

# The Anchor

A Publication of Agonian Alumnae Association

Spring 2004

## 2004 Alumnae Weekend

Plan on making Alumnae Weekend 2004 one to remember. Mark your calendars for **July 9-11**. The following events are to be held at the Ago House at 11 Pierrepont Avenue

### Friday, July 9

**4:00-8:00 pm**

Informal Reception

### Saturday, July 10

**8:00-10:00 am**

Breakfast

**10:00 am**

Ago Alumnae Assoc. Mtg.

(All Agonians welcome to attend.)

**12:30 -1:30**

Barbecue (Bring the whole family)

**2:00-4:00**

Casual Porch Gathering (singing Ago songs, class pictures, tours of the house, etc.)

**5:00**

### SUNY Potsdam Class Dinners

Reservations required. If interested, specify seating at "Ago Table". Call SUNY Alumni Relations Office at (315)267-2120 or [www.potsdam.edu/alum](http://www.potsdam.edu/alum)

### Sunday, July 11

**8:00-10:00 pm**

Breakfast (Please stay for meeting)

**10:00 am**

Board of Directors Meeting

RSVP:

Reserve a bed at Ago by contacting:

### Jane Morale

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Macedon, NY 14502

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## Barbara Ingram Millson '69

On May 15, 2003 our Sister Agonian, **Barbara Ingram Millson**, was laid to rest. Barbara was born in Bronxville, NY but most of her life was lived joyously in Whitesboro, NY (a suburb of Utica). Barbara received her BA Degree from



SUNY Potsdam in 1969 and her MS in Education from SUNY Cortland. She taught third grade for 33 years in Westmoreland Central School District. She was an active member of the Westmoreland Teachers Association serving as their president for a number of years. She was also a member of NYSUT. Barb was an avid golfer and during the warmer seasons could be found happily engaged in a game of golf.

**Sue Wajda '74** writes that she discovered this Agonian while Barbara was looking at computer printouts of all the Agos. Sue's dad, Ted Wajda, scouted for Sue since he lived two doors away from Barb in Whitesboro. Barb and Ted immediately fell for one another and adopted each other as father and daughter. Barb instantly became Sue's second sister.

Ted Wajda was a wonderful "dad" and neighbor to Barbara helping her with household fix-ups, snowplowing, etc. Mom Wajda often cooked for her and Barbara soon was part of many Wajda holiday dinners.

One alumnae weekend Ted coaxed Barb to drive up to Potsdam for the

This edition of "The Anchor" is dedicated to the memory of **Barbara Ingram Millson '69**

day (a 3½ hour drive) to help Sue clean the Ago house and welcome returning sisters. After that trip, Barb was hooked.

Barbara served as class rep for the Class of '69 for many years, donated generously to the Agonian Alumnae Association, helped Sue update the Ago Constitution, served on the Scholarship Committee, attended every Alumnae Weekend (bringing hanging plants, paper goods, porch furniture; cleaning the house for days before and after the weekend; even sleeping at the Ago House).

Eventually Barbara became a member of the Agonian Board of Directors with her emphasis on maintenance of the Ago house, working with repairmen and active House Managers to spruce up 11 Pierrepont Avenue.

**Diane Swan Dudley '69** organized a group of Barb's classmates who collected money and planted two beautiful rhododendron bushes in front of 11 Pierrepont Avenue in memory of Barb

We are saddened by the passing of this wonderful Agonian sister. She will be sorely missed!

## This Old House



The Agonian Corporation Board of Directors assisted by Tim O'Brien, property advisor, did a thorough inspection of every inch of the Ago house last summer and made a list of needed projects. The house is in excellent condition and the girls have taken good care of it. A long list of minor repairs was completed. Recently completed was a move of the washer and dryer from the back of the basement to the pantry/freezer room off the kitchen, which

included running water and electrical to the room from the basement. This is to the very great satisfaction of the girls and also solves problems of frozen washer pipes and a dryer that can't heat up. We expect this year to need to do some work on the roof as it is aging and in need of repair if not replacement.



*11 Pierrepont Avenue*

*-Denise Bukavan*

## 2003 Agonian

The 2003 meeting of the Agonian Alumnae Association was attended by 9 Alumnae and Actives from Classes of '57-'05

President Jane Morale welcomed everyone, asked all to sing the Agonian Hymn and for a moment of silence for our beloved sorority sisters who passed away this year.

Treasurer Kathy Kieta, in absentia, reported a checking account balance of \$8375.45, savings: \$5501.97, and CD: \$3423.29. There are 119 members in the Association for 2003 paying \$2380 in

dues and \$2315 in donations.

Major expenditures:

Newsletter - \$1800

Scholarships - \$1000

House repairs - \$500

The scholarship team led by Georgie Czerniak McGlinchey was thanked. Two \$500 scholarships were given to Andrea Stellato and Jasmin Phillips.

Vice President Jane Morale thanked all class reps, reviewed schedule of weekend events, and presented AKPhi pins to alumnae.

President Jane Morale discussed

## Alumnae

the newsletter, published for another year by Fran Sardina Bliet. Outstanding Alumnae awards go to: Julie Eisenstein Hirsch '57 for her work as class rep, religious and civic contributions and Susan Smylka Udell '57 for her work in teaching, directing and promoting music.

Elections:

Treasurer: Kathy Kieta

Secretary: Mary Lee Caggiano and Amy Henry

President/Vice President: Jane Morale

*Jane Morale, President*

## Agonian Alumnae Association Treasurer's Report



Many thanks once again to those Agos who have so faithfully supported the Alumnae Association throughout the years. Membership dues and donations provide the Alumnae Association with the funds to support the active membership as well as the annual newsletter and Alumnae Weekend. Without your support this organization could not exist. Please consider joining the growing number of former Agos who regularly contribute to this association. Our membership year

runs from January to December, and dues remain at \$20. per year. Additional donations are gratefully accepted. Thank you again for your generous support in keeping the Agonian Alumnae Association afloat.

### **Account Balances**

CD	\$3,446.25
Savings	\$5,512.18
Checking	\$9,125.57

*Kathy Kieta, Treasurer*



# Agonian Alumnae Association



## Agonian Corporate Board of Directors

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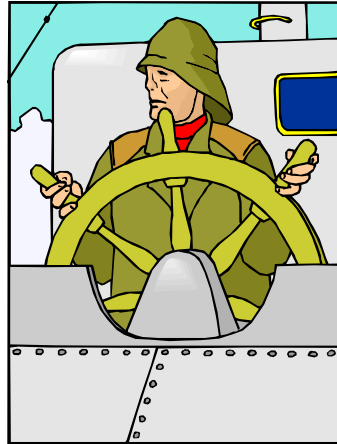
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## Volunteers Needed

**Volunteers** are needed in a variety of capacities in addition to those listed below. Please contact one of the Board Members or Alumnae Officers to offer your services to Agonian.

Advisors / Assistance needed in the following capacities:

- Advise the Board on house repair and maintenance questions
- Advise the board on legal matters on occasion
- Advise the board on fiscal accounting systems
- Web-Site Designer and web master needed to establish an Ago Web-Site

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**THANK YOU!**

Our thanks and gratitude to the **Alumnae Association Leadership Team** and **Agonian Corporate Board of Directors** for their dedication and service to Agonian Sorority. Please contact them to show your support by volunteering to help!

## Dr. Susan Smykla Udell '57 Recipient of 2003 Minerva Award

We are proud to report that the 2003 Minerva Award was presented to our very own Agonian Sister, **Susan Smykla Udell '57**. After graduating from SUNY Potsdam, Susan earned her master's degree in piano and a Ph.D. in music education and choral literature from the University of Wisconsin.

Susan's resume is full and includes teaching and directing many prestigious musical ensembles. Her numerous positions include music director of the Madison Area Concert Handbells, teacher of class piano through the University of Wisconsin Extension, executive director and later assistant director and accompanist of the Madison

Boychoir, assistant director and accompanist of the Madison Diocesan Choir, music director at Asbury United Methodist Church, a mother/daughter singing group called the Wisconsin Holiday Choral that performed for the governor, at the White House, and in Europe.

On top of all her work as a music educator, conductor, and administrator, Susan and her husband Jon raised six wonderful children.

**The Minerva Award** is the highest honor that the Alumni Association bestows upon our Potsdam graduates and is given in recognition of outstanding professional achievement. Past recipients of the

*Receiving the 2003 Minerva Award was Dr. Susan Smykla Udell '57, music director of the Madison Area Concert Handbells in Wisconsin.*

Minerva Award include famous performers (e.g., Renée Fleming '81 and Lisa Vroman '79), excellent educators and administrators (e.g., Pat Ruggiano Schmidt '65, Jim Collins '49 and Tom Wallace '58) and many more outstanding alumni (Rita Itkin Schwartz '58, Helen Hosmer '18, Fran Coan Roberts '64 and Mary English '35, to name a few). Congratulations to Agonian Susan Smykla Udell added to this prestigious list.



## Calling Agonian Athletes

Did you know that our very own longtime Agonian Advisor **Eunice "Brownie" Badger** was the first woman inducted into the SUNY Potsdam hall of fame? She was on the Potsdam Physical Education faculty from the early 1920's.

Another Agonian inducted into the

SUNY Potsdam Sports Hall of Fame is **Anne Donato Chrzanowski '86**. Anne was inducted in 1997 for her accomplishments in swimming. She won Outstanding Female Swimmer of the Year at the SUNY championship meet her sophomore and junior years. She also achieved All American status every year at Potsdam

and then also during her senior year at Clarkson. Anne says it was an honor to be chosen.

If you were an athlete during your years as an active Agonian or know of a Sister who was, please contact **Jane Morale** at [ago-jane@hotmail.com](mailto:ago-jane@hotmail.com) to assist the compilation of our Agonian sports

## Outstanding Alumnae

The Agonian Alumnae Association selected Outstanding Alumnae for contributions to Agonian and their communities during the July 2003 meeting of the Association.

**Julie Eisenstein Hirsch '57** was nominated by Sue Smyukla Udell for her work as class rep and also religious and civic contributions.

**Susan Smykla Udell '57** was nominated by Jean Schaffler for her many contributions as a music educator, conductor and administrator.

Nominate your choice for outstanding alumnae for 2004 by filling out the form on p. 27. Recipients are announced Alumnae Weekend at the Agonian Alumnae Assoc. Meeting.



