 70th wedding anniversary on June 24, 2012, with over 100 of our close friends and relatives, all from our town. Two of our dearest friends came from Ontario to make us a surprise visit at York Beach with lots of laughter and reminiscing. Everyone is good to us."

1940

Dorothy Young Carruthers
PO Box 344
Contoocook, NH 03229-0344

1941

Virginia Rollins Flint
799 Milan Rd.
Milan, NH 03588

Barbara Jeffery Stimson
678 Pettyboro Rd.
Bath, NH 03740

Virginia Rollins Flint writes that she taught for 26 years; she went to school with my children when the youngest of her five entered school. "I am 93 years old, still drive, attended retired teachers and Delta Kappa Gamma Golden Circle."

1942

Peggy Smith Campbell
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East Palatka, FL 32131
flyingnonnie@bellsouth.net

1943

Caroline Nichols Pregent
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cpregent@ne.rr.com

1944

Constance Riley Fullam writes: "Life is good. I live at Cloverworld in a house. Many friends and activities keep me busy and happy. I would welcome any visitors that might be near the Rochester, NY, area."

1945

Nancy Scripture Ashford writes: "I talked with **Lois Stevens Howe** on her 89th birthday. I had a good reminiscence visit with her. Her husband, Harland, had died the previous year. My last surviving sibling died the morning after her 92nd birthday: October 22, 2012."

Myrtie Flanders Kullgren writes: "I'm trying to take care of my husband. He's 97; he gets around better than I do but his memory is not good. I thank God every day for helping me. I would like to hear from my classmates."

1946

Thelma Partridge Mitchell
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1947

Ruth Washburn
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1948

Ellie Smith Butler
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1949

Ellie Hughgill Muldoon
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Lily Pond Overlook
Pocasset, MA 02559
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Fred C. Aldrich writes that he has made it to 88!

Olive McMorran Dorr writes: "I am now living in a lovely assisted living called Wood Crest Village. I moved here because I needed to be with people. Living alone is not my desire! All is well. My family is perfect and I have one great-grandson and lots of grandchildren."

1951

Norma Wright Walker
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1952

Winifred Woodbury Langtry
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1953

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Class Secretary **Don Johnson** writes: "Our class has lived through much of the 20th century and we have seen more social changes than most generations. We want to increase the amount in our class gift, so please send in your contribution to the Alumni Office."

1955

Alfreda Crosby Gallo
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alfredagallo100@msn.com

Glenna Burney Phelps writes: "Several years ago, my family, friends, and I organized a book program, giving many low-income children seven books. We gave away over 80,000 books. The Phoenix Suns Wives Club has continued the program. My son, Dr. Craig Phelps, was named NBA Physician of the Year for 2011. This year, he was appointed president of the A.T. Stills University Medical School in Kirksville, MO, where he entered as a student in 1980. He had already established a branch in Mesa, AZ. He had also been doctor for the Suns for 27 years."



1956

Minot Parker
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Montara, CA 94037-0540
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1957

Cynthia Randall Faust
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cynjon2fl@centurylink.net

Nancy A. Hurlburt Beaudry lives in Pembroke, NH. She is grandmother of eight, four married, and has three great-grandchildren: Emma, Anna, and Oliver. She is active in TOPS Club, Inc., and is a life member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

1958

Jacqueline A. Abbott
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Frank Taylor is retired after teaching for 54 years.

1959

Carol Gatcomb Riel
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rielgatcomb59@yahoo.com

1960

Gail Spevack Sheldon
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Manchester, NH 03102
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Janice R. Brackett writes that she had a great trip to Italy and the Greek Islands. "Also, climbed up to the Parthenon – amazing! Had our first great-granddaughter – beautiful – along with grandchildren."

Lawrence Cole ran the Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, DC, on October 28 in 5:28:46.

1961

Dorothy Bean Simpson
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Center Harbor, NH 03226
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Class Secretary **Dorothy Bean Simpson** reminds you to please remember to update your email and current addresses with the Alumni Office at KSC. "Also, send me or the alumni office news!"

Jeanne LaChance Erickson and husband Dennis spent a week in Zambrone (Calabria) Italy, and cruised in Greece, Croatia, and other locations in Italy. Being at the Acropolis was part of Jeanne's "bucket" list.

