1942
Bernice Wenzel Jeffrey writes, “Wendell Jeffrey, my husband of 62 years, died in June. Adjusting to widowhood after such a long and happy marriage continues to be very difficult.”

1946
Barbara Deverell Powell writes, “Still living in a house at Medford Leas. I have eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren who are the loves of my life!”

1948
Carol Roland Ranger writes, “We sold our four-bedroom home in Dana Point last April and moved into a retirement home, also in Dana Point, called The Fountains. My husband Dick died last November at the age of 92. We had 65 years of a great marriage. The retirement home is a good place to be; I have lots of new friends and many things to do. I am taking emeritus courses in beginner’s Spanish, U. S. history, swimming, and exercising. I have good health fortunately!”

1950
Irene Strong Kuhn writes, “I was thrilled to make the trip to my alma mater (Beaver) with my husband, Larry, in June for the 65th reunion of our graduation class of 1950. However, it was somewhat disappointing that only two of us made it, Lyn Collins Stewart and me. We had a wonderful time reflecting on so many memories and President Christensen presented us with roses and a big thank you. Sorry for those who missed out.”

I (Anna Laura Neidert Thompson) am waiting to receive news and happenings in your lives. Kudos is being sent to Barb Bronson Danziger, our class editor for over 60 years. Her faithfulness to Arcadia was shown in her dedication to keeping all our classmates connected over the years. I hope to do as well in the future.

1952
Marion Hemphill writes, “We sold our four-bedroom home in Dana Point last April and moved into a retirement home, also in Dana Point, called The Fountains. My husband Dick died last November at the age of 92. We had 65 years of a great marriage. The retirement home is a good place to be; I have lots of new friends and many things to do. I am taking emeritus courses in beginner’s Spanish, U. S. history, swimming, and exercising. I have good health fortunately!”

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Suzie Ketz Foster writes, “Still living in a house at Medford Leas. I have eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren who are the loves of my life!”

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Freda Friz Schopfer writes, “We sold our four-bedroom home in Dana Point last April and moved into a retirement home, also in Dana Point, called The Fountains. My husband Dick died last November at the age of 92. We had 65 years of a great marriage. The retirement home is a good place to be; I have lots of new friends and many things to do. I am taking emeritus courses in beginner’s Spanish, U. S. history, swimming, and exercising. I have good health fortunately!”

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Kathleen Ostermann writes, “We sold our four-bedroom home in Dana Point last April and moved into a retirement home, also in Dana Point, called The Fountains. My husband Dick died last November at the age of 92. We had 65 years of a great marriage. The retirement home is a good place to be; I have lots of new friends and many things to do. I am taking emeritus courses in beginner’s Spanish, U. S. history, swimming, and exercising. I have good health fortunately!”

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Betty Holton Weiss writes, “We sold our four-bedroom home in Dana Point last April and moved into a retirement home, also in Dana Point, called The Fountains. My husband Dick died last November at the age of 92. We had 65 years of a great marriage. The retirement home is a good place to be; I have lots of new friends and many things to do. I am taking emeritus courses in beginner’s Spanish, U. S. history, swimming, and exercising. I have good health fortunately!”

1962
Lynn Kronenberg Berman writes, “We sold our four-bedroom home in Dana Point last April and moved into a retirement home, also in Dana Point, called The Fountains. My husband Dick died last November at the age of 92. We had 65 years of a great marriage. The retirement home is a good place to be; I have lots of new friends and many things to do. I am taking emeritus courses in beginner’s Spanish, U. S. history, swimming, and exercising. I have good health fortunately!”

1963
Gail Nazzaro Biggs writes, “We sold our four-bedroom home in Dana Point last April and moved into a retirement home, also in Dana Point, called The Fountains. My husband Dick died last November at the age of 92. We had 65 years of a great marriage. The retirement home is a good place to be; I have lots of new friends and many things to do. I am taking emeritus courses in beginner’s Spanish, U. S. history, swimming, and exercising. I have good health fortunately!”

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Left to right, back row: Gail Weiner Biben ’64 with members of the Class of 1962 Lynn Kronenberg Berman, Carol Pleuser Miller, Gail Spevack Wohl, Connie Gerber Levin, Linda Brandwein Rotzen; front row: Linda May Sklar, Janet Copeland Zinman at the Florida Reunion.
southerners. She and her husband, Bill, participate in church activities as health issues allow. According to B.J., the hot spot of Beaver activities for many years was the Delaware Valley Arcadia Alumni Club, but due to decreasing membership, they now only meet for an annual lunch. Usually attended by B.J., Shirley Musson Brower, Lenny Bobik Vannoy, and Doris Parsons White. B.J. and Doris have been friends since middle school and speak frequently now that Doris is in a retirement home. Interesting that several classmates have been involved in music in one form or another—sure skipped over me!

Alice Birk Ross is a retired school music teacher but still has some piano students and sings in several choirs.

I had a very upbeat telephone conversation with Anita Rohlfis Roberts. Even though she suffers from serious arthritis, she keeps busy reading, knitting, and sewing after a career teaching high school math. She admits to being a political junkie and is very involved in the upcoming presidential election. No hints from me about her candidate of choice!

Joan Berthiaume Killian was married in 1952 and has lived in Branford, Conn. for 60 years with her husband, where they raised three productive children: a CEO of the family business, a psychiatrist, and an oncology nurse. They have six grandchildren in their twenties, of whom they are very proud. Joan, a painting major, taught printmaking and is creating collages, clay sculptures, and assemblages in her home studio. When feeling sedentary, she enjoys reading poetry and translating French.

Pat Stevenson Rittenhouse is living in a retirement apartment and I am sure she has lots of pictures on her walls as she has four children, eight grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren, plus three step great-great-grandchildren. She was a high school and elementary school teacher for 35 years. Her retirement years were spent traveling with her husband all over the U.S., including three trips to Alaska. She is still active in the community as a volunteer receptionist, editor of the local newspaper, church volunteer, and using her talents to teach a Sunday school class for senior adults. Pat, our class fund agent, sends thanks to our classmates for their continued financial support to Beaver/Arcadia.

In a delightful conversation with Helene Fox Tobias, we shared our memories of the 1951 Beaver College trip we took to Europe. Through the years, Helene continued to travel extensively with her family. One result of traveling is her fondness for turtles and her extensive collection of turtle memorabilia. Not limiting her interest to artifacts, she kept two turtles as pets that lived a happy life in a backyard pen for some years. Due to the appearance of aggressive raccoons, the pet turtles were donated to a more protective environment. Helene was married and divorced from a well-known movie producer, remarried and has two sons, two granddaughters and one great grandchild on the way. She is a retired fundraiser for the American Film Institute and devoted volunteer for Planned Parenthood and other worthy causes. She has been a widow for 28 years. She is enjoying her California home (where she plans to stay), family, and volunteer work. One fun fact: Helene and Dr. Cutright shared a birthday and exchanged birthday cards for years.

An email stated that Diane Deane Myers and her husband live in Hilton Head, S.C., and she was planning to attend our 65th reunion. Unfortunately, the timing is off, since they will be heading to Ocean City, N.J. for the summer that weekend. The Myers are enjoying the easy living style at Hilton Head and have plenty of good weather to play golf.

Mary Ann Raulerson Smith and family have been hosting foreign exchange students for many years. They are particularly proud of a Danish student who enjoyed spending his free time with Mary Ann’s husband to observe his veterinarian practice and small animal hospital. When the young man returned to Denmark, he also became a veterinarian. He and two of his colleagues return during some summers to spend time in the vet hospital in Florida once again. During the summer of 2015, they returned to attend a veterinarian conference in Key West and, with their wives, made a detour to take the Smiths out to dinner. Sounds like the Smiths’ hospitality has been rewarded with a lifelong friendship!