## 2003 Agonian Alumnae Association Members

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| '38 Eloise Schermerhorn Oliver    | '59 Priscilla Scheib Gibbs        | '78 Jeannie Quattrocchi Finnegan |
| '39 Katherine Walling Moomey      | '60 Dianne Schug Basch            | '78 Nadine Gager                 |
| '43 Audrey Geignetter Baird       | '61 Mary Lee Alles Caggiano       | '78 Susan Difulgentiz Schwiring  |
| '45 Mary Meyers Tracey            | '61 Gloria Gonda Groocock         | '79 Colleen Costello Filiak      |
| '46 Jane Berlin Rittman           | '61 Katherine Merrill Karshick    | '80 Patricia Coogan Huntington   |
| '48 Alice Tomkiewicz Bellucci     | '61 Eleanor McKillop Russell      | '80 Jane Morale                  |
| '48 Natalie Parente Castaldo      | '61 Sandra Clark Samuels          | '81 Denise Bennett Haines        |
| '48 Agnes Bilow Hudson            | '61 Elizabeth Gibson Venator      | '81 Robin Landrigan Weinberger   |
| '48 Beryl Schuttler Marshall      | '61 Marabeth Lewis Warnke         | '82 Constance Walker Bush        |
| '48 Alyce Barker McClain          | '62 Fran Sardina Bliak            | '82 Michele Doyle                |
| '48 Katherine Gumaer Murphy       | '62 Kathryn Sheldon Cox           | '82 April Shelton                |
| '48 Elsie Putnam Sinkeldam        | '63 Gail Taillie Crandall         | '82 Karen Lorenz Walker          |
| '48 Elizabeth Gladstone Vigliotti | '63 Ruth Hammel Gove              | '83 Erica Pendleton Davis        |
| '48 Anne Martin Zimmerman         | '63 Martha Tallman Scott          | '83 Lori Principe Guarino        |
| '49 Elizabeth Winchester Kirwin   | '65 Patricia Ruggiano Schmidt     | '83 Brenda Reinhardt Henry       |
| '49 Helen Lane Milvaney           | '66 Gayle Volpicelli Banks        | '83 Shelley Ives                 |
| '50 Shirley Secor Bush            | '67 Denise Aiello Bukovan         | '83 Chrystie Mistretta Rakvica   |
| '50 Kay Durr Lyman                | '67 Michele Bailey Rose           | '84 Linda Lawrence Degen         |
| '50 Jeanne Gebo Maggi             | '68 Myrna Denny Kidman            | '84 Susan Compton Dixon          |
| '50 Jane Youker Martin            | '68 Sherry Vader Pfenniger        | '84 Cheryl Williamson Fisher     |
| '50 Betty MacGill Washburn        | '68 Janice Corletta Plummer       | '84 Irene Jesik Rauchenberger    |
| '50 Mary Elizabeth Jones Williams | '69 Christine Bolton Aiken        | '85 Margaret Mitchell            |
| '51 Patricia Patnode Caringi      | '69 Diane Swan Dudley             | '86 Penelope Zonneville          |
| '51 Lucille Jackson               | '69 Jacqueline Morse Shellman     | '87 Rebecca Volans Akins         |
| '52 Barbara Kelly Smith           | '72 Mary Ellen Metzger Bennett    | '87 Maureen Candella Kass        |
| '53 Barbara Kersten Gaeta         | '72 Marie DuPell Caschera         | '87 Lisa Newhouse Melveny        |
| '53 Ruth M. Roig                  | '73 Marilyn Matzke Stephens       | '87 Stephanie Bakyta Seltzer     |
| '53 Barbara Button Shafer         | '74 Kathryn Ames Kieta            | '88 Kelly Underwood Case         |
| '53 Agnes Drake Smalley           | '74 Elaine Whitehead Pauly        | '89 Kelly O'Donnell Corman       |
| '53 Jean MacDonald Vollmer        | '74 Sue Wajda                     | '89 Andrea Newhouse Frascatore   |
| '55 Wanda Grygiel Gregory         | '75 Shelly Killion Hatzfeld       | '89 Susan Young                  |
| '57 Shirley Dymond Funicello      | '75 Deborah Diefendorf Hind       | '91 Kymberly Saheim Brownell     |
| '57 Jean Schaffler                | '75 Lori Misicka                  | '93 Alice Warden Ehmann          |
| '57 Marylou Trask Scott           | '76 Denise Aiello Bukovan         | '93 Denise Indick Friebely       |
| '57 Susan Smykla Udell            | '76 Amy Hind Henry                | '94 Heidi Dopp                   |
| '58 Dorothy Runkel Dronkers       | '76 Judith Fabic Verbanic         | '94 Anna Gordon Risse            |
| '58 Marilyn E. Gaggin             | '77 Georgiana Czerniak McGlinchey | '95 Gina Michalski Bernardo      |
| '58 Sylvia Amarel Infantine       | '77 Susan Rice                    | '96 Amy Alexander Siewart        |
| '58 Norma Jean Luce               | '77 Patricia Abernethy Sohl       | '99 Kelly Reardon                |
| '59 Sylvia Miga Anable            | '77 Karen Kittelsen Stefanski     | '03 Emily White                  |
| '59 Joyce Horwath Berg            | '77 Elizabeth O'Connor Utzig      |                                  |

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| '39 Kay Walling Moomey        | '62 Shirley Wolf Crane          | '80 Jane Morale           |
| '48 Katharine Gumaer Murphy   | '62 Jean Urbas Dearstyne        | '82 Karen Lorenz Walker   |
| '57 Julie Eisenstein Hirsch   | '63 Ruth Hammel Gove            | '83 Erica Pendleton David |
| '57 Jean Schaffler            | '74 Kathy Ames Kieta            | '83 Lori Principe Guarino |
| '57 Susan Smykla Udell        | '74 Sue Wajda                   | '83 Shelley Ives          |
| '61 Mary Lee Alles Caggiano   | '75 Anne Gallagher Timpano      | '84 Linda Lawrence Degen  |
| '61 Gloria Gonda Groocock     | '76 Denise Aiello Bukovan       | '93 Alice Warden Ehmann   |
| '61 Eleanor McKillop Russell  | '76 Amy Hind Henry              | '96 Amy Alexander Siewert |
| '61 Elizabeth Gibson Venator  | '77 Georgie Czerniak McGlinchey |                           |
| '62 Fran Sardina Bliak        | '78 Patty Abernathy Sohl        |                           |
| '62 Betsy Slingland Blaisdell | '79 Colleen Costello Filiak     |                           |



*Thank you to all for your support!*



## Missing Agonians



If you know addresses of any of these Agos, please contact **Jane Morale** at 1-585-388-1438 or [AgoJane@hotmail.com](mailto:AgoJane@hotmail.com)

**Class of 1999:**  
Alli Moretta

**Class of 1989:**  
Barbara Houth

**Class of 1984:**  
Pam Prenatt Denny  
Teresa Uliva Medler  
Donna Richter  
Sue Hope Paolini

**Class of 1979:**  
Hollis "Holly" Curtis  
Deborah Williams Laminette  
Kim McCraith Devorak  
Anne Gillard Loso  
Deborah Benjamin Marques  
Amy Peterson Trossen  
Leslie Weiser

**Class of 1974:**  
Debbie Chick  
Margaret Northrup  
Aline Nachtigall Harley

**Class of 1969:**  
Barbara Raszmann Eberhardt  
Alison Setchell  
Elizabeth Chatigny Strong  
Kathryn Davis Rogers  
Kathleen McHenry

**Class of 1964:**  
Rosiland Aversano  
Judith McLean  
Wendy Wendt Oehme  
Sherrie Scheiwiller  
Virginia Kohler Schoemer  
Barbara Wendt  
Marylee Bradley Wallace  
Elizabeth Showers  
Annette Scortino  
Kathleen Kelly

**Class of 1959:**  
Maxine Asseline  
Susan Blanchard Bartlett  
Constance Brown  
Levina Boehl Jones  
Jeannette Lintern Short  
Suzanne Strickland  
Barb Barnes Wiley  
Linda Murphy  
Claudia Dunnett Olpp  
Ann Hilbert Gorton  
Bernice Fellman

**Class of 1954:**  
Marjorie Jenks Anthony  
Judy Gloo Villiere Boylan  
Jane Boylan Herning  
Barbara Dalton Johnson  
Marcia Conklin Rossitto  
Mrs. Ray Smity  
Elizabeth Yerry  
Winifred Foss

**Class of 1949:**  
Mary Martel Barvoets  
Mrs. Croncher  
Eileen Nevis  
Norma Reed  
Constance Trumbull Shepard  
Marjorie Holmes

**Class of 1939:**  
Ruth Ahles Ditton  
Keitha Latham Doig  
June Carton Kennedy  
Irene Forristel Manion  
Virginia Thompson  
Norma Schosl Rennison  
Catherine Sanschagrín

**Class of 1934:**  
Glena LaPatra Caswell  
Marguerite Wilkinson McWhorter  
Alfrieda E. Sakowski

## Letter to Agonian Board

*Dear Denise and Members of the Board,*

*Things are great here at 11 Pierrepont. The washers and dryers were finally moved to the upstairs and we can't begin to thank you enough! We appreciate it so much and it is so much more convenient. Our clothes are actually warm when the dryer is done which is a relief compared to last semester when they would still usually be damp. So thank you very much! It's a wonderful improvement to our house and all the sisters are very grateful!*



*...We hope to plan a formal for this spring and to do much more community service. If you have any suggestions feel free to let me know. Thanks you again so much for everything you do for us. We are truly appreciate your hard work and dedication.*

*Love in AKΦ,*

*Krystal Catapano, President*

### *Ago Alumnae Association*

**Dues:       \$20**

**which helps support this annual  
publication of  
"The Anchor",**

**Ago Alumnae Weekend,  
Scholarships, House Repairs, etc.**

**See Form on p. 28**

**Join TODAY!**



## 2003-2004 Agonian Alumnae Class Reps:



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## Thank You Class Reps

Many thanks to the class reps who donate their time to collect news and update addresses. We all appreciate their efforts. Several classes do not have a class rep and need someone to volunteer.

Please help fill these positions by contacting:

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# Agonian Alumnae Scholarships



The Agonian Alumnae Scholarships for the 2003-2004 school year have been awarded. The **Eunice "Brownie" Badger Scholarship** is awarded to the sister who exemplifies Agonian Sisterhood while demonstrating excellence in service to the college and community. This year the award is presented to **Jamie Sico**.

Jamie was a member of the Spring 2002 pledge class and has lived at 11 Pierrepont Avenue for two years. She has served as Senior Inter-Sorority Council representative, member of Pledge Committee, and Social Treasurer. At SUNY Potsdam, Jamie is a trumpet player majoring in music education. She has performed with the Crane Wind Ensemble for three semesters and the Crane Concert Band as principal trumpet.

Jamie also participates in college athletics. This is her fourth year on the women's tennis team, last year as team captain and this year as co-captain. She has received All academic and All-Conference academic honors while on the team. Jamie has been on the Dean's List or President's List each semester at Potsdam.

In her community at home, Jamie has played an active role in sup-

porting Cystic Fibrosis research. She has participated in many walk-a-thons and Chinese Auctions to raise money for a disease that affects a family friend. Jamie has also supported the Breast Cancer Foundation in honor of her late grandmother, and recently participated in a cancer relay, an all-night walk.

During the past three summers, Jamie has worked at a developmental disabilities institute, a pre-kindergarten program for Autism and other developmental disabilities.

The **Laurena Ramsdell Scholarship** is awarded to the sister who exemplifies Agonian Sisterhood while demonstrating scholastic excellence. This year the award is presented to **Sara Landry**.

Sara is a graduate student at SUNY Potsdam, working on her advanced degree in literacy. Even though she is considered an alumna, she is at 11 Pierrepont Avenue almost every day. Sara pledged Spring 2000 and lived in the Ago House for two years. During her undergraduate time she served as house chaplain, vice president (House treasurer), and president.

As an undergraduate, Sara was a speech communication major. She graduated with 3.7 GPA and was inducted into Lambda Pi Nu, the English

Communications Honor Society. She achieved a GPA of 3.6 in her second major, elementary education. Throughout her years as an active Agonian sister, Sara was able to put her academics and her sorority at the top of her priority list, never failing to follow through on her commitments. She was on the Dean's list every semester since she pledged and as president of the sorority, she encouraged her sisters to achieve their top academic potential.

**Many thanks** to the following Agonians who served on the committee to select the scholarship recipients: **Georgie Czerniak McGlinchey '77, Margeret "Peg" Laurence Charboneau '47, Agnes Bilow Hudson '48, Dorothy Miller Zollweg '48, Bev Savage Castiglione '49, Ruth Rose Many '49, Laurna Millard Hoffman '50, Kay Durr Lyman '50, Mary Elizabeth Jones Williams '50, Carolyn Hale Duke '54, Beverly Gates-Davis '59, Priscilla Scheib Gibbs '59, Mary Carr Melkonian '59, Joyce Turner Huebsch '64, Barbara Stoneham Law '64, Alice Allen Reid '64.**

## Academic Average Comparisons

SUNY Potsdam tracks the academic averages of each fraternal organization and then compares the overall semester averages and cumulative averages. The following SUNY Potsdam stats are provided by Christine Strong, Dean of Students.

Agonian has the highest number of undergraduate members and had a Fall 2002 Semester Average of 2.85 and a Cumulative Average of 2.73.

Sororities had an overall semester average of 2.61 and a cumulative average of 2.70.

Overall College Women's Semester Average for Fall '02 was 2.96 and the Overall College Women's Cumulative Average was 2.90.

The highest Agonian GPA for Fall '03 was Ago President, **Krystal Catapano**. She earned a 3.5 average and the Agonian Alumnae Association awarded her an Alpha Kappa Phi sterling silver signet ring

to congratulate her for her hard work.

Fall 2003 averages were recently reported as follows: Average Cumulative Female GPA is 2.94. Average Fall Semester female GPA is 3.00. Agonian ranked fourth among the sororities in both average Fall '03 GPA and cumulative. Agonian's Fall semester average is 2.37 and the cumulative average is 2.47.



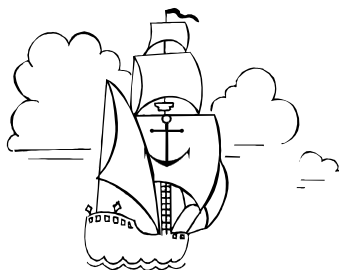


# Agonian Sorority Sisters News From I I Pierrepont



## 2003-2004 Agonian Sorority Officers

President: Krystal Catapano '05 - Liberty, NY  
 Vice President: Rene Mulhern '04 - Denver, CO  
 Social Treasurer: Jamie Sico '05 - Mastic, NY  
 Pledge Mistress: Megan Fallon '05 - Endicott, NY  
 Alumnae Secretary: Sarah Bayer '05 - Conesus, NY  
 Social Chair: Linda Berti '05 - Lewiston, NY  
 House Manager: Juliet Wawro '05 - Rochester, NY



Dear Agonian Alumnae Sisters,

The Active Agonian Sisters would like to thank our Alumnae Sisters for everything you do for us! We all truly appreciate your hard work and dedication.

