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Thanks to scholarship awards, these Keene State students have great futures ahead of them. Learn more about them on page 7. Photo by William Wrobel '11

Inside this issue

Spurred by a recent bequest of more than one million dollars in scholarship funding to Keene State by a 1955 graduate, in this issue we take a look at lasting impressions – the real and enduring difference that the College's donors make in the lives of current students (and future alumni). Inside, you'll learn about David B. Staples '55 M'60, a Keene Teachers College alumnus who loved Keene State and was much loved by those who knew him. You'll also meet some of the students who are benefiting from the generosity of alumni donors including David.

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Keene State Promise
MELINDA TREADWELL '90
President, Keene State College

As I enter my second year as Keene State College's president, I am proud to serve our campus, our community, our state, and our region. I have seen the promise of Keene State proven out – as a student-athlete, an alumna, a faculty member, an academic administrator, and now, as president. At my inauguration a year ago, I made bold promises to the campus community and region.

I promised you that a liberal arts degree is the avenue to individual success. This is borne out in our graduates and the diverse paths their education has taken them. They have trained Olympic athletes, captivated audiences as professional dancers, and made a real difference in our world as engineers, artists, and policy-makers. They have changed lives in the classroom and the community. They can think critically, communicate clearly, and adapt to a variety of career opportunities that arise over a lifetime.

I promised you our history would always inform our future. We continue to be the people's college, where first generation students are transformed into educators who, in turn, go on to transform the lives of those they teach.

I promised you Keene State would continue to expand our collective impact within and beyond our community. As part of Orientation, our first-year students work together in service to the Monadnock region. The College and the City of Keene have partnered in developing an arts corridor, and together are responsive partners with local organizations that are addressing our region's pressing needs.

I promised you Keene State would be more accessible and affordable. In collaboration with River Valley Community College and the Community College System of New Hampshire, we are creating pathways to four-year degrees. In the fall of 2020, many students in career and technical schools will enter Keene State with eight credits toward a degree.

I promised you we would prepare our students to be workforce-ready. We are developing curriculum in partnership with businesses in need of skilled employees; expanding graduate and micro-credential opportunities for people in the workforce; and working to create a hub in the field of optics, right on our campus, with cutting-edge equipment, classroom instruction, and close business partnerships.

I promised you that we would continue to champion sustainability. We are completing a campus-wide energy assessment to identify top-priority savings opportunities and projects. This spring, our Office of Sustainability is expanding composting to residential halls.

I promised you Keene State would promote and develop the fine and performing arts. Our campaign to provide students with an inventory of high-quality Steinway pianos is exceeding expectations. The newly reorganized Thorne-Sagendorph Art Gallery is drawing in the community and expanding student involvement.

We have many accomplishments to celebrate, and much to achieve going forward. With your support and engagement, we will thrive, hold our distinction, and keep our promises.

Thank you for all that you do for Keene State and our students.

Dr. Melinda Treadwell

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#10 in Best Schools

5th Most Innovative School

#7 in Best Value Schools
among regional colleges in the North

SURVEY OF 2017 KEENE STATE GRADS: WITHIN A YEAR OF GRADUATION

98% were employed or in graduate study

95% said their Keene State education had prepared them well for what they are doing now



Lasting Impressions

David Staples: An Owl Forever

The alumnus behind a \$1 million-plus bequest had a lifetime connection with Keene State

“What would I have done had Keene State College not been there?” David Boynton Staples asked in a profile in the Winter 2010 issue of *Keene State Today*. “It gave me the education that opened so many doors for me.”

Staples, a 1955 graduate of Keene Teachers College, died in September at 90, but through his generosity – annuities and a bequest totaling over a million dollars – he’ll be opening doors for Keene State students far into the future.

Born in Massachusetts to Mabel and Amadeo Sabatini, Staples landed in Keene as a teenager after his mother died. He stayed first with the family of his chiropractor uncle, sleeping in the only available spot: the chiropractic table. He moved in with family friends the Stapleses, who offered him their spare bedroom. He was so grateful he took their surname.



David Staples '55 M'60

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Keene Endowment Association

A message from Ed Wojenski '85, Chair, Keene Endowment Association

Like me, you probably remember the excitement you felt beginning your Keene State College experience. Now, a brand-new group of young people begin their journey in the hopes of crafting a better tomorrow for themselves and their families. Many of them might not be here without the help of alumni like you.

I am pleased and proud to be part of the KEA, which has the honor and pleasure of assisting young minds in their pursuit of higher education, via the generous support we receive. I have personally seen the positive impact of this support, and it is always

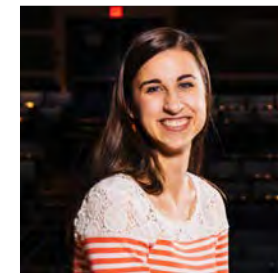
gratifying to know our alumni and friends care about the next generation and want to be a driving force in their success.

When you share your success with a donation to Keene State College, you are continuing the legacy of community and philanthropy our alumni have been known for since our first graduating class, more than a century ago.

You can read more on our website, or reach out for more information on how to help. In the meantime, here’s a wonderful story of one alumnus whose planning and generosity will impact generations to come.



How will your donation impact the future? Here’s how endowments are making a difference:



Kirsten Becker
Recipient of the Bartlett C. Swett '56 Visual and Performing Arts Scholarship

“I am so thankful to donors! A lot of my school responsibilities are highly time-consuming. Freshman year, I had to scale back my studies because much of my time and energy needed to go toward working and keeping financially afloat. The scholarship funds have helped this difficulty become a thing of the past. This semester, I am able to take 19 credits, including immunology, music conducting, music history, private lessons in piano, violin, and composition, and many music ensembles. Donor generosity is enabling me to grow as a musician in a much more efficient way!”



Marissa Milley
Recipient of the Elizabeth Staples World of Opportunity Scholarship

“For the past three years, this award has helped me continue my education at Keene State College, and for that I am incredibly grateful. Throughout those three years, many opportunities have been presented to me. I have spoken at academic conferences and panels, worked as a tutor for the Aspire Program and as a resident assistant, served on the executive board of a club for multiple years, and even traveled to Greece as a member of the Morris-August Honors Program. I would not have been able to take part in these amazing, life-changing opportunities if it were not for generous donors.”

KEENE ENDOWMENT ASSOCIATION

How you can make a difference

For more than half a century, the Keene Endowment Association has helped Keene State College students focus on their studies and their dreams, instead of worrying about financial hardships. Whether you can give a one-time gift or an employer-matched donation, or are able to remember KSC in your final arrangements, your generosity is appreciated, and needed.

Leave a bequest

Naming Keene State College as a beneficiary in your will or trust is an easy way to make an impact. The Marion Wood Society, founded in 1996, honors alumni and friends who have chosen to make a gift through their estate or have otherwise created a planned gift to benefit the College. Like Marion Wood '26, a legendary alumna, professor, administrator, and friend of the College who left a significant gift in her will, members of the Marion Wood Society choose to include KSC in their estate plans.

Establish a fund

Many alumni over the years have created scholarship funds in their name or the name of a loved one. This is a wonderful way to commemorate your own Keene State College experience or to honor an important person in your life. It ensures remembrance and helps future generations have a connection to alumni who have gone before them, and who continue to impact others.

Whether you include KSC in your estate planning, establish your own named fund, or give to one of our established funds, your generosity will ensure students have the opportunities perhaps unavailable to them otherwise. Donate once, establish a repeating gift, a matching gift from your employer, or consider a legacy donation. We're grateful for whatever you're able to share to help light the way for future Keene State College students.

KEA by the numbers

In the past year alone, KEA has:

Maintained a  **\$9 Million** investment portfolio of sustainable and responsible investments

Awarded **more than 150 Students** an average of \$1,700



Utilized **42 scholarships**, giving out awards totaling **\$273,831**

Be part of helping even more students pursue their passions with your donation.

