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Ago Alumnae Association dues are \$20 per year.

- Please fill out the form on the back page and support our programs.
- We publish the Ago Anchor, award scholarships, and help maintain the sorority house.

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Happy 125th Birthday, Ago!

Record numbers of Agonians from Potsdam College and Clarkson returned to Potsdam on July 12-15, 2007. Despite numerous activities jamming the college schedules, the Ago Alumnae Association hosted its own series of events. Those of us arriving on Thursday stopped in at 11P to meet the active summer residents before networking at the college "early bird" reception.

A steady stream of alums stopped by the Ago house, those most recent as last year to those with eager anticipation of their 50th reunion. Our wine tasting reception with wines brought from all over the country gave "strangers" a chance to feel "sisters" in

no time. A special thanks to Karen Johns '71, Shelley Ives '83.

Angela Kelley '08 and Gabe Petit '08 for their assistance. For many of us, a night of dancing to Double Axel helped us shake off pounds as well as laugh as we haven't in years.

Saturday began with a breakfast at 11P followed by a very productive Alumnae Association meeting run by President Jamie Sico, with emphasis on scholarship and home maintenance (meeting minutes are
available). Attending members
voted to award a \$1000 scholarship to an Agonian active
member and \$1610 towards
repairs and upkeep (your generous donations to either cause
are most appreciated!). Perhaps the grandest event for
Ago was our 125th birthday
barbecue, held on the Potsdam
campus with close to 80 alumnae and guests attending.
We've come a long way, Callio-

pean, and we are very proud of our journey! Continued – page 2



This Old House

Our sorority house at 11 Pierrepont Avenue in Potsdam, NY is looking quite spiffy these days. New carpeting was installed in both living rooms and the entry way. The sleek new Berber was also installed in the upstairs hallway and both front and back staircases.

The shade is mostly dark blue and has specs of grey and white. It is very durable and should hide dirt and stains well.

Vinyl flooring was installed in the kitchen and dining room. It is a simulated slate pattern in a blue and pinkish-orange color. Please stop by the house to take a look.

Our project managers for the flooring job were Megan "Pheebs" Fallon" '05 and Nancy Griffin Hon., our Potsdam connection. Many thanks to them for all their time and coordination efforts. We would like to thank the Class of 1957 and especially Susan Smykla

Udell, coordinator for their generous donation of over \$800.00 towards this project.

Other improvements include general painting and repairs in different rooms of the house. After total expenses of nearly \$12,000, our mission to keep 11 Pierrepont Ave operating and a pleasant place to live continues. Your support of our goal to maintain the house shared and owned by all alumnae is appreciated.



Susan Smykla Udell '57 and husband Jon

Scholarship Presented



Lindsey Gonzalez, Ago Scholarship winner.

This year the scholarship committee received an application from a sister who indeed exemplifies special qualities. Beginning in her first semester in the House, she assumed a leadership position, serving as Ago's All Greek Representative. In addition to her leadership role across Potsdam's Greek community, our sister's leadership skills are evident at 11 Pierrepont where she served as House

Manager. She tended not only to the house's physical structure, but to the upkeep of the sisterhood as well. She also represented Ago on campus, attending Student Leadership Conferences and serving on panels such as the Freshman PLACES presentation to answer questions about Greek Life.

She was a member of Students for Peaceful Alternatives, SUNY Potsdam Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness, and the Eta Sigma Gamma honor society for the School of Education and Professional Studies. Her commitment to bettering the world around her is also shown through her involvement as a Children's Group Assistant and on-call advocate for the Renewal House, a social service agency that assists victims of domestic violence. As a certified AIDS

To receive the Suzanne Wajda Scholarship, a sister must be a leader both in Ago and at the college.

peer educator, she works with the campus Peer AIDS Education Group and the North Country Adolescent Outreach.

She currently is the Adventure Course Director for the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Franklin County. In this capacity, she trains staff and facilitates activities that promote teamwork and communication, while fostering leadership amongst participants. She serves as the Rock Wall and

Ropes Course Manager on campus and facilitated the **Emerging Leaders of SUNY** Potsdam's weekend retreat, leading the students in group-building initiatives. She takes to heart Ago's motto "We strive to lead," incorporating it into her daily lifestyle and serving as a role model for her Ago sisters, fellow Potsdam students, and community members. Proudly we call her one of our sisters, and we are delighted to present

the Suzanne Wajda Excellence in Leadership Scholarship to: LINDSEY GONZA-LEZ.

Alumnae coordinating this year's scholarship selection process were Laurie Wood Cooper '77, Amy Hind Henry '76, Debbie Diefendorf Hind '75, Georgie Czerniak McGlinchey '77, Cathy O'Connor '76, Patty Abernathy Sohl '77, and Liz O'Connor Utzig '77.

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Please help support the Ago Alumnae Association. Dues are just \$20 per year. While the '57s attended 50th reunion events, they still managed to visit our house and enjoyed our \$12,000 of renovations, especially our sparkling new floors and carpeting (and thank you for your financial support of this undertaking!). They were honored at a luncheon and the culminating event of the weekend, an incredible dinner with hundreds of alumnae attending and MC'd by our

very own Debbie Hind '75, President of Potsdam's Alumni Association.

Sunday offered another breakfast at the house with recognition of the alumna attending the most Ago events all the way from Colorado, Judy Schultz Anderson '62 and her husband John. Our most important business event was held on Sunday, our annual Board of Directors meeting.

Matters relating to the 11P budget, corporate status, repairs done and needed were discussed in depth. Alumnae are needed badly in many areas to assist the VOLUNTEER Board with necessary projects. Board members do not live in Potsdam and do the best they can with minimal spare time from NC, GA, WA, PA and scattered around NY. They keep our ship sailing so that we can swab its decks and continue to follow the

Ago Anchor Editor Needed

Fran Sardina Bliek '62 has edited the Ago Anchor for the last 10 years and helped in various capacities for a few years before that. Fran writes, "It has been my pleasure to have volunteered as the editor/publisher of the newsletter for many years. In June 2006, I had to resign this position. I thoroughly enjoyed my tenure as editor/publisher because it afforded me the pleasure of feeling in close contact with Agonians

who live all over the world and hearing in great detail about what they have been doing in their busy lives. The most challenging part of the job is condensing all that news. It takes a great deal of time to do this job but it is well worth it. I am sure there is some capable Agonian out there that can take it over and make the newsletter better than ever."

Thank you, Fran for your many years of service for the gift of many wonderful "Ago An-

chors"

We now face the task of finding a new editor/publisher. This person needs to have experience with Microsoft Publisher. Electronic copies of previous newsletters are a helpful framework for the new editor to use. Cut and paste can be used in many instances. The format is established and some graphics (such as the Ago house) are utilized each year. New ones are always a welcomed feature.

A printing and mailing plan are already in place. If you are interested or have questions, please contact
Jamie Sico: trumpeter@aol.com.



'Plea for Agonian Scholarship Funds

When students decide to participate in Rush, one of the things that sets Ago apart from the other sororities is the fact that we have an active, supportive Alumnae Association. We have received so much loyal financial support over the years that we award scholarships to the Actives to show we value their academics. At one time, we gave three \$1000 scholarships in recognition of Eunice "Brownie" Badger, Laurena Ramsdell, and Suzanne Wajda. Last year, however, we realized that \$3000 was not flowing in through donations to the Scholarship Fund, and we made the fiscally responsible decision to cut back to one \$1000 scholarship. Did we have \$1000 to award to an Active? Yes, but only through general donations and funds that had been building over

the years. At our Annual Meeting this year, we realized that once again we have received far less in donations to our Scholarship Fund (\$60 so far; typically around \$300 most years) than we would like to award. We voted to give **one** \$1000 this year, using money from the general fund, but wondered how we could more securely establish a true Scholarship Fund. Typically an endowment of \$20,000 yields \$1000 in interest each year. If we could obtain that amount of money to be set aside, we would always be guaranteed that we have a scholarship to give. Perhaps 20 Agonians would like to give \$1000 each? Perhaps 40 Agonians would like to contribute \$500? 200 give \$100? Maybe some classes would like to take this on as their

Reunion project? And, of course, if one alumna wants to fund the entire amount, we would name the scholarship after you!! If all of us paid our "dues" each year, we could even set aside a percentage of that for our Scholarship Fund. There are many possible ways to explore this, and we would love to hear your ideas. If you would be willing to commit to a level of funding for our Scholarship Fund or have suggestions to offer, please contact **Debbie Diefendorf** Hind, Scholarship Chair, at gary 103055@aol.com or 518-869-4920.