Love in AKΦ,  
*Krystal Catapano*,  
 President

## Agonian Sorority Activities

**Derby Days** is a week long competition between all the sororities in different events and fundraising during November. The Ago House always does well but we generally do not place first or second because the Clarkson sororities usually raise more money than we do. We were really excited this year because we came in second, raising more than

\$1000 donated to the Children's Miracle Network. We are really proud of ourselves.

**Parents Weekend** was great fun in November because our parents got to see Ago and why we all love it so much. They saw the house and met all the other sisters then we had dinner catered at Tardelli's Restaurant.

**Community Service** activities included conducting two canned food drives for St. Mary's Catholic Church, one each semester. Agos also raised over \$100 in 4 days for Hospice.

**Spring Formal** plans are in the works.

## Agonian Actives



### Seniors:

Rene Mulhern  
 Suzanne Carpenter  
 Mandy Agnew  
 Jamie Sico

### 11 P Residents:

Sarah Bayer  
 Megan Fallon  
 Linda Berti  
 Krystal Catapano  
 Rene Mulher  
 Juliet Wawro  
 Jamie Sico  
 Leta Luguri  
 (8)

### Actives besides 11 P:

Mandy Agnew  
 Suzanne Carpenter  
 Rachel Cajigas  
 Elizabeth Wegner  
 Allison Autry  
 Lindsay Buchta  
 Lyndi Cobbett  
 Shawna Epding  
 (8)

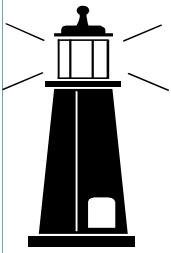
### Pledges (6):

Michelle Clark  
 Lindsey Gonzalez  
 Elizabeth Henderson  
 Serena Krauz  
 Rachel Lewis  
 Tanya Ksztyaniak

### Total Membership:

When pledges are installed there will be 22 members!





## **Agonian Class News**



### **In Memoriam:**

We are sorry to report the passing of:

**Mary O'Neill Hughes '31**

**Jane Fonleine Geherin '32**

**Barbara Banks Glennie '33**

**Barbara Davis Rowlands**

**Ruth Horne VanKeuren '35**

**Mildred Eldridge Moffett '40**

**Dorothy Zoller Levins '49**

**Dorothy Kaltenborn Leosch '52**

**Jean Schulze Mitchell '54**

**Janice Ritz Brady '62**

**Ann Lormore Richardson '65**

**Mary Lou Callahan Faucher '69**

**Barbara Ingram Millson '69**

### **Class of 1939**

**Mary Harbow** married Thomas Renison in 1947 and has lived at 1058 Archer Place, Baldwin, NY ever since. After graduation she was history teacher and registrar at Potsdam and became honorary faculty member of Agonian. The Agos gave her a shower upon her engagement.

### **Class of 1940**

**Amelia Clohosey Healey** is still able to live in her own home with help for outside maintenance. Her grandchildren

visit often and are the joy of her life! She doesn't see or hear from Ago Alumnae often so she enjoys and appreciates the newsletter. Amelia hopes her health will allow her to attend Alumnae Weekend 2004

### **Class of 1946**

**Jane Berlin Rittman** plays quartets with **Beryl Schuttler Marshall '48**. She is also in an orchestra with seven Potsdam graduates. She recently moved to a co-op in Woodbury, NY after selling her Jericho home

### **Class of 1948**

**Kassy Gumaer Murphy** is "still hangin' in there"! She would like to say hi to all those wonderful '48ers. Kassy took a 10-day trip with her daughter's church choir to Scotland and England, gave 3 concerts in 3 beautiful cathedrals. It was a great experience.

**Beryl Schuttler Marshall** and Lyle moved to Greeport in May '02. The biggest adjustment is the long drive to her musical commitments. One group (Island Senior Symphony) has 7 "Cranies" in it! Gloria Stocco Norden on violin; Jane Berlin Rittman '46 on viola; Karen Miller on bassoon; Dick Slack on horn; Art Champagne on violin; and Joe Morse on percussion. Beryl goes to the opera often to hear Renee Fleming and Stephanie Blythe.

### **Class of 1949**

**Betty Winchester Kirwan** had a surprise recently while playing violin in an orchestra in Leesburg, Florida of mostly retired people. Playing the keyboard was one of her '49 classmates, Leland Roberts. What a small world! Betty recently had knee surgery.

**Ruthie Rose Many** and Floyd are

fully enjoying their retirement. In Oct. they traveled to The Maritimes and visited her mother's hometown of Lunenburg, Nova Scotia where they also visited relatives. They also have traveled to Williamsburg, VA, Cape Cod, and Virginia Beach.

### **Class of 1955**

**Marilyn Steele McDonald** has been retired 15 years. She has traveled to Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii, Panama Canal and some Elderhostels. Marilyn drives for Office for the Aging, takes care of the Archives for Wells Library. She keeps fit by doing a lot of walking.

**Lenore Jacoby Neuberger** had a wonderful land and cruise tour of Costa Rica through the canal and into Panama. In January they went whale watching and snorkeling in the Sea of Cortez, then off to the Copper Canyon. Lenore's family is well and they look forward to the completion of their rebuilt camp in NH. She is taking bridge lessons and finds the game fascinating.

**Lois Smith Herold** thoroughly enjoyed a "mini-Ago Reunion" in July '03 in NY state, when she got together with **Ellie Jeffers Cox '55**, **Ellie Eberlein Rugg '54**, **Dottie Hawkes McNary '54**, and **Barb Ross Connor '54**. In Nov., Lois and **Sylvia Rury Boyce '55** met in CA where they enjoyed reminiscing, and catching up on each other's lives since college graduation. Lois continues to play trombone twice a week at church, and plays with a group specializing in '40's music.

**Sylvia Rury Boyce** writes she and **Lois Smith Herold** met at Ontario, CA airport for an overnight reunion, Nov. '03. A severe rainstorm did not dampen the spirits or conversation. The next morning awoke to sparkling skies and snow on Mt. Baldy. Lois proceeded to her son's home in Murrieta for 3 weeks and Sylvia returned home in Northern CA.

**Wanda Grygiel Gregory** keeps busy working at church in charge of visitation ministry, cantor, lector and singing in the choir. She also belongs to 2 music clubs and sees **Betty Lou Miga Frye** at one of them. They try to meet for breakfast at least once a month. Wanda has 5 grandchildren and a great grandson. She and her husband spend a few weeks in FL.

## Class of 1956

**Jan Heldt Beckler** had another wonderful reunion on Cape Cod with Potsdam buddies from all three sororities, including Agos **Jacky Fourcade Green** and **Peggy Lou Deutermann Stanfield**. They had a ball and will meet again in '04 at Jan's home in Pottersville, NY. If any others from this era are interested in attending, call Jan at (518) 494-5741. Jan and Ed have turned their cave operating responsibilities over to their eldest son and family. They enjoyed their first summer vacation in 33 years, visiting Latvia (from where Jan's parents emigrated), Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. They see Ed's sister (**Phyllis Beckler Hutton**'52) often.

**Johanna Di Croce Farra** and Ron enjoy skiing and spent 2 weeks in sunny Florida this year, met friends and attended a Super Bowl Party in Vero Beach. Their family gathered for a reunion at a resort in Lake Harmony, PA. Learning to sail was a big hit and prepared them for trips on Uncle Michael's 30ft. Hunter on Lake George. Jo & Ron were part of the moving crew for their son and his family from Lake Placid to Caribou, ME. They remodeled a country home and prepared for the arrival of baby Hanna to join her 2 year old "big" sister Lina. For Thanksgiving all 22 of them managed to fill their This year Christmas was spent in Virginia with their two daughters and families, and they had snow for sledding and skiing. As your class rep, Jo eagerly awaits your letters.

**Marlene King Towne** and Stan have

2 new grandsons born 10 days apart, making 1 grand-daughter and 4 grandsons. All are close enough so family get-togethers are frequent and fun! Stan and Marlene took a 22 day tour to China in Oct. A Yangzi River cruise included the controversial Three Gorges Dam project. It is a fascinating country which they thoroughly enjoyed. Marlene never did master chopsticks!

**Marg Best McDivitt** and John drove to Murrells Inlet S.C. last Spring for a delightful and long overdue visit with **Pat (Dawson)** and Phil Fileatreau. In August, **Ann Butler** came for their annual day at the NYS Fair. John and Marg visited **Claire (Freedman)** and Marty Koshar in Florida in March. Hope to see many more '56 Agonians at the 2006 reunion.

**Marilyn Shott Gorman** made a trip in late May to see her son and family in Kearney, Nebraska. Then they went on to NY to visit family in Geneseo and Victor. They went on to tour Gettysburg and Annapolis, back to NY State for another short stay and then back to Nebraska. After surviving 2 months of heat, they went to Pismo Beach (central CA) for a month—enjoyed cool, foggy weather. Their daily routine in the desert consists of doctor appointments as necessary, working out at a 24 hour fitness.

## Class of 1957

**Marylou Trask Scott** wrote to say she is thrilled **Sue Smykla Udell** received the Minerva Award July '03. Marylou is still supervising student teachers for Crane School of Music. She visited Jim and **Mary Stoltie** in Florida as well as her voice teacher and his wife - Bob (90 yrs. young) and Peg Reinert. This summer will be Marylou's 30th year at New England Music Camp and it will be a special summer since her Grandson Mark will be a camper

majoring in tuba and voice.

**Jean Schaufler** finally got a computer, but she has only used it for e-mail and bits of information to help with crossword puzzles. Jean's mother turned 100 in Oct. '03 and they had a big celebration.

**June Anderson Partch** and husband visit twin sister **Joan Anderson Dunton** in Florida during the winter, while staying in New Smyrna Beach. Back up north, June does a lot of bassoon playing in the Schnectedy area.

**Carol Battilana Rothermel** teaches second grade, liking it, has NO plans to retire. She takes up extra time being a first time grandmother to an exceptionally bright, adorable grandson. She's a hotshot skier, an aerobics dancing fiend, and church choir singer. Housework is way down on the list and the cats don't mind as long as feeding time is on schedule. Carol had a good time at the 45th, and enjoyed seeing familiar faces at the Feb.22nd NYC concert.

**Fredrica (Bunny) Sideman Levinson** phased out her psychotherapy practice Dec '03 except for 3 pro bono clients, so she can focus her energies on becoming a professional jazz pianist! She loves it! She made a demo, takes lessons and learning a lot, building her repertoire, plays in a jazz combo workshop, and preparing gigs with a singer. She's president of the Board of Trustees for Alfred Adler Institute of NY where she did her psychotherapy training, and where she teaches classes. Bunny visits and enjoys her 2 grandchildren in Jacksonville, FL. So life has a nice balance. As class rep she enjoys hearing from '57 Agos.

**Joan Anderson Opicka Dunton** and Bob are enjoying their "Disney World" lifestyle at The Villages in Lady Lake, FL. Joan is very involved in singing; dancing and singing in one group. She plays golf and is a "Queenmum" for a Red Hat group (there are 50 some groups in

the Villages). Her son had a heart transplant in Seattle in Jan. '03 and is doing pretty good.

**Julie Eisenstein Hirsch's** lost her mother recently but Julie's glad she lived to 92 and was still sharp of mind. Julie's son's family has moved from NJ to MD so they may sell their NJ town house. They drove 3½ weeks from Seattle to Vancouver/Victoria, through the Okanagan Valley & Canadian Rockies and finished with the Calagary Stampede. Julie is busy at their temple; teaches a 15 person adult bar/bat mitzva class, conducts weekly small choir rehearsals and sings Friday night services. That plus 2 committees and co-chairing a women's group have her juggling as many 3 ring binders as she did at Potsdam!

**Susan Smykla Udell's** most exciting and unexpected news for the year was receiving the Minerva Award during Reunion Weekend '03. The "icing on the cake" for Susan was hearing the cheers from her Ago sisters at the Awards Dinner when she mentioned how much she'd benefited by being a member of Ago! "It was really neat to see that well-populated Ago table at the reunion; our spirit continues to be a positive force!" Susan was quite overwhelmed by the royal treatment that she and Jon received all weekend. Also, "the Agos at the house were so friendly and hospitable, then to have them en masse at the dinner and hear their spontaneous cheering was truly touching. They certainly have continued to be a likable and respected presence on campus".