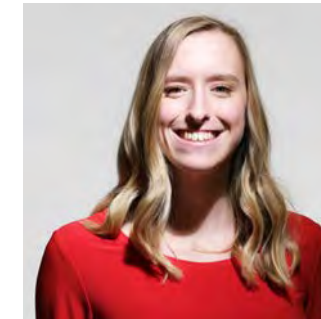
Our Future Alumni

Thanks to our cover models for representing all of the scholarship recipients at Keene State



Maxwell Tucker

Senior | Major: Sustainable Product Design and Innovation – Fenton Family Dealership Automotive Design Award



Kayla Goodnow

Senior | Major: Psychology David B. Staples Family Scholarship



Colin Bent

Junior | Major: Computer Science KSC Student Memorial Scholarship, Harry C. Tebbetts Scholarship, Dorothea A. Kitlan Scholarship



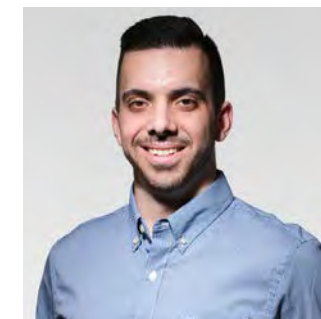
Slesha Tuladhar

First-year | Major: Architecture Keene State College/Little Sisters Fund Scholarship



Gerty Flagg

Senior | Majors: Elementary education and Spanish David B. Staples Family Scholarship, Peter H. Batchelder Scholarship for the Humanities



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DAVID STAPLES *CONTINUED*



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1 | Betsy Walker Staples '51
2 | David Staples, front row, third from left, with other elementary ed majors his junior year.

He graduated from Keene High School in 1948 and enrolled at Keene Teachers College, where a fellow student, Betsy Walker, caught his eye. Staples took a leave from the College in 1950 to earn money so he could finish his education. When the Korean Conflict broke out, he enlisted in the Army, serving on the front lines as a chaplain’s assistant. (He talks about the experience in *Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve*, the 2010 documentary film about the College’s history.)

His tour of duty over, Staples returned to Keene Teachers College in 1953, where he resumed his studies and married Betsy, who had graduated with the Class of '51. David picked up his bachelor’s degree in '55, and earned an M.Ed in elementary administration in 1960. Later, he earned another master’s, this one from UNH in guidance counseling.

The two Stapleses had long careers as educators, with Betsy teaching at the elementary level and David serving as a teacher, principal, and, for the last 20 years of his career, a guidance counselor in the Concord, New Hampshire, schools. After retirement, they spent part of the year in Florida, where Staples volunteered with the Ted Williams Museum – baseball was another passion of his – and as a citizen’s patrol officer.

Throughout, Staples was active with Keene State, serving on the board of the Keene Endowment Association, which oversees a portfolio of the College’s endowment funds, as a trustee of the University of New Hampshire System, and a member (and officer) on the Alumni Association board.

He established three endowed scholarships at his alma mater, two of which honor his son, David C. Staples, who died in 1983 at 24. One supports elementary ed students, and the other supports nursing students, as the younger David was studying to be a nurse at the time of his death. The third, named for Betsy, provides support for students so they may experience “a world of opportunity.”

His bequest will fund those scholarships years into the future.

“It’s a big deal,” says Ken Goebel, a now-retired director of development at Keene State who worked with Staples, “and from an alumnus who was engaged with the College his whole life.”

Scott McPherson '92, who served with Staples on the Keene Endowment Association, remembers Staples inviting him out to lunch in Concord, where they both lived at the time.

“I had the opportunity to sit and talk with Dave and get to know him, and hear about his life and his relationship with Keene State,” he says. “It was just a remarkable story, from meeting his wife at Keene, and then going on to service in the military, and then working as an educator in the Concord schools. He was such a gentleman. A gentleman and a gentle man. He struck me as such a kind person. And he was deeply appreciative of what Keene State had provided for him. I remember that lunch really fondly.”

Mike Maher '72, a longtime alumni director at Keene State who is now retired, used the same words as McPherson to describe Staples: “a gentleman and a gentle man.” He notes that Staples insisted the scholarships he endowed be managed by the Keene Endowment Association. “There were Keene people and Keene faculty and Keene alumni sitting on the board, and it gave him great comfort that there were people who truly cared about the College and its alumni and students as opposed to someone remotely managing the funds.”

Staples held Keene State in high regard, McPherson says, something evidenced by the time and financial contributions he gave to the College. “I think he wanted students today to have the same opportunities that he did. For him, Keene really set him on the course of a good life.”

Staples said it himself in the documentary *Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve*: “Without Keene, I probably would have been nothing. I never would have achieved the things I’ve achieved.”

SPOTLIGHT

Outstanding in his field

Coach Ron Butcher



Soccer field renamed in honor of Keene State's head coach from 1970–2013

After nearly a half-century helping the Owls' Men's Soccer team, Ron Butcher certainly knows his way around the field. It was only fitting, then, that Keene State College honor the longtime coach by renaming the Owl Athletic Complex soccer field after him on September 21, 2019, during Reunion Weekend.

Dr. Butcher retired as one of the winningest coaches in the nation, with an impressive final record of 596-263-72. He served as KSC's head coach from 1970–2013. Even after retirement, Butcher can be seen passionately supporting athletic events at the school, as a fan, supporter, or volunteer.

During his leadership, Butcher racked up not only the game wins, but also many kudos for his own performance – NAIA Coach of the Year in 1974 and 1981; NEISL Division II New England Coach of the Year in 1991; and Little East Conference coaching honors in 1999, 2002, 2010, and 2011.

At the renaming dedication, Butcher's longtime student athlete and eventual assistant coach Rick Scott called the event "a very well-deserved honor. ... It's unusual to coach for so many decades at the same school. He built a very successful program with a lot of loyal alumni," the *Keene Sentinel* reported at the time. Scott played for Butcher in the mid-1970s, and then coached alongside him for 22 years before taking over the program when "Butch" retired.

Known as the epitome of the "tough but fair" coach who demands the best of his players, Butcher's brusque approach did nothing to deter his past players from singing his praises years later at the field dedication. There were laughs and recurring-

theme anecdotes of his infamous "yelling," but students and faculty alike held unwavering respect for the man who led the Owls to victory after victory.