Happy news from Gloria Berwald Bjorvedt: They are very happy living in the west, even though their grandchildren have gone to East Coast colleges. They are not traveling too much anymore, because it is too stressful and crowded. She laments that the world has changed a lot since 1951. She writes, “I manage to keep busy with animal welfare, genealogy, and now, plans for our 65th wedding anniversary. Our six grandchildren keep us busy with graduations, weddings, and baby showers; so there is a whole lot of living going on here. Best wishes to my classmates—have fun. If you will send me any handouts of news of Class of 1951 or pictures, I will be happy to pay for them.” All good wishes from the Class of ‘51 on your 65th!

A delightful free-ranging chat with Janet Bullock Perper led to many interesting facts. After having four children, she became a T.A. at Temple University and then returned to college at the age of 50 to get her master’s degree in occupational health. This resulted in a corporate position as an industrial hygienist with a chemical company dealing with safety, health, and environmental concerns. At one point, she started her own consulting company and retired in 2002. In a chance meeting with a biology professor at Arcadia, she became the resident director for an Arcadia program in conservation biology in Equatorial Guinea, where she lived for a time. She has travelled extensively for pleasure to western and non-western countries; she has plenty of options to visit her children who are in the states and abroad.

My guess is Doris Krentel Leonard wins the prize for the most traveled classmate. She left the Class of ’51 after sophomore year to return to Brazil, met her husband in 1950,
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had two children, and spent 36 years traveling to ten overseas countries. Her husband worked for General Motors overseas until his death in 1988. Doris speaks four or more languages and, probably, can read bedtime stories to her three great-grandchildren in their language of choice. Doris fondly remembers her trip to Europe with Beaver in '69. Can we call that a warm-up trip for a fascinating married life?

Judith Johnson Wymer is another well-traveled classmate who has been in many countries, as she and her husband always took three major trips a year. After the death of her husband this year, she is slowly adjusting to her new lifestyle. No firm plans yet, but she has five children, twelve grandchildren, and a very recent great-grandchild. The children live in Florida, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Maryland. Judy spends her winters in Mexico. At home in Maryland, she is very active in church activities, AAUW, and the Republican Party; especially their Caring for America program, where she serves on local, state, and national committees. She writes, “My husband died this past year (2014). At this time, I do not know where I will move to, but I know I will move. I am still very active in several clubs and organizations. Living in [the] Washington, D.C. area has so many political groups with outstanding speakers.” She recently received a letter from Cathy Schwartz Garrison who is living in a retirement home in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. To the best of Judy's knowledge, she and Cathy are the two remaining roomies of their six roommates who lived in Grey Towers.

From a lovely telephone chat, I learned that Dorothea Wirth Janzen is living in an apartment in a retirement home. The apartment has many amenities to help her cope with glaucoma and inclement weather since it is located under the eaves of the building. Thanks to bus service, friends, and a son who lives in Wichita, all her errands are satisfied. A highlight of the past year was a Christmas dinner she hosted in her apartment for 14 people who came from Pennsylvania, Canada, and Texas. A special joy was seeing her four-year old great-granddaughter. Dorothea retired in 1998 from teaching in a Mennonite college and pastoring at several churches in Kansas. Now there is plenty of time for coffee and lunches with friends, exercise, and volunteer work. She keeps in touch with Betty Tomlinson Lebereg and Catherine Kilpatrick Cremer.

Jane Ernathral Padwee is fully recovered from a hip replacement and is back playing competitive croquet, which is not your backyard game. Jane and Howard live in Vero Beach, Fla. where she is a docent at the local museum. If anyone is interested in buying a lovely home in Cape Cod, they have one for sale.

Helen Anger Heitkamp worked for Better Homes and Gardens Magazine for many years and now has become involved in writing, researching, and publishing family and community histories. She discovered that her great-grandmother was born in the Gold Country, where her grandfather and grandmother had gone to pan gold. Before returning to Massachusetts, they found enough gold for one necklace, which Helen cherishes. Helen was on the Larkspur Town Planning Committee and Heritage Board and is on the Larkspur Community Foundation, which awards grants for town beautification. She has two sons, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Gloria Anderson Egelhofer has been living in Connecticut since 1961 and in 2014 moved to a retirement home in Chester near their original home in Old Saybrook. Her three children are in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Virginia, which gives them plenty of reasons to visit often—especially with four grandchildren. Gloria shared happy memories of remaining close with her roommates, Eleanor Butzko Rosenthal, Ginny Fulmer Haist, and Nancy Nagel Dager. They attended many Beaver/Arcadia reunions together and she has a great sense of sadness that they are no longer living. Pat Stevenson Rittenhouse keeps her up to date on Beaver/Arcadia happenings.

A “catch-up” email from Phyllis Melnick Seidman provided the lows and highlights of her years since graduation. After 20 tragic years of losses of a son, son-in-law, and a husband, Phyllis' life has brightened. She has been happily remarried for 19 years and is living in a resort-like retirement village in Thousand Oaks, Calif. As an added bonus, all her children are nearby. They give her much pleasure with their successful careers and, especially, the birth of her first great-grandchild. Phyllis was a teacher for children with learning disabilities at UCLA and volunteered for 20 years in UCLA’s Extension Program as the host for visiting speakers, including the Dalai Lama. Also, Beverly Hills politics held her interest and involvement for several years.

Short note from Mildred Kneppergees Mc Clintock lamenting the fact that there has been no news from the Class of ’51 for some time. She does keep up with the two Beaver “girls” from another class. She enjoys reading about the changes that have taken place at Arcadia over the last 65 years.

Marion Bunnell Cavalier has fond memories of many friends at Beaver. She and Gloria Anderson Egelhofer stay in touch as they are both in the same Connecticut area. After retirement from a career in data processing, her Pfibal dachshund, Snoops, is high on her list of “good” friends. Additional pleasures come from the outstanding academic achievements of her granddaughter in the areas of psychology and special education in Connecticut. Marion has done a lot of traveling in Italy, Brazil, Africa, and many places in the U.S., all adding up to years of good memories and good friends.

Jackie Jackson Swenson, one of my suitmates for four years, has been living in Stamford, N.Y. for 50 years. Stamford is in the Catskills, which is one of the loveliest spots in New York. After going to graduate school, meeting her husband, and receiving a degree in physical therapy, she concentrated on raising her four children. They are scattered over four states, as
are her eight grandsons, three granddaughters, and five great-grandchildren. Jackie has been widowed for three-and-a-half years. After years of traveling in Europe with her husband, she now fills her time with volunteer work on the Stamford Village Board, civic committees, and at church. Golf is her sport when there is no snow on the ground.

Jackie writes, “My husband died three years ago, but I still live in our 100-year-old home. I have three sons and one daughter in New Hampshire, Ohio, Virginia, and Georgia. I also have three granddaughters and eight grandchildren (one lives in France), three great-grandsons, and twin great-granddaughters. My kidney transplant of 14 years ago is holding up well.”

Doris Parsons White writes, “I retired in 1992 from Princeton’s Department of Molecular Biology after 27 years. I am now living in Vermont. I have three children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.”

As for me, I have been a widow for 15 years. About three years ago, I retired from a career working for non-profit agencies. I fill the days with family, good friends, volunteering at a soup kitchen, trips to Manhattan, and as many tennis games as I can handle. All of this has kept me sane. I have two successful sons, two delightful career-oriented daughters-in-law, and two sweet grandchildren who fill all the voids in my life.

My thanks to all the ‘51ers who helped me with this column. I am responsible for all factual mistakes.