**Barbara McMahon Newcomb** and Allan sold their house in Morris Twp. to their daughter in spring 2000. That same year, Barbara had a double mastectomy. They moved to Chester, NJ. They have 9 grandchildren, all within 1½ hrs driving time. Barb has been playing violin sonatas with a friend, and plays wonderful piano duets with a new neighbor who has a fabulous collection of music and two pianos in her living room. We hope to do some two piano works, my first love! Traveling a lot! Got to go while

we still can! She has traveled to Sicily, South Africa, Cambodia, Thailand and Vietnam!

**Jackie Anthony and Sue Gernold Miller** got together at her house near Baltimore this fall. What a treat! If anyone wants to plan a winter retreat to the South, I'd be happy to play hostess.

## Class of 1958

**Sylvia Amarel Infantine** retired in 2001 after teaching 20 years in the Portland Public Schools. She plays piano for area community theaters and is a substitute organist at area churches.

## Class of 1959

**Marlen Ferguson Deveans** taught 10 years, then was a stay-at-home mom for her 2 sons. Once they were grown, she did substitute teaching for 12 years. Marlen retired 8 years ago and is active in 2 churchwomen's service groups and a church senior group. She and Dick enjoy traveling, senior day trips, and summer vacations in Wrightsville Beach, NC.

**Joann Hodgkins Sheets** lives in Albuquerque, NM and reports that retirement is great!

**Joyce Horwath Berg** drove to CA last June for a wedding in Lake Tahoe. She has six grandchildren and continues to make quilts. They are updating their 40's cottage on Lake Ontario and enjoy sailing, swimming, kayaking and biking. They are hoping to go to the 45th reunion this year.

**Sylvia Miga Anable** is semi retired and has lived in Bisbee, AZ for the past seven years. She can't seem to leave the education field and continues to supervise student teachers for the University of Arizona

**Liz Sing Wu** got back to NYS and saw **Gerri Pugliese Moore** and

**Ellen Teetz Dranichack** in the Albany area. Things in Hong Kong and China are making world news with SARS Bird Flu making China very careful of hygiene and the overall S.E. Asian environment. The country that will change the most this century will be China.

**Jacquelyn Grawe Mountain** is at Northeast Parent and Child Society in Schenectady, NY teaching social studies to emotionally disturbed/hearing disabled students grades 7, 8, and 9. Jacquelyn's newest project is traveling to the "nifty-fifty" states.

**Mary Carr Melkonian** finally connected with **Priscilla Scheib Gibbs** and loved their Christmas party in their elegant L.A. home near Griffith Park. Mary recently visited **Sylvia Miga** in bountiful Bisbee, AZ after a magnificent week with healing work with the Epona herd of horses. Mary continues to practice and teach the "art of conscious loving", Tantra and is looking forward to her shamanic work with Alberto Villoldo this year. Mary looks forward to seeing everyone at the 45th reunion.

**Carol Ketchum Yanney** had a good time at Munhalls at Lake George with **Pat Hammond Freebern, Betty Duffey Charles, Diane Wojnar Kurec, Diane Schug Basch and Mary Carey Munhall**. Carol has taken up knitting in order to keep her hand out of the cookie jar. Her daughter Lucinda has moved to Babylon, L.I. so when Carol and Bob visit, they go into NYC and see the shows and sights.

## Class of 1960

Wendy Stratton Bailey took a 2½ month trip to the Maritime Provinces. She also went to Campobello, FDR's summer retreat, Maine, Cape Cod, RD Bailey Lake in the coal mining area of West Virginia, Nashville and the Country Music Hall of Fame - a fabulous concert at the Grand Ole Opry complete with Alan Jackson and Vince Gill - wow!  
([wendy4998@juno.com](mailto:wendy4998@juno.com))

**Diane Schug Basch** lives in Englewood, FL. Diane visited her children and grandchildren in Oakland, CA, Boulder, CO and Atlanta GA. This spring will be the addition of her 7th grandchild. Travel for Diane also included Lake George this fall to see autumn in October. She really likes her drawing lessons and trying to learn how to draw faces. (dsbasch@yahoo.com)

**Fran Mider Biedler** lives in Charlottesville VA. Fran's good news is the engagement of their daughter Dawn. Fran says life has definitely slowed down but they are grateful for the good days and thankful for all their blessings. Remember when Fran ran the Off Campus Teaching for Kent State University in Ohio? Well done!

**Jolie Smithem Haug** lives in Dalian China. Her life is full of adventures. She and Peter are still teaching English in the university. This year Jolie was asked to serve as one of the judges for the 7th Annual Maple Leaf Cup Speech Contest. Jolie and Peter spent their six week vacation in the States with their children and grandchildren in Pendleton OR and Pullman, WA. (peterhaug@dufe.edu.cn)

**Julie Krum Kennaugh** and Terry are finally living full time in Vermont. They live right across from Shelburne Bay and boat docks, and enjoy early morning swims in Lake Champlain. They toast many fabulous sunsets over the Adirondack mountains and enjoy some wonderful day and night sailing. Most of all Julie loves living so near their son Eric and granddaughter, Grace, whom Julie "entertains" full time every Thursday. (TKennaugh@aol.com)

**Judie Bennet Mayo** lives in Webster, NY. She flew to Florida in January for her Dad's 93rd birthday. Last April she & Skip spent 2 weeks at Indian Rocks Beach. They took a trip to Washington, DC and were impressed by the International Spy Museum, the Holocaust Museum, Union Station and the Viet Nam and Korean Memorials. Judie volunteers at church, Rochester General Hospital and Webster Community Chest.

(judiem@rochester.rr.com)

**Eileen Knapp Patch** lives in Endwell, NY. Last January she tramped through the BU Nature Preserve woods with a group of naturalists looking for porcupines. In February she went to Hilton Head, NC then on to Melbourne FL. Eileen kicked off her string of Civil War-related events, including attending the April Civil War Preservation Trust Conference in Richmond, VA and seeing the new statue of Lincoln. Last summer she attended the Knapp family reunion was at Salt Springs State Park in Franklin Forks, PA, Castine, ME, and Pinewood Camp in MA for a week of English country dancing. (epatch@stny.rr.com)

**Dotty Hirsch Sellman** lives in South Glastonbury, CT and still teaches 1st grade and enjoying it - a great school, wonderful principal and only 16 students! Her husband George retired from Aetna a few years ago and works at Yale now. They have 5 grandchildren whom they see quite often. Last summer Dotty traveled to California and the Adirondacks - Willsboro, NY. The best trip was to Disney World when they took the whole family. Dotty keeps in touch with **Marge Garten Buschmeyer** and **Linda Robinson Funseth**. (gdsell@cox.net)

**Dottie Noyes Sharrow** lives in Clifton Park, NY. Dottie and Conrad retired in June of 2000 and love to travel. They are planning to go to Alaska in June. Dottie has a place in the Adirondacks at Beecher Park, near Long Lake. Dottie's children and grandchildren are in Scotia, Potsdam, and Saratoga. Dottie and Conrad drove 4300 miles in Feb. visiting folks on both coasts. In Sept. they went to Cape Cod, Cooperstown & Deerfield. (ETDSharrow@aol.com)

**Phyllis Young Stearns** lives in Nokomis, FL and Fort Collins, CO. She enjoyed a family reunion cruise with her Belgian aunt and cousins and also enjoyed seeing other Potsdam retired folks in the Sarasota, FL area. Phyl and Ron

attended the Rene Fleming Concert in NYC this February. Daughter Camille became engaged to Brian this year - happy news! (rostearns@juno.com)

**Wenda Carter Paton** lives in Acton, MA and works for Cisco. This past summer she and her brother Carl rented a cottage on Long Lake in the Adirondacks for a good family reunion. She traveled to California in June for her nephew's high school graduation and to visit Cisco's headquarters. She spent a week in Ohio with son Eric - got to see his Salsa Band, Yum Bam Be, perform at the Columbus Music Hall. (wpaton@cisco.com)

## Class of 1961

**Joanne Beaty Snyder** retired in April from the U of Oregon School of Law as Career Services Coordinator. She is working with her husband Tom in their business *Moments in Time Exhibits* building museum dioramas and show off their stuff at [www.momentsintimeexhibits.com](http://www.momentsintimeexhibits.com). Their 3 grandchildren are a delight and living close by.

**Arlene Lindstrom Dahm** had arthroscopic knee surgery in May and never did seem to fully recover. A new MRI shows some continuing problems. It doesn't help her golf game! Their oldest daughter is expecting twins in May, bringing the total of grandchildren to five. They are fortunate that all are in the Northeast. As a result they get to ME, CT and NJ frequently. Arlene and Herb also made a trip to Florida and to California for some golf.

**Gail Dennis Marineau** and Rick were blessed with 2 grandsons in Jan. '04. They also have 8 granddaughters. However, none of them live in FL. They have fun visiting back and forth during the year. Rick is retired now so they have been traveling. They did a 2-week cruise of the Panama Canal, a week in Puerto Vallarta and went to Cancun in March 2004. If you're near

Port St. Lucie please look them up.

**Betty Gibson Venator** is enjoying her 5th year of retirement from teaching music in the Buffalo Public Schools. She and her husband teach Elderhostels in Warwick, NY (music and World War II) and are thoroughly enjoying being grandparents to 17 month old grandson, Parker, who lives in St. Louis where they take regular trips. Each July they attend the Potsdam Crane week at the Chautauqua Institute. **Mary Ann Miller, Virginia Sykes, Sue Fay Geyer, Nina Fortoni, Judy Spitzel, Carol Murphy, and Joberta Schriver** all convene too. We become 20 years old once again for one week!

**Gloria Gonda Grocock** went skiing in Andorra for a week last year and spent two weeks in Brazil experiencing the wonders of the Amazon rainforest, Iquazu Falls, and beautiful Rio de Janeiro. Son Jonathan became engaged and will marry in England July '04. Their daughter Given's wedding was in July and Gloria enjoyed remaking her mother-in-law's 1929 wedding dress for her. It was a Long Island clambake at a vineyard – great fun! Gloria became a Master Gardener after taking the 6 mo. Cornell Cooperative Extensions' course. Her volunteer project is to work at the nature garden at the CCE Marine Center.

## Class of 1962

**Betsy "Bunny" Slingerland Blaisdell** is a full time school social worker for East Windsor Public Schools. Her husband John works for Westinghouse. Son Jonathan & wife Somsy live near by. Daughter Carrie and son-in-law Erik reside in Edmond, OK. No grandchildren yet!

**Shirley Wolf Crane** is three years into retirement near Rochester and enjoying hiking, skiing, gardening, volunteering at Habitat for Humanity and a senior home. There were many visits with children and 5 grandkids in DC and Boston plus outdoor adventures to NM, CO, MI, and WI. They continue to share many hours

with the Levy's (Bev), and Blieks (Fran). Shirley has renewed friendships with '64's Marilyn Clary, Anne Refermat, Cindy Lehmkule, and Barb Law.

**Pat Clerkin Swanson** and Bob are enjoying retirement. Pat volunteers for NJ Battered Women's Services and is also a CASA (court appointed special advocate). She and Bob take courses twice a year and do some traveling. They ran into Jeff Aceto (son of Sue Johnson Aceto) while skiing in Sugarloaf in early Jan. Pat's daughter Karen, husband and 3 grandchildren live in NH. Son Eric lives in Denver and will be married in June.

**Judy Schorge O'Reilly** and John went with their church choir to Eastern and Central Europe. They visited Budapest, Prague, Eisenach (Bach's birthplace) and other towns and gave concerts in churches along the way. Judy and John then extended their travels and went to Copenhagen, then to the World Assoc. of Symphonic Bands and Wind Ensembles in a small town in Sweden. Their 3 week travels kept them away from their summer home in Hannawa Falls which is about 11 homes past Postwood Beach. Remember that beach!

**May Simpson Kemp's** highlight of the year was a trip they took to Northern Ireland in August to the birthplace of her father. They enjoyed getting to know May's Aunt and 2 cousins and renewing family roots. It was a beautiful and completely safe. They are looking forward to Terry's second retirement in March and looking for a home in York, PA, near son Darren and family. Looks forward to being closer to '62 Agos, Fran, Shirley, Kate and Bev as well as son Kevin in NY. In Oct. their third granddaughter was born to son Brian and wife Lynne in California.

**Jean Urgas Dearstynne** and husband John are enjoying retirement activities that include travel, grandparenting, property and house projects, gardening. Jean is learning to play bridge and use the

computer to manage all our grandkid photos. Jean & John have three grandchildren. Their youngest daughter was married last October and is living in Paris, France.

**Elaine Fallon Boyrer** writes that she and husband Jerry have been very fortunate. Everyone is in good health and happy. Elaine & Jerry spend a four month reprieve in sunny Florida. She and Fran hope to get together during their time in the Sunshine State.

**Sue Johnson Aceto** feels very fortunate to be spending the winter in Tuscon far from the nasty weather in the northeast.