Agonian
Lynne Boles '74
was honored as
the keynote
speaker at the
2006 SUNY
Potsdam
Commencement
ceremony.



Agonian Sorority Incorporated

The Actives

The first branch of the Agonian Sorority is the most obvious part, the Active Sisters in Potsdam,

President: Heather Taylor Vice President: Angela Kelley Pledge Mistress: Jenna Naylor Social Chair: Sarah Paparella

Corresponding Secretary: Jackie Petit-Smith Social Treasurer & Sr. ISC rep: Lauren Zona

House Manager: Nicole Wilson

There are a total of 20 active sisters and nine girls will live at the sorority house in the fall.

There are three Clarkson girls and three Crane students. One student will spend the fall semester studying in Hong Kong.



Heather Taylor, Ago President



Shelley Ives helps the girls stay within their budget.

The Board of Directors

The second part of the corporation is the Board of Directors. This is the group that keeps the physical house in good shape. The "board" also pays the taxes, insurance, major bills, collects room and board, and works with the Actives to keep things running smoothly. Here are the members of the board:

Connie Walker Bush '82 - Corporate Erica Pendleton Davis '83 - Collections Colleen Costello Filiak '79 - Treasurer Shelley Ives '83 – Assistant Treasurer lane Morale '80 – Active Liaison Licia Urtis Murrell '82 - Repairs Sue Wajda '74 - Critical Bills And our dear friend and honorary: Nancy Griffin is not actually on the board but is our "Potsdam Connection". Since none of the board members live in Potsdam, Nancy is always willing to help when we need her.

The Alumnae Association

The Ago Alumnae Association awards scholarships to demaintains the database of Ago- serving Agonian students nian addresses, collects dues and donations from alums, and Pierrepont during Reunion communicates in a fun way sending cards for birthdays, initiation, graduation, etc. with piece is our Ago Anchor the active sisters. This is unlike publication. We do not the board of directors who are have and editor/publisher making sure all the rules are followed, bills are paid, etc. The alumnae association also

and hosts events at 11 Weekend every July. Perhaps the most important for next year so please consider taking on this project so that our tradition will continue!

President: Jamie Sico '04 Vice President: Anchor Editor Treasurer: Alice Warden Ehmann '93 Secretarial Team:

> Shirley Wolf Crane '62 JoAnn Koch-Quon '77

Scholarship Chair:

Debbie Diefendorf Hind '75 Active Alumnae Secretary: Erin Wilkinson '09



Jamie Sico, Alumnae President

Long Range Planning for Ago Alumnae Association

At the July 14, 2007 Agonian Alumni Association meeting, a Long Range Planning Committee was established to evaluate and make recommendations on items including the AAA's goals, operating procedures and job descriptions. The committee will hold its first meeting on September 8, 2007 in Rochester, NY (before Double Axel and the college gathering). We would also like to

meet in May for the Saratoga College gathering.

This committee expects to report back to the Agonian Alumni Association at the July, 2008 meeting with a slate of recommendations. If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact -Patty Abernethy Sohl: sohlwr@aol.com, Debbie Diefendorf Hind: gary 103055@aol.com,

Georgie Czerniack McGlinchey: gmcg2428@aol.com, JoAnn Koch-Ouon:

jquon55@aol.com, or Laurie Wood Cooper:

rcoope I@nycap.rr.com

We will be keeping the conversation going on line during the coming months and we would be glad to add your name to the list. If email is not your thing, we



Ago Alumnae Association Minutes

The annual meeting of the Agonian Alumnae Association was held on Saturday, July 14th, 2007 at the Ago house and was attended by 28 alumnae and I

The meeting was run by Jamie Sico '05 President of AAA and was called to order at 10 am. Agonian hymn was sung.

Alice Ehmann 93 gave Treasurers report: checking \$4179.97; savings \$11,731.12 and CD \$3768.47. This year, \$60.00 was donated toward scholarship and \$1,550.00 was donated toward where needed.

Motion was made by Jane Morale '80 to move money donated in 2007 and designated as "where needed" to repair fund (estimated at \$1,700). 2nd by Georgie Czerniak McGlinchey '77, discussion

Motion was made by Sue Wajda '74 to give a \$1000 scholarship in 2007/2008. 2nd by Patti Abernathy Sohl '77, discussion and passed. Scholarship committee: Amy Hind Henry '76, Debbie Diefendorf Hind '75, Laurie Wood Cooper '77, Elizabeth O'Connor Utzig '77, Cathy O'Connor '76, Licia Murrell '82, and Shirley Crane '62.

Elizabeth O'Connor Utzig '77 gave Secretarial Team Report: almost 500 thank-you notes sent in 2006/2007.

Jane Morale '80 gave Vice President's report: newsletter will be coming out the end of July this year. Jamie Sico '05 gave President's report there will be a BBQ luncheon on campus this afternoon to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of Ago.

Motion was made to set up long range planning committee to evaluate the financial structure of the alumnae association and the officer responsibilities by Laurie Wood Cooper '77. 2nd by Sue Wajda '74, discussion and passed. Motion was made to donate \$150 toward Fall Rush and \$350 toward Spring Rush by Alice Warden Ehmann '93. 2nd by Cathy O'Connor '76, discussion and passed.

Election of officers:

Secretarial Team: JoAnn Koch-Quon '77 and Shirley Wolf Crane '62

Treasurer: Alice Warden Ehmann '93 Vice President: tabled to future date

President: Jamie Sico '05 Meeting adjorned 12:15 PM

Class Representatives Many thanks for your help

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2000: Kara Korkus, kkorkus@hotmail.com;

1999: Kelly Reardon, kreardon@twcny.rr.com;

1996: Melissa Dennis Fasse, mdfasse@comcast.net;

1995: Eva Dechario McGee, Edechario@hotmail.com;

1994: Susan Grant, Sgrant424@yahoo.com;

1993: Alice Warden Ehmann, jaehmann@nycap.rr.com;

1992: Denise Jeffrey Edwards, spookynav@cox.net;

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1988: Heather Williams Biché, HBatHome@comcast.net;

1987: Becky Volans Akins;

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1984: Irene Jezsik Rauchenberger, israuch@optonline.net;

1982: Ellen Bartis Gambee, gambee@comcast.net;

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1979: Sharon Keating Heiligman, Sheilig24@aol.com;

1978: Nadine Gager Compisi, ncompisi@ftdi.com;

1977: JoAnn Koch-Quon, jquon@aol.com;

1976: Cathy Lennon Nealon,

m.catherine.nealon@kodak.com;

1975: Debbie Diefendorf Hind, gary103055@aol.com;

1974: Lynne Boles, lynneboles@yahoo.com;

Is your class included in the "Class News" section? If not, would you like to contact your classmates and serve as the rep? It's a terrific way to stay in touch with your college friends. For more information, contact Jamie Sico at trumpeteer@aol.com.

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1968: Nancy Chicken Merchant, chickentar@aol.com;

1967: Kate Belgard Finney, rfinney@attglobal.net;

1963: Bev Smith, bgsmith311@verizon.net;

1962: Fran Sardina Bliek, fbliek@htva.net;

1961: Gloria Gonda Groocock.

ggroocock@hotmail.com;

1957: Susan Smykla Udell, usandj@hotmail.com;

1956: Jo DiCroce Farra, rfarra@nycap.rr.com;

1955: Lois Smith Herold, hhhhaven@cox.net;

1949: Bev Savage Castiglione, beejay@twcny.rr.com.

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Class of 1928

Audrey Spotswood Kelly's daughter, Karen Parsons writes that Irene French McCormick worked with Karen's dad as a teacher and later as a secretary for many years. Karen still visits her often. Irene still lives alone in her own home and neighbors and relatives check on her each day. She turned 100 on June 19, 2007.

Class of 1933

Karen Parsons writes that her mother **Audrey Spotswood Kelly** turned 94 on June 2nd. She suffers from dementia but when looking at pictures from college and sorority days, she seems to remember some.

Class of 1945

Lena Laverghetta-Spadafore Cappione married Sam Cappione 4 years ago and they spend their winters in Florida. Next year they'll be at "The Villages" where they'll continue to enjoy golfing and other activities.