Ray and Pat Clark spent February in Siesta Key, FL.

Bob and Grace Saulnier were at Destin, FL, for the winter.

1962

Stephanie Heselton Baute
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Martha Crowley Morse
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1963

Elizabeth Butterfly Gilman
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1964

Helen I. Jette
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Zephyrhills, FL 33541
helenjette@aol.com

Bill Doolan
9189 William Cody Dr.
Evergreen, CO 80439
billdoolan@q.com

Donna Twiss retired in June 2009 after 28 years with Travelers Insurance and Citigroup as a claims adjuster and commercial underwriter and 16 years with the NH Insurance Department as a commercial insurance examiner.

Kenneth L. Brown continues to tutor math. He and **Corrine L. Corrier Brown '66** have one grandchild, Norah Marie Brown, who is 5 years old, and they get to spend time with her twice a week. Corrine continues to be active in church groups and is still sewing and doing crafts.

1965

Richard E. Doyle
561 Ocean Blvd. #4
Hampton, NH 03842
rdoyle561@aol.com

Audrey Rondo retired in June 2011. She has one daughter and twin grandchildren (a boy and a girl, age 3½). She is involved with Nashua Retired Teachers, Jewish Federation of Retired Seniors, Nashua Senior Center, and other groups and interests.

Carol Lanza Sierk took a second trip to Iceland last summer. She writes: "Marvelous waterfalls, icecaps, volcanoes, black sand – highly recommend the trip to everyone."

1966

Nancy Coutts
175 South Main St.
Brattleboro, VT 05301

1968

Jan Temple Metoxen
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Class Secretary **Jan Temple Metoxen** writes: "Hi, everyone. I didn't receive many replies to my letter asking for news. It's not too late! You can always send me some news. Recently I spent an afternoon at the College for a meeting and the opening of the new TDS building. This amazing green building houses the academic programs of Architecture, Safety Studies, and Sustainable Product Design. Keene is now known as being a liberal arts college, not just a teachers' college.

"I also had lunch with **Martha Ferris Marsette**. She and Bruce live in Keene and are both retired teachers. Martha was the first person I met as I moved in to Fiske Hall in the fall of 1964. We caught up on our children and grandchildren over lunch. I am going to work on her to get more involved on campus."

Carol Balcom writes: "Keene State prepared me well for graduate school. Many thanks to Francis Haley for recommending me to attend graduate school in Illinois. Francis was my geology teacher. Also, sad news about **Nancy Wovkonish '70**: she has passed on."

R. Bryan Trainor retired from teaching in June 2012. As of his



fall writing, he planned to move to Sunapee, NH, to sell real estate.

Mary-Beth Schmidt Dickey lives in Woodsville, NH. She writes: "We had family time while visiting Disneyland and California Adventure Land in November 2012."

1969

Barbara A. Hamilton
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Manchester, CT 06040
barbara.hamilton@att.net

Joel McKenna writes: "While attending a memorial service for my brother on August 12 in Kittery, Maine, I was blessed to see **Barry Osborn** and **Thom Richards**. Unfortunately, due to the circumstances, I couldn't spend the time I wanted to with them. Brief as it was, it was great to see them. In a thumbnail, I retired from running a small division of Standex International and relocated to the Huntsville, AL, area in 2000. I then became a rural letter carrier for the USPS and retired from that on January 31, 2011. The one thing Barry, Thom, and I regret is not having the opportunity to 'terrorize' **Ed Forebush's** swank nightclub!"

Nan Hodgdon has retired and says she is "learning to live on a fixed income!" She's acting as an academic aide for her grandson, who is autistic and attending community college. She's hoping her high-school-senior granddaughter will apply to KSC.

John Morey retired from TD Bank after 34 years of service. **Nancy (Burns) Morey '70** retired from teaching special education in the Hudson, NH, School District after 42 years of service. She now works part time for the school district.

Sharon L. Brown writes: "Into my 43rd year of teaching and it seems like yesterday I was sitting in a classroom at KSC. They were great years at a great school."

Beatrice Corriveau writes: "**Kevin '71** and I just had our 42nd wedding anniversary (on December 26, 2012). We're both retired from teaching high school English. Our son, Garth, is an attorney and alderman in Manchester, NH, and our daughter, Alexandra, works in New York City for Boston Consulting Group."