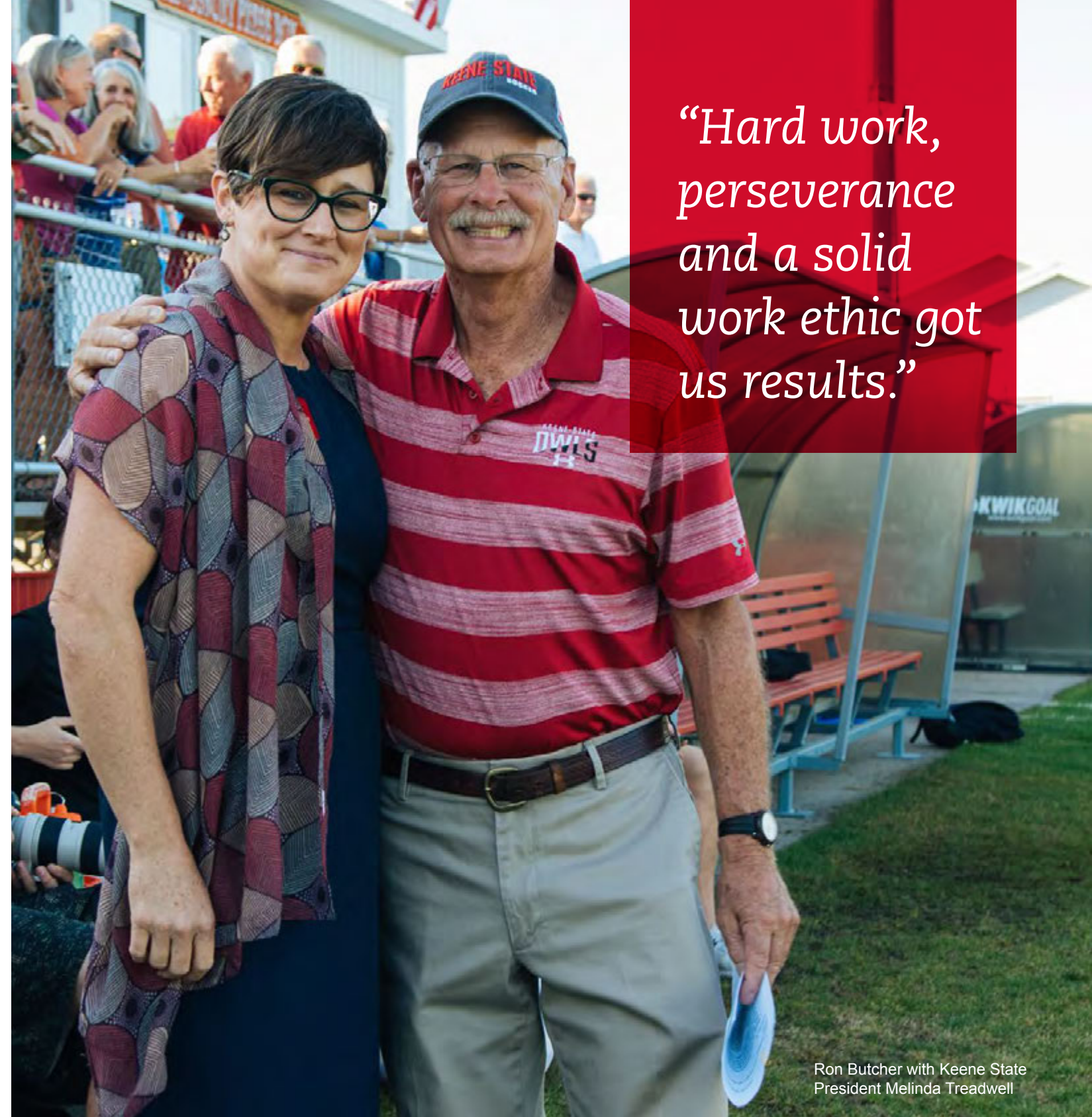
"I always felt that I knew how to win, I always felt that I could get the best out of my players," the *KSC Equinox* reported Butcher as saying at the event. "Some of them didn't realize it at the time, but now 5, 10, 15, 20 years later, they understand what it was all about, and that's the most important thing to me."

And indeed he did know, leading the program to 31 post-season tournament appearances among three divisions. But the legendary coach gave credit to the players for their role in that achievement.

"I have fond memories of all of you in good times and in turbulent times. We always found a way to pull out a game," Butcher said. "Hard work, perseverance and a solid work ethic got us results. I might have been an unorthodox coach at times, but we wound up having many more good times than bad," the *Sentinel* reported.

Butcher was actually the driving force behind the development of the stadium that now bears his name. Originally, the Men's Soccer team had its field where the KSC tennis courts are today; the team then moved to Sumner Joyce Fields. It was Butcher's brainchild to develop the all-grass soccer stadium the athletes now enjoy.

As Owls take Ron Butcher Field for years to come, the coach's legacy will continue to be part of their success, just as the man himself will remain an icon of Keene State College Athletics.



"Hard work, perseverance and a solid work ethic got us results."

Ron Butcher with Keene State President Melinda Treadwell



ALUMNI

Hoo Won?

The Owls! Keene State beats Plymouth at Red and White Night

The Men's and Women's Basketball teams both prevailed against their Plymouth State University counterparts at Spaulding Gymnasium February 5, with plenty of alumni Owls on hand to cheer them on. The women's team led throughout, finishing with a 56-31 victory – thanks in part to No. 2, first-year guard Katie Martineau, who landed 15 points. The men won 83-77 in overtime, with No. 54, junior James Anozie, joining the 1,000-point club. The crowd was treated to performances by the Keene State Cheerleaders and Dance Team, and by 50 elementary school students from the New Hampshire Dance Institute.



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Top Row, from left: Kristin Brooks '11, Brian Burford '72, Leslie Ringuette '86, Scott Kuhnly '88, Kathleen Daugherty '17.
Bottom Row: Ray Jobin '63 M'70, Josh Houle '96, David Westover '72
Not Pictured: Trina Baumgartner '13, Lang Plumer '60, Emily Reed '14, Rob Wollner '96, Erin Zoellick '13

Founded by the graduates in 1910, the Keene State College Alumni Association is comprised of more than 36,000 alumni living throughout the United States and internationally. Through on-campus and regional events and activities, volunteer opportunities, programs, specific benefits and services for alumni, and more, the Alumni Association promotes the welfare of alumni and Keene State College.

The current board of directors represents alumni across the decades and is striving toward engaging alumni with the College the ways alumni want to (re)connect: through communication and updates, volunteer opportunities, events on and off campus, and other means of support.

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A Taste of the Islands

Meet Chef Troy

Zorn Dining Commons has a new chef with an interesting background. We asked him to write a bit about it and share a recipe from his childhood.

By Troy Bellot, Campus Executive Chef

Here's a great appetizer with a taste of the islands. For me, these shrimp fritters evoke visceral memories of growing up in the Caribbean—my nomadic family lived on a half dozen islands in addition to several cities in the United States.

I remember frying these up on Sundays with my grandmother in Dominica, a tiny island in the Lesser Antilles. We'd serve them to the family when they returned from church. Dominica is a French island where the cuisine has a creole influence. In contrast, Jamaica, another of my childhood homes, has English influences. One of the great things about growing up in multicultural environments is having a fusion of flavors and ingredients.

I've enjoyed cooking all my life, though it wasn't always a career goal. I graduated from Ohio State University, where I studied international

studies and Middle East policy. That led to jobs with the Department of Justice and the FBI. I really disliked that work, so I returned to Ohio, got a job as a sous chef, and the rest is history.

I joined the Chartwell's team at Keene State College last summer, having owned gastro pubs and working as a corporate chef. Keene State has been a great fit for me. One thing we're really proud of here is our emphasis on using ingredients from local farms.

If you're local and you're interested in checking out the campus cuisine, please stop by for a meal! The public is welcome to eat at the Zorn Dining Commons, or the DC, as students call it. The cost of a meal purchases access to all-you-can eat buffets at several stations, with options that include a salad bar, a pizza bar, a vegan station, and gluten-free foods.

And in the meantime, enjoy the fritters!

Caribbean-Style Shrimp Fritters

- 1 pound shrimp, roughly chopped
- 1/2 cup red pepper, diced
- 2 cups Green pepper, diced
- 1 cup celery, diced
- 1/2 of 1 habanero pepper, diced
- 1 tablespoon garlic
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1-1/2 teaspoons each salt and pepper
- Vegetable oil for deep frying

1. Heat vegetable oil to 350 for deep frying fritters (about 3 inches of oil)
2. Combine all ingredients except flour and egg
3. Add egg and mix
4. Add flour and mix
5. Scoop into balls, packing firmly and gently place in oil
6. Fry 3-4 minutes, turning as needed, until an internal temp of 165 is reached

REUNION 2019

Keene State College Owls flew back to the nest during Reunion Weekend, September 20-22. Alumni, students, friends, and family celebrated athletics, arts, class reunions, and more throughout the weekend. Save the date for October 2-4, 2020, and come back to campus!



CLASS NOTES

1939 | It's always great to hear from **Helen Marison** at Christmas or any time of the year. Her holiday card featured a red cardinal sitting on a snowy branch.

1941 | **Frances Day Bolles** and her husband used to attend the local Golden Circle luncheons. Her holiday card was a nice surprise. Frances is anxious to make a visit to the College in the near future.

1942 | **Peggy Smith Campbell**
flyingnonnie@bellsouth.net

One of the paintings exhibited at the Alumni Art Display last fall was done by **Louise Moses Lawrence** of Peterborough, NH. Louise has shown work in Keene and at the Sharon Arts Gallery. **Norma Walker '51** made a visit to Louise to help celebrate her birthday.