Class of 1946

Paula Gibson Crowe is living in Delaware where there is less snow to shovel. Her son lives in Washington State and her daughter and family live in Vermont.

Class of 1947

Helen Garvey Kennedy and husband live in Florida from October through May and then go to Colorado. Helen is still singing and is in a church choir in both Florida and Colorado. Both Helen and her husband enjoy golf and play almost year round.

Class of 1949

Bev Savage Castiglione is still living in the same place, doing the same things—director of church music program for 8 months and then spends 4 months at camp on the St. Lawrence. Bev is excited that her grandson just transferred to SUNY Potsdam as a theatre arts major.

Shirley Valentine Backus sold her house in Florida and lives in Harrisville year round. Her son lives with her, making it possible for her to stay in her home. She has been a widow since 1976. Shirley is in touch with Ruth Rose Many and Jeanne Johnston Brown.

Charlotte McCurdy Ellis has lived in Win-

ter Haven, FL for almost 20 years. She is now a widow and is still teaching line dancing and bowling. Charlotte is looking forward to a get-together with Jean Goldthwate Swanson, Lila Dean Hamilton, Mary Lou Farr Koulman, and Jane Baumer Moore

Ruth Rose Many and her husband are busy grandparents, happy, healthy, active and counting their blessings. They cruised the Ohio and Tennessee Rivers in a paddle boat last August and spent some winter time in Florida this year.

Nan Rankin Harris and husband Guy are still living in Winter Park, FL. Guy's health has kept them close to the "home front". (Note to Nan from Bev: "I am so happy to be hearing from you again!)

Donna Newton Johnson and husband Dick still attend an Elderhostel each year and she still volunteers at 2 schools. They are considering moving back to Williamsburg, Va. after 15 years in "almost heaven" --- upstate New York.

Betty Winchester Kirwan has a new address: 2160 Bleecker St., Ap't A221, Utica, NY 13501. After her husband died, Betty spent one more winter in Florida, then sold the house there. Since then she has also sold her house in Utica and moved into an apartment in a Retirement Complex.

Class of 1950

Kay Durr Lyman and husband Jerry now have 12 grandchildren. Their daughter Martha (MIT grad) gave birth to Leah Catherine Upton on April 3, 2006. Kay has been fighting Parkinson's disease for 13 years and it gets more difficult every year. Shirley "Zeke" Secor Bush and husband Phillip moved into a senior-living community called Brookside in Lowville, NY. They are very happy with their comfortable "life -of-ease".

Class of 1952

Marilyn Jackson Dumbleton and Jack retired to Seven Lakes, NC in 1985 and chose a wonderful community. They are active in their church and are volunteers in Moore County. They have many Mexican families in their area and Marilyn tutors as a sub-

stitute one day a week at church. She is a volunteer for the county respite program and Jack works two days for Habitat. They acquired a Welsh Springer puppy a year ago. Marilyn never considered herself a dog person but this dog is very lovable and has her mischievous moments, too. Marilyn returned made a trip to the Copper Canyon in Mexico in April with a friend. Marilyn exercises three times a week and generally plays bridge at least once a week. She loves to garden and plants some veggies and flowers.

Class of 1953

Barbara Button Shafer died October 12, 2005 after fighting breast cancer for 14 years. Her husband Willard wrote: "She loved Ago and we'd always stop at the house during our 5 year SUNY/Clarkson reunions. We had a great teacher-engineer marriage for over 52 years." Barbara served as a rep for her class for several years.

Class of 1955

Wanda Grygiel Gregory and **Betty Lou Miga Frye** attended their 50th reunion and were so pleased to see so many alumni, Ago and others.

Leonore A. Jacoby Neuberger spent a month in Australia and New Zealand. She is in Naples, FL for 3 months of the winter. They celebrated their 50th anniversary this June with a cruise to Bermuda. Leonore is treasurer of Plainfield, NJ branch of AAUW and also a local nature preserve. Betty Lou Miga Frye feels it is great to keep in touch with old-time Ago sis-

keep in touch with old-time Ago sisters....Joanie Roberts Delvecchio, Chickie Albini Taylor, Wanda Grygiel Gregory, Bev Jayne Cantwell...also the "reunion" in Roscoe, NY.

Genevieve Abdallah Turner lost her husband Roy on January 22, 2006 after 47 years of wedded bliss. It has been difficult for Genevieve to adjust. Nancy Ingison Burns altered her usual routine by buying a Hi-Lo travel trailer



and they enjoyed trips to Maryland, Mt. Desert Island, ME and Canton, NY this past summer.

Joan Petteys Mullin continues to fill her life with many Church, family/ grandchildren activities. She loves every minute of it.

Marilyn Steele McDonald has been retired 18 years! She keeps busy with garden club, church activities, driving for the office for the aging, and her 4 cats! Wanda Grygiel Gregory is working for the church as visitation ministry coordinator. She keeps busy with family, including a 3 year old great grandson! Wanda attended the 50th Potsdam Reunion in '05 and also attended in '06. Ellie Jeffers Cox says "thanks" to Smythe for organizing a mini Ago reunion. What fun!

Lois Smith Herold organized a mini reunion of Agos in September '06. Joining Lois at the Roscoe Diner were Betty Lou Miga Frye, Wanda Grygiel Gregory, Joan Petteys Mullen, Eleanor Jeffers Cox, Joan Gardiner Nieckarz, Elva Nelson Thompson, and Barbara Ross Connor. The plan is to do it again in September '07. Any who would like to join them, contact Lois at hhhhaven@cox.net.

Class of 1956

Marlene King Towne enjoyed the 50th college reunion in July. It was a fun weekend renewing friendships, revisiting memories and a reunion for Stan with his hometown. Their 50th wedding anniversary was a wonderful occasion celebrated with family and friends. Their granddaughter was born in June and Stan was inducted into the NY State Horseshoe Hall of Fame after 8 State championships. In October, Marlene and Stan took a 17-day trip to South America.

Claire Freedman Koshar enjoyed her 50th Potsdam reunion for Martin (Clarkson '55) and resuming good friendships with her Ago sisters. It seemed as though they had taken up right where they left off all those years ago. They also had a wonderful visit

with Ann (T) Levy here in Montverde. They reconstructed almost all the words from "Rip Van Winkle" a student musical written in their freshman year. After 40 years of teaching dog training, Claire recently retired from her training center. She has more time to raise, train and show her flat-coated retrievers. Claire continues to write and spend a few weeks each year at the Writers' Colony of Dairy Hollow in Eureka Springs, AR. They look forward to their annual cruise to the Bahamas on their sailboat. They travel often with friends and family but do let them know when you are in Central Florida. They'd love to see you.

Beverly Jayne Cantwell writes: Like all the rest of us lucky, long retired Agonians, we have our health and beautiful grandchildren, who live in exciting cities like Boston, Philly, Cleveland and Richmond. Beverly has five grandchildren, two involved in music and theatre and one biologist, who will be married in Belize in May. Beverly still teaches private piano, substitutes at their church organ, sings in the choir every Sunday, and entertains at senior residences. She is also beginning her 14th year as Village Trustee and Deputy Mayor. Her husband Don and Beverly continue to enjoy sharing their music with their students and talking the good old music talk over dinner. Aren't they lucky? Like most blended families, their reunions are truly something with her 3 grown daughters and their husbands, 5 grandchildren AND Don's 4 grown children and spouses, 10 grandchildren and 5.8 greatgrandchildren! Best of all they all like each other! donbevsc@dreamscape.com Jo DiCroce Farra celebrated her 50th college reunion at Potsdam in July with a large turnout of classmates including several Ago Sisters from different locations in the US. In August, Ron and Jo celebrated their big 50th wedding anniversary at a party surrounded by their five children, 10 grandchildren and extended family and friends in Saratoga at the historic Gideon Putnam Hotel. They continue to enjoy

ballroom dancing, cross-country skiing and

ski dancing in the North Country. At their condo in Fort Myers Florida, they enjoy ballroom dancing, biking, swimming and a variety of social activities.

Janice Rowlands Johnson has had a hectic life these past two years with a move, a renovation and a knee replacement - all without Roger. However, she is looking forward to taking her two granddaughters (13 & 15) to Italy in June. Her grandson (11) is already planning his trip. At the moment he wants to go to Egypt but she told him he better have a second choice. Janice had a marvelous time at the 50th. It was just great to see her bridesmaids, Ann B. and Margie B. Also, "T" and "Freck". What a great sorority sisters we have.