Carol L. Warren Pearson lives in Wahiawa, HI, and keeps herself busy by babysitting a couple of different kids before school and again after school.

1970

Susan Campbell
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1971

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1972

Debra Davis Butterworth
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Roger Hartwell
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David A. Westover was honored to represent alumni on the search committee for KSC's new president.

Charles F. Taylor is now semi-retired. He works tax season for

H&R Block in Claremont, NH. As of his writing last fall, he planned to start wintering in Nevada, possibly this year.

1973

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1974

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Priscille Jean retired from teaching in 2011.

Karen Sielke retired in late August after 21 years working for the city of Keene as a parking enforcement officer. She writes, "No plans for the future – but to enjoy life!"

Clifford Smith writes: "Retirement is great – I can camp, fish, and read all those books I didn't have time for years ago. Life is good!"

1975

Anne Dunwoody Hunter
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Margo Merrow Karamanoogian
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mmk1953@comcast.net

1976

Philip Bellingham
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Sandra Santa Maria retired after 35 years of teaching, and looked forward to being able to attend KSC homecoming.

Ray Archambault moved down to Pennsylvania with his wife, Lynn, in 1980 and lives approximately 45 minutes from Philly. He has a son and daughter plus three grandchildren who also live in the area. Recently, he retired after serving as finance officer for East Norriton Township for 31 years. He's keeping busy with bike riding and Civil War studies and has been certified as a basketball referee since 1986. He sends out a hello to all the Phi Mu Delta guys from his era, and would greatly like to hear from one and all – possibly for a get-together dinner/weekend to be named later.

1977

Sabrina Brown Maltby
13 Main St.
Raymond, NH 03077

Roxanne Stevens Wilson lives in Derry, NH, and is director of pupil personal services for Timberlane Regional School District. She received a doctorate in education from Plymouth State University in May 2012.

1978

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1979

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1981

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1982

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Ann Kashian writes: "I'm in my 28th year of accounting for the DOD, living in northern Maine with my husband and four children. Well, actually the two oldest are

now in college, at Colby and UMO. While I keep in touch with a few people, I'd love to know what the old 'Nox Squad and SAC are up to these days."

Jay Punt writes: "Hello to all. I hope this note finds everyone healthy. Not one to pat myself on the back; however – I feel this needs mentioning. I competed in the Massachusetts Senior Games on September 23 at Springfield College. I competed in the 50m and 100m dashes. I thought if I set a goal for myself, trained hard enough, and was smart about it, I just might be able to qualify for the National Senior Games (still getting used to the term 'senior'). I finished third in the 50m and second in the 100m (55-59 age group): my first silver and bronze medals. I qualified in the 50m; I'm headed to Cleveland, OH, in July for the nationals. The friendliness of the competitors was great! It was a fantastic time all around. I encourage anyone age 50 and over to become involved in the Senior Games. All states have their games, usually from May to September, and there are more events than just track and field. Be well."

Deborah Sanders-Dame writes: "On November 4, I graduated with my doctorate in educational leadership. I am currently the director of Student Support Services in St. Johnsbury, VT. I enjoy my grandson Brody, who is 22 months."

Barbara Pierson Schaedel

writes: "I dropped off my youngest child at James Madison University, and found out one of his suite-mates was from Keene! Thought I would send in a few updates. I have been a teacher since 1982 after a fabulous education at KSC. I was recently a finalist for the REB award in Richmond, VA. This is given to about 30 educators a year to support individual proposals. I was able to then go to Ireland for 18 days with three of my sisters, my daughter, and my nephew. It was an amazing trip of a lifetime! I was also named my school's Teacher of the Year for 2013, so all in all, a very exciting year! I would love to get up to Keene in the future and once again climb Mt. Monadnock!"

1983

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Lynn Smith writes: "I became a grandmother on July 23, 2012. Emily Lynn was born in China to my son and his wife Jenny. I spent three weeks in China during October. The trip was especially wonderful because my daughter Laura accompanied me."

1984

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Tamara Lawson has an 18-year-old son, Chris, who started college last fall at St. Scholastica. Both of her sons are exceptional distance runners; both are the top runners on their team.