1943 | A group of friends helped **Dr. Christine Sweeney** celebrate her birthday. She is always cheerful and was determined to join her friends for an annual Christmas luncheon – which she did.

1944 | **Rosina Digilio Stark** sent a note saying she had many fond memories of her days at Keene Teachers College.

Always appreciate receiving a holiday card from **Janet Joslin Chin**, who did her student teaching at Hancock High School and was Norma Walker's teacher.

1946 | **Brigida Saladino Mosley** enjoyed the holiday potluck lunch at Norma Walker's. Breeze still plays bridge and is a great-grandmother.

1947 | **Ruth Washburn** – *w.f.b.r.@charter.net*

Class secretary **Ruth Blodgett Fisher Washburn** called the members of the class of '47, and managed to touch base with many. She writes:

"**Beatrice 'Bea' Young Towne** fell in December 2018, resulting in a long stay in a rehabilitation facility. She was able to return to her own home with family support. A positive thinker, she appreciates being able to continue to do as much as possible for herself. She sends her regards to all of her classmates, and would love to hear from anyone.

"**Isabelle Emond Alix** is still very happy in her spacious apartment in Manchester, NH. She is active, but slowing down and using a walker. Her family visits often.

"**Shirley L. Rolston Martell** lives in Portland, ME, where she stills works at the soup kitchen twice a week. She is active in church activities.

"**Cecile 'Cy' Plante Bineau** of Gorham, ME, lost her husband, Gil, in November 2018. With the support of family, she has moved to York Assisted Living, 50 New Portland Road, Apt. 207, Gorham, Maine 04038. She would love to hear from classmates, and can be reached at her former telephone number.

"**Elizabeth 'Betty' Purington Straw** is busy, busy, busy! We chatted for 45 minutes as I tried to keep up with a list of all of her activities. She is still active in the Weare Historical Society, a conservation group, church activities, yoga, and anything else that comes up in which she has an interest or passion. She has family nearby that stop in often, but I wonder if she is ever home!

"As for me, **Ruth Blodgett Fisher Washburn**, last summer I finally took on a project I have wanted to do for several years now. I am sure you all remember **Loraine R. Willard**, who was my roommate one year. I regret that only years after our 1947 graduation from KTC, I realized that Loraine came from Bellows Falls, VT, on the west side of the Connecticut River. A large group of my great-grandmother Charlotte Lovina (Willard) Thompson's family lived across the river in New Hampshire. Why I never thought of it during our college years I will never understand, as my father's first name was Willard, a family name on his mother's side! I contacted the Willard Family Association's archivist, who told me she needed Loraine's parents' and grandparents' names. I called the public library in Bellows Falls and was given a man in charge of genealogy, who told me to come the next day. It took two days of driving to get to Bellows Falls, but he found names and connections that led him to tell me to return the third day and go to the Town Hall to search the vital records for birth, marriage, and death dates. The town clerk was a sweet lady who knew most of the people in town and immediately become interested in the Willard family. Within an hour I had all the dates for Loraine, her older sister, her parents, and her grandparents. Back home that evening I emailed the Willard archivist, who was elated with all the data. Within a week she called me, as she was very excited to tell me Loraine Ruth Willard was my cousin, and she sent me the family history showing our connections. I never knew that Loraine's middle name was Ruth, like my first name! I hope to go back to Bellows Falls one day this summer to place flowers on her grave. Such a shame we never knew we were cousins while in KTC together.

"Thanks for the great visits by phone. Best wishes to everyone for a wonderful summer. Stay in touch!"

1948 | **Ellie Smith Butler** – *ellierb@aol.com*

Jean Harding Maxwell's daughter writes that her mom has been moved into an assisted living facility near her. By now Jean has her first great-granddaughter.

1949 | **Ellie Hughgill Muldoon**
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It was very special having **Ellie Hughgill** and **Sherm and Marjorie Hunter Lovering** on campus to celebrate their 70th year since graduating from Keene Teachers College. This class was the first to receive the Golden Circle medallion at their 50th reunion.

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1950 | **Maurice "Moe" Bowler** joined other Keene State alumni for the annual Golden Circle luncheon at Hart's Turkey Farm in Meredith, NH. **Barbara Sullivan Brooks '51** sat at the same table and they caught up on happenings in their shared hometown of Peterborough. On his holiday card, Moe said he was glad to be in Florida, away from the New Hampshire snow.

Priscilla Holmes Roberts is at her daughter's home in Tilton, NH, and is missing the warmth of Florida winters. She is trying to get used to the cold weather.

1951 | **Norma Wright Walker**
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From class secretary **Norma Walker**:

"Always look forward to hearing from my classmates. **Pat Parent O'Donnell** is a frequent caller. She always likes to hear what is new on campus.

"It is sad to hear that several of our classmates are dealing with Alzheimer's disease. I know what their families are going through because my husband suffered with it for over eight years. That is why I am still involved in a caretakers' support group that was so helpful to me and the annual fall Alzheimer's Walk that begins on our campus. Last year, my team earned over \$6,000 and the event over \$85,000.

"Always hear from **Elsie Bowes Brenner** over the holidays from Utah. She missed her husband during the holidays but has good memories of their 60 wonderful years together, which included travel, raising two daughters, and much joy.

"**Pauline Bullard Brown** and her husband had some health problems during 2019 but are better now. They don't travel very far any more or at night. Instead they have coffee or lunches with friends. So glad they were able to make it to my birthday party last year.

"Also, there were cards from my roommate **Rita Hayes Evans, Ralph and Helen '49 Dwire, Margaret Rhoades, and Elaine Schmidt Chesley**. Another arrived from **Del Langille's** friends, who sent a card for him.

"You all received my Christmas letter so you know I'm still keeping busy at the Alumni Office and with the Alzheimer's Walk Committee. Last year I was on the Swanzey Old Home Day Committee, which I dropped this year.

"Do you realize (perhaps you don't want to) that we will be celebrating 70 years since we received our diplomas from Keene Teachers College? Most of us went out to classrooms and others into the business world. I do hope you will come back for at least one day in 2021. As the time gets closer you'll be hearing more from me and the College."

1952 | **Irene DiMeco Parent**
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Our sympathy goes out to the family of longtime class secretary **Winifred Woodbury Langtry**. She is missed not only by her family but by her Keene State family. She was always ready to help with reunions, commencements, the Golden Circle, and any event where a volunteer was needed.

A memorial service was held at the Alumni Center for **Donald Carle**. Don was often seen on campus and nearly always at KSC basketball and hockey games. To some of us he was "Mr. Keene State," because he was born and grew up on campus. Later he became an alumni director and was always a strong supporter of the College.

Irene Jones Dunbar has been struggling with health problems. She hopes to return to campus for our spring gathering of the Golden Circle alumni.

Mary Moore Conroy writes that she has wonderful memories of her days at Keene Teachers College. She even had an Owl on her front door for the holiday season. Mary sent a picture of her son holding her first great-grandchild, Heidi.

1953 | **Donald J. Johnson** – *djj1@nyu.edu*

Gloria Richardson Matthews and her husband have been dealing with some health concerns but are now on the road to recovery.

Lovely holiday cards arrived from **Bob Witham, Nancy Putney, and Betsy Wiggins Kirchdorfer**.

At the Alumni Art Exhibit, one of **Mildred Turner's** paintings was displayed. Millie, who died in 2010, created many beautiful paintings.

1954 | **June Haymon** – *juneio@aol.com*

Patricia McMahon Clark and her husband, Charles, live at Rivermead in Peterborough, NH, where she is involved in performing arts and he in photography. They attended the Golden Circle luncheon in Concord last year. Pat is also very involved in the Keene High School class activities.

Class secretary **June Haymon** writes: "By the time you get this, the hot, wet summer will be over. No kayaking in that bad weather. Also the 65th Reunion will be a thing in the past. Strange not sleeping in the dorms, but the Marriott substitute is a good one. I will try to update you on all that happened at the Reunion. My son Kris and his wife, Stacey, who love Keene, drove me there, which is always appreciated. Recently I had a call from **Mary Drogue**, who is living in Sturbridge, MA, with her daughter. She keeps herself busy with friends and relatives. Please send me any news re what you are up to – want to be able to share it with our classmates."