1952

Our 65th Reunion will be celebrated on May 5 and 6, 2017. Please let me (Nancy Parke - partece80@windstream.net) know if you plan to attend. You’ll be hearing from me! I hope we can have a good showing from the Class of 1952!

1954

As an April Fool’s Day joke, I (Loretta Parker Liljestrand) tried to convince others that Trump and Clinton had both given up their campaigns; also that Obama had appointed Lady Gaga as the Supreme Court Justice and the Senate had unanimously approved. No believers.

On Feb. 29, Leap Year Day, I mailed out a dozen or more requests for news from classmates; a month later and not one reply. Therefore, I am forced to rely on my one course in Journalism back in 1950-51 as a freshman. I found the news and it centers on Cynthia Baketel Systrom. First, we send our condolences on the loss of her husband—remember, she was one of the married seniors who lived off-campus. Second, her grandson Kevin (the CEO of Instagram) was on NBC recently, standing next to the Pope as His Holiness sent his first Instagram message to the world: “Pray for me.” Kevin was also on page 132 of the March issue of Vanity Fair along with 30 others of “The New Establishment.” Perhaps Cynthia will share her pride in her grandson’s achievement and we can all encourage our own family members to be creative in this world of technology. Also, I remembered the book Yes, Please by Amy Poehler has a copy of her kindergarten report card done by her teacher Cynthia Systrom. In June 1977, Cynthia wrote, “Amy is an excellent student,” and checked the “always” column for seven categories, including social development, and “usually” for academic readiness.

I regret that my fellow octogenarians have chosen not to tell what they do, what they have done, or what they will do. I ask you to remember our yearbook with Dylan Thomas’ poem “Do Not Go Gentle...” and I ask you to find and read Louise Gluck’s poem, “Autumn,” which are so relevant to our generation. The theme of hope during a period of change may enable us to cherish our memories and maintain with caring and consideration those few who are irrevocably entwined in our present lives.

Enjoy the spring and summer months ahead and take time to listen, to laugh, and to learn.

1955

Ruth Anderson Trimble says she still enjoys painting, though doesn’t exhibit much anymore because of the difficulty of transporting the art. As a very proud grandmother, she says her eldest grandson, Casey, is studying for a doctorate in physics.

Joan Mower Taylor is retired from her research job at the University of Pennsylvania. She was involved in AIDS research. She is a widow, but enjoys her children Susan, Nancy, Rich, and her grandchildren.

Sally Swick Becker has five married children and eight grandchildren. She writes that her maternal grandmother and her mother made quilts for their children and grandchildren, and crib quilts for all the great-grandchildren. Sally has made and designed queen and king quilts for all her children, and college dorm quilts for her grandchildren. She is now working on wedding quilts for some grandchildren.

She writes, “I was sorry to miss last year’s reunion. The Florida reunion this year just didn’t work. Hope to see you next time.”

1956

Sarah Smith Heylum writes, “I am still running the Christmas tree farm with lots of part-time help seasonally. Dick is doing well, but finally got a disabled card for parking to please me! He needs it. I don’t want it. The outdoor work keeps me going. Our five sons are all doing very well.”

Shirley Delmage is living in a retirement community in Gaithersburg, Md., and writes, “I was so sorry to have missed our 60th Reunion in June. I think of my classmates often and have many fond memories of our days at Beaver College. Warm wishes to all.”

Bobbe Schuler writes, “I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Patty Darling Kile. We were diagnosed at the same time, approximately two years ago: hers was skin cancer and mine was colon/rectal cancer—just a few months after my June 2013 open heart/triple bypass surgery. We’d each ask, “Other. Did you have radiation? “Yes! Did it burn you?” “Me, too, I went to rehab for treatment.” My post-op June 2015 chemo pill therapy sent me to ICU—couldn’t tolerate the pill. Many doctors told me I was a ‘tough lady’ and I thank God and my spiritual upbringing to earn that cherished thought. Now? As for my two activities, swimming is [skayed] for summer 2016 and the tap dancing is on hold. I taught the nurses how to do a time-step while on my walker! Recuperation at 80 is slow, but progress is good. It’s called ‘answered prayers.’ Four times in the hospital and four times at a rehab hospital is hopefully over. Eight is enough! Sending everyone my loving regards.”

1957

Phyllis Lazarus Tocker writes, “I am sad to say that Stan, my husband of 57 years, passed away. I have so many wonderful memories! Our granddaughter, Isabel, is now eight. She loves to write and won a writing contest at the Brandywine River Museum.”

Pene Zack Riggs writes from Ann’s Choice retirement community that all is well, but a busy schedule keeps her with little time for much else. Great choice for a retirement option.

Toni Pileggi Scott commented that she, too, has gone the hearing aid route, and since we are all around 80 years of age, we simply say, “Who cares.” She has just returned from Boca Raton, Fla., having just purchased a little bigger and more active community condo called “Whisper Walk.” What a great name. She is getting ready for a step-grandchild’s wedding soon, and two more grandchildren’s weddings next year. Montauk, Long Island will now take on a summer atmosphere, but her family is doing very well. Her 27-year-old is working in New York City, the next is in the Marines, followed by a chef in Florida. Luckily, she and Bob are doing very well and continue to be strong and fairly healthy.

As for myself, I (Freda Friz Scho퍼) have had to “augment” sound and am finding myself...
I (Dwaine Fry Sutherland) just got back from Arcadia/Beaver where I attended a planning meeting for our 58th reunion on June 4, 2016. It was today, March 11, on a lovely spring-like day with the temperatures in the high 70s. By next week, who knows? What exciting days we live in! By the time you read this, our reunion will be a fond memory and I hope you had a wonderful time.

I sent out my usual request for news and I send many thanks to those of you who replied!

I begin with the sad news of the passing of Judy McMoran on Jan. 26. Judy’s passion for sports was well served during her years at Beaver and only started an ambitious and successful journey in the academic sport’s world. She earned her master’s degree at Smith College and her doctorate at UNC at Chapel Hill. She also was elected an honorary member of the Virginia Women’s Lacrosse Association. She will be missed by her lifelong and beloved friend, Diane Hatch, her brother, Bruce McMoran, and several nieces and nephews.

Our sincere condolences to Joan Ottaway Gurniak on the loss of her husband, Ted. Joan writes, “Since my husband Ted’s death on January 19, I have been busy with various things concerning his death. The death was not unexpected; the actual timing of it was unexpected. Ted was 88, suffered with both bladder cancer and Parkinson’s Disease. Neither he nor I wanted to see him regress to some of the bad things that faced him if he went on living. I am, of course, missing him greatly, but doing well I think. On Sunday I will join my sister and her husband on a ten-day cruise in the Caribbean and Panama Canal. I plan to relax greatly. I do plan to celebrate my 80th birthday with you all. See you reunion weekend!”

On a lighter note is news from Kay Lanning Winters, “Just back from a month in Palm Springs, walking, swimming, and seeing our family. I’m still smiling over our trip to Greece last fall! Now I’m back to doing school visits promoting reading and books. Hope the groundhog was right this year: early spring. Saw a very fat ant strolling across our bathroom scale, so that’s a good sign!”

Ina Dolfman Stess is also enjoying family visits. She writes, “I just returned from Tampa, where I spent time with my daughter, son-in-law, and grandson from New Zealand. I hadn’t seen them in four years. My grandson, Foster, has a degree in captive and wild animal management and has just begun a three-month internship at the Tampa Zoo. The Tampa Zoo has quite a number of baby animals and we got to see many of them.”