J. Marilyn Shott Gorman and Ron (Clarkson '55) spent about 5 months at their place in Coos Bay, OR to avoid the extreme hot temps in the CA desert during the summer. Marilyn is in her third round of chemo keeping lung cancer controlled and doing quite well.

Class of 1957

Janet Schneider Hogan stays close to home in West Islip as she cares for her husband who has Parkinson's disease. She loves to attend watercolor classes and to play bridge with friends whenever possible. She also does fundraising for a local hospital. Her three grandchildren live nearby and she is in



volved with their music lessons. Jackie Anthony O'Donnell and husband Jim moved to the small, quiet village of Kohler, WI (home of the plumbing company) to be nearer to children and grandchildren. They are enjoying the serene and friendly surrounding of this charming village. Their son Tom is a general contractor and he built Jackie and Jim's retirement home. They are enjoying first floor accommodations while being able to provide their children and 12 grandchildren a place to visit and be with Grandma and Papa. They have another son in IL with 4 grandchildren, and their other two children are in southern IN and Charlotte, NC. Jan Scott Burwell and husband Bill enjoy winters at their home in Daytona Beach, FL. They are located in a gated golf community called Pelican Bay. Bill and Jan play lots of golf and do not miss the snow and cold weather in the northeast. Julie Eisenstein Hirsch and husband Norman have stopped by for a visit which passing through Daytona. They had a great time reliving old times at Potsdam State and Ago. At Christmastime, Jan and Bill still keep in touch with Barbie Fowler Prater, Janey Flewellin Fisher, Betty Foster Dunn, and Julie Eisenstein Hirsch.

Jean Schauffler took a trip to Iceland, where she was most impressed by the process and use of geothermal energy found in so many areas. Many of the volcanic rock formations can be seen in other parts of the world, but some were fascinating. Geology people would love Iceland, but it's a fairly expensive place to eat and drink. Jean spends a few hours daily with her 103 year old mother.

Barbara McMahon Newcomb is pleased that her 10 grandchildren show lots of musical talent and interest. Her oldest Benjamin is a sophomore and college and would like to go into music production. Margaret is a freshman in college and has a beautiful soprano voice. She was voted best lead actress in a vocal roll out of 26 competing high schools for her role as Belle in "Beauty and the Beast". Her first love, however, is opera! The younger

grandkids are mostly playing piano or guitar. Her 13-year-old Paul is playing violin very, very well. Barbara and her friend are giving recitals: mostly two-piano pieces and some duets. She is also playing a Mozart piano and violin sonata with another friend. It is lots of fun.

Betty Meehan Wind is married, has 3 children, and 7 grandchildren. She taught 28 years, grades K, 2, and 3. Betty retired in 1999. Presently, she is a Creative Memories consultant, helping people preserve family photos. Other interests include church organizations, garden club and gardening, aerobics, bridge, and the Delta Kappa Gamma International Society. Mary Jane Flewellyn Fisher of Schenectady travels between their town home on Cape Cod, timeshares in Maine and Myrtle Beach and Arizona in the winter. Grandchidlren Abbie and Sarah, 16, are headed to college, Cindi is working on her PhD., Aden, 7, is in LA, and Tami is an architect with her hubby.

Pat Adams Sundell of Jamestown plays cello, sings, and directs a 32-voice women's chorus. Both her daughter Julie (music) and grand-daughter Brittany are attending Fredonia—SUNY.

Mary Lou Trask Scott of Canton officially retired last June. However, she still has an organ position and will teach at Maine's New England Music Camp for the 33rd summer. Her daughter Kristen teaches music in Watertown and both of her grandchildren are also very musical. ML's son Erik and wife live in Canton with toddler Andrew.

Julie Eisenstein Hirsch of Savannah, GA traveled to Sweden and Denmark with friends, hosted four grandchildren attending the UGA's Oceanography Institute's summer day camps, and then hosted the remarriage of her daughter Abby in October.

Sue Gernold Miller of Wilmington, SC was sorry to miss the reunion but sent a contribution for our Ago gift and hopes our gala celebration was great!

Barb Fowler Prater retired after 23 years of teaching—Yeah! She has 9 grandchil-

dren spread among IA, AL and GA. Barb stays active in two social organizations, church, and with several class friends.

Susan Smykla Udell 's Madison (WI) Area Concert Handbells is celebrating its 10th year. Visit

ww.madisonhandbells.org for a bit of music! Her husband, 6 children plus spouses and 7 grandchildren add much to enrich life.

Contributions towards our Ago Class of '57 gift to the sorority can still be sent to Susan Udell at 5210 Barton Road, Madison, WI 53711. We've received gifts from several '57 Agonians for a present total of \$520.

Class of 1959

Joyce Horwath Berg and husband Arthur enjoy cross country skiing, biking, sailing, gardening, church activities, their grand and great grandchildren, and their black lab puppy. Summer 2005 they spent two weeks on the Bering Sea in a "small" boat; June 2006 they went on a cruise on the Danube River from Budapest to the Black Sea. They spend their summers at Henderson Harbor in their lakeside cottage. Joyce stays in contact with Marlen Ferguson Deveans, Joan Kinyon Sandberg, and Shirley Bethlehem Wallace.

Class of 1960

Fran Mider Biedler is in Charlottsville, VA. Does becoming a grandmother for the first time at age 68 count as news? Absolutely! Way to go, Fran! She dug out her Potsdam sweatshirt and called on Audrey Baker Vail, Ago Class of '48. Audrey's Mother graduated in 1918 and knew Julia Crane - small world!

Jolie Smithem Haug and Peter have decided this is their last year in China so they brought 3 of their grandchildren to Dalian after New Year's: Brynne - 15, Carew - 14, and Kierra 14 - imagine going to an ancient/modern civilization at that age! All are

Volved Year's: Brynne - 15, Carew - 14, and Kierra 14 - imagine going to an ancient/modern civilization at that age! All are enjoying the park beside the sea just west of the Museum of Natural History. Good going, Jolie!

Julie Krum Kennaugh, Terry and Wenda enjoyed Burlington, Vermont's First Night, especially Wenda's son, Stuart's Burlington Taiko Group (Japanese drumming). Julie and Terry continue to host several visitors from Russia - Siberia and central Russia. The close of their stay was a barbeque, complete with Russian vodka toasts, Russian folk songs, an exchange of gifts and the evening campfire with marshmallow roast on Shelburne beach - wow!

Judie Bennet Mayo has launched her new business, All Wrapped Up by Judie, which provides frozen vacuum-packed appetizers and desserts - a great success so far! A wedding and reception at a Virginia winery meant a visit to the Museum at Dulles and also the National Cathedral - which they wanted to do after seeing it in an episode of "West Wing." Way to go, Judie!

Eileen Knapp Patch still does her living history presentations for groups, including the Wilson Museum in Castine, ME. Eileen and David enjoy English country dancing and continue their interest in the American Civil War and Abraham Lincoln - great photo of them at a Civil War Ball, dressed as Mary and Abraham Lincoln - good likeness, Eileen and David! Check out her website: www.thisfromgeorge.com.

Marge Garten Buschmeyer and her husband have stayed in the same town but now live in a ranch instead of a colonial. They travel a lot, enjoy golf, tennis, bridge and observing their 4 grandchildren grow. Sounds good, Marge!

Dottie Noyes Sharrow has been retired for 6 1/2 years and loves every minute of it! Conrad and Dottie take many trips. This year they plan to do the Grand Circle tour to Northern Mexico and the Copper Canyon. This summer

they renovated their camp in Long Lake, New York. Winter means time in California and Arizona. While they were in Florida, they met up with Skip and Ann Gamble Wright. Old friends are still good friends! Phyllis Young Stearns and Ron continue to be snowbirds, traveling between Colorado and Florida. They see Freda Aseel and Chuck Bradt in Florida each winter. Phyllis' sister, Nancy (Young) Rinehart, class of '58 Ago and Phyllis have connected with Barb Aberle, class of '58 also. It is great renewing friendships with Ago's living nearby!

Wendy Stratton Bailey and her twin sister Nancy, celebrated their 68th birthday with a Western Caribbean cruise to Panama, Costa Rico and Belize. They kayaked on Lake Gatun, the largest manmade lake in the world. They had lots of laughs when a driving tropical storm hit on their return to the hotel where Noriega used to hang out. Another trip had Wendy and R.D. going back down the Oregon coast where they saw a pod of 14 whales in 85 degree weather! Ah, Wendy!