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1955 | John “Jack” Burnham’s holiday letter was full of news about his family. Jack spends time at Hampton Beach each summer, which is where he was writing the letter!

Mike Maher ’72, Sean Gillery ’89, Jessica Bigaj of the Advancement staff, and **Norma Walker ’51** attended the graveside memorial service for **David Staples**. David was a huge supporter of Keene State College and its events.

1956 | Minot Parker – Tgpubinc@att.net

Received a note from **George Armstrong**, who lives in Florida. He stated he will be in his late 90s this year, and wonders where all those years went.

Marion Kennedy Bedard injured her shoulder, and her husband has some health concerns.

Clifford Boivin made holiday phone calls instead of writing cards. He keeps busy with friends and family. Cliff always enjoyed the Golden Circle luncheons when they were held in the North Country. He has a granddaughter who attended Keene State and is now a teacher.

1957 | Cynthia Randall Faust – cynjon@comcast.net

From class secretary **Cynthia Faust**:

“As we roll into our later years and have more time on our hands, it would be wonderful if some of you would write a note letting me know where you are and what has been going on in your life. It has always been a struggle trying to get news of our class, so let’s give it a good old college try and see if we can have some news in our column. Thanks so much.”

1958 | Jacqueline A. Abbott – jabbott814@aol.com

Jackie Abbott adopted two baby kittens, which have kept her very busy. She enjoys her gardens and does a great deal of reading, often leading book discussion groups.

1959 | Larry Cole reports that on the weekend after the 60th class reunion, he returned to campus and ran the Clarence Demar half marathon. He finished in three hours, 17 minutes – pretty good for an 85-year-old!

1960 | Gail Spevack Sheldon
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From class secretary **Gail Sheldon**:

“You may have noticed photos and accolades in recent issues honoring **Norma Walker ’51** at her 90th birthday party on Monday, February 11, 2019. Attending from our class were **Bob ‘Lefty’ Joy, Langdon Plumer**, and myself. Lang informed me that it was also his birthday – his 80th! Lang lives in Exeter, NH, and has a long list of achievements, both civic and educational. In 2013 his local Chamber of Commerce recognized him as Citizen

of the Year. He is a member of several committees and planning boards. He coordinates Operation KidSight, a vision screening program. He taught industrial arts in New Hampshire and Connecticut and at SUNY Buffalo. His final position was principal at the Seacoast School of Technology in Exeter. He attends many Golden Circle lunches and is serving on the Alumni Board.

“**Irene Plourde** called from Leesburg, FL. In summer 2018 she returned to Salisbury, NH, on her yearly visit. The town was celebrating its 250th anniversary and asked Irene to ride on an educational float with students sitting at desks. Irene had been a teaching principal there. Needless to say, she had a great time making the kids laugh!

“**Charlie Regan** called from Chapin, SC, where his wife, Betty, is an administrator at the state university. Charlie has also kept his home in Tolland, CT, and returns each summer.

“Hope you are thinking about our 60th Reunion in 2020 – any suggestions?”

1961 | Dorothy Bean Simpson – drsimpson2@yahoo.com

Editor’s note: Our apologies – we inadvertently left some of these notes out of the last issue. Sorry for the delay!

From class secretary **Dorothy Bean Simpson**:

“**Bob Saulnier** reports our Scholarship Fund continues to grow because of all of you. As you continue to donate be sure to earmark the donation to the Class of 1961 Scholarship Fund. The recipients are honor students with amazing abilities and talents. We should be able to give out three scholarships this year. Hopefully as we continue to increase the endowment, more scholarships will be given to these very needy students.

“The family of **Marilyn Woodward Twombly** gathered for an 80th birthday. ‘Many of the cousins haven’t seen each other in years, and it was wonderful seeing the hugs and hearing the stories,’ she said. Marilyn also visited Star Island with her daughter, Leanne Durant. Fun times!

“Many of the Class of 1961 gathered at the Golden Circle meetings in Meredith and Portsmouth. I always love having the classmates back to our lake house after we gather in Meredith. We hope next summer to see more of you at the Meredith Golden Circle meeting.

“**June Merrill O’Neil** was visiting the Ogunquit Art Museum and ran into **Pat Garness ’62**, who is a docent at the museum. What fun! You never know when a Keene State graduate is around.

“**Nancy Andrews Fessenden** had a busy year. She and Chet went to their grandson’s college graduation in Colorado Springs, and made a trip to West Virginia for a niece’s wedding.

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“**Dorothy McGettigan Callaghan** is a super volunteer! She helps out organizations including Riverside Nursing Home, Rochester Manor, St. Anselm Softball, and St. Mary Church in Rochester.

“**Bob and Grace Saulnier** went to the first wedding of a grandchild. One of their granddaughters hiked the Pacific Crest Trail from Mexico to Canada by herself. She has that Saulnier spirit!

“**Betty Bennett Schofield** travels west for most of the winter with sons and families in Oklahoma and Denver. They have lots of family activities planned.

“The Golden Circle program gives us a great opportunity to visit and see each other and catch up.”

1962 |

Stephanie Heselton Baute
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Martha Crowley Morse
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From class secretary **Martha Crowley Morse**: “A group of us, all close friends of **Carol Gove Moore**, were treated to a vacation at the Cliff House in Ogunquit, ME, last summer, by Carol. She left her wishes for this before she left us in February 2017. **Steph Heselton Baute, Nancy Parisi Morgan, Pat Garnis, Patsy Plant Albanese, Rita Ludwig Farhm, and Martha Crowley Morse** are looking forward to the second part of this gift, again in Maine, next summer. Bittersweet it was, but it was also just a great time. Carol will be missed.”

1963 | Elizabeth Butterfly Gilman
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From class secretary **Elizabeth Gilman**: “In a Christmas message, **Phyllis Woodward Pratt** wrote that they moved in January from Oakland to Richmond, CA. With Phyllis’s permission, her address is 2727 Barnard Street, Richmond CA 94806.

“**Wayne and Sarah Sherbourne Murray** moved from Peterborough, NH, to Lancaster, SC. In April, Sarah and **Joyce Gilman McKay** got together in Sumter, SC, for lunch and gab time.

“**Pat Plante Zemianek** and **Betty Butterfly Gilman** enjoyed a tour of Iceland in October with three of their

friends and a tour group. From hiking up a volcano or to the end of a melting glacier to watching for whales or for the northern lights, it was fun to explore yet another country together.”

1964 |

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We heard from **Michael Plaisted**, whose historical novel *The Inner Dome of Heaven* is available as a paperback or digital download on Amazon. Books two and three are in the works.

1966 |

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1968 | Jan Temple Metoxen
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Class secretary **Jan Metoxen** writes: “A huge thank you to everyone who came to our 50th reunion. We had a great turnout with 29 classmates and many spouses coming from all over New England and Florida.

“At the Friday night reception, I talked with **Holly Davis Smith, Bruce and Martha Ferris Marsette, Jean Saunders Duling, Susan Chevers Skinner, Gary Howard, Janet Hughgill, Ted Miller, Charlie Harrington, Dean Bushey, John Manley, and Frani Wothen Sinder**. It was a fun night with good food and a wonderful piano accompaniment.

“Saturday morning, we met in the Student Center for breakfast and a morning get-together. We introduced ourselves, beginning with **Alan Hodsdon** and me, and went around the room and told about our careers, families, and more. We discussed our class gift and decided that we would continue to try to raise more money to add to the Student Assistance Fund (please remember to note on the check that you want the money to go to the Class of 1968 fund), and purchase a bench for campus.



1963 grads **Pat Zemianek, David and Jane Goland, and Linda and Michael Tate** enjoy a summer get-together.



The Class of 1968 donated a bench along Appian Way to mark its 50th reunion.