Paula Monahan Bedard writes: "After 13 years of teaching grade 1, I have moved to grade 3. My oldest, Ryan, will graduate from New England Tech with a BS in game design and simulation programming in March. Grant is a sophomore at UConn in environmental engineering, and Heather is a freshman at UMass-Amherst in nursing. Ed and I are empty nesters."

1986

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1988

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Frank Dolan is a real estate specialist and lives in Harrington Park, NJ. He is married to Kim Valensi, and has two children: Tyler, 6, and Jolie, 9. He writes: "Please help rebuild the Jersey Shore, where I grew up!"

Karen A. Boivin writes: "I am currently teaching 6th and 7th graders at Presentation of Mary Academy in Hudson, NH. My son Ted is a high school junior and my daughter Holly is in the 7th grade."

1991

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Travis Hodgdon '94 had a gathering of KSC friends in Cooperstown, NY, in June 2012. He built a backyard Green Monster; left to right, Jeff Becker '93, Rob Taylor '93, Darren Kupinsky '94, Scott Hogg '93, and Travis Hodgdon with the KSC logo on the Monster. Travis writes: "We had a great weekend catching up, watching baseball, and visiting the Hall of Fame."

1993

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Cassandra Graves Juchter writes: "We are fortunate to be traveling the world. We just got back from Galapagos Islands and the Amazon rainforest. Our son is in 3rd grade and loving it." She and husband Bryan celebrated their 10th anniversary in October.

Roger Wilkins writes: "I am proud to announce the birth of my daughter, Georgia Paige Wilkins, born January 2013! A shout-out to Greg, Shannon, Norma, Paul, Andy, Matt, Jessica, and Dawn. Hope you are all well, and invite you to reach out for lunch sometime. It's been 20 years next year – wow!"

1995

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Katherine Ryan Martin and
Brendon Martin welcomed their
first child on August 2, 2012. Wil-
liam "Liam" Edward Martin was 8
pounds, 2 ounces and 20 inches
long. Liam lives with his proud
parents in Wallingford, CT. He has
been very busy meeting all of his
mom's wonderful friends that she
met while attending Keene State!

1999

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2000

Danielle LePage Zimmerman
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Gregory D. Sears was accepted
to the Norwich University Masters
in Military History program, which
is all online except for a one-week
residency at the campus in North-
field, VT. Norwich University is
the oldest private military school
in the US, creator of the ROTC
program, and first military acad-
emy to accept women cadets.

2001

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Matthew Denko teaches theatre
and performing arts classes at
Gilford Middle School and High
School. In December, he directed
the first production of *The Little
Mermaid Jr.* in the state of New
Hampshire.

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Michelle Tiani (Dufour) was
named Elementary School Physi-
cal Education Teacher of the Year
for New Hampshire.

Sari Gagnon is filming her direc-
torial debut documentary, *Home-
less in a College Town*. Sari, in
partnership with Counterfeit Cow
Productions LLC, is fundraising to
finish the film. Sari has kept Keene
State College close to her heart
during this project by hiring **Kevin
Sandler '12** as a production as-
sistant. "I'd like to hire more Keene
State alumni always; I hope all
alums feel that way. But we mostly
want to inspire college kids ev-
erywhere to look at homelessness
differently. We're trying to help
change this crisis for the good
with this film."

2004

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Meredith (Skelton) Kesler
'06 and **Andrew Kesler** were
married at the Exeter Inn August
18, 2012. Other alumnae who
attended included **Jessica
Skelton '06** and **Kristen
(Giacobbe) Bartlett '06**.

Toni (Pelletier) Bobenrieth
writes that on October 20, 2012,
she married Dean Bobenrieth in
Alvirne Memorial Church. **Frances
Lassor** was her maid of honor.