Wenda Carter Paton spent the summer working in the Mountain Tops shops in Ogunguit, Perkins Cove, and Kennebunkport, Maine. Being paid to go to the beach each day is her idea of a fun job! On her days off she toured Rangeley, Freeport and Poland Spring. Her son Stuart performed with the San Francisco Taiko Dojo (Japanese Drums) in Bangor at the Music Festival on the banks of the Penobscot River - a great 4 months!

Class of 1961

Carole Rinfret Broadhurst retired June 2007 after 35 years of pediatric nursing. She is recuperating from the recent sudden death of her son Craig Steven Broadhurst, "Tree Top Flyer", a member of the famous Jimmy Buffet, "Parrot Head" Club in Phonenix, AZ. Craig was a flight mechanic sharing the love of planes like his dad Major Donald Broadhurst a graduate of Clarkson '56. Don was the only Army test pilot at Paxtuxent River Naval Air Station. He tested the CH 54 and Chinook Helicopters serving in Iraq today. Craig

graduated from Embry Riddle University in Florida where Don was a flight instructor. Donald is a disabled Veteran having served in Korea and Vietnam and is in a facility requiring 24 hour care now. Working with disabled children has helped Carol rebuild her life. Her other two sons David and Kenneth are close by. She has three wonderful grandchildren. Carol has heard from so many people regarding her son's passing. He was a wonderful young man and she is thankful for each day of good health. Carol continues her piano programs regularly in hospitals and nursing homes. Although she has lost two special men in her life, her love for music and children pushes her forward.

Betty Gibson Venator is having a ball now that their grandchildren live 5 minutes away. Parker is 4-years-old and Camden was 7-months-old in January. They are the best grandchildren in the whole world! They help out occasionally and love every minute. Their son and his wife moved from St. Louis. They are still active with their Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra volunteer foundation, their church, and teaching and coordinating their Elderhostels downstate.

Pat Scheu Blackwell writes that their three sons and their wives have given them eight grandchildren (4 boys and 4 girls) in three states. In retirement, Pat does volunteer work, enjoys bridge and lots of other activities including her special interest in genealogy. Pat sees Sue Tincknell Rossi '63 occasionally.

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Kate Merrill Karshick enjoyed reconnecting for lunch with Joyce Horwath Berg '59 in their daughter's hometown of Cazenovia, NY. Eleanor McKillop Russell '61 and her husband John were houseguests in April. Kate has six grandchildren, ages 2-10, and all within driving distance. Besides traveling, tennis, and sailing, she continues as a photo journalist for a monthly publication and is a docent at the zoo.

Class of 1962

Sharon Mooney Wolcott and Bob just had their second grandchild, born Jan 20th, Nicole Leigh Semple. They are looking forward to a trip to Alaska this summer. Bob is retiring in one year and it certainly is time. Right now they spend three months in Florida but that will increase. Hi to everyone!

Shirley Wolf Crane enjoys getting together with Fran Bliek and Bev Levy every month and seeing May Kemp and Rosemary Quadrini whenever they visit. She hikes each week (in a hiking group) with Marilyn Clary ('64). Having all the grandchildren visit at Christmas and taking care of Emily each Wednesday is terrific!

Susan Johnson Aceto and Tom are enjoying the good life between Tucson, AZ and the tiny town of Roque Bluffs on the coast of Maine. If anyone had asked them in 1961 (the year they were married) where they would be spending retirement, they never could have guessed they would live in two such wonderful places. They often reflect on their good fortune to have met each other at good old Potsdam State! Sue hopes all her Agonian sisters are equally as happy in their lives at this time.

Judy Schulz Anderson spent a lot of time traveling during 2006. In February she and John went to Yellowstone, stayed at The Snow Lodge and attended 4 Star Parties. They bought a TAB camper making camping much easier and more comfortable and used it in September for trips to New Mexico and Texas. They met their children and their families in San Antonio to visit with Judy's 95 year old mother who finally got to meet her great granddaughter. They traveled to Chicago for Thanksgiving with Jim, Alicia and Mia.

Betsy Slingland Blaisdell continues as Community Liaison for East Windsor Public Schools and John continues at Westinghouse. They are finally to be grandparents for the first time. Their daughter and sonin-law are expecting in May and their son and his wife will have their first in August. Needless to say they wish their children didn't live in Oklahoma and Seattle – so far from Connecticut.

Fran Sardina Bliek and Dave enjoy life on Seneca Lake with visits from their children and 9 grandchildren during the summer and in Naples, FL during the winter. They enjoy monthly gatherings of Potsdam friends, Bev Eccles Levy, Shirley Wolf Crane, Betty Hughto Schaeffer, Carolyn Marlow Masucci, and Ginny Straat Braun while in NY and occasionally in Florida. Fran and Elaine Fallon Boyrer meet for a reunion lunch in Florida. Terry and May Simpson Kemp stopped by for a wonderful visit in September. Fran is the Workshop Coordinator for the Yates County Arts Center in Penn Yan, NY.

Elaine Fallon Boyrer and Jerry celebrated the arrival of a granddaughter in April 2006. They spend as much time as possible with her, their daughter and son-in-law while they are on Long Island and do the same with their grandson while in Florida. Their Florida family will be growing as their son and daughter-in-law are expecting in June. Elaine and Jerry enjoy golf and gardening.

Kate Sheldon Cox wondered how she got to be 66 years old but each year as her kids get older she is reminded of the fact!

Kate retired in June from her K-5 music teaching position. As much as she hated to think of not working, she wanted to leave the job when she still liked them! Kate visits her kids and grandkids in via AmTrak in NJ and MA. Kate is awaiting another grandchild in June.

Jean Urbas Dearstyne and John downsized this year and moved next door. Jean says it was one of the best decisions they made despite the stresses of planning, design and construction. Their kids are the third generation at their former location moving there last June. Jean enjoys having them as neighbors. They spent last Christmas in France with their daughter and family.

May Simpson Kemp and "Terry Terrific" live in York, PA close to their son and three grandchildren. They have taken the grandchildren to local theaters to see Riverdance, Annie, and Oliver. They made two trips to California and welcomed their second Californian granddaughter there. May has joined the local "Dollars for Sc holars" program and she and Terry are involved in church and community activities. They visit with Kate Sheldon Cox when they visit their son in upstate NY. Retirement is busier than

Bev Eccles Levy and Gail enjoy spending time with their grandchildren on the East and West Coast. Last fall, while visiting their daughter and family in Seattle, they took a wonderful trip by ferry to the lovely city of Victoria, British Columbia then continued on to Vancouver. Both cities were fascinating and the scenery on the trip spectacular!

Judy Schorge O'Reilly and John enjoy life in CA and NY. They travel a lot on business and pleasure and traveled to Ireland, Wales and England with their church choir. They took a driving trip to Mendocino, CA. They'll be traveling to hear band pieces John was com-

on the Racquette River very close to Postwood Beach. We all remember going there when we were in college!

Pat Clerkin Swanson and Bob were gifted with two new grandchildren in 2006. Son Eric and wife had their first in last January and daughter Karen delivered their fourth in November. What a joy! Although both families live out of state Pat and Bob see them relatively often. They spent a month touring the national parks last fall.

Class of 1963

Ellen Theim Horn says that retirement is great. She volunteers tutoring kindergarten children at Dr. Martin Luther King School in the city and is involved in the interfaith hospitality network, an out reach program for homeless families in Rochester. She began taking piano lessons and really loves it. Ellen says that being a grandmother (of four) is the absolute best "job" of all.

Nancy Hoffer teaches at Tabor Academy during the summers on beautiful Buzzards Bay in MA. Life is good for Nancy as she does three days of volunteer work, bridge/book clubs and a museum trip to London. She also does a little sailing and golf! Warmest wishes to all the Agos for all the lasting friendships. **Ruth Hammel Gove** has finally retired after teaching kindergarten for 42 years. She couldn't leave it cold turkey, so she volunteers in 2 of the kindergarten classes 3 mornings a week. She is also on an exercise routine where she does Yoga one day and Pilates another. Ruth is hoping this will help her get another 5 yards on my golf swing. She also continues to sing with Sweet Adelines chorus. **Beverly Smith** is busy with the same ol' things week after week – and she wouldn't change it at all!! - golf, watercolor classes, volunteer work in a basketry class for the visually challenged and Habitat. She wields a mean paint brush!! Beverly goes to Port Charlotte every couple of weeks to see her mother who turned 96 in April and is living independently. Hope it is in the genes!!