Joann “Pepper” Mintz Faust just finished a huge task which many of us can relate to—“Es and I recently completed a big move into a retirement community in Doylestown. It was a huge undertaking after living in our home for 43 years. Why did I save so much junk? I don’t think we would have made it without making our grandkids take a lot of “stuff” and the help of our kids. We are finding the change pretty nice with a few adjustments, such as happy hour at 4:30 instead of 6 and dinner at 5:30 instead of 7. Everyone is very nice and there is an interesting mix of people. One gentleman refers to our dining hours as “dining at dawn.”

Pat Fletcher Lyford brings us up to date: “You have read in our past news that my life has changed as a result of my husband’s stroke in February of 2015. Larry has gotten much stronger, but remains limited due to his right side being jeopardized. He continues with therapy, but because of Medicare rules, it will not last forever. We are coping with this lifestyle change and, though it is a lot of work, it is working. No more traveling, but we do get to our favorite concerts, Rotary events, dinner out, lunch with friends, and the movies. Big thanks to our son, Stephen, who has spent a lot of time with his dad, so mom can get out for plays at the Walnut Theater, Mah Jongg with friends, the Barnes (Picasso Show), etc. Stephen has the luck of being able to come to our house and “work at home.” Some big events this year—our granddaughter, Laura, went into double-digits on her 10th birthday in February and we celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in April with a family dinner party at home, arranged by Stephen with a private chef. What a treat! My 80th birthday was a week after our reunion/party at Arcadia. How did 80 ever creep up so fast? I must remind myself, “these are the golden years.” Thanks to Barbara Jacobson Thayer and Judy Kneideisen Keenan for their phone calls, Barbara Mick Steiger for lunch out on the town, and Alma Alabilikian for her friendship. Also as always, got a lovely Christmas letter from Morgiana (Harvey) Lau Kan. Be well my friends!”

And now my (Dwaine) contribution. We (Alma Alabilikian, Barbara Jones Sibley, Pat Fletcher Lyford and I) joined Jeff Spence, director of Alumni Relations, and Nancy Woehrle, associate director, earlier this month of March to put the final touches on our reunion and 80th birthday party. (Out of context, Nancy
is remarkable! When I call, she always knows precisely who I am and makes me feel as if I walked out of Beaver’s doors yesterday! Much appreciated!

As you read this, the June festivities will be a fond memory, but as I write, we’re still looking forward to having a great time! Unfortunately, because of the remarkable timing (!!) of these missives, I can’t tell you what went on until next spring! I know I sound like an old curmudgeon (how’s THAT for a word!), but if you can’t be cranky at 80, when can you? We had a very productive meeting and at the end, Alma, Pat, Barb, and I went to the college cafeteria for lunch. It was almost empty since it was Spring Break. However, the students who were there… OMG! Were we ever THAT young? If someone had said they were visiting from the local junior high, I would have believed it!

I hope you had a good time at our upcoming get-together. I’m closing now because jumping from now to the near future (June reunion) to the far future (when you read this) is getting me dizzy!

Please give us your news! We reached out to the non-email folks and hope they’ll join our dialogue. Just send it to me or the Alumni Office, and please remember to include your maiden name along with your married one.

We all shared something very special in 1954-58 and that bond will never be broken. I hope I’ll see you (or DID see you) in June.

“Till next time!”

1959
Joanne Formica Isacson writes, “I was widowed in September of 2013. I have three children and seven grandchildren all between high school and graduate school age. I’m traveling as much as possible.”

Mary Lou Pickell Nelson writes on the two new additions to her family. “Kathy in California had a boy, now I have eight grandchildren. My grandson in Maryland had a boy, making me a great-grandma. I love being a snowbird in The Villages. Please plan to come to our 55th reunion.”

1960
Our condolences to Karen “Punky” Horlacher Ohlman whose husband Lee passed away on Jan. 31 after a long, courageous battle with cancer. Punky has two sons and six grandchildren and lives near Birmingham, Ala. Her son Gary and family live nearby. Her son Scott and his children live in Texas.

Nancy Sterbin Poz of Garden City, N.Y. was widowed in 1992. Her daughter Liz passed on at the much-too-young age of 49. Liz’s four sons live with Nancy. Nancy’s son Tom has two children and daughter Nancy has two children; all live nearby. After 20 years of teaching, Nancy currently has a tax practice and has enrolled agent designation with the Treasury Department for Taxation. She was vice president and negotiator for her union for 15+ years and is in Who’s Who in Education.

Jean Killam Trumbore and Fritz have been married 54 years. In 2010, they moved to a continuing care community in Winchester, Va. Her older son, Mark, and his wife live two hours from them, having moved from Massachusetts. Her son Peter and his family are in Michigan. Her granddaughter Sarah is in college and grandson Levi is a high school senior. Jean just finished a stint as chairperson of the program committee in their retirement community. She and Fritz presented a weekly program for residents of which half was music and half was lecture.

1961
Ann Phillips Bay-Goddin writes, “I retired as vice president for Education from George Washington’s Mount Vernon Estates and Gardens in 2010. I have been working on a biography of Ann Pamela Cunningham, the woman who established the first national women’s organization and the national historic preservation movement in the United States. Earlier this year, my husband, Harry, and I moved from Alexandria, Va., to the South Carolina low country.

Suzanne Decker Fenimore keeps in touch with Ann Simonin Grebe and Eva Ochle Frank. “I may make a trip to the East Coast later this year. We (Frank and I) are going to Yosemite National Park in June for a few days and then up to Menlo Park, Calif. for a nephew’s wedding. I keep busy with exercise at the YMCA, knitting group, trips with the senior center, and my Red Hat Group.”

Marilyn Grassino writes, “I get together with Beverly Blauvelt Hertler and Inger Langer every summer at Bev’s beach house at Avalon by the Sea, N.J.”

1962
The Class of 1962 was well represented at the Arcadia Florida Reunion held Feb. 25, 2016, in Boca Raton, Fla. Attending were: Janet Copeland Zinman, Lynn Kronenberg Berman, Linda Brandwein Kotzen, Carol Plesser Miller, Linda May Sklar, Gail Spevack Wohl, and Connie Gerber Levin. Lynn and Janet, per usual, were the Reunion Chairs. Also not to be left out were Ilene Rubin Silver Berman ’74, who chaired another Arcadia Florida Reunion in West Palm Beach, Fla., the preceding day, Lynanne Lindo Wassermann ’61, and Gail Weiner Biben ’64. I also met Pam Shain ’70, who, I found out, lives across the street from me here in Boca!

Robert Mauro, professor and former chair of the Department of Visual and Performing Arts, spoke to us about the wonderful classes and events taking place at Arcadia today. When he was finished, the audience collectively said, “I want to go there NOW!”

A tour of the Andy Warhol exhibit at the Boca Raton Museum of Art followed. There were so many animated conversations all afternoon by the attendees and we are looking forward to next year’s Florida Reunion.

And now for NEWS!

Sherry Kugler Weidner sends, “In our life, Chuck and I are happy that all six granddaughters are now in college, all in the state of Virginia. Two are at James Madison, another two at UVA, one at VCU (she comes all the way from Singapore), and one at Virginia Tech. We have two younger grandsons who live in Singapore; they’re my last hope for getting at least one of the grandchildren to elect Arcadia University for college.

Our daughter, who finished her original B.S. at Appalachian State right after high school, is also in school, at John Tyler Nursing Education Center and also in Virginia. We’re proud of her for following her dream. This has been a hard year with Chuck being very ill from a bone infection and blood clot in his lung. I’m just glad to finally have him out of the hospital and rehab center and back home after this six-month ordeal. I think health issues have probably become an issue for many of us.

Gail Williams Tattersfield says, “I hope I can make it to reunion next year. I no longer have family contacts in the east which made my trips there fun for two reasons!”