**Rosemary Falbo Quadrini** and David, who live in Dallas, TX, recently returned from a trip to New York City to see the new exhibit at the Whitney Museum. Rosemary's son David, an artist in his own right, owns a gallery in Dallas and represents a few of the artists accepted into Whitney Museum's most recent exhibit.

**Kay Ney Brenner** reminds the '62 Agonians to send in their news. She and Tom have been doing a lot of traveling.

**Fran Sardina Blied** and Dave are in the midst of a big remodeling job at their home on Seneca Lake, doing some of the work themselves. They were blessed with another grandchild last October. Jonathan David Blied was born to son Brian and his wife DeAnna. Fran hopes to put together a listing of the '62 Agonians e-mail addresses. Please send your e-mail address to her at [fblied@htva.net](mailto:fblied@htva.net) and she will put together the group listing and send to you. A good way to stay in touch!

Does anyone have a current address for **Muriel Cassens Baumann** or **Joan Presta Litteer**? Let Jane Morale or Fran Blied know the new address if you have it.

## Class of 1963

**Gail Taillie Crandall** and Bob (CCT '60) still travel frequently. This past year found them in Naples, FL, Hilton Head, Los Cabos, Mexico, Napa Valley and 1000 Islands, Canada. They frequently visit their 6 year old twin grand-daughters in Haymarket, VA. Their daughter Dawn and son-in-law are both dentists in a practice in Manassas, VA. Their son, Don (CCT '85) built a new home right next door to Bob and Gail last summer.

## Class of 1965

**Cindy Coonrad Jankowski** and her husband took a trip of a lifetime to the southeast quarter of Australia, much of Tasmania, and the north and south islands of New Zealand. Cindy could see many similarities to our own country. They were fortunate to see most of the indigenous land animals in the wild. There were many times when they took a turn in the road to find a spectacular view of waterfalls, mountains, cascades, rainforests, or desert landscape. Cindy volunteers as a docent at a local art museum, and works as a volunteer for what Cindy considers worthwhile causes.

## Class of 1967

**Susie Burns Stubbs** had gastric bypass surgery in Dec '02 and over the next year lost 110 pounds. She is retired, but still keeps her hand in by supervising SUNY Potsdam student teachers. She has 2 grandsons and because she had 3 girls herself, Zach, 4 and Jarrett, 2 are great fun.

**Katie Ormiston Clark's** youngest child, Andy, was married in May and her daughter Mary is expecting her first grandchild in Feb. 2004.

**Marian Cole** reports that she not only became a grandmother, but she actually attended Jacob's birth! She is still teaching and her Christmas letter made it sound as if her students are either a Shakespearian comedy or right out of "Cheaper-by-the-Dozen"!

Both **Kate Belgard Finney** and **Sharon Burns Cook** are undertaking big home renovation projects. Shari and Peter even added a home theater. Shari still works as mentor teacher, coaching 18 newly certified or provisional teachers in an urban setting. Kate retired in June '03 but her volunteering schedule sounds hectic. Kate and Ray have a special interest in the Wright Brothers and the centennial "Inventing Flight" activities both near home in Ohio and in Kitty Hawk.

**Mikie Bailey Rose** has also retired. She and Carl are into garage sales and refinishing antiques. Their grandson Matthew is five.

**Polly Ingram** retires in June '04. Her grandson's name? Finnegan!

For the last eight years a bunch baby-boomer Potsdam Alumnae get together on the last Monday and Tuesday of July at various places in New York State. If any of you could make it, they would love to have you join them. Just call **Susie Stubbs** on (315) 389-4719.

It is with great sadness that we report that **Colleen Bowhall Clary** is battling ALS. Her husband Doug is an amazing caregiver and the two of them, with friends and family, raised over \$16,000 participating in the 2003 Walk to D'Feet ALS. Susie Stubbs traveled to Michigan to participate too. If you would like to drop Colleen a note, her address is 2140 Cleveland Way, Canton, MI 48188.

## Class of 1968

**Bev Tomlinson Adams** now lives in Hilton Head Island, SC with her son Jeremy and near her daughter Tara and has a new granddaughter, Aja Lynn. Bev retired after teaching 2nd grade for 33 years. Husband, Kenny passed away last June. She will still spend the months in Massena in her home on the river.

**Nancy Chicken Merchant** has retired after teaching music in Burnt

Hills-Ballston Lake for 31 years. Her husband also retired and they are finding a lot of time to do things together. Son Corey is in Colorado and will be getting married this summer and daughter Jennifer is in Chicago working as a physical therapist. Both great places to visit.

## Class of 1969

**Barb Ingram Millson** died May 15, 2003, at her home. Barbara was a dedicated and caring 3rd grade teacher at Westmoreland Central School for 33 years. She was a member of the Westmoreland Teachers Association and served as President for a number of years. She was also a member of the NY State United Teachers and a member of the Alumnae Board of Agonian Sorority. Barbara loved golf and was a member of Hidden Valley Golf Club.

**Mary Lou Callahan Faucher** died Saturday, December 13, 2003 of complications from ovarian cancer. She had valiantly fought this disease for about four years. Four weeks earlier she suffered several debilitating strokes but she had been home with husband Robert and their extensive family two weeks before she died. Her son Jamie was married in July and her daughter Catherine had a baby girl, Emma Rose 6 weeks earlier.

## Class of 1972

**Mary Ellen Metzger Bennett** completed 31 yrs. of teaching, mostly 1<sup>st</sup> Grade. Her husband is retired and both enjoy skiing and golfing.

## Class of 1974

**Pam Silk Culver** is in her 7th year as Principal of Masconomet Regional High School that just built a brand new 3 story high school for

her 1300 "little darlings" in grades 9-12. She has a wonderful staff and great kids. Boston Magazine ranked them in top 10 best high schools in all of Eastern Mass. She does hope to make to Potsdam in July for the reunion.

**Lynne Boles** started thinking about the next phase of their lives—retirement. This past year, they sold their "mansion" and bought and renovated a condo. They also began looking for another condo for the summers in the Rochester area because they have family in Buffalo and Syracuse. Lynne was reunited with **Sally Loe End** while condo hunting; they hadn't seen each other since 1979 but it didn't take long to catch up. Lynne celebrated her 50<sup>th</sup> with a big birthday bash on Martha's Vineyard. Part of the time was for family only, but she rented out a big bed & breakfast and invited 14 friends to join her for a long weekend. Ago was well represented with **Elaine Whitehead Pauly** and **Lori Misicka**. The best news is that Lynne passed her 3<sup>rd</sup> year with no further evidence of breast cancer!

This past year was a hectic one for **Barbara Wuerdeman Wood**, as it marked the end of high school parenting, and the emptying of the nest! They now have all 3 kids in college (ouch!), and not much left in their wallets! Twins Alison and Sarah headed off to Princeton and UVA (respectively) this fall, and Brendan is a senior at Virginia Tech. Barb is teaching Reading in Canandaigua. Woodie works in Health Care Administration in Clifton Springs, and is Alumni Chairperson for the Clarkson Reunion this year—his 30th, too!

**Kathy Ames Kieta** teaches third grade at a small private school in the Cleveland area and enjoys it very much. Sarah and Andrew are both in college now. Sarah's a sophomore at Ohio Wesleyan and Andrew has become a serious Buckeye as a freshman at Ohio State. Kristen is a freshman in high school and active in Soccer, Basketball, and track. Dennis works for Washington Group

International and travels frequently to Ukraine and Russia. Kathy is looking forward to this year's reunion and hopes to see lots of 74's!

**Elaine Whitehead Pauly** had a wonderful time at **Lynne Boles'** 50th Birthday party on the Vineyard. Elaine is busy selling her "Worth Clothing" and recently finished her spring show and doing all the follow up, delivering, paperwork. She took a winter horse riding vacation in Montana in March.

## Class of 1975

**Helen Hallahan Byrnes** is a grandmother! Granddaughter Sage was born to Michael and Catherine in April. More excitement is on the way as Katie will graduate from LeMoyne in May and Molly plans to be married on July 17, 2004. Tim is working at Morrisville College. Phil and Helen celebrated their 29th anniversary. Life is good!

**Barb Putman Cregg** is most thankful that Michael made such a good recovery following his heart attack. Their 50th birthday celebrations were especially joyful! In June, son Brian, married Tara Sweet. Amy is a 4th year physical therapy student at Boston U, and Brian a HS senior.

**Sally Loe End** surprised her Little Sister **Kathy Farrell Kane** by attending the Kanes' 25th anniversary party! Sally admits that it was the threatening call from Moose Hind Henry that got her there. Sally stayed with Dief and made quite an impression on her daughters. She enjoyed an evening with Boles who was in Rochester last summer. Sally continues working at the U of Rochester, and daughter Martha is a senior at St. John Fisher.

**Donna Waliszewski Fallon's** family surprised her and Rick with a 25th anniversary party! Tiffany graduated from Rensselaer and is interning at GE in Niskayuna. Rich

is a sophomore at Rensselaer, and Patrick will soon graduate from Queensbury.

**Shelley Killion Hatzfeld** works part-time at the Brick Barn leaving her more time for her family, who surprised her with a party for her 50th. Hatz works at Akzo-Nobel and enjoys tennis and poker. Cassie, who recently acquired a puppy, is a senior environmental science student at Loyola U Chicago. Keith is a HS junior, enjoying guitar (helpful in wooing the ladies), tennis, and poker. (Is he a Little Hatz, or what?)

**Debbie Diefendorf Hind** enjoys the Albany crew's outings. It's always so much fun when these Ago sisters get together! Gary is an Executive VP at Ayco. After graduating from Hamilton, Allison and her two pugs moved to Buffalo where she is attending law school. Amanda is a junior at Hamilton, majoring in psychology.

**Lori Misicka** reluctantly left her public speaking job and accepted the position of National Sales Manager at the Fox TV station in Sacramento. Ken continues to develop and present music programs in the local elementary schools, and plays banjo and mandolin in an acoustic trio called the Deltabillies. John is in 8th grade and officially a teenager. Lori and **Elaine Whitehead** enjoyed helping **Lynne Boles** celebrate her 50th in Martha's Vineyard.

**Carol Baitup Sweet** is the mother of a sorority girl! Meghan rushed as a freshman at the U of Alabama, received a bid from Pi Beta Phi, and plans to live in their gorgeous house next year. Jon is a HS junior, involved in Habitat for Humanity & Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Kevin is an 8th grader who participates in football and Boy Scouts.

**Anne Gallagher Timpano** and John have joined the empty nesters. Scott is a freshman at Syracuse U. Anne and John have season's tickets for football! Bridget



is a senior at Providence College and is student teaching this semester. She gave her senior flute recital last fall, and the Hinds and Frame attended.

**Sue Rhow Todd's** family surprised her with a party for the big 5-0! Nicole graduated from IUP and took a 5th grade teaching position in Newport News, VA. Jacki graduated from SUNY Plattsburgh in December and hopes to go to law school in Sept. The Todds had great fun on their family trip to Hawaii in May.

**Jane Murray Wolff** turned 50 in a snowstorm and was pleased that the Potsdam crowd braved the Blizzard of '03 to attend her surprise party! Daughter Stephanie and grandson Niklas had quite an adventure to Siberia, Russia to visit professional hockey player dad. Bill and Jane are employed at Phoenix and Hartford. Jane enjoys seeing **Ellen Dullmeyer Fox** and Jerry.

## Class of 1976

**Judy Fabic Verbanic** had a recurrence of colon cancer – this time a nodule on her lung and it was removed in May '03 but she is in good health now and feeling great. She is in an experimental drug study that hopefully will prevent further problems. She works as executive assistant to the VP of women's merchandising at American Eagle Outfitters. Husband John is with Hewlett-Packard and they celebrated their 27<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Oct. Daughter Julie lives in Pittsburgh and daughter Jame is a sophomore at Purdue and a member of Delta Gamma sorority. Both girls surprised Judy by coming home for John and Judy's 50<sup>th</sup> birthdays in February.

**Cathy O'Connor** bought her dream house: a cottage at Higgins Beach, Maine. Cathy sees a group of Agos in the Albany area every couple of months. The group includes **Carolyn O'Dell Durnin, Denise Aiello Bukovan, Kathy Farrell Kane, Laurie Wood Cooper, Sue Spencer Maloney, Deb Diefendorf Hind,** and

**Liz O'Connor Utzig.**

**Pamela Moore** practices law in Rochester, is renovating their Victorian home and councilwoman on the town board. The latter is much like Ago except instead of endless fraternity parties, it is endless meetings. Pam's responsibilities include recreation comprehensive plan. Pam wrote an article on their work for the NY Planning Federation and the Library

## Class of 1977

**Mary Ellen Sullivan Bucco** finished her MBA in Healthcare Management after a demanding 2 years without a break in classes. She works for Banner Health, as a management engineer. John is Mr. Mom and enjoying it. Their kids keep busy with student council, music and other activities. John is about to do his annual contract work during a power plant outage, hopefully in AZ or CA this time.