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Left: There were plenty of 50th anniversaries at this gathering. Celebrating a half-century of wedlock are old friends Bonnie and **Karl Bickford '68**, **Richard and Betty Mehlhorn '68**, Cynthia and **Richard Grant '68**, Peter and **Joyce Mattsen '68**, and Elizabeth and **Kenneth Colby '69**.

Right: 1968 Reunion



"At the luncheon, we were introduced as the newest members of the Golden Circle. Throughout the day and then during our private dinner in the evening, I reconnected with **Rich Seldow**, **Aaron Lipsky**, **Nancy Parkhurst Bell**, **Francine Kulpa Cowles**, **John Collins**, **Jay Houle**, **Bob and Betsy Coll**, **Kay Crosby Herrick**, **Lucinda Dwinella Clark**, **Jean Dauphin Girard**, **Jane Sargent Saturley**, **Linda Geddis Broadwater**, **Jan Adams Lessard**, **Sharon Walsh Helie**, and **Bryan Trainor**.

"I am signing off as your class secretary after 50 years, and it is time for someone else to start planning our 55th! Any takers? Contact the Alumni Office!"

1969 | Barbara Hamilton – barbara.hamilton@att.net

Eugene Preston writes: "Judy and I are still living in Brandon, SD. We celebrated our 48th wedding anniversary this year with a trip to Hill City in the Black Hills of South Dakota. I am now retired from working with the Natural Resources Conservation Service. I have continued to keep plenty busy with a little work planting trees for the conservation district, keeping up the house and yard, working with the youth group at church, and visiting our children and four grandchildren. I also am active with bicycling, cross-country skiing, and a little canoeing. We are thinking of doing more traveling with our camper next year."

1970 |

Susan Campbell
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1971 |

Maureen Sheehan Hall
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1972 |

Debra Davis Butterworth
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Roger Hartwell
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1973 |

Kathleen Pickford Stacy
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1974 |

Jane Cappuccio Stauffer
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1975 |

Eileen (Oechsli) Bohigian
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Dianne (Reidy) Janson
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Penny Kaye Stevenson received the University of Vermont Teacher of the Year Award for 2019. Penny teaches kindergarten at Barnet School in Barnet, VT.

Last winter, **Dianne Reidy Janson** and **Eileen Oechsli Bohigian** traveled to Sarasota, FL, to visit **Henry Maier**. They write: "The weather was perfect and we were able to see several family members in Florida. We visited the amazing Ringling Brothers Museum, saw the Sarasota Circus, and then attended the Keene State Sarasota Sunset Alumni Reception at Henry's condo on Sarasota Bay. **Sue Brilliant Silk** was there as were a number of alums from other classes, Alumni Office staff, and President **Melinda Treadwell '90**."

Henry Maier writes: "My husband, Jack, and I had the honor of hosting President Melinda Treadwell, staff from the Alumni Office, and about 20 alumni as part of the Keene State tour of Florida. We have had the pleasure of hosting a "Sunset over the Gulf of Mexico" cocktail party for our last four college presidents.

"This year was most special as friends and classmates Eileen Bohigian and Dianne Janson flew down from cold New England. It was a great visit.

"Reality set in that after **Mary Clark '56**, who attends this event faithfully, the Class of '75 alumni were the next oldest. President Treadwell gave an excellent and informative talk about the College, which left me realizing its growth since I graduated. The event is always a great joy for us and gives us the chance to meet alumni in southwest Florida.

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"Our class celebrates its 45th reunion in 2020. I am sure the reunion team of Eileen, Dianne, **Frank Easton**, **Linda Cote**, **Donna Kuethe**, and others will be planning another exceptional celebration. I hope you will join me in beginning to contribute to the Class of 1975 Gift Fund in order for our class to make a significant contribution to our school.

"Otherwise, life in Sarasota continues to be wonderful for Jack and me. I will be retired two years as of June 2019, having completed the last 20 years of my 42 years in special education with the School Board of Manatee County in Bradenton, FL, as an exceptional student education specialist, specializing in programs with students having multiple handicaps, the education field I worked in my first year teaching at Elwyn Institutes in Media, PA.

"I hope to see more of our classmates at our upcoming 45th reunion."

1976 |

Philip Bellingham
20 Transit Ln.
East Hartford, CT 06118

1977 |

Sabrina Brown Maltby
13 Main St.
Raymond, NH 03077

Robert B. Dundas recently stepped down after serving four years as director of the School of Music at Florida International University in Miami. He will return to the faculty as an associate professor of voice and opera after a professional development leave during the fall 2019 semester. After graduation, Bob completed graduate studies in voice performance and opera direction at the University of Iowa before embarking on a professional singing career at opera houses in Germany. He has been on the faculty at Florida International since August 1997.

1978 |

Dianne Glaser
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1979 |

Bill Reed
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1980 |

Allison Ashley-Bergstrom
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Cathy Stuart Zurek
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1981 |

Nancy Colciaghi Pallas
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1982 |

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1983 |

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Valerie Belanger McKenney
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1984 |

Mary Beth Lucas Connors
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Louise Perron Tetreault
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1985 |

Alison Ahmed
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Lisa A. Gagnon
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Huntress Hall friends who met in 1977 get together a couple times of year, including this gathering in Scituate, MA, to watch the Kentucky Derby. They are, front from left, **Elizabeth Burt DuBois '81**, **Kim De Marco Woodford**, **Debbie Blodgett Ross '81**, **Karen Buckley Dudman '81**; back row, **Cheryl Kaiko Stockford '81**, **Lynne Adams Laramie '82**, and **Linda LaRue Collari '81**.

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1986 |

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Michael Trabucco
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From class secretary **Michael Trabucco**: "Hello, '86ers! As always, I'm trying to make sure that our class has something in the Class Notes for every issue of *Keene State Today*. YOU can keep that happening. Send an email to the address above, or a private message on Facebook. I would LOVE to hear from you. Seriously.

"From **Chris Pangalos**: 'After a successful 18-year career in the pharmaceutical industry, surviving numerous layoffs over the last dozen years, I was unfortunately caught up in the last, largest job cuts in company history and laid off. I am now working in law enforcement here in North Carolina. Another exciting opportunity for me to continue protecting and serving others as I did during my time in the Marine Corps.'

"On a different note, our 1983 men's soccer team was inducted into the KSC Athletic Hall of Fame. The ceremony took place during the September reunion."

Leslie Burger Ringuette writes: "I am still living in Bedford, MA, and work for the town's Recreation Office. My son **Michael Ringuette '17** is a graduate of Keene State (BS Health and Safety) and my daughter Julie is a junior at University of New Haven. I celebrated 30 years of marriage to Paul Ringuette in September. Our spare time is spent visiting the kids, attending KSC events, and brewery hopping.

"Our son Michael married **Ashley Pratt '17** in September 2018. Best man was **Trevor Tate '17** and maid of honor was **Zoe Zelnik '17**. Other Keene Staters in the wedding party were **Mason Robbins '17** and **Shannon Wall '18**. Officiant was **Alex Parsons '98** and photographer was **William Wrobel '11**. I had the pleasure of sitting with my roommate and Michael's godmother, **Paula Monahan Bedard '85**.

"For several years I was active with the KSC Alumni Board. I enjoyed helping out so much and loved the people I was working with that I ran for the Alumni Board of Directors. I recently finished my last three-year term. I have had the joy of meeting so many alumni, oldest to newest. I have worked with four College presidents and really started to understand

the behind-the-scenes workings of the College. My proudest moment was being on the Commencement stage giving the alumni speech when my son and his girlfriend graduated, and giving him his diploma and alumni pin (and a hug). I wouldn't be this connected to Keene State if it were not for my husband, Paul, who has embraced the College as his own and participates with me in all the activities. They call him an 'honorary' alumnus. His specialty is driving golf carts at alumni reunions.

"I keep in touch with many of my Kappa sisters and brothers. Thank goodness for Facebook and how fast it is to reconnect.

"If I can leave you with one thought: If you loved the time you spent at Keene State, I urge you to reconnect and engage at the College and attend events/athletic games on campus or in your area. We are all Owls!"