Cindy Thisse Lehmkuhl lost her mother in April '06. She was 99 ½ years old. Now Cindy is looking forward to traveling again – a cruise through Panama Canal and up the west coast to Vancouver this spring. She still teaches piano, and enjoys getting together with other Agos in the Rochester area.

Nancy Weber Richardson recently returned from a lovely trip to the Dominican Republic with the Senior Golf Association of America and Dave brought home the championship trophy! In March, we headed to Sarasota for a Lambda/DU reunion where they enjoyed catching up with Dave and Sue Tincknell Rossi and other Potsdam/Clarkson grads. Their Christmas trip to Denver reminded them of the old Potsdam winters-snow up to their knees, a blizzard or two and then sunny blue skies. Lori Aquini Reiners saw Sandy Jenner Kolb on their way to FL where they rent a place in Naples every year for a month. She sees more Agos from the class of '62 than she does from '63. Shirley Crane sits in front of them at a theater they subscribe to and Lori often sees Bev Levy and Fran Bliek there too. Lori really loves retirement and can't believe it's been 10 years since she taught. She thinks everyone should all try to make it to the 45th reunion in as great numbers as the 25th. Didn't you all have fun?

Carol Bossung Gibbons reports the sad news that Gibby died of cancer in July 2003. In July 2005 Carol sold their CT home and moved to their second/retirement home on Hilton Head Island, SC. Their 4 adult children and 2 high school age grandchildren love to visit. Carol is involved in charitable organizations, P.E.O., bridge, and learning to play golf. She feels her life is blessed and would LOVE to see her Ago sisters who are in the area.

Marti Tallman Scott and Scotty have been busy this year with the Shrine Club in Sun Lakes. Scotty is president this year and that means work for both of them. It is fun and worthwhile to help crippled children get the help they need from the Shrine Hospitals. Marti is teaching water aerobics 5 mornings a week. They moved to Sun Lakes 2 ½ years ago with one grandson in Kansas City. They now have 2 new grand daughters and a new baby on the way. They love their Shaklee Business as it has given them a purpose in life we are passionate about, health for seniors and green products. They have an extra bedroom so if you are in the Phoenix area let them know. Their phone is 480-895-4176 and e-mail scottml@shaklee.net.

Class of 1964

Joanne Oster Horvath and husband Dr. Alexander Horvath retired to North Hampton, NH. Al was president of Locheed Martin's aerospace division and corporate vice president. Joanne was director of PR and development of a medical center in Syracuse. She is now volunteering at the Seacoast Hospice in New Hampshire. Joanne and Al are now close to their children and grandchildren and enjoying them so much. They are also enjoying the beauty of the Atlantic Ocean and the long walks on the beach.

Class of 1967

Can this really be our 40th reunion year? To paraphrase Marion Allen Cole's Christmas letter: "I hate the name Senior Citizens. I like hot, young chick better. I still have hot flashes, I am younger than (fill in the name of an older friend or family member) and I'm chicken about lots of things. So, there you have it: hot, young chick". I agree!

Kate Belgard Finney has

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graciously agreed to take over as alumnae secretary for our class. Kate and her husband Ray live in Ohio, but summer at their "camp" on the St. Lawrence River, where they are undertaking a total remodel from the foundation up to a new second story.

Polly Ingram McCarthy has a new grand-daughter named Bridie born in August 2006.

Carol Jones Baker also reports a new grandchild in August, together with two weddings in the family. She divides her time between Florida and New Jersey and travels to a lot senior softball events, a passion of her husband Bob. In the "small world" department, she lives quite close to Patti Martin O'Driscoll in Florida.

Marion Allen also had a new addition to the grandchildren flock, Grace Marie born 6/6/2006. Marion retired from teaching in June 2006 but continues to make beautiful music (including a CD) as choir director of her Quaker congregation.

Mikie Bailey Rose and her whole family enjoyed the joyous occasion of the marriage of son Matt and Stephanie in June 2007.

Sharon Burns Cook is the vice-principal of a music technology school and she and her family live in Annapolis, MD. Husband Peter is optimistically dealing with lung cancer and experimental techniques and therapies. His positive attitude is amazing. Sharon visited with Peggy Whelan Mitchell on a recent trip to San Francisco.

Nancy Salzer Hessler has left the corporate world of Xerox and is now consulting part time in the area of strategic human resources. Check out her website: ipeoplesolutions.com. She has two Denver -based children and lives on the Erie Canal in Fairport, NY. She hooked up with Martha Gaudern Wheaton for a brief visit.

Katie Ormiston Clark enjoyed three months living in London. Stateside she volunteers, particularly on finance—related projects and is amazed what life is like without an 8-5 time clock.

Sue Burns Stubbs hasn't changed a bit... she is still a caregiver (and a charmer). Her brother Bob is seriously ill and she minis-

ters to him faithfully.

Marilyn Reed Edwards is, we understand, the decorating whiz of our class....Martha Stewart without the felony conviction! She is retired from teaching music and lives in Rhode Island with her employment attorney husband Rob.

The "Girls of Summer" met in Corning, NY in the summer of 2006. The tour of the Glassworks was amazing, and then we "took over" an elegant bed and breakfast and talked through the evening. 2007 is scheduled for Saranac Lake. Join us?

Class of 1968

Liz Bradley Quillinan moved from San Francisco Bay area to their beach house in Kiawah Island, SC. Their 2 children Meghan (26) is in Manhattan, NY as a marketing director for a software firm. RJ (24) is in investment banking and moving to Charleston to do his MBA and continuing work. Bob (Clarkson - Sigma Delta '69) and Liz are retired but travel a lot due to Board commitments around the US. Liz would love to hear from her Ago Sisters. Nancy Chicken Merchant can't believe that her class is celebrating their 40 year reunion this summer! She and her husband are both retired. They have a beautiful grandson who lives with his Mom and Dad (their son Corey and his wife Michelle). Their daughter Jennifer and her husband Brian live in Chicago, so they go visiting as much as they can. Nancy still teaches instrumental lessons after school and loves it. Their home at Sacandaga Lake or Vley Road, Scotia will always be open to all of you.

Beth Muggleton Watkins is still working full time as a director of faith formation at their local Catholic church. Her husband Joseph retired a year and a half ago from Kodak. He was a senior engineer and presently is restoring antiques for several dealers and private individuals. He also does oil painting. Their oldest daughter Emily is married with a 11 month-old daughter named Margaret Elizabeth. She is such a joy. Emily works part time as a special education teacher in the Burlington school district. Her husband is in his

second year of fellowship at Fletcher-Allen Hospital in Burlington, VT. His specialty is pulmonary. Their son and youngest daughter live in Brooklyn and work in Manhattan. Philip is a mechanical engineer and works for a small upscale lighting company. They restore and sell antique lights and Philip is involved with designing new lighting that they also sell. Caroline is presently building Muppet-size puppets for a future TV program. She is a Pratt graduate and is heavy into the arts. She was an art education major but really is trying to make a living in NYC using her many skills as an artist.

Class of 1972

Flossie Mitchell and son Derek live in Clinton, NY. Flossie is no longer at Hamilton College but heads up a wonderful program in Utica secondary schools. There are approximately 315 "at-risk" students in grades 7 - 12. It's far less stressful than the college student affairs work had become, and Flossie loves seeing these kids learn about success and options through education.

Paula Thompson Moore and Sue Wood finally got together in Syracuse last summer to play golf and reminisce. Woodie also stopped in for a few days in TN later in the summer — they played some golf and also a little pool (which brought back the "good ol' days" at Franks). They are happy to be re-connected now and stay in touch on a regular basis. Paula's calendar is tougher to manage now that they are retired than it was when working — life is good!



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Class of 1974

Sue Wajda continues to give workshops in Career Development (resume, interviewing), Diversity, Reinventing Yourself, etc. and is contemplating developing one on "Retirement-NOT!." She also subs in grades 7-12 for all subjects at both Victor and Wayland near the cottage where Tim landed lengthy remodeling jobs. Having outgrown Park Avenue city living, they enjoy their selfbuilt cabin in the woods with fun neighbors. They love entertaining and spent a great New Years Eve dining and dancing at the lake. Sue also enjoys Potsdam/ Clarkson/Ago reunions, meeting old friends and making new ones as well as bumping to Double Axel (paying dearly for it the next day). She has a new addiction: thrift stores! Sue and Tim journey often to Toronto to see Tim's family and new grandson, Nathan.