2006

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Adam Wefers writes: "I saw
Marcus Gabrieli at a wedding
in New Hampshire. Marcus is
the safety director for the City of
Holyoke, MA, he serves on his
local emergency planning commit-
tee for disaster relief efforts, and
was a first responder to last year's
tornado disaster in western Mass.
Josh Chisholm and I are both
working in Boston in property



Class Notes



David Butterfield '07 and Lindsey Roberts Butterfield '07 met at Keene State College their first year. They were married September 10, 2011, in Ludlow, VT, at their favorite ski mountain: Jackson Gore at Okemo Mountain Resort. Keene alumni in the wedding party included **Lyndsey Taylor Russell, Emily Russell, Eli Clifford, Regan Shelly, Stephan Schaub, Eric Francis, and Alyssa Swan.**



Thomas and Caitlyn (Johnson) Remmes '11 were married June 17, 2012 at Mystic Seaport in Mystic, CT. More than 20 Keene State graduates were in attendance, including six in the wedding party. Pictured from left to right are **Matt Spaulding, Kristine Glynn, Matt Gavoni, Kelsey Cole, Thomas Remmes, Caitlyn Remmes, Hannah Dumas, Sarah Spindler, Jim Krasco, Leanne Creaven, Matt Evans, Hillary Moskwitz, Erica Ciarciello, Craig McAlister, Jacqueline Ayers, Curt Manning, Andrew Johnson, and Matt Talley,** all class of 2011.

management. We recently met up and he let me know he had just come from **Cailyn O'Donnell's** wedding. Cailyn has been working in the insurance industry for five years and is currently attending the University of Hartford for her MBA."

2007

Jose Lugo and Sarina Habib Lugo '10 were married on June 10, 2012. They met on the KSC cheerleading team in the fall of 2006.

2008

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2010

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Alyssa Parlee (now Alyssa Levesque) married Kyle Levesque in Narragansett, RI, on September 15, 2012.

2011

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2012

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Laura Hermance and Dan Maxfield '11 got engaged October 13.