**Joan Mosher DiFulgentiz** reports that things in Wichita are going well. Both her kids are still in college at UT-Austin, TX so Bob and Joan are free. Joan is trying to figure out why she went out and got a puppy!!

**Karen Kittelsen Stefanski** spent another year on home improvement. This past year we flew to Denver, CO to visit my brother, Doug and his family. We checked out the sights in Denver and Boulder. I'm planning a long ski weekend in Colorado this year. I don't think I will want to ski in the East again!!

**Patti Wilkins** is in her 11th year of teaching Biology and Chemistry at the local high school. Ryan 22 is at Penn College of Technology, Brittany 18 is an education student at Bloomsburg U. Aaron 12 is in 7th grade. Bill does engineering work. We have been very fortunate with great health, wonderful friends and many activities to keep us very busy. We just finished the 40 days of purpose book with a small group in

our home. You can e-mail me at [psw412@aol.com](mailto:psw412@aol.com) Would love to hear from you!

## Class of 1978

**Bonnie Johnson See** lives in the mountains of NC and as a result enjoy hiking and mountain biking together as a family. Their travels included Jamaica, Hilton Head, and upstate NY for the summer at our family lake house. She and Gary enjoy the flexible lifestyle their jobs allow, Bonnie in real estate and Gary, a business broker with his own company. Bonnie is on the local hospital foundation board and involved with Children & Family Resource Center.

**Cindy Darrow Kohl** is in her 9<sup>th</sup> year of teaching. Kristin is a junior at St. Bonaventure studying Elem Ed. Kevin is a freshman business major at LeMoyne and playing lacrosse. Eric is a HS junior and a basketball and lacrosse player. The kid's sports activities take up a lot of time. Both Joe and Cindy love it and keep saying they'll have to adopt some young kid once their's are done playing.

**Jeannie Quattrocchi Finnegan** visited Churchill, Manitoba to observe the Polar Bear Migration on Hudson Bay. She had a great time at the reunion, including the shirt cutting ceremony stating: "I love to laugh until my cheeks hurt. The actives were so outgoing and responsible. I was truly proud that they were representing all of us at AGO".

**Vera Thurston Gibbs** is Student Office Coordinator at SU and hires, pays and schedules all the student workers for Concessions and Catering and also oversees the Student Management staff. Steve is at How Pumps in Baldwinsville designing radiant heating systems. On game days Erin, Dave, Matt, Sarah and I all are at the Dome; our lives revolve around SU Sports.

**Nancy Ball Kuhl** is teaching 6th grade and loving it. The kids keep her young and has a captive audience for all her "characters". Math class is much more interesting when it's taught by Bridget O'Ball! It's my fifth year at Wellwood Middle School, which is the longest she's been in one place. Larry works for a small company establishing business partnerships and enjoys making wine down in the basement.

**Sue Defulgentiz Schwiring** dislocated her shoulder for the third time and looking at possible surgery. She has a trip planned to Dominica Republic in April with her running group. Lots of hiking, rafting and canyon rappelling. Hope the shoulder is healed!

**Kathy Lynch Eddy** with college on the horizon for her boys, has a new job working at Home Healthcare Services that provides per diem nurse's aides to retirement communities. She works in the office on scheduling and payroll.

**Lori Gremmels Cooper** has enjoyed working at Paychex. Things are going great in her life. Brandon is in 5th grade, a great kid and a joy. Lori met a wonderful man named Tom last Dec. They have alot in common.

**Pam Pendleton** taught summer school for the first time in 18 years and had a ball doing so many fun/hands-on activities you can never seem to get to during the regular school year. She volunteered at the PGA last summer and got to see Tiger Woods daily!

**Jean Lennon Schuhle** stays home trying to keep on top of the kids schedules and has till 2 pm each day to finish up whatever and then it's in the car driving here and there. Tom continues to play hockey once a week. They still have the front yard rink, but now it's mostly Kelsey and her buddies who skate.

**Donna Passarella Bonomo** lost her oldest brother Frank to cancer in the spring. He fought a valiant battle against the disease but ultimately succumbed to it. Then last Nov. Donna lost her brother in law

unexpectedly. On a brighter note, Donna and Bob made it up to the 25<sup>th</sup> reunion. The laughs were plentiful and frequent. Donna is working part time at Curves.

**Nadine Gager Compisi** says "Life just doesn't get any better". She introduced her fiancé Tony to the gang up at Potsdam for the 25<sup>th</sup> college reunion in July. On Dec 6<sup>th</sup> she wore her mother's bridal gown as she and Tony were married. She loved sharing her special day with the people she loves best in the world. She had the DJ play Orleans song "You're Still the One" so we could have an Ago/Potsdam dance. It was all caught on videotape. It brought the house down!

**Maureen Buffardi Winney** has enjoyed being back in Saratoga. She works at Empire State College, as the alumni director and does event planning, fund raising and publications. She travels a lot for work and also personally and went to London last spring with friends. Maureen still plays golf. She's happy about reconnecting with everyone and offers a special thanks to Nadine for doing the class news

## Class of 1979

**Shanon Fowler Schneider** and family relocated to Atlanta about 18 months ago. Lots of upheaval for the boys and bumps along the way adjusting to new middle and high schools. Jim has made a job move to Kimberly Clark. Shanon has started to paint again and is hoping to start showing in the area since the arts are big in Roswell.

## Class of 1980

**Pat Coogan Huntington's** house is busy with two teenage boys and a little one not too far behind. They are starting to look at colleges with their eldest. Their time continues to be consumed with trying to figure

out how they are going to find time to complete the remodeling of their cottage on Honeoye Lake. Jim is employed by Nexpress Solutions, and Pat at Nazareth College. There are so many Ago's from the class of '80 in Rochester it is a shame that they don't try to get together.

**Jane Morale** keeps busy with her job as orchestra director at Spry Middle School in Webster, NY. She also plays violin in the Penfield symphony orchestra and skis with her husband Glen and sons Justin and Zack at Bristol Mountain.

## Class of 1981

**Patrice DeLaus Scully** lives with her two children in Mahwah, NJ. Patrice is works for IBM, most days works from her home office. Jacquelin is in 8th grade and enjoys taking dance and voice lessons. Charles is in fifth grade. He studies drums and violin and loves playing soccer and baseball. They like to attend Yankee games and have had season tickets for 9 years.

**Cynthia Jackman Dwyer** is the VP of Development & Communications for WNED Buffalo-Toronto (TV/AM/FM). She is very busy with her work for public broadcasting on both a local and national level. Recently she has started to appear in national pledge programs. She travels quite a bit visiting stations and attending meetings all over the country. Cynthia lives in Buffalo, NY with her husband Michael.

**Robin Landrigan Weinberger** is living in Saratoga Springs, NY with her husband Michael and menagerie of pets (3 dogs, 1 rabbit, 3 chinchillas, two lizards and an aquarium full of fish!). She works for Gambro Healthcare as the Sr. Manager for Application Strategy and Project Management and travels extensively primarily to Denver and Nashville. She and her husband love to travel for fun too, most recently visiting Ireland, Belize, and Cabo San Lucas. Robin

participates in Cycling Century Rides: 100 mile bike rides to raise funds for MS, diabetes, and cancer.

## Class of 1982

**Judy Biviano Lloyd** enjoys her position as Regional Representative of the U.S. Department of Labor in President Bush's Administration. She has been traveling and speaking to business groups about the President's jobs and growth program. She was recently asked to participate in a U.S. State Department mission in Doha, Qatar, under the Middle East Partnership Initiative where she will train Arab women considering a career in public service. She has also enjoyed spending time with husband, Tim, and son, Michael (6).

**Cathleen Ellia Bennett** enjoyed another year of travel. She skied for a week in Mont Tremblant, went horseback riding in Phoenix, and spent summer vacation on the South Shore of Long Island. Steven (a junior), Krissy (a freshman), and Alyssa (grade 4) are all doing well and keeping busy.

**Constance Walker Bush** and her family of boys are doing great. The 2 oldest learned to snowboard and hit the slopes on the weekends. The middle 2 go to school a few days a week and the baby is walking. Connie works on projects and plans to get for her master's degree. She keeps in touch with **Helen Hymers Grzymala** and **Cathleen Ellia Bennett**.

**Laura Huther Farnham**, Steph (13), and Brad (9) have all adjusted well to life in Minneapolis. Laura is Vice President of Marketing for Honeywell, was recently engaged to Steve Schutz and plans to marry in the spring or early summer.

**Ellen Bartis Gambee** sent her oldest off to college, and is teaching her youngest how to drive. She and Mike really love the extra time they have together now that they only have one teenager to worry about.

The family went away during school vacation to Naples, FL in February.

**Lucia Urtis Murrell** is teaching full time again. She and her three sons, moved into a home of their own recently. The boys keep her busy and she is thankful for the gift of music which she and the boys enjoy together.

## Class of 1983

**Sue Anne Trippany Bell's** big news of the year is a baby girl born on Mar. 5th, 2003. Little Stephanie Anne is keeping her quite busy. Sue Anne went back to work for 1 month and after 11 years at Fidelity Investments decided to give it up and become a stay at home mom. They moved to a new house the week before the baby was born.

## Class of 1984

After a long year in 2002 battling Graves Disease, **Lori Dietz** is feeling like her old self again. Lori and Ron got married on Dec. 17, 2001 in Las Vegas. It was a low stress and memorable way to get married. She continues to run and it takes up a lot of time. She completed her fifth marathon in Jan. and is treasurer of the Syracuse Track Club.

**Ellen Murphy** and her husband were not blessed with children, so they spoil each other. This past year they traveled to Alaska, which she highly recommends. In 2005, they have plans to go on Safari! In between trips, she is an avid golfer and has achieved the pinnacle of golf – a hole-in-one, a very exciting event. In between golf, she tends her gardens – rose and vegetable.

This past year Irene **Jejsik Rauchenberger** and Steve moved from Minneapolis, MN back to Long Island, NY. After 5 ½ years in MN, Irene reports that it is great to be back home on the East coast. She

keeps busy at home with 4 year old Jacqueline while Steve is enjoying his new job with Estee Lauder.

**Robin Wheeler Gallagher** is free 2 days a week after having children home for the past eleven years. She sees **Sue Anne Trippany Bell** once a month. Robin works part-time for event planners in Boston. She can't believe that it is our 20<sup>th</sup> reunion! How time flies!

**Jane Judson Mistur** and her family ventured to DisneyWorld and had a wonderful family vacation. She also traveled ALONE, to visit her brother in Dallas. She and Andy have entered the realm of "hockey parents" and travel each weekend to games or practices. Jane made a new Ago connection this past September when Matthew entered first grade. His teacher is **Debbie Donaldson McCullough '74**.

## Class of 1985

**Sheila Hegarty Johnson** had a bit of bad news this fall; she was diagnosed with breast cancer. They found it on a routine mammogram but it was still big enough for a mastectomy. They caught it early and she is going to be fine. She is going through chemo now and it's going pretty well. Sheila would like to ask all Agonians to get their mammograms-it saved her life. She had no lumps. If she would have waited until she felt something, the cancer would have really spread.

In late Dec 2003 **Kellie Walsh Neils** gave birth to her second child, a baby girl. Her name is Hanna and she came into the world by a C-section weighing 9 lbs 8 ounces. Kellie will be on maternity leave from P&G until June 2004.

The following "Golden Girls": **Donna Gilbert Mank, Kim Brown Kearns, Karen LaVigne Wagner, Marggi Mitchell and Debbie Foell Dower** got together for a couple of days in Key West FL and had a great time. Marggi and Kim got stung by handfuls of tiny jelly fish

during their snorkeling expedition, but that didn't slow them down from partying.

**Debbie Foell Dower** works part time as an account manager at Rockwell. She has 1 daughter and 3 step-daughters who get along well and Debbie feels blessed to have them in her life. They just finished remodeling their house; added a 5th bedroom for the girls and re-worked almost the entire house as it was in terrible condition when they bought it in 2002. They would be happy to accommodate any CA visitors!

**Kim Brown Kearns** is home with her 2 children Mackenzie (5) and Zachary (2). She and her husband Doug recently moved to Bedford, NH. Kim celebrated her 40<sup>th</sup> birthday with **Donna Gilbert Mank, Marggi Mitchell, Debbie Foell Dower** and **Karen LaVigne Wagner** in Key West last October. They had a lot of fun catching up and reminiscing about old times!!