Lynne Boles was able to work in lots of travel with family and friends despite some renovation chaos in our condo. They thought they were doing a simple switch—the office and the family room. Twelve months later they are still not done with those rooms but they have beautiful new windows and doors throughout the condo, new furniture and carpeting. Their trips have included: (1) a week in Phoenix at their time share with a quick visit to the Grand Canyon since Lynne had never been; (2) a trip to Ashville, N.C. with Mare Tartaglia Straube and Chris Haile, both from the class of 1974 at SUCP; (3) six-seven different "girls" weekends with sisters and friends all over the country; (4) spending Memorial Day Weekend with Lori Misicka, Ago sister and former Potsdam roommate; and (5) three different trips to Europe, two of them courtesy of P&G business. After one P&G trip, they rented a gorgeous villa outside San Gimignano in Tuscany, Italy. The second P&G trip allowed them to vacation in Paris, Amsterdam and Brussels. They also celebrated Christmas week in Lon-

don and the UK countryside. Lynne helped organize her 35th high school reunion for the class of 1971 from Most Holy Rosary (no kidding—that's the name), which was held in Syracuse over Labor Day. They also lost a last minute bid for a condo in Rochester, N.Y. If any Ago sisters hear of a condo with a water view or on water front in the general Rochester/ Skaneateles area, please let Lynne know. Her most memorable event of the past year was delivering the commencement address at SUNY, Potsdam May 2006. Lynne was incredibly honored to be asked and pleased to have her family present for the speech.

Class of 1975

Helen Hallahan Byrnes is teaching third grade this year in Cazenovia, and Debbie Donaldson is still there with her. Working with a fellow Agonian is so much fun that they sometimes break into song! Helen's daughter Molly had a beautiful little girl, Lucy, on July 2. With three grandchildren, they are adding on so they can all fit in the dining room. Helen and Phil have been married for 32 years! Life is good for the Byrnes.

Barb Putman Cregg and Mike spent two relaxing weeks in Maui. Barb serves on the Pittsford School Foundation, a fundraising organization. Michael still goes to cardiac rehab three times a week, four years after his heart attack. Brian and Tara are still in Boston, Brian at Accenture and Tara working on her doctorate in neuroscience at Tufts. Amy lives in a townhouse in Penfield and works as a physical therapist at Strong Memorial Hospital. Adam is a junior at SUNY ESF, aka the forestry school at Syracuse. All is well with the Creggs! Shelley Killion Hatzfeld works with 5th graders in her school system as a teaching assistant. Hatz is still working for AKZO NOBEL, but has taken up golf this past year and is hooked. He bought Shelley clubs, so she hopes to join him in the spring. Cassie (25) lives in Chicago by UIC in Little Italy and works for the Chicago Public Schools and Friends of the Parks teaching environmental programs. Keith

is a sophomore majoring in legal studies at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. The Hatzes feel very blessed with their health and life and think of their days in Potsdam always with a smile on their faces!

Debbie Diefendorf Hind is serving as president of the Potsdam Alumni Association and enjoys meeting Agonians at alumni events, especially the informal dinners with the Albany Ago crew! 2006 was a year of graduations: Allison received her JD from Buffalo Law School, and Amanda received her master's from NYU. Allison has joined Gary at Ayco, and Amanda is a special ed teacher in Niskayuna. Their family enjoys their winter escapes to Sarasota!

Donna Longenecker Neubauer had a fun year of living in Alexandria, VA and touring Washington, DC many times with friends and family. Rock's job has now taken them to NYC, exciting but a little overwhelming. They still have the house in NH to "summer" in, but Donna hopes to move to NYC this fall. In May, Kelly will graduate from Northeastern Law School, and Spence will graduate from Boston College. Ryan is thriving at RPI and wants to be a Cisco network administrator. RPI is much like Clarkson, and Donna is amused that the engineer geeks are still the same as in her time! (But that's ok, since she married one!)

Carol Baitup Sweet, while not working at the church or at Hallmark, is a hardworking "football mom," responsible for organizing "Senior Night" this year. Kevin is a high school junior, playing football, hockey, and lacrosse. Jon is sophomore at Ole Miss, majoring in psychology and minoring in music, his true passion. Megan is a senior at Alabama, so she is starting her job search, although she would love to go to England for a year. Carol's family keeps her very busy!



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Anne Gallagher Timpano is chair of the language department at Rochester's Wilson Magnet high school. John is a manufacturing engineer at Harris. Bridget is teaching music at 3 elementary schools in the same district as her mother! Scott, a senior at SU, is a drum major for the marching band and also plays in the pep band. Anne and John can frequently be found cheering in the Carrier Dome! They had great fun last fall when Double Axel played at the Potsdam Alumni event in Rochester. John's vintage display of beer blast posters and movies from the beer blasts of the '70's was indeed a hit!

Jan Whitfield-Doolittle is working in several hospitals as she finishes her pharmacy rotations. She will graduate with her doctorate of pharmacy in June 2007 and is already interviewing for jobs. If only she'd taken Craig's name, she would be Dr. Doolittle! (Didn't she promise us all a cruise when she finished?!) Josh is majoring in engineering at U Mass Amherst, and Kaitlyn is a freshman at Norwich University in Vermont, playing hockey and majoring in chemistry. Jan and Craig hope to visit Donna and Rocky in Virginia when over spring break.

Donna Waliszewski Fallon teaches math at Queensbury High, where they will be going to block scheduling next year. Rick, who had melanoma surgery, is at Creative Stage Lighting. Tiff works at GE Global Research in Niskayuna and is looking for a house there. Rich graduated in December from RPI with a degree in biomedical engineering and is job hunting. Patrick, a junior civil engineering major at RPI, is an RA at Barton. He interned at an engineering consulting company in Glens Falls this summer and will intern in the Albany area this summer.

Class of 1976

Denise Aiello Bukovan keeps very busy as

SUNY's Assistant Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges; she works with all 30 SUNY community colleges around the state and is a busy mom to her daughter Dominique, age 11. Denise writes about Dominique who is 5' 2" already, enjoys dance (which she excels at), modeling, singing in choir, playing the flute, and getting a 95 average in middle school. She really is the light and joy of Denise's life. Denise occasionally joins the Albany Agos for dinner, "and it's always great fun to be together - you would never know 30 (!) years have passed already, we all seem just like we were back when."

Joann Bottoni-Jepsen is the Head of Human Resources as SVP - HR, Reed Exhibitions, the Americas (in Norwalk, CT). Her husband John is the Treasurer of Crompton Corporation. They have three sons: James (15) and Jonathan & Christopher (11) - Twins! James is a freshman in HS whose passion is baseball (pitcher, 1B). Joann keeps in touch with Eileen Goss, Steph Brown, and Dale Engle, and the three spent a weekend in NYC a year ago. Because Reed Elsevier is an international company, Joann travels on business to Europe often...headquarters in London and recently to Athens, Prague, Italy. Next year they are planning to visit Shanghai as a family!

Janice "Cookie" Dash Robinson has been married for 28 years (YIKES!) to "Robby" Robinson from Clarkson. They have moved from New York to Minnesota to Connecticut to Plano, TX, and finally back to the east coast to Cary, North Carolina. (Raleigh/Durham area) They're in their eighth year there raising 3 teenage girls. (13, 15, and 17) Cookie worked in hospital labs, medical research and medical sales (she went back to school in CT for her MBA). She also worked for the school system briefly and is now home full time with the girls. Cookie writes, "We love the beach and traveling, but plan most trips right now around the girls' competitive jump rope and soccer tournaments. We travel nationally and internationally with their jump rope team.... So, although it

would be fun to tell everyone that I'm a trapeze artist or Broadway star, this is my life in a nutshell!"

Dale Engle Skivington and her husband Peter are both lawyers living in the Rochester area. Dale is council for Kodak, while husband Peter is in private practice. They have two children: Emma and Jake. Emma is a senior at Bucknell University, while Jake is a freshman at the University of Richmond. Dale travels frequently for Kodak and she and Emma were fortunate to spend a year living in Switzerland! Dale does a lot of volunteer work, including being on the Board of Directors for the Rochester City Ballet. Dale has stayed in touch with Eileen Goss, Joanne Bottoni, and Steph Brown.