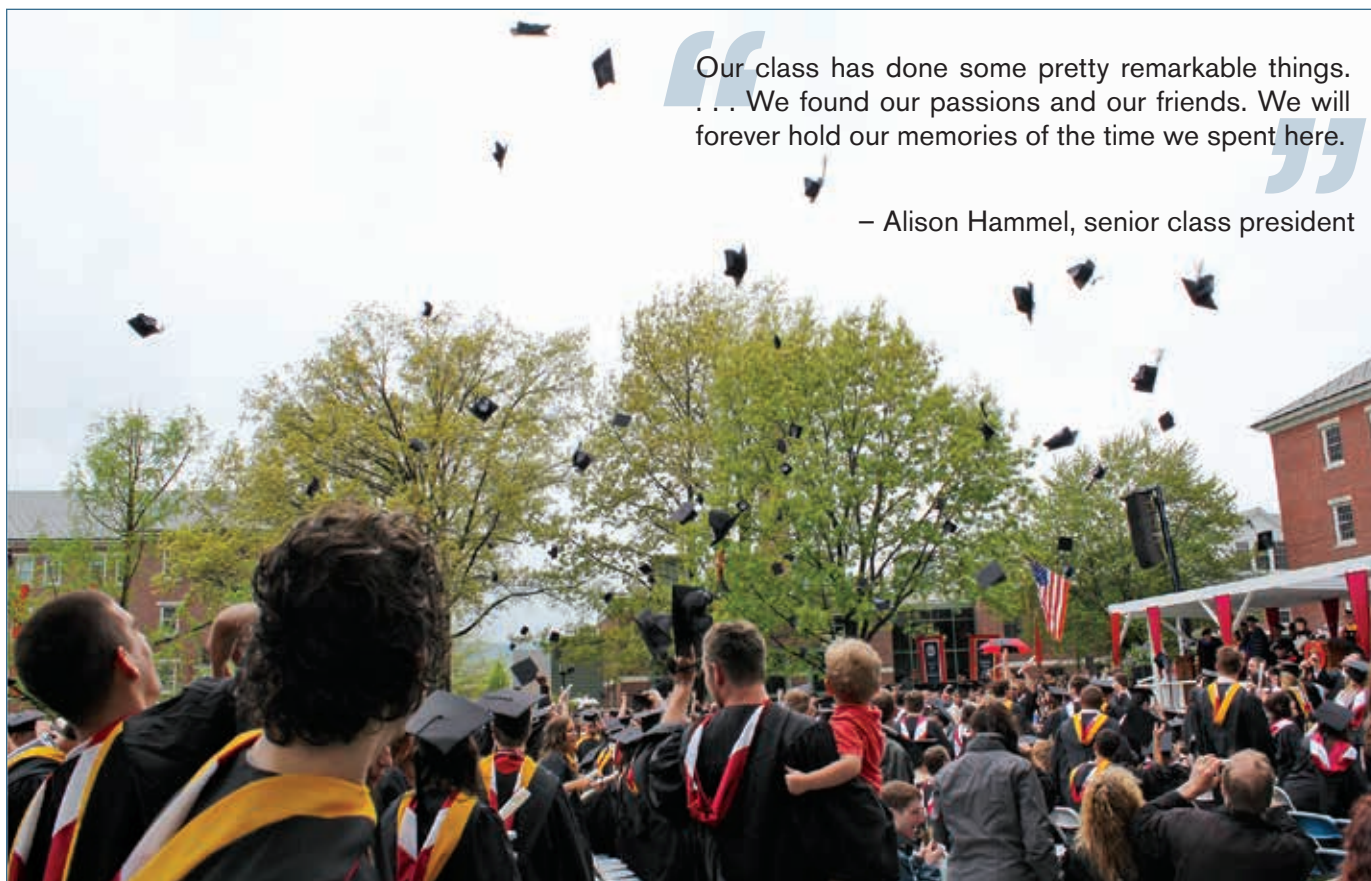


Six members of the class of 2012 took a trip to Walt Disney World in December to celebrate their May graduation — and brought their KSC gear along. Pictured from left to right are **Alyssa Marinaccio, Allison McGinnity, Elizabeth Riegert, Samantha Nee, Jessica Grant, and Kelsey Mulcahy.**

Newsline

Want to know more about your classmates and what's happening on campus? Check out Newsline (sites.keene.edu/newsline), our news blog for alumni and parents. We post news as we get it, but you can sign up for a monthly email reminder to check the latest posts. Done something outstanding? Know of another KSC grad who's done something outstanding? Let us know!





“Our class has done some pretty remarkable things. . . . We found our passions and our friends. We will forever hold our memories of the time we spent here.”

– Alison Hammel, senior class president

Photo: Lynn Roman

SEEKING CLASS SECRETARIES

Here's a chance to connect with your classmates and help keep the network of Keene State alumni strong. We have several openings for volunteer class secretaries – a job that involves soliciting and gathering news and delivering it to the class notes editor, who's on the College's Marketing and Communications staff. The alumni office supplies contact information and ideas for reaching out to members of your class.

The available class years are 1944, 1945, 1950, 1954, 1967, 2007, and 2009.

To sign on, or for more information, contact **Patty Farmer '92**, director of alumni and parent relations, at 603-358-2370 or pfarmer@keene.edu.



For inspiration, consider **Dotti Bean Simpson '61**, who's been secretary of her class since her freshman year in 1957. “The class secretary makes a big difference in keeping the class together,” says Simpson, who has convened a class reunion committee every five years during her tenure. “Who

wouldn't love this job? All pleasure – especially when you have wonderful classmates.”

Class secretary **Seth Klaiman '93** agrees. “With each note or email I receive, hearing how my classmates are doing is such a joy! My only wish is I could hear from every classmate.”





The increase in "In Memoriam" notices in this issue is due to an effort on the part of our Advancement Services and Alumni Relations teams to track down information on alumni with whom we've lost contact.

Alice B. Sanborn '25
September 11, 2008

Ruth M. Blomgren '26
August 15, 2004

Shirley B. Casey '27
February 2, 2004

Rachelle Richardson '27
January 17, 2013

Madelene H. Garside '28
March 12, 2009

Merle E. Collins '31
February 1, 2003

Sadie Gordon '31
June 2, 2004

Marjorie E. Clark '32
December 31, 2012

Anne M. Curtis '32
September 10, 2012

Annabelle A. Egerton '32
January 14, 2011

Lucy P. Gibbs '32
February 19, 2004

Grace Enman '33
December 2, 2011

Frances A. Gould '33
February 8, 2009

Ann A. Koski '33 '47 M'52
May 14, 2003

Elisabeth Martin '33
May 20, 2012

Panagiota S. Rizos '33
November 21, 2012

Beulah L. Thayer '33
October 23, 2012

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Elizabeth L. Veneri '33
June 20, 2011