From Gilda Battaglia Rorro-Baldassari: “I am writing my memoir. I hope to finish and publish it this year. There’s a lot about Beaver and I hope you would like to read it. I’ve written 66 chapters but have not settled on a title yet!”

Also, the mayor of Hamilton township, in Mercer County, N.J., officially announced that I am the 2016 recipient of the “Lifetime Achievement” award of the Hamilton Twp. Business and Economic Development Commission. I have the distinction to be the first female to receive the award in 41-years. Hailing from Beaver College, that gives me much satisfaction.

Janet Copeland Zinman shares, “On a beautiful sunny, Florida day at the beginning of February, Lynn Kronenberg Berman, Linda May Sklar, and I were treated to an extraordinarily fantastic day at the home of Arcadia Trustee and
Ginny Dunsten Bruno writes, “Sadly, there was the death of my brother and three close friends last year. Not the best of times, but something we are all starting to have to go through, I suppose. I am well and continue with volunteer work, art classes, and visiting friends. I am going to Spain on Monday for ten days. A group of us (12-14) goes every year to a resort (Vale de Vida) in the mountains north of Malaga. I am in touch with Patricia Allen and Katherine Kurtz.”

Cynthia Mindel Auerbach sends, “All good here. I keep busy with yoga, bridge, tennis, two book groups, walking and Habitat Building...all a little less vigorously than five years ago. I’m in New York often with tickets for Roundabout, Lincoln Center, and various other shows. We traveled with two other couples to southern Spain in October—a week in Marbella and a week in Seville in great VRBOs with lots of side travels. Fascinating area. We also spent three weeks on the West Coast of Florida this winter and continue our frequent visits to the Berkshires. All three of our kids and their families are now living in the Boston area—nine grandkids from a senior in high school to a kindergartner in the same area code—too awesome. We make frequent visits there, too. Our Beaver group met in New York in September and I look forward to getting together again when the snowbirds return from Florida.”

Pat Peatman O’Sullivan tells us, “Ghost from the past responding to your request for news! I transferred to Katherine Gibbs in Boston along with Jane Avery Gehris after our sophomore year. I lost contact with her, but she was living in LaPlato, Md., last I knew. I ended up with a B.S. from Connecticut State University in 1964. I met my husband, John, while working in Boston. We live in Wellesley, Mass., and have two children: Kristen, living in London with husband and our two granddaughters, and bachelor son, John, living in Boston. I have kept in touch with Wilma Maxwell Gray, and I connected in the past with Sue Beckwith Devis. I wanted to attend the 50th reunion, but my husband’s was the same weekend! I really wrestled with that decision! Perhaps I will make the next one! Amazing how time flies, but I still have good memories of college and friends I made while there.”

Judith Lipman Sterns sends, “Late Fall 2015 found us driving to Beaver/Arcadia to deliver our Spruance lithos to their new home. Bob and I had last been to Beaver in 1967, visited with Ben Spruance in his studio, where we purchased a few additional Spruances to add to our collection. When we sold our ski home in Vermont, we knew we needed to find a new home for these lithos and felt they should return to Beaver. We have kept two that we couldn’t part with. What a delight to meet Jane Maloney and to walk around the Glenside campus with Kate McGovern as our guide. What a difference from the campus I remembered; now all in one location, a much more diverse student body, new buildings...yet Grey Towers remains the same, but without Mrs. Murphy and chatter in the Chat, but with a new elevator. I have such fond memories.”

From Judy Boetticher Leve: “My husband and I have just returned from China. We took a trip on the Yangtze River with my sister Valerie Boetticher Hill ’64 and her husband. We also saw all the iconic sights which were amazing, as well as visited Valerie’s grandson and his wife who live and teach English in a Lijiang, a beautiful city in the foothills of the Himalayas. We have been traveling a lot in the recent past on small ships to Cuba, the Greek islands, the Adriatic Coast, and Croatia. But we’ve also done several land tours which involved a lot of flying in Peru, Chile, Uruguay, Argentina, Brazil, Australia, and New Zealand. In two weeks, we will be in Spain and then plan to spend time just enjoying our home and the active adult community in which we live outside of Nashville, Tenn.

Marian Anderson Cornwell shares, “This past Thanksgiving, my husband, Tom, and I had brunch with Jean Thorson Pratt and her husband, Vic, in Charlotte, N.C. We both have children living in the area. Jean and I had a Swedish dish called Pappapana, a delicious hash-type of dish, to commemorate our Swedish heritages. It was great to see them. Jean and Vic now live in Ft. Myers, Fla. She redesigned the whole house they bought there and showed us pictures of the ceiling she designed for the entry hall—magnificent! Tom and I still have a house in New Jersey and hop between there and our home on the end of Long Island. We are on Peconic Bay in Cutchogue on the north fork of Long Island, a very beautiful place to be. Someday we’ll sell our house in New Jersey!”

Carol Purdy Fugate sends: “We are enjoying good health, semi-retirement, and the ability to travel from our primary home on Cape Cod to our second home on Prince Edward Island, Canada. There, we have a country property where we can garden, both flower and vegetable, and enjoy a lifestyle as quiet as we wish it to be. We especially love it here because our five-and-a-half-year-old grandson lives in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. We are enjoying the news coverage from the U.S. on election campaigning and the primaries! We always seem to have more projects than time when it comes to painting and remodeling an older home inside and out. It’s hard to believe the 55th reunion is coming up—I feel I must have graduated at the age of 10!”

Lynn Kronenberg Berman says, “As your class editor, and co-chair with Janet Copeland Ziman of our 55th reunion coming up, I hope you will run to your computer, iPad, laptop, or phone, and send me an update on your life right now. Please make sure I have your current email and snail mail addresses for the reunion. It has been years since I have made any changes to your information in my computer. I can pass on any changes to Arcadia for you. We want to hear from you!”

Beaver alums Lynne Lindo Wassermann ’61, Lynne and her husband, Barry, have a fabulous folk art collection from around the world, with many pieces from Panama, where Lynne grew up. Each room is filled, from floor to very high ceilings, and Lynne regaled us with stories about how many of the pieces were acquired. The collection is organized by locale so we were treated to a magical trip from continent to continent. We really couldn’t see everything but, we certainly did try. After our tour, we had a delicious Panamanian luncheon and Lynne even had lovely cosmetic bags that were handmade by Panamanian artists for each of us as a remembrance of our delightful day.”

Judy Frey Woods tells us, “I kept in touch with Anne McSkimin Fischer for a couple of years after we had our shoulder replacement surgeries in 2012. Most recently, my husband, Jack, and I spent seven weeks away this winter. Six of those weeks were at the Word of Life Camp in Florida. We had great Bible teachings there and met so many friendly people. Hoping that our health will permit us to return next winter.”
1964
I’m grateful still of some of our classmates send Christmas cards and letters so I have some news for you. Mostly it’s good news, but sometimes not: Our condolences go out to Janice Comstock Murray whose husband, Glenn, passed away in April 2015. Her daughter, Krisa, lives in Maryland and Janice has been visiting her and her family frequently. Krisa and her husband work for NOAA, and last summer they worked at the agency’s facility in Boulder, Colo., where Janice visited them: “beautiful country.” Her grandson, Lucas, 13, sings with the Maryland Boy Choir and Janice attended one of their Christmas concerts. Last summer, he and the choir went on tour in Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia; this summer they’ll sing in Montana.

Sandra Krebs Hirsh wrote that she, along with her son Drew, her daughter Elizabeth, and Chad, “journeyed to Dallas for my nephew’s wedding. I also took trips to Arizona, the glorious North Shore of Lake Superior, the Aspen Music Festival, and the APTI Conference in Miami with my daughter Katherine.” She and Phyllis St. John Skok traveled for a month to Venice, Tuscany, and the Amalfi Coast of Italy.