1987 |

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Samantha Barrett McKinlay
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Michelle Morris Ayer
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1988 |

Jeffrey LaValley
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Susan Lundgren Regan
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1989 | Maribeth Marsico Gesler – mbmars@cox.net

From class secretary **Maribeth Gesler**: "I heard from **Graceann Crupi Ross** that she and her husband, Christopher, spent time in Palm City, FL, with **Lisa Hanlon Garzia '88** and **Corrado Garzia**. They met up with **Martin Poirier** and **Patricia Pastor Fox**.

"Although it wasn't in a sunny locale (we were in CT at the home of **Susan Newsom '89**, I had a great day that same weekend visiting with Sue, **Diana Dorval Meyer '89**, **Christin D'Andrea Sticca '89**, **Jennifer Shaw Johnston '89**, **Julie Weinzierl Strong '89**, **Kerry McDevitt '91** and

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Joe Calcagno '06, right, and **Ryan Wells '07**, Keene State roommates and safety majors, still cross paths on the job. Joe is an environmental health and safety manager for Skanska USA Inc. and Ryan has his own company, Intrinsic Safety. "Even 13 years later, Keene State graduates do great work and run into each other everywhere," writes Joe.

Tina Forman Ramsey '88. There was a lot of catching up and a lot of laughter!

"I heard from **Greg Mackey**, who has moved back to New Hampshire from out West. He is working as an environmental health and safety engineer. Greg continues to be involved with the College as an outreach instructor and says he enjoys seeing all of the upgrades to campus. I'd love to hear from more of you, so shoot me an email to the address above."

1990 |

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Maureen Cicchese Musseau
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1991 |

Karen Dicey
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Amy Eshelman
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1992 |

Kate Shepard Dugan
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1993 |

Shelli Bienvenue Cook
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Seth M. Klaiman
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Bridey Bellemare has been named executive director of the New Hampshire Association of School Principals.

1994 |

Melissa Sawyer Bowler
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Dawn Deurell
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Penny Rioux Joyal
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1995 |

Cara H. Staus
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Erin Delude George
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Amy ChaCe had an oracle deck and companion book published by Red Feather, an imprint of Schiffer Publishing. "My goal was to help people, to give clarity, and I have," she writes.

1996 |

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Aaron Kay Sales Parker
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1997 |

Danielle Dearborn Gagne
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1998 |

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Lisa Demers Harvey
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Kristen Cranson Nelson
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Three Keene State grads are teaching at Laconia High School: from left, health teacher **Crystal McDonough '07**, social studies teacher **Maggie Roberts '10**, and math teacher **Susan Foss '10**.



Fred Forbes '69 of Palmetto, FL, snapped this shot of alumni enjoying a Red Sox pre-season game in Florida, along with President **Melinda Treadwell '90**.

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1999 |

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2000 |

Danielle LePage Zimmerman
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2001 |

Christine Leland Williams
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2002 |

Jessie Gannett Heath
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2003 |

Angela Watson
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Danielle Popyk
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Christopher Marchand and wife, Kaitlin Marchand, welcomed a daughter, Noelle Mary, on November 1, 2018.

Angela Watson chaperoned her daughter's fifth-grade class when they visited Keene State. She writes: "The kids loved it. It was amazing to see how much the campus has grown since 2003, how many new buildings, updates, and even new choices for studies! I was amazed by the nursing program and so much more!"

2004 |

Alison (Thompson) Cizowski
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2005 |

Valerie Nettleton
valerie.nettleton@gmail.com

2006 | Adam Wefers – awefers84@hotmail.com

Christopher Cameron, an associate professor of history at the University of North Carolina Charlotte, has a new book out: *Black Freethinkers: A History of African American Secularism*.

Adam Gaudet, broker/founder at 603 Birch Realty in Chester, NH, was named 2019 Realtor of the Year by the Seacoast Board of Realtors.

2008 |

Kelly A. Mullane
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2010 |

Matt Gill
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2011 |

Kelly Payeur
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2013 |

Stefanie Diskin
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2014 | Emily Reed – emilyreed2014@gmail.com

Steven Gonzalez, a PhD student at MIT, was featured in MIT News for his work studying cloud computing through the lens of an anthropologist.

2015 |

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2016 | Monica Grass Beaulieu earned a master's degree in clinical social work in May 2018. On November 15, 2018, she welcomed her son Leo into the world.

CLASS NOTES

Who Tied the Knot?

1 | Golojuch-Borden

Jennifer Golojuch '03 married Brian Borden July 20, 2018, in Princeton, MA.

2 | Lee-Super

Anna Super '05 married William Lee October 10, 2019, in Durham, NH. Photo by Carolyn Price, Priceless Moments Photography.

3 | Adams-Carr

Karen Carr '09 married Matt Adams '08 on July 28, 2018.

4 | Keaney-Cohen

Lindsay Cohen '12 married Sean Keaney '12 on June 28, 2019, in Newport, RI.

5 | Luckman-Granofsky

Emily Luckman '13 and Max Granofsky were married on April 28, 2018, in Delray Beach, FL.

6 | Ciccarello-DeAngelis

Emily DeAngelis '15 married Dan Ciccarello '14 on August 18, 2018, in Manchester.

7 | Henry-Wicke

Linnea Henry '15 married Taylor Wicke '14.

8 | Sonia-Bolduc

Aiden Bolduc '17 and Allison Sonia '17 were married in July 2018.

WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO?
NEXT CLASS NOTES DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2020
Contact your class secretary or classnotes@keene.edu



On hand for Molly Brewer's baby shower were, from left, Matt Brewer '08, Molly Brewer '11, Ashley Shepard '11, Kate Kelleher '10, Katelyn Decknick '11, and Erin Curran '11.