Elizabeth S. McGuirk '35
March 5, 2012

Marion C. Bent '36
July 1, 2010

Flora L. LeClerc '36
February 6, 2013

Janice S. Stokes '36
July 31, 2012

Florence H. Cooney '37
November 1, 2011

Helen T. Tsiotas '37
June 13, 2012

Russell Colby '38
September 26, 2003

Ruth Holmes '38
May 9, 2012

Alberta Roberts '38
November 5, 2011

Bessie Theros '39
April 23, 2007

Phyllis S. Clukay '40
March 31, 2012

Ruth F. Harris '40
December 14, 2012

Hazel J. Nutting '40
October 17, 2012

Ellen Cascadden '41
July 14, 2012

Jessie D. Lombard '41
February 23, 2011

Ruth L. Brown '42
May 12, 2012

Mabel E. LaFramboise '42
July 9, 2012

Helen P. Boswell '43
May 24, 2011

Dorothy J. Hess '43
August 5, 2009

Donalynne E. Poudrier '43
March 15, 2012

Patricia T. Shedd '43
September 18, 2012

Virginia K. Aiken '44
June 27, 2012

Bernard W. Corson '44
June 7, 2012

Zitelka S. Dupuis '44
March 20, 2009

Catherine Hatch '44
January 15, 2013

Marjorie N. Russell '44
June 9, 2009

Caroline A. Trovato '46
February 1, 2013

Ida R. Goodell '47
April 3, 2013

Angelo Montrone '47
February 28, 2013

Dorothy Marrer '48
March 15, 2013

Barbara A. Peterson '48
March 2013

Robert G. Daly '49
September 12, 2012

Margarita Garofalo '49
January 15, 2005

Carl R. Burnap '50
November 8, 2012

Raymond A. Dallaire '50
January 29, 2005

James H. Durling '50
May 11, 2010

Mary Ellen F. Fifield '50
February 7, 2013

Bessie R. Hanrahan '50
November 7, 2012

Priscilla Ingram '50
January 3, 2012

Donald V. Marrer '50
August 7, 2012

Beverly P. Boyer '51
May 20, 2012

Homer E. Chase '51
October 20, 2012

Joan Fay '51
April 21, 2012

Carol Reidy '51
September 27, 2012

Nina A. Witham '51
December 9, 2012

Lorraine E. Fistola '52
March 17, 2010

Joyce O. Wick '52
August 31, 2012

Nathalie F. Blackie '53
November 12, 2004

Antonia B. Lowe '53
June 5, 2010

Edmund F. Weston '53
January 24, 2013

William J. Beauregard '55
September 22, 2012

Lois G. Haynes '55
October 19, 2000

Paul H. Potter Jr. '55
February 18, 2012

Maxiene E. Glenday '56
June 26, 2012

Edwin T. Green Jr. '56
January 20, 2006

Nancy A. Richard '56
October 27, 2012

Katherine J. Tepper '56
May 14, 2008

Naomi M. Umenhofer '56
September 19, 2007

Thomas Vincens '56
July 12, 2009

William F. Carey '57
February 17, 2005

Leon J. Cote '57
October 15, 2012

Robert J. Hall '57 M'65
September 16, 2012

Elizabeth Hatzos '57
February 13, 2013

Fred Hill Jr. '57
January 19, 2013

Edward A. Bonneau '58
January 3, 2013

John R. Carmichael '58
May 11, 2005

Erma T. Mannion '58
February 12, 2013

Ernest J. Moran '58 M'73
October 22, 2012

Mario D. Falsani '59
November 14, 2012

Gerald Mottram '59
April 1, 2013

Anne Boudrieau '60
September 26, 2012

Robert L. Stapleton '60
September 9, 2012

Marie A. Comboss '61 M'84
February 23, 2013

Judith Cavanaugh '63
March 14, 2010

John S. Nofle M'63
October 25, 2011

Vernon D. Taylor '63
September 17, 2012

Nancy M. Casey '64
March 5, 2013

Ruth B. Ford '64
July 11, 2012

Constance Willman '64
April 2, 2010

Shirley B. Palone '65
September 17, 2012

John E. Pelletier '66
January 18, 2013

Susan Muller '67
June 28, 2012

Donna L. Nawoj '69
October 17, 2012

Christina L. Nelson '69
August 1, 2012

Pauline P. Oliver M'70
January 7, 2009

Nancy C. Wovkonish '70
March 4, 2012

Winifred H. Sullivan '71 M'75
February 23, 2013

Armand C. Michaud '72
May 3, 2007

Frances S. Quinn '72
December 28, 2012

Linda M. Warn '72
December 13, 2012

Leonard E. Crews Jr. '73
April 1, 2011

Ronald M. Neronsky '73
February 8, 2013

Valerie R. Sloan '73
January 5, 2013

William D. Struthers '73
February 18, 2008

Michael J. McCracken '74
March 10, 2011

Susan Koerber '74