Phyllis did a lot more traveling (sometimes I wonder if she’s ever home): Her first trip of 2015 was to northern India with Overseas Adventure Travel: “Seeing the site of Gandhi’s assassination, participating in the Holi Festival (throwing colored powder all over each other), hot air ballooning over the Amber Fort, sunrise and sunset at the Taj Mahal and in a boat in the Ganges, making bread at a Sikh temple feeding program, seeing the location for the Second Best Marigold Hotel in Jaipur.” As a participant in Friendship Force (FF), she stayed for a week each with families in Piracicaba and Belo Horizonte, Brazil, and then she and other FF members spent time in Rio de Janeiro. She also hosted an exchange family for a week. Visiting North Carolina for an aunt’s birthday, she learned of a trip to France with a friend and her French instructor. Daughter Deb and she had “a wonderful time staying on the grounds of a small chateau in the Loire Valley and a manor on the Dordogne River. Sightseeing at chateaus, gardens, and the prehistoric paintings in a cave in the Dordogne.” At the end of the tour, she and Deb spent three days in Paris. Deb is fluent in French; Phyllis not so much. But she and a friend at the Foreign Policy Association, who has a new neighbor from France, are meeting weekly for French lessons and having lots of fun. Other travels included Buffalo, NY and Florida for family get-togethers. Now back in Pennsylvania, she is dealing with replacing oil heat with gas. She is missing her Harrisburg classmates, Carol Hacker Hillman (and Arnold), now in South Carolina, and Wayne and Susan Patt Mounz, who sold their home and are living in Connecticut.

Karen Holmes MacIntyre wrote that she is taking Spanish lessons among other classes for seniors at Oasis. She also traveled on several trips with Road Scholar. One was to the Olympic Peninsula in Washington, where she “spent nights in Port Angeles, and on day trips, saw scenic vistas of lakes, waterfalls, mountains, Pacific Ocean stacks and beaches, a moderate climate for rain forest, and several American Indian tribes.” The other was to Glacier Park in Montana and Rocky Mountain Park in Alberta, Canada. They drove the Going-to-the-Sun Road across the Continental Divide, saw “a few of the remaining glaciers before they melt, breathtaking vistas, and amazing hikes and wildlife.” She also visited her daughter and family in Wisconsin four times and enjoys the accomplishments of granddaughters Angeline, 16, and Jamie, 14, in dance, music, and more.

John Moser and Lynda Spielman have adjusted to country life and she finds retirement gives her time to learn new things—tap dancing, Mah Jong—and more time to paint. They make periodic trips to the city to keep their New Yorker status.

Janet Spence Kerr writes that she and Tom now have four grandchildren, two in Pennsylvania and two in Maine.

Sue Mason Bothwell enjoyed seeing the 50th reunion photos and hopes she can make the 55th. She is retired from substitute teaching and doesn’t miss “the morning calls, scrolling through the daily job opportunities, or the new technologies.”

Larry and Linda Johnston Austin were looking great on their Christmas photo card! Linda’s retired and Larry retired from teaching at Oakland Community College and is enjoying his status as a retiree. They spend a couple of weeks every month from May through October at their trailer in Waldenwoods in Hartland, Mich., and also traveled to Calvin College Worship Symposium, West Virginia, Virginia, and Mackinac Island. “I am still active at Calvin Church in Detroit teaching, helping with worship, and being on the Session Board. I exercise at Curves and volunteer at a local food bank. Grandma activities with five grandchildren are the most fun!”

Last summer, Tony and Diana Peck Watters, John and Carol Beitel Watters ’63, and Wayne and Susan Mounz ’64 went on the Arcadia-sponsored Columbia River cruise. Lovely cruise and scenery, but not the collegial feel of past Arcadia trips. Tony and Diana spent the winter in Venice, Fla. While they were there, Wayne and Sue were in Siesta Key and Scott and Wendy Glass Severance ’65 were in St. Augustine. They all met in Siesta Key in March for a day’s get-together; fun time reminiscing, but too short a time. Sue and Wayne are back in Connecticut, Tony and Diana returned to Belchertown, Mass., and Scott and Wendy drove to the Houston area via New Orleans for a mini UVM fraternity reunion before returning to Queensbury, N.Y. In Sept., Wendy and Scott are going on a 50th anniversary cruise from New York to Quebec and back on the Queen Mary II. Wendy says, “I can’t wait to be pampered for two whole weeks!”

Bill and Betsy Rose Carey spent most of March in Aruba, relaxing and enjoying the beach, ocean, and pool. In April, Mimi Hirsch Brauch, four other friends, and I (Linda Mann) will be enjoying it, too!

Carol McLuckie Van Sciver writes, “We (Joe and I) just returned from spending the Christmas holidays with son Jay and family in New York, and we spent Thanksgiving in Florida with daughter Carolyn and her family. Our three granddaughters are a joy and all love music and antique cars. If all goes well, we are looking forward to a fourth grandchild soon.”

1966
As you can see, Beth Middleton and I will be sharing the honors for ‘66. We both have a lot to say, so it should provide some fun and, anyway, two heads are better than one. If you were at our Reunion, you know what a terrific time we had… and, if you didn’t make it, please mark your calendar for our 55th!

The campus looks the same in many ways and, of course, very different in a hundred others. From the new buildings, new sports fields, and new landscaping to the elevator in the castle, each improvement sits smoothly into “Beaver.” Elevator? Yes… in the spot where the switchboard was. We were told that the switchboard was given to the old Bell Telephone system for their museum. I love that!

We can’t say thank you enough to the Alumni Office and reunion planners. They were wonderful hosts and did a great job of thinking ahead and catering to us all throughout the weekend. Special diet? No problem. More water? Here it is. Hungry? Please, eat from the buffet table. Snacks? Right here. Tired of walking? Here is a cart… where do you want to go?

One thing that hit me like a bolt of lightning was the fact that there were many “sister acts” who attended Beaver College.

Diane Duffy Hoch and BJ Duffy ’63, Julie Mamana Boyd
and June Mamana Guertin '69, Kathy Greacen Gipe and Anne Greacen Einselen '84, and Sue Thomas and her sister, just to name a few. I think that is quite a compliment to the College.

As time goes by, Beth and I will be catching you up on our classmates' activities. Please send us your news. We really want to hear from you so we can spread the word.

Betsy Hale writes, "Loving retirement, travel, gardening, and volunteer work."

Bettie Yorkes writes, "Happy to welcome my new granddaughter, Emma Elizabeth Campbell, on October 25, 2014. Proud parents (Sarah Yorkes Campbell and Jonathan Campbell)."

1967
Hello Class of '67! Our 50-year reunion is almost here! Alumni Weekend is the first weekend of May 2017. Yes, it’s being held in May, not June! Mark your calendars. Hope you will be there to celebrate. More news is coming, so please watch your mail and e-mail. We’ll also be giving you a call! Please let the Alumni office know if your contact information has changed.

Your Reunion Committee would love to have you join the committee. Please e-mail us and let us know if you’d like to work with us:

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Hope to see you in May 2017!

1968
Gale Barnett writes, "Still at work in Atlanta. Mountain house in Western North Carolina finally finished. Looking out at the Blue Ridge is wonderful. Had a visit with Stephanie Bass Wishnack up there this summer. Looking forward to an exciting 2016 and first grandchild due next summer to our son and his wife."