**Kim Krzyzan Yantz**, Steve, Aaron, and Trevor live in a log cabin in Hamlin. Kim tried Pharmaceutical Sales but didn't really like it and is now a high school science teacher. She is in her first year teaching physics and chemistry and is enjoying it but working HARD! The best part is being home when the boys are off from school.

**Jill Mogavero Mann** added a dog to the family, and love it! They live in Ashland, where Jake is in 6th, Kelly in 4th, and Eric in 2nd grade. They continue to enjoy school, skiing, gymnastics, and soccer.

## Class of 1986

**Penny Zonneville** landed a job in Corning after a couple of unsettling months. She's planning a tour of the midwest in summer of 2004, so if there are any key sites or people Penny should stop and visit, email her at [pzonnevi@stny.rr.com](mailto:pzonnevi@stny.rr.com).

**Caroline Downing** is traveling to New Zealand and Australia in '04.

She sold her one bedroom condo in Boston and is moving into a 3 bedroom and would love some out of town visitors!

**Julie Cunningham Sanbeg** started the South Beach Diet in January so she can join the masses. Feels very dizzy (which I guess is nothing unusual) as she starves her brain. BUT the hardest part is going without "cocktails" for 2 weeks.

**Leigh Dolan Nicholson** was possibly the first one to turn the big 4-0 from our class and happy to report it was not too painful... fun celebrating with friends and family. She continues to do the typical: car pools, room mother, book club, occasional night out with the girls, and neighborhood Euchre group. 2004 travels include Los Angeles with her book club, Tuscon for her brother's wedding, family trip to Disney World, and their annual summer trip to Cape Cod.

**Paula Geoffroy Henry's** big news is a baby daughter Kathryn ("Kate"), born May '03, joining her then 16½ month old brother Thomas. Both kids are red heads and her pride and joy! Paula enjoys staying home full time, and started a Moms group in her subdivision. Since the addition of Kate to their family, Paula and her husband decided they wanted to be closer to family in VT/NY than their current Charlotte, NC home allows. After 10 years of southern living, they are moving "back home" to VT this spring!

**Renee Hatter Hook** writes that she is not having another baby; 4 is enough! The Hook family had a very busy 2003: they moved to Connecticut, built a new home and Renee got a new job within IBM as Latin America chief accountant and made several trips to Rio De Janerio, Brazil. It was a hard couple of days on Copa Cabana Beach! She also made two trips to Buenos Aires, Argentina.

**Anne Donato Chrzanowski** lives in Peachtree City, GA. If you're traveling through Atlanta, she would

love to see you. Anne is a stay at home mom and volunteers at school and as a Brownie Troop Leader. She ran a marathon for the first time last fall and achieved a long term goal. Over Christmas the family traveled to Belgium and Paris to visit Anne's sister.

**Kristin Allen Newton** had a fun ski weekend in Feb. with Jamie to celebrate her big 40<sup>th</sup>. The family is planning a trip to Disney in 2004.

**Kathleen Sheridan Brewer** made the big move and got laser surgery on her eyes. She is now a walking advertisement for the surgery. She can see the alarm clock without picking it up and moving it 2" from her face and no longer has to perform a yoga move to read the scale in the morning.

**Dori D'Agostino Wrobel** and **Vicki Denny Voyer** had a spontaneous girls' weekend in Boston in May 2003. **Kristin Allen Newton, Caroline Downing, Kathy Smith Gorman** and **Kathleen Sheridan Brewer** were able to hook up with them for a few cocktails and a lot of laughs. They are hoping to make it an annual event and enlist more people to join them.

## Class of 1987

**Michelle Ray** and JJ Hogan are expecting their 2nd child in May '04. James (2½) seems excited! Michelle continues to work full time at the Professional Development Program of SUNY Albany as a child welfare staff trainer, and has more recently begun developing curriculum for on-line course work. She is involved with a local breast cancer education and advocacy group. The Hogans vacationed in Cape Cod again this year for a little much needed "R & R"! They try to keep in touch with the **Annie Bryant Geiger** and family.

**Becky Volans Akins** teaches high school math at Lisbon School. She and Mark are actively involved with

their children Ryan, 11 and Allison, 10. Becky stays busy with school, coaching her kids' league in soccer, basketball and softball. She hopes to go to Potsdam for the reunion and see everyone!

**Rima Hartvigas Hampson's** household has an addition: Owen Thomas born Memorial Day '03. He joins big sister, Olivia. Rima works at LexisNexis Matthew Bender as a Project Manager and husband, Brian is a Class-A Professional in the PGA. Could a move to the South be in the stars? Rima keeps in touch with **Tara Raftery O'Neil**.

**Sue Boulter Jackson**, Ken, and sons Jamie and Craig, live in Delaware. After a year's struggle with a mystery illness, Sue was diagnosed with an autoimmune disease known as Chronic Fatigue Immune Dysfunction Syndrome. She's doing much better now, with the help of medications and lifestyle changes. She's been able to spend more time writing this year ([www.suzanjackson.com](http://www.suzanjackson.com)) as her health improved and her youngest son started kindergarten.

**Maureen Candella-Kass** lives in Seaford (Long Island), NY with husband Brad, and daughters Morgan, 8 and Meredith, 2. She is a full time mom and very busy with PTA and the girls' activities. They enjoyed a Disney vacation, a week on Cape Cod. They also purchased a ski house at Gore Mountain.

**Linda Dolanch Longhouse** teaches scrapbooking classes at the local ACMoore, having fun with it and loves meeting fellow scrapbooking enthusiasts. Olivia is in pre-school and looking forward to starting kindergarten next year.

**Lisa Newhouse Melveney** enjoys being a stay at home mom. She keeps busy with her three children Kaitlyn, 10, Colin, 7, and Braden, 3.

**Tara Raftery O'Neil** had her third child: a girl - finally! Jacqueline Erin O'Neil was born in Nov. joining brothers Jake and Shane. Tara works part time as Senior Staff

Attorney at Private Healthcare Systems. She recently saw **Kim Bingham Meusel, Laura Boyd and Jill Kaplowitz Lyons**. Jill lives just a few blocks away and the kids have a great time playing together.

**Patty Carroll Wilson** and Tom live in Howell, NJ with daughters Allie, 7, and Kayleigh, 5½. School, gymnastics, Girl Scouts and soccer keep everyone busy. Patty works part time at a newspaper selling advertising.

## Class of 1988

**Kim Peverly Lenta** remains in Maryland and when she is not shuttling Jackie Rose & Nick around, can be found coaching lacrosse or holding *Southern Living* parties. Business has taken off this year and Kim has enjoyed two free trips to Xcaret, Mexico and Vegas. Interested in a fun, flexible, rewarding business? Contact Kim at [kimlenta@yahoo.com](mailto:kimlenta@yahoo.com).

**Kelly Underwood Case** and Chris FINALLY (*her words*) own their own home in Gansevoort, NY, right outside of Saratoga Springs. Katie is 5 and in pre-k and Jack is almost 7 and in 1<sup>st</sup> grade. She is still pretty much a stay-at-home mom, with a very flexible part-time job at their church. They're all doing great and keeping very busy. Last summer Kelly, **Colleen Beaudoin, Diana Kaufman**, and **Annette Saxman** met for dinner and had a great time.

**Colleen Palmer Beaudoin's** three boys are 11, 9, and 2! She saw **Andrea Newhouse Frascatore** in Saratoga, and had a weekend visit in FL by **Sue Young**. She is mostly busy with kid activities, but she and Doug do find time to themselves. Teaching high school makes it easy to find great babysitters!

**Karen Sarbou Richardson** fell while skiing. Her bindings did not release and she ended up tearing her ACL in two. It took a while to

get diagnosed correctly and she finally had surgery to repair it. Karen, Scott, and the girls (Kate 6 and Meagan 4) continue to spend their winters downhill skiing and their summers water skiing. With her knee, Karen mostly hung out in the lodge reading.

**Jessie Flores McClintock** and Thomas welcomed baby Aaron in August. Jordan (4). She has been working part-time but plans on catching up on some sleep in May when she stops working. She plans on going to the reunion in Potsdam and is looking forward to seeing lots of fellow Agonians. She is looking forward to visiting **Wendy Schmitt** and Brian in for their annual get together and was delighted to have seen **Sue Young** and **Deb Siegel** this summer.

**Missy Steinberg Bernier** and Rene live in Chicago enjoying parenthood and spending time with friends and family. Chloe (2) is quite a handful, but so much fun! Missy is works full time selling software and Rene travels quite a bit, so they are busy, but still manage to squeeze in lots of fun activities around Chicago and some travel.

**Patty Troutman Squier** and Craig are busy keeping up with Sean, now 11. She is the Development Director and Business Manager at their church and school.

**Maureen Gerst Stalica** and Scott live in Clifton Park. She is a stay-at home mom, which keeps her extremely busy! When she is not carting her older three to all of their activities like hockey and soccer, she is chasing their Sara (16 mos.) around. They enjoy skiing in the winter and spending time at the lake in Skaneateles in the summer. Life is good!!!

**Heather Williams Biché** works 3 days a week and trying to stay ahead of her three children. The older two are busy with sports year round. She and Maeghan enjoy a playgroup on Tuesday mornings. Heather likes the playdoh and

construction paper crafts as much as Maeghan (maybe more).

## Class of 1989

**Kelly O'Donnell Corman** and Dan welcomed the arrival of son Sean Arthur in Dec '02. He's is a wonderful baby inheriting his mother's sleeping gene, thankfully.

**Sue Young's** 3-6 month assignment with Kodak in LA has extended 'til at least June 2004. She has made some great friends in LA who also enjoy exploring and has made camping trips to Sequoia, Yosemite, and Death Valley, a cruise to Mexico and many trips to Disneyland! Sue's big vacation last year was "Viking Challeng" trip to Iceland. On the Ago side, she made a great trip to the Grand Canyon with **Monica Fisher Kussmann**. She made a special trip back to NY for **Barb Ferguson Wallace's** wedding where she caught up with **Terrie Gentile Wehse**. She had a great visit with **Debbie Sorge Siegel** and **Jenssie Flores McClintock '88** along the way!

**Andrea Newhouse Frascatore** is expecting baby #2 in April. For Christmas they took a long due family vacation to Disney World. The whole family went including grandparents, as well as Andrea's sister's (**Lisa Newhouse Melveney '87**) & family.

**Terrie Gentile Wehse**, Jon, Alec and Ethan are enjoying living on the East Coast with opportunities to visit with family and friends. She attended **Barb Ferguson's** wedding, a fantastic event.

## Class of 1990

**Stephanie Allen Manuel** enjoys life as a busy mother of 2 boys, Harrison (4) and Jackson (6 months) and a full time teacher. She and husband Michel & sons live in Averill Park, NY.

**Jennifer Douglas Steinberg** is a stay at home mom with her crew, Emily (7), Sean (5) and Liz (3). She and Scott enjoy family outings such as snowshoeing, camping and hiking and are enjoying being back up in the Northeast.

**Ren Hallinan Reagan** is expecting baby # 3 in April. She continues to work part time, which allows her plenty of time to keep up with **Caleigh (4)** and **Declan (2)**. She and husband, **Drew** have a few fellow Agonian get togethers, mainly with **Amy Harvey Brune** (their next door neighbor!) and **Kelly Wright O'Brien**.

**Pamela Muraco Simons** with husband, **Jeff** and daughter **Ally** are completely moved into their new home at 102 Cedar Crest Lane, Oneida, NY, 13421. Pam works as a full time school counselor. This past fall she had the honor of becoming **Stephanie Allen Manuel's** son, **Jackson's** Godmother.

**Sue Nims** spends her time these days with **Ally (10)** and **CT(9)** enjoying their home at 88 Hulbert Avenue, Fairport, NY, 14450. She is teaching/working at the soccer center in town.

**Laurie Rinder DelBalso** works part time and nurtures her 3 sons, **Mark (7)**, **Danny (5)** and **Nicholas (2)**. She and husband **Mark** have also had a somewhat hectic year remodeling their kitchen. She can be emailed at [delbalzo5@aol.com](mailto:delbalzo5@aol.com).

**Jennifer Sinclair** works in the Admissions Department of Bryant & Stratton College in Syracuse and loves it. She completed her Masters degree at SU, and will begin teaching a freshmen level communications class this year. Congratulations Jenn!

**Kelly Wright O'Brien**, husband **Jim** and the girls **Cassidy(6)** and **Carly (3)** will be welcoming a baby boy in Feb. '04. Kelly works full time and continues to enjoy pottery.

**Jade Miller Paunovich** and

husband **Vaughn** live outside of Charlotte in Huntersville, NC with their 2 children. **Jade** is a stay at home mom after leaving her Property Management job of the last 3 years. She and **Vaughn** have plans to travel to Greece and Sweden this May for a vacation.