November 27, 2012

Barbara J. Ross '74
March 14, 2013

Stephen Metcalf '75
June 11, 2009

Carl H. Munroe M'75
December 8, 2012

Arthur C. Polychronis '75
June 16, 2012

Irene C. Alexa '76
January 1, 2012

Linda J. Beaulieu '76
February 28, 2013

Lyman P. Morgan Jr. '76
September 5, 2011

Sarah M. Santy '76
July 13, 2011

Emil J. Donatello M'78
January 10, 2012

Barbara W. Jarrett '80
October 3, 2005

Susan L. Lockwood '81
April 24, 2005

Richard T. Lyons '81
April 3, 2011

Sanford Smith '82
May 27, 2012

Alice L. Romanek '83
August 13, 2012

Thomas D. Tormey Jr. '86
December 24, 2011

Rahima C. Wade M'86
March 27, 2012

Karen S. Ager '87
March 26, 2013

William T. Lemerise '87
July 11, 2010

James E. Buffum '88
July 11, 2010

Sandra M. Tanguay M'88
May 4, 2009

Jaye Alper '89
May 8, 2012

Joseph A. Delio M'89
October 16, 2012

Joel A. Dupuis '90
November 15, 2010

Susan D. Henry '90
February 21, 2010

Pamela Y. Tessier '90
June 24, 2010

Bruce D. Smith M'92
February 24, 2013

Nancy P. Stone '95
February 13, 2009

Justin P. Schenauer '98
October 10, 2009

Sharon S. Cruikshank '02
August 15, 2010

Jennifer A. Puls Sweeney '04
November 19, 2012

Winifred Sullivan '71

The death of Dr. Winifred "Win" Sullivan, 88, on February 23, 2013, inspired emerita faculty member Dr. Margaret Langford to write a poem, "Kaleidoscope Memories." "Dr. Win was phenomenal – a multi-talented mover and shaker," writes Dr. Langford of the alumna who earned a bachelor's degree from Keene State at the age of 47 and followed it up with a master's from the college and a PhD from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.



An active member of the Keene community, Dr. Sullivan taught English as an adjunct and Music as a graduate assistant at KSC and also worked for the NH Humanities Council – among many other undertakings, as is evident from the opening lines of "Kaleidoscope Memories":



*Life performance artist,
she enacted each event
as if she were
a kindly impresario
and all surrounding others
either members of her orchestra
harmonizing with her tempo
or actors in her masterwork.*

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Cassie Simons How quickly it became home away from home.

Cindy Peckham I always loved the motto engraved as you walked on campus that went something like "enter to learn, go forth to serve."

Steve Fortier The chances to keep coming back and keep giving back ... like this afternoon when I will greet admitted students and their parents.

Matt Rider How the professors actually care about their students! Best 4 years of my life so far.

Barbara Panagos Desclos That when my daughter graduates this year she will be the 3rd generation from our family to be a Keene State graduate!!!

Paul Silverfarb That I met my wife, whom I've been married to for 10 years today, at KSC.

Kathy Lesinsky Messina I love the fact that both my boys have grown, matured and flourished during their years at KSC..... Commencement 2013!!!!


Amy Camire The exceptional science and education professors, the high-quality, genuine teaching that is not only inspiring but is also something good teachers can model!

Ethan Matthew The amazing Psychology department professors!!!! Oh and Mason Library!

Susan Newell Montmagny The stellar work the music, drama, and theater department do. They truly prepare their students for the real world.

Becca Lynn The lifelong friendships I've made! & the education department where I had some of the most caring professors & the opportunity to teach in various school districts!

Donald Hilton Everything!!!

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