1969
Jean Horton recently traveled to New Zealand and, upon arrival at the Auckland airport, was amused to see a young man holding an Arcadia University sign. A short look-see led her to Jane Gunn-Lewis, director of the NZ Program for Arcadia’s College of Global Studies, who was in airport arrivals to meet the latest group of students. Jean enjoyed passing along some anecdotes from her own memorable semester abroad program in London, oh those many years ago in which Nancy McKerr Cribari figured prominently.

Speaking of Nancy McKerr Cribari, she wrote that she and her husband are living well on the North Shore of Boston after raising their sons on Cape Cod. She has been involved with the Death with Dignity movement this year. She says she likes to plan ahead! They visited Emily Solomon Farrell and her husband Jay last spring and had a great tour of the Wyeth Museum, where Emily is a docent. They visited the Beaver/Arcadia campus and were impressed by the big changes. Nancy also saw Jean Horton last year in Canandaigua, N.Y.—where Nancy grew up—and reminisced about their years on the lake and their semester in London. Nancy’s two sons are married, and they have five grandchildren. Sadly, they are all out of state, although one son is moving back to Boston this summer. He has successfully started an innovation center in St. Louis, Mo. Their other son is a captain in the Merchant Marines, working out of New Orleans. Nancy’s other passions are politics and music.

Helen Ham finished work at VMware in December. She and her husband Ron spent the winter in Tarpon Springs, Fla., and had breakfast with Barbara Kelly Breeden while Barbara was visiting her daughter in nearby Holiday. In February, they had three grandchildren visit and swam with the manatees with them. Helen has started acrylic painting.

Linda Phillips Pursley had a visit from Barbara Howland in Sarasota. They had a lovely time seeing the sights, including Siesta Beach, the Ringling Mansion, Bayfront Park, and St. Armand’s Circle. They made the rounds of the area’s restaurants, and they visited Linda’s husband Bill at the Life Care Center where he lives. Linda said the best part of the visit was “just being together and sharing stories about our families and our similar experiences.” Our sincere condolences to Barbara Howland and her family. Her husband, Dave Watson, passed away in 2015 at the young age of 68. He had a happy life until four years ago, when he was diagnosed with Lewy Body Dementia (similar to Alzheimer’s), which took him on a journey of many losses. He was surrounded by Barbara’s daughters, their husbands and fiancés, Barbara, and the wonderful staff at his assisted living facility in Boston, Mass. Their two-year-old granddaughter, Molly, who was the apple of his eye, visited several times during his last days. One of Barbara’s grief strategies was to visit friends in Florida, including Linda Phillips Pursley. Barbara writes that it was great to see Linda and spend time with her after a very difficult period. Her second grief recovery strategy is to spend a day a week with Molly. They start swimming lessons in April. Barbara writes that “the circle of life continues.”

In the fall, Barbara Woodruff Chase and her husband Don joined Emily Solomon Farrell on a tour of Brandywine River Museum of Art, where Emily is a docent. Barbara pointed out some techniques used by the artists, since she, too, is an artist. (Google her, and you will see some lovely paintings.) Emily now quotes Barbara’s other news is that, during their month in Longboat Key, Fla., she managed to fall off a curb between a craft show and the Eileen Fisher store and broke her foot. She is advising all members of the Class of 1969 not to shop.

1978
Mary Davis writes, “I moved to [New York City] when my daughter Laura went away to college five years ago. Since then, I have gotten more involved in producing off-Broadway shows. One of my shows, Disaster!, has now transferred to Broadway. It’s a musical parody of the disaster movies of the 70’s. The reviews have been wonderful! Visit disastermusical.com. I am producing my 9th show, A Persistent Memory, this spring. Retirement from teaching and the law sure is fun!”

1980
Joan Johnston-Malin writes, “I am a retired biology teacher (School District of Philadelphia) after 35 1/2 years. I am enjoying retirement with husband, Brian, and our two grandchildren (Thomas and Sofie), who keep us very busy during the week while their parents (Christine and Tom) are at work.”

1983
We are saddened to report the sudden death of Steven Anthony. We offer our sincere condolences to his wife, Sandra, and family. Steven recently sent news about their children. Son Stefan will be attending Wake Forest University in the fall, and daughter Sarah will be a sophomore at Berkeley Preparatory School in Tampa, Fla.

Hannah Jacobsohn Anbar writes, “My family (husband Ran and our two youngest of four children) and I are just finishing our cross-country move to La Jolla, Calif. The move was for career and quality of life changes. We love it here—this is our little slice of paradise. My oldest son is finishing his first year in the doctorate of public health program at the University of Arizona; my daughter has been accepted to the SUNY at Brockport School of Nursing. My two youngest are in high school. If we have any classmates in the San Diego area, I would love to hear from them. My email is hganbar@yahoo.com.”

Stephen Jones writes, “After 30+ years in the global corporate world, I decided to drive my own..."
destiny and purchased the Glass Doctor Franchise for all of Lehigh and Northampton Counties, Pa. We specialize in residential glass repair, replacement, and installation, such as shower surrounds, table tops, furniture tops, shelving, and window repair. Visit glassdoctor.com/lehigh-valley. For anyone with a taste for adventure, I’d encourage them to look into owning their own business, but do their due diligence.

Barbara Reppert Million and husband, Eric, have lived and raised their family in central New Jersey. Son Evan graduated from Ursinus College last May with a degree in health and exercise physiology. He plans to continue on to graduate school for physical therapy. Son Wyatt studies biology at the University of Connecticut where he also competes on the cross country and track teams.

Mary Stillman Sundra’s daughter, Katherine Sundra ’12, attends the University of San Francisco in the 18-month graduate program of Museum Studies. She is also working at Innovation Hanger, a new museum in San Francisco. Son James graduated magna cum laude from Rochester Institute of Technology in May 2015. He is employed by the Matterport Corporation in Mountainview, Calif., as a computer programmer. “My husband, Joe, and I had a wonderful time this summer driving cross country to take Katie out to school. We were able to visit a lot of wonderful places along the way and look forward to visiting our children in California as often as possible.”

1993

Dr. Carol-Anne Minski ’93M writes, “In 2011, John and I built our dream house and moved to Jim Thorpe, Pa., to start a new business and work on my PhD. I graduated in 2014 with a PhD in organizational development from Fielding Graduate University. My company, CMA Leadership Consultants, provides leadership and workforce development training and consulting to the Mid-Atlantic region. In 2015, I published my book, FOCUS! Get What You Want Out of Life, based on my research with successful women. I travel back to Glenside often to visit my family and especially to play with my two beautiful granddaughters.”

1995

Isabella Mercado writes, “My mother, Petronella (Ellen) Lefebvre, is retiring in June 2016 from Arcadia University’s Landman Library after 20 years of service. She really enjoyed her years working and being part of the University family.”

1996

Michelle Reale ’96, ’99M, ’16MFA has had several publications. Her collection Birds of Sicily: Poems will be released in a few months by Aldrich Press. She’s also published two other collections: Kestrel from Dancing Girl Press and The Legacy of the Sidelong Glance: Elegies by Aldrich Press.

1997

Hello Class of 1997! Can you believe it has been almost 20 years since we graduated from Beaver College? It’s already time to plan our reunion for May 2017. Don’t miss out on this special time to catch up with old friends! Please be sure your contact information is up to date and let us know if you are interested in helping with reunion plans. We can use your help! Contact the alumni office at alumni@arcadia.edu or Maya (Bau) Johnson at mbasu252@hotmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

2000

William Scharding writes, “I started my own graphic design and printing business in 2012. I also work as a freelance designer for a handful of clients, both local and national. I make frequent trips to the campus to reminisce and have given personal tours to a few prospective students, as well as family and friends."