IN MEMORIAM

Elsie M. Brown '26
June 15, 1998

Margaret Donovan '29
December 26, 2009

Bernice A Michael '35
October 3, 2018

Elizabeth Trask Barrett '43
June 13, 2014

Grace Dayton '43
July 2, 2019

Gloria Corriveau Scott '43
July 13, 2019

Shirley Whiting Michael '44
November 21, 2014

Roy W. Jeffrey '45
October 1, 2019

**Myrtie Flanders
Kullgren '45**
January 22, 2018

**Eulalie "Tootie" Fellows
Cogswell '47**
December 16, 2018

**Juanita Parsons
Nolan '47**
July 8, 2019

**Micheline "Mimi" White
Broadhead '48**
May 28, 2019

Patricia S. Cogswell '50
April 4, 2017

Ruth Gray Fairburn '50
September 14, 2018

Elsie Fife '50
November 1, 2019

Bob Lavine '50
July 19, 2018

Richard G. Lamson '50
August 2, 2019

Joseph Littlefield '50
January 4, 2017

Patricia L. Lowrey '50
May 22, 2019

Mary D. Morgan '50
October 9, 2018

Arthur R. Williamson '51
July 28, 2019

Donald P. Carle '52
February 21, 2019

**J. Richard "Dick"
Chambers '52**
August 14, 2018

**Winifred W. Woodbury
Langtry '52**
July 1, 2019

Harold C. Pickwick '52
May 27, 2019

Leonard R. Aldrich '53
June 18, 2019

Carol A. Hubbard '53
October 1, 2019

**Lola A. Tanner
Burns '54**
July 3, 2019

Hazel E. Corey '54
August 21, 2019

Robert Pearson '54
June 28, 2019

John T. Lyford '55
August 20, 2018

**David Boynton
Staples '55**
September 15, 2019

Mary Marcotte Gline '56
October 7, 2018

Paul F. McHugh '56
April 7, 2018

**Eleanor Elias
Peterson '56**
August 20, 2018

Joyce C. Smith '56
October 30, 2018

**Mildred Nutter
Sweet '56**
February 5, 2010

Celia Laakso Hoyt '57
March 24, 2011

John D. LeClerc '57
November 26, 2018

Carol Graves Pederson '57
November 26, 2018

Fernand J. Prevost '57
December 9, 2019

Vincent E. Riel '57
February 17, 2019

**William Charles
Whitman '57**
August 12, 2018

Roy R. Balla '58
November 6, 2018

**Rosemarie Niles
Fisher '58**
December 23, 2018

**Robert W.
Holloran Sr. '58**
May 25, 2019

**Howard Paul
Jackson '58**
April 4, 2018

Sandra L. Johnson '58
June 29, 2019

Bradley L. Mark '58
June 25, 2019

Betty Brock McGuire '58
February 5, 2019

**Richard J.
Sederstrom '58**
October 18, 2019

Mary Concannon '59
May 11, 2019

Nancy Burpee Cutter '59
December 26, 2017

Francis W. Davis '59
September 17, 2019

James P. Blanchard '60
April 7, 2019

Dalton A. Blodgett '60
October 8, 2018

Robert C. Cutter '60
October 18, 2017

Anthony D'Ambrosio '60
March 26, 2019

**Margaret Faulkner
Kingsbury '60**
July 13, 2019

**Donna Lindsay
Levesque '60**
August 15, 2018

Robert H. Murray '60
February 9, 2019

Carmen S. Nalbone '60
February 23, 2019

Edward C. Phelps '60
January 9, 2018

John W. Poor Jr '60
May 3, 2019

Gretchen L. Bedard '61
October 21, 2017

George W. Cote '61
November 23, 2017

Keith Fraser '61
September 25, 2019

Marion Hardy Marston '61
June 21, 2019

James G. Bardis '62
March 29, 2019

Carl V. Brinck Jr. '62
October 23, 2019

**Nancy Buswell
Decoteau '62**
May 30, 2015

**Antonio "Tony"
D'Ambrosio M'62**
March 26, 2019

Charles E. Eko '62
August 28, 2007

**Kenneth Gordon
Houghton '62**
July 7, 2019

David C. Joyce '62
September 27, 2019

**Robert J. Lammela
'62 M'75**
June 8, 2019

Donald J. Mackey '62
October 11, 2018

Constance Feinen

IN MEMORIAM

Marrion '62
June 11, 2017

**Karen Stevens
Plumer '62**
December 1, 2018

**Arnold J.
Steenbergen '62**
November 19, 2019

Wallace W. Tripp '62
September 9, 2018

Ann G. Atwood '63
December 25, 2018

John Devine '63
August 25, 2019

Niel E. Day '63
September 8, 2010

David L. Goland '63
October 30, 2019

Mary B. Purbeck '63
October 14, 2018

**Mary Ellen Rich
Sias '63**
October 26, 2018

**Ako Ibanga Wodiong-
Idemeko '63**
April 11, 2010

Cynthia Bourn '64
September 28, 2018

Richard E. Doyle '65
October 27, 2018

Loisanne Foster '65
January 18, 2019

Nancy J. Coutts '66
September 14, 2019

Robert W. Deans '66
December 27, 2018

**John Franklin
Shean '66**
September 7, 2016

**Marilyn Houlker
Gustafson '68**
September 19, 2018

Susan Davis Hackney '68
March 31, 2019

Deborah Longa

Keller '68
May 30, 2018

Thomas J Boyd '69
June 12, 2018

Robert W. Hartz '69
June 6, 2018

Stephen J. Washer '69
February 20, 2019

Frank C. Greene '70
June 29, 2015

**Charles W.
Howland '70**
October 11, 2017

**Brian Edward
Bergeron '72**
December 2, 2019

Cynthia Roy '72
November 13, 2018

Mary Cobb M'75
June 10, 2019

Dennis G. Jobin '73
June 4, 2019

Ray Bliss Rich '73
December 1, 2010

James T. Moul '73
April 12, 2019

**Pamela Holmes
Potterton '73**
February 21, 2019

**Leon E.
Anderson H'74**
February 23, 1983

Douglas H. Cady '74
October 5, 2015

John C. Barry '75
February 23, 2015

**Fairfax David
Downey H'75**
June 6, 1990

**Mary Jewett K.
Parker '76**
May 31, 2019

**Sister Clare
Hennessey '77**
February 19, 2019

Sara L. May '77
November 22, 2019

Michael J. Summers '77
November 4, 2019

Vicki L. Bowen '78
April 28, 2016

**Donald R.
McCollester '80**
September 6, 2018

Mark L. Aldrich '81
August 28, 2019

Steven Parker '83
November 9, 2018

**Richard Tyson
Wilson '83**
September 3, 2007

Roger W. Newton '84
October 23, 2018

Susan M. Buxton '85
October 10, 2019

Barbara A. Cannell '85
June 19, 2019

**Sandra Jean Lord
'85 M'02**
November 14, 2019

**Scott E.
Baldassaro '86**
November 10, 2018

**Delia Noyes
Daniels '86**
September 5, 2018

Gregory MacVarish '86
January 12, 2019

**Camille Kathleen
McCarthy Parodi '87**
May 10, 2019

Allyson D. Gillette '89
September 5, 2018

Shirley T. Stookey '89
July 11, 2018

Irvine Hull Wilmot '89
September 2, 2018

Gilbert A. Johnson '90
November 6, 2013

Nathan Hayden Grant '92
November 12, 2017

James F. Meehan '94
October 15, 2018

James L. Fowle '96
August 25, 2018

**Ernest M.
Norwood '97**
March 16, 2018

Ryan K. Lawrence '99
August 24, 2018

Valerie Bailey '00
October 11, 2019

Kenneth Balanda '03
April 5, 2019

Christopher B. Roca '03
April 14, 2019

**Anthony James
Bombicino '06**
December 1, 2019

Haley R. Stevens '09
December 19, 2019

Kyle A. Barnett '10
January 15, 2020

Remy L. Johnston '16
August 5, 2019

**Deaths reported as of
January 22, 2020*



UPCOMING EVENTS

KSC Alumni Networking Night at Keene State College

April 13

KSC Connections: Alumni Happy Hour in Chicago, Illinois

April 16

Academic Excellence Conference at Keene State College

April 18

An Evening of Life and Hope in New York City

April 23

Class of 2020 Commencement at Keene State College

May 9

David White Children's Literature Gallery Renaming and Exhibit Opening at the Thorne Art Gallery

August 25

Hall of Fame at Keene State College

October 2

Alumni Reunion Weekend at Keene State College

October 2-4

Jazz Ensemble Reception & Concert at Keene State College

December 9

Golden Circle Society Events

We are looking forward to Golden Circle events in 2020! The Golden Circle Society celebrates alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago from Keene State College and Keene Teachers College. These gatherings are held around New England and provide a wonderful time to reconnect with classmates and fellow alumni, as well as KSC faculty and staff. We are thrilled to share that this year, we are kicking off the **Golden Circle Society Luncheons** in style at Keene State College! The Golden Circle Weekend will celebrate all Golden Circle Society members on campus throughout the weekend. We will welcome the class of 1970 into the society while celebrating other milestone classes, have traditional events like the Parade of Classes and Ice Cream Social, and have the opportunity to stay in Fiske Hall for the weekend!

Golden Circle Weekend
June 5 & 6, 2020

Common Man Restaurant
Concord, New Hampshire
July 8, 2020

Hart's Turkey Farm
Meredith, New Hampshire
August 6, 2020

Exeter Inn
Exeter, New Hampshire
September 17, 2020

Jesse's Steak House
Hanover, New Hampshire
October 29, 2020

FIRST-PERSON PROJECT

PATRICK HUMMEL '03

Gorham, NH

Manager, Mount Washington State Park

Major: Management

"I look forward to coming to work every day. I put a lot of myself into the job because I'm passionate about it. I'm passionate about the park, I'm passionate about the park system, about the mountains, about the opportunities we afford up here and the responsibilities we have."

Read Patrick's oral history at keene.edu/first-person



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Keene State was included in a city-wide mural project by the nonprofit organization Walldogs. This mural graces the north face of the Student Center, and can be seen from Winchester Street. For information, visit <https://hscnh.org/walldogs-murals/>