## Class of 1994

**Missy Bryant** is living in Bridgeport Connecticut. She has been living there for five years and works as a consultant for Mellon financial.

**Michele Bulleigh** and **Rob** live in Amherst, NY and are expecting a baby in Aug. and are very excited!

**Stephanie Bettcher Buydos** and **Jeff** live in Clifton Park. They built a house 3 years ago and have a one year old named **Max**. **Steph** is working part time out of her home.

**Robin Clark Cristaldi** and **Mike** had a baby girl, **Ella Jane**, in Jan. '04. They also are proud parents of **Reese (3)**. They have been busy adding onto their house for their expanding family!

**Valerie D'Ambrosio** and her boyfriend **Jason** live in Boulder, CO. She is a healthy lifestyle coach doing personal training, nutritional cardio counseling, and yoga. Val recently made a CD to raise money for her 23year old cousin with cancer, so if anyone is interested in buying one, please contact her!

**Heidi Dopp** lives in Charlotte, North Carolina and works at Wachovia.

**Kristin Downey Tuohy** is lives in Tarrytown, NY, and is works at Readers Digest. **Kristin** had a baby girl in Aug. '03 named **Nora Ann**, and loves being a mom!

**Nicholle Francis** lives in Brooklyn, NY with her adorable boyfriend **Michael**. She is a pediatric nutritionist at Bellevue Hospital, and loves being around all of the children and their families. **Nicholle** also works as a print and runway

model, and plans on completing her masters in Public Health in 2005.

**Susan Grant** and Bruce are still living in Nantucket. She has a son named Grant Beebe, and is due to have her 2nd baby in Aug. Sue and family made a trip to Chile in March.

**Belinda Judge Deluca** and Jason moved into a brand new house on Christmas Eve, around the corner from **Lisa Papa!** Belinda works for an orthodontist in Saratoga.

**Kathleen "Katie" Keane-Carney** gave birth to # 3, and now is the proud mother of two girls and a boy. She has been in Colorado for 9 years, and still loves it, but misses friends & family on the East Coast!

**Jessica Hunt McAllister** and Dan built a new house last year right outside of Atlanta. Jessica is a stay at home mom to their 3-year-old daughter Kelly. They bought a baby grand piano for Christmas to touch up her musical talents!

**Molly McGreevy** has been living in Miami with her boyfriend Robert. She is an instructor of English at Miami-Dade Community College and is back in school to get an MFA in Creative Writing.

**Keira McPherson Clark** and John bought a house in Saratoga. They had a baby at the end of January.

**Lisa Papa Munter** and Mike are living in Middle Grove, NY with their beautiful son Tyler who is almost 2. Lisa is teaching elementary school.

**Kimberly Butler O'Brien** lives in Richmond, VA and teaches 2nd grade. Pat and Kim had a baby boy in Feb. Kim is looking forward to a summer vacation with several Ago sisters!

**Sheila Kane Pierce** and Jeff live in Saratoga with their 2 children, Tucker 4 and Tessa 7mos. Sheila is bartending and has a small business doing children's parties called Hula parties by Sheila.

**Anna Gordon Risse** and husband Fred are happy and healthy living in

Southern CA. Anna loves her job as pharmaceutical sales consultant for Novartis pharmaceuticals. They recently ran a 1/2 marathon to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma society.

**Elyse Waple** and Paul are living in Charleston, SC. Elyse received her D.C. Degree in Dec. '03, and is now **Dr. Elyse Waple!**

## Class of 1995

**Kerri Boffa Bianchi** is on a child care leave from teaching 1<sup>st</sup> grade. She and AJ gave birth to their second child in April '03. They are temporarily living with Kerri's parents while they build a new house.

**Emily Gerepka Kish** enjoys being a mother of 2 and spends her days meeting with friends at play groups and taking Allison to school and dance classes. There are times when Emily really misses teaching! She will probably go back when William goes off to school. She had a blast meeting with some Agos in NYC for her surprise 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday weekend.

**Jodi Meyer Eyer** teaches 4th grade in Glens Falls. It's been a huge adjustment after 1st grade with some advantages and disadvantages. Andy works at GE Silcone. They are enjoying life in the Saratoga area. Jodi and Andy started downhill skiing and once a week are on the slopes!

**Jennifer Anne Klehammer Batzing** married Chad (Sigma Pi) July 5, 2002. They live in Corning, NY. Chad is a Podiatrist and Jen teaches for Corning-Painted Post schools. Jen had a blast in NYC with **Kerri Boffa-Bianchi, Emily Gerepka-Kish, Eva Dechario-McGee, Melissa Dennis-Fasse & Gina Bernardo-Michalski.** Jen would love to plan a 10 year reunion.

**Molly Moore** bought a place in DC

and can't believe she survived the insanity of northern VA traffic for almost 4 years. She works within the Dept. of Homeland Security, but has left Coast Guard HQ and now works for the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) as a regulations coordinator. Molly took up modern dance again about started dancing with a small company last year.

On May 8, 2003 **Gina Bernardo Michalski** and Andy welcomed their daughter, Ella Grace, into the world. They have a GREAT time with her. Gina is staying home with Ella and loving every minute of it!

**Eva Dechario McGee** and Kevin were blessed with a son, Ryan Joseph in Feb. '03. One month later they bought a new house on the Jersey shore and are busy filling it. Eva continues to teach computers to elementary students. She loves getting together with Agos **Gina Bernardo Michalski** and **Kristin Downey Tuohy.**

**Tammy Buchner Foley** and Sean welcomed their 2nd daughter, Jessica Elizabeth. Older daughter, Skyler, is 2. Tammy is a stay at home mom and loves it. Sean is working mostly from home now so he is around a lot to help out and play with the kids too!

## Class of 1996

**Gina Bloom Ludwig** and Neal are expecting their first baby in April and are busy getting ready. Gina continues to teach first grade and work on remodeling and decorating their home. They live in the Rochester suburb of Brighton.

**Nija Branca** lives in Rochester and works as a 6th grade teacher at School of the Arts. It has been a wonderful year of traveling and time with friends and family.

**Kimberly Costello Rose** loves her job as a business analyst for Empire Vision Centers in Syracuse

and enjoys helping her chef husband Eric with his culinary events. They are lucky to be able to see many of Ago sisters often.

**Melissa Page** lives in the Clifton Park area and keeps busy with work, family and friends. She would love to hear from her Ago Sisters at [mpage@gw.neric.org](mailto:mpage@gw.neric.org)

## Class of 1999

**Jennifer Gibbs Rozell** recently married Sigma Pi alumni Nate Rozell. They bought a beautiful house in Atlanta. Jennifer works for Today's Staffing as an account executive. She received "Rookie of the Year" Award in recognition of achieving the largest sales revenue nationwide for her company.

## Class of 2000

**Kara Korkus** lives in Stamford, CT and works for the Nine West Group as an assistant buyer in the White Plains office. She is excited to be Tara Fiacco's Maid of Honor in her October 31st, 2004 wedding in Saratoga, NY.

**Tara Fiacco** resides in Syracuse,

NY and works for the Pyramid Group as a senior lease administrator. She is busy planning her wedding to Psi Phi Alumni Casey Toomajian. They have set a date for October 31st, 2004. Her bridal party includes fellow Agonians-**Kara Korkus, Jennifer (Gibbs) Rozell, Jaime Conroy, Kelly Doane** and **Devon Cummings**.

**Devon Cummings** is working with an interior designer company in Rochester and the surrounding area. She is usually traveling to find the perfect elements that suit the homes in which she works. Her job has allowed her to use her creative expertise in various extremes.

**Jaime Conroy** will be graduating from San Diego State University December 2004 with a BS degree in Kinesiology with an emphasis in PE. She is planning on moving back to the east coast to teach.

**Kelly Doane** is attending San Diego University where she is studying to receive her Masters Degree in Special Education; she is also a full time 3rd grade teacher. She intends to move back to the East Coast, South Carolina, in May to finish her Masters there.

## Class of 2002

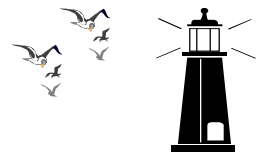
**Shannon Burns** lives in Akwesasne and is the Editor and Flim Critic for Indian Time Newspaper and she has a black lab puppy named Jenny Love.

**Dana Lucas** lives in Rochester with her boyfriend Keith. She finished up school at SUNY Brockport last December with a degree in criminal justice and for the past year has been working at a mortgage company.

**Nikki Minnick** moved to Atlanta, GA in Oct of 2002. She is currently working at the corporate headquarters of a staffing agency handling workers compensation claims.

**Lora Masci** was married in September of 2003 and is currently residing in Potsdam.

**Adrienne Buckley** is living in Carthage, NY working as a recreational therapist for ARC in Lewis County. She is also going to school for her Master's in dietetics.



**THANK YOU!**

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# SUNY Potsdam Points of Pride and Distinction



## The Primacy of the Academic Enterprise

SUNY Potsdam and Union College signed an agreement that will allow SUNY Potsdam students to complete their Master of Business Administration degree (MBA) at Union College in one year after graduation from SUNY Potsdam. The Union MBA program prepares students for analytical, managerial and executive-level positions in a variety of enterprises. The Department of Business and Economics at SUNY Potsdam offers courses leading to a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration, a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics, a Bachelor of Arts degree in Employment Relations and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Economics. The department also offers minors in business of music, information technology, economics, employment relations and business economics.

For the fifth consecutive year, SUNY Potsdam has been ranked among the top public and private regional universities in the northern United States in the 2004 edition of U.S. News & World Report's guide, "America's Best Colleges."

The Class of 2006 has a high school GPA of 87.4 and an SAT score of 1100. The academic profile of Potsdam's entering class has improved in each of the last four years.

The Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam is the nation's oldest and largest music school devoted primarily to the preparation of public school music teachers. Crane graduates also hold conducting and studio music appointments at many of the nation's finest colleges, universities, and conservatories.

The School of Education and Professional Studies at SUNY Potsdam recently earned accreditation from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). SUNY Potsdam is one of only four SUNY institutions to garner this prestigious endorsement of its teacher preparation programs.

SUNY Potsdam's Bachelor of Arts in Archeological Studies is the only undergraduate archeology degree program in New York State and one of only five in the northeastern United States.

The Department of Mathematics has been cited by the Mathematics Association of America as one of the most successful programs in the country because of its spectrum of well-taught courses.

Potsdam has one of the nation's outstanding undergraduate geology programs. Located in the foothills of the Adirondack mountains, in a seismically active area, SUNY Potsdam students perform extensive field work under the direction of faculty mentors in the geological wonderland that surrounds the campus.

The College is the only U.S. higher education institution to offer Mohawk Language courses as part of its Modern Languages curriculum. SUNY Potsdam students can complete their Modern Language requirements by studying the Mohawk language.

The Adirondacks, a coordinated Environmental Studies semester for first-year students, is an award-winning package of courses in environmental studies, the arts and humanities, the sciences, and outdoor education designed to study how writers, scientists and artists view the Adirondack park, the largest park in the U.S. outside of Alaska.

## Grants/Fundraising: Funding the Enterprise

Faculty and students will soon have a new Steinway concert grand piano in Hosmer Hall thanks to the generosity of faculty emeritus Brock McElheran, who recently made a major gift to The Campaign for Potsdam in honor of his wife, Jane. The goal of The Crane Fund portion of the Campaign is to raise resources for the training of young musicians, whether in the classroom, the concert hall, or the opera house, by creating a fund to replace, upgrade and maintain the school's exceptional collection of musical instruments.

McElheran joined the SUNY Potsdam faculty in 1947 and continued teaching and conducting until his retirement in 1988. He was held in the highest regard during his tenure as conductor of Crane Chorus. His wife, Janie, served as librarian at the Congdon Campus School for almost 40 years, lending him tremendous support and assistance.

SUNY Potsdam's "The Campaign for Potsdam" has passed the \$10.5 million milestone in gifts and pledges, representing 88 percent of the Campaign goal. The five-year, \$12 million capital campaign is an investment in the core values of the College - People, Learning and Service. Private support is critical to Potsdam's mission of

combining the highest quality education with a safe, attractive campus to create an outstanding learning experience for each student.

SUNY Potsdam will receive \$550,000 to fund its proposed "New York City Initiative: Music Educators for New York City" to provide music educators for New York City public schools. This project brings together the resources and talents of SUNY Potsdam, the VH1 Save The Music Foundation and the New York City Board of Education to address the critical need for music educators in New York City. The funding was obtained for the College through the diligent efforts of U.S. Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton, in partnership with Congressman John McHugh.

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## Agonian Sorority



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