2004

Celina Gonzalez-Alexander was employed with Arcadia from 2005-2011 in Enrollment Management as the Counselor and Coordinator of Work Study Programs in the One-Stop Shop. While employed, she served as the advisor to the Latino Association student club. She started and choreographed the dances for the popular and award-winning student club Puro Ritmo in 2008. Puro Ritmo has performed at halftime shows for the Philadelphia 76ers and at competitions held at Drexel University. Celina is now employed with Wake Forest University in North Carolina in the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Joanna Frasier Dasent is proud to announce her self-published book, A Farmer, His Son and Their Mule. The revised Aesop fable is based on the a farmer, his son and their mule, who have every intention of going to town to sell the mule for clothes. But on their way, they are offered advice from different people. While trying to please everyone, they end up empty handed. Lesson learned: You can please some of the people some of the time, but you can’t please all of the people all of the time. Proverb: Like apples of gold in setting of silver is a word spoken in right circumstances.

2009

Dana Jan Bartelt writes, “I spent six weeks in Shanghai living with a family and teaching English to their daughter, Kitty. I also recently got the chance to meet two Doctors from Doctor Who. Allons-y!”

Robin Gebbie Fitzgerald shares, “Tim Fitzgerald ’08 and I welcomed our son, Ian Everett, to our family on Feb. 24, 2015. We’ve shared our love of travel with him. In his first year of life, he’s been to the Pacific Northwest, Texas, and Puerto Rico.”

Lisa Robinson completed her first year of coursework toward a Ph.D. in English from St. John’s University in Queens, N.Y. She also taught her first college course (Literature in a Global Context) last spring as an adjunct professor.

Jacqueline Cash is teaching graphic design and illustration at The Art Institute of Charleston. She accepted the position and began her teaching career in Oct. 2015.

Beth Minkus writes, “In Dec. 2015, I was hired as the local store marketer for Snap Kitchen, an Austin-based concept that is revolutionizing the way we think about takeout and fast food. I was recently promoted to northeast marketing manager and will assist in large-scale projects as we expand across the northeast. I am also getting married to the love of my life in May 2016.”

Adegunmodi Aderemi writes, “Hello, everyone. I hope this meets you all well. I pass by the Arcadia campus fairly often, and I’m always excited to see the big and little changes on campus. I got married Aug. 2015 to a wonderful man and will be moving to Providence, R.I. Being an Army wife is tough, but also very rewarding. I still work in internal audit and I’m enjoying the challenges in my field.”

Elishia Peterson writes, “There is so much changing for me! I am becoming comfortable in my own skin for the first time. I love me and I no longer second-guess my capabilities. I experienced so many career shifts after graduating from Arcadia and receiving my master’s degree from Saint Joseph’s University in May 2013, But the hurdles and setbacks have a greater purpose. This year has renewed me with a new job opportunity as an associate teacher for Success Academy Charter Schools, [New York City] in which I will start this July. This big move is a grand transition for me. My dream since the seventh grade of wanting to live in New York (when I began to think about college) is forming into a reality. I am also working on my second book of interviews and poetry, Blacklisted: 12 Men Facing Stigma & Success. In late June, I will portray the Lady in Orange in a local Philadelphia theater production of For Colored Girls, a 1976 book of monologues and poetry by Ntozake Shange. This is my FIRST acting and stage debut outside of doing open mic performances. I am juggling a lot, but I am happy with the
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**2010**

**Kimberly Jacoby-Morris** received her PhD in May 2016.

Christina Rynearson Lopez is working as an accountant at the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in Maryland.

Dan Manning lives in Charlotte, N.C., and, for the past two years, has been the East Coast vice president of sales for Talalay Global, a worldwide manufacturer of luxury bedding components.

**Catherine Kubischta Band** joined the in-house legal department at Land O’Lakes in Oct. 2015. In addition to reviewing legal agreements relating to the well-known butter and dairy foods business unit, she works with contracts for the agriculture, crop inputs, animal feeds, business consulting, and corporate meeting/events business arms of the company.

**Nivine Rihawi** is employed as a senior human resource generalist at Lincoln University.

**Samantha Hobson** is an account representative at Glen Center Insurance Associates.

**Jenna Bohrer** is working as a contract therapist in the Baltimore, Md. area.

**Ashley Ziegler** is a recent graduate of Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine and is working as a veterinarian in Pa.

**Sarah Schwartz** is the content manager for Marketing and Communication at Manhattan College in New York City, N.Y. She attends graduate school at the College part time, and will graduate with a master’s degree in organizational leadership in the fall.

**Thomas Cox** is the vice president of customer operations for Aqua America, in Bryn Mawr, Pa.

**Chelea Maiese** sends, “I am working a non-descript job in a monochromatic cubical with all the other corporate cattle.”

**Josephine Buscemi** is a Spanish teacher in the Pen Argyl area school district.

**Robert White** is an engineer for Verizon Wireless Network.

**Kyle Westgard** writes, “After four years in China on contract to the Foreign Service, I’m enjoying riding a desk in Washington. I tucked out and got a nice window view. Come winter, I’ll be looking for the next great job—adding value to large or small organizations with [Chinese] businesses.”

**Tonya Walker** is teaching in the Philadelphia School District.

**Kara Rothschild** writes, “After a few years in N.Y., I relocated back to the area of my alma mater last summer. I am an art therapist and currently working in a partial hospital program in Montgomery County.”

**Jennifer Kuroswski** is employed as a creative director at Digitas Health, an advertising agency in Philadelphia. She is also an adjunct professor at Arcadia, currently teaching a global field study course on Jane Austen with fellow 2010 alumna Rhianon Visinsky.

**Tatiana Scott** is a forensic scientist at NYPD Police Lab and herbalism apprentice at Sacred Vibes Apothecary.

**2013**

In the last year **Corinne Kelly ’13MFA** has been promoted to English department chairperson at Northeast High School.

**Mary Rogers’** ’13MFA earned a promotion at her full-time job at The College of Global Studies at Arcadia University, and her short story, “L’Assunzione,” appeared in Beecher’s 5 (University of Kansas). During the summer, she was appointed as a trustee for her township library board.

**2014**

After graduating from Arcadia’s MFA program, Francis Daulerio published *If & When We Wake*, a collection of poetry and art with Frightened Rabbit lead singer Scott Hutchison. Now in its second edition, *If & When We Wake* explores the processes of healing and recovery following loss, and has been called “beautiful thoughts from a quiet head” by Atlantic Records. His work has been featured in over a dozen literary magazines, and he is of writing his second collection.

**Elise Brand** ’14MFA, English teacher and poet, has been growing her Creative Writing Program at Souderton Area High School. She is the adviser and editor of Journeys to America (ital title), a student-written anthology of biographies published this past March, featuring the English Language Learners who attend Souderton Area High School. Another upcoming publication advised and edited by Brand will feature the memoirs of residents of The Peter Becker Community Senior Living Center in her school district’s community; her students in Creative Writing II have conducted interviews with them and are assisting the residents in writing their stories. Her most recently published poems, “Caring for our Mothers” and “Shopping” can be found in *Transcendent Visions* 2016, edited by David Kime, which is celebrating 24 years of existence this year. Brand is also the Chair of Program on the board of the Montgomery County Poet Laureate Program.

**2015**

Between January 2015-March 2016, Madeline Anthes ’15MFA had stories published in *Inwood Indiana*, *matchbook*, Third Point Press, *WhiskeyPaper*, *Black Denim Lit*, *The Molotov Cocktail*, and *Hypertrophic Literary* (links to these stories can be found at www.madelainenanes.com). In February 2016, she also became the acquisitions editor at *Hypertrophic Literary*. She teaches writing at Rider University and The College of New Jersey.