Judy Fabic Verbanic and John (Prometheus) are in Pennsylvania, where Judy is in her 7th year with American Eagle Outfitters; she is currently the executive assistant to the vice president of aerie - the new underwear/dormwear concept. Their oldest, Julie (26) was married to Kevin Hehman July 2006, and they live in a suburb of Pittsburgh. Julie works in the finance department of American Eagle Outfitters – payroll analyst and Kevin is an environmental engineer w/Shaw in Pittsburgh. Jamie (23) graduated from Purdue in May '06, and is an assistant buyer at American Eagle Outfitters and absolutely loves it. Judy says, "It is a little strange that all 3 of us work for the same company but it's kind of fun too! We can do lunch quite often!" John is in his second career working for Mellon Financial as 1st VP of Strategic Marketing & Sales. He took an early retirement package from Hewlett Packard in 10/05; got 1 month of retirement in before starting with Mellon in November '05! He really likes the new position; has also taught several graduate marketing classes at the University of Pittsburgh. Judy and John spent their

got 1 month of retirement in before starting with Mellon in November '05! He really likes the new position; has also taught several graduate marketing classes at the University of Pittsburgh. Judy and John spent their 30th anniversary in Las Vegas and another long weekend in Toronto. John never misses a Buffalo Bills home game, but Judy usually only makes it to 2 early games (good weather only for her!).

Kathy Farrell Kane, Mike, and family are doing well in the Albany area. Kathy changed jobs within GE from the Research Center to GE Energy in August 06. She is the HR manager for a global organization that has about 1000 GE and 500 contract employees. Kathy says, "They're involved in building power plants all over the world so the HR issues are always interesting. It's really busy, but I'm loving the new job." Mike left the Daily Gazette about 2 years ago and is the communications director for the National Museum of Racing in Saratoga. He loves the job, although working for a not-for-profit has had its challenges. Their daughter Darcey graduated from U Conn in May- she's had a wonderful experience in the business school and spent a semester in Denmark last winter. She interned the past 2 summers with GE, first at CNBC in NYC and then with GE Money in Stamford. Caitlin graduated from high school this year and is going to college for fashion de-

Cindy Heinbockle Ogulnick has been married for 25+ years to Herman. And they live in Pittsfield, MA. They have 2 sons, David (19) and Michael (16). Cindy says, "David finished his freshman year at Holy Cross on a full tuition scholarship (phew!) and Michael finished his junior in high school. My big news is that this June I retired from teaching after 31 years! My husband plans on continuing to work until he is 65. (Though, I'm sure that he will take more time off once I retire!)" Cindy plans to devote herself full time to playing her

violin. She plays in a few orchestras already and in a trio. Her trio performs at weddings, parties, etc.

Amy Hind Henry and Guy (DK '76) say hi from Connecticut, where they returned after a relaxing trip to Jamaica with 3 other couples. Amy writes, "Guy and I feel very thankful and blessed. Life is good!! Guy is still with General Dynamics and has a little better than a year left. He is retiring in April '08! He enjoys his work, but we want more time. We took up sailing about 5 years ago. We have a 32' Catalina. And living here with the L.I. Sound minutes away is perfect! I am still working at a beautiful Marriott, the Mystic Marriott. I call it my fun job, and just love it." Their daughter

Lyndsey graduated from UConn in '05. She is doing very well out in the working world, and living on her own. But she lives only about 10 minutes away, which Amy and Guy love. Their son Jon is at UConn, and is majoring in Computer Science. Guy and Amy do make it back to Potsdam, usually 3 times a year, with Guy being on the Foundation board. They ride up with Gary and Deb Diefendorf Hind ('75), and so enjoy our visits. Amy says, "I couldn't be happier having her as a "sister", and a sister-in-law!! What a blessing! " Amy lives about 10 minutes from Georgie Czerniak McGlinchey ('77) and sees her regularly. Georgie and Amy attend as many of the get-togethers with the Albany group as they can.

Cathy Lennon Nealon and Bob live in Rochester, NY, and are both still working for Kodak despite continuous, massive layoffs. Bob has worked there for 33 years and Cathy for 28. They have two daughters, Jillian, 23, and Courtney, 18. Cathy writes, "In one sentence, I guess I would say that we feel very blessed and honestly do thank God for our blessings every day. All four of us have our health, and the two girls are both living their dreams for which we are so thankful and happy for them." Jillian is a ballerina with the San Diego Ballet Company and lives in Pacific Beach. She graduated from Indiana University in

'05 with a BS in Ballet Performance and a minor in Kinesiology. Courtney is at The College of the Holy Cross in MA. She is a PoliSci/International Relations major and is playing D1 Softball (catcher and third base), which was her dream and goal for all these years. Cathy says, "we have joined the empty-nester club. After we dropped Courtney at Holy Cross, Bob and I went to Rockport, MA to celebrate our 25th anniversary. It was the first vacation that we have been on without the girls!" Cathy sings in her church choir and ushers for the Rochester Philharmonic and the Broadway Theatre League. She sees Anne Gallagher Timpano ('75) and husband John all the time and their kids have grown up together "more like brothers and sisters than the best friends that they are." They also see Jim Frame (Psi Phi '76) all the time and occasionally the Creggs and Wajda, who are also in Rochester. "I also keep in touch with Sully ('77), Claudia, and Faith via e-mail and an occasional phone call. Oh! And we had a great time at the Potsdam/Clarkson Rochester Fall reunion with Double Axel. Claudia Locatelli May and her wonderful husband Jim are living in the Albany area. Claudia is her own boss with a wall papering and painting business. Their son Ryan is at Sienna College, majoring in computer sci-

ence. Their daughter Kelly will be attending Sienna College in the fall. Claudia is in close contact with longtime friends TT and Kathy O'Connor, and also keeps in touch with Faith and Lennon.

Jill Mayhew Ryan and Jim still live in Fairport, a suburb of Rochester, NY, close to many Agos, including Big Sis Barb Putman Cregg ('75). Jim is starting his fourth year as CFO at Nymat, while Jill keeps the computer lab running at Indian Landing Elementary School in Penfield. Their son Sean 17 has just finished the college appli-



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Susie Means writes, "Hi everyone, hope all is well! I live in Newburyport, MA, and work for Northwest Airlines. (No I'm not afraid of flying but the price of oil makes all airline employees nervous) I'm enjoying the moment; life is good! "

Pam Moore is still practicing law in Rochester. Additionally, she is the Riga Town Supervisor. Pam says, "This leaves little time to relax or travel, both things my husband Gil, who just retired, and I would like to do!" Gardening remains Pam's favorite hobby, and she keeps in touch with Mary Ellen Sullivan ('77) via e-mail. Pam writes, "Hope all is well with you & yours."

Cathy O'Connor sends greetings from the Albany area of New York.

Melinda Piper Perry is still living in Sherrill, NY and working for Oneida Ltd. She started working there when she graduated from Potsdam! She works in the I/S department as a supervisor of programming, EDI, and application integration. Melinda says, "I am happily divorced with 1 daughter. My daughter will be 21 this year. It doesn't seem possible. She is attending a community college, MVCC, and living at home. For fun, we love to travel. We went to Hawaii for her 16th birthday, which was wonderful. Last year we went to the Dominican Republic (Punta Cana), and this year, Jamaica. When she was in high school, she went to Australia and

New Zealand with an organization called 'People to People'; I highly recommend it to anyone with high school kids. I also have a 2nd job at the Turning Stone Casino. It is just part time, but I really love it. I am an usher at the showroom and event center, so I get to see the shows for free. It is a real 'dream' job. Even get paid for it!"

Faith Wadsworth Meenan sends greetings from Colorado, where she has lived for many years. She has three "children"; Billy is 24 and is going to study to be a Pastor, Anna is 20 and is studying international business, and Sean is 16 and is a soccer stud. Faith is building a Christian personal growth training company, owns a coach training school, and does personal and business coaching. Faith writes, "My passion is dance - Latin, country, ballroom, and nightclub {and} I have been single for 14 years. I'm ready to find Mr. Right. If you have any ideas, let me know!"

Cynthia "Cyn" Worden Jones has two "kids"; her son Greg (24) is at University at Buffalo finishing up his bachelor's degree and hoping to continue on to become a family counselor. Her daughter Chrissy (21) is living in Reno and hopes to find some sponsors and become a professional snowboarder. Cyn has a small software company called VentureSkills, which is in its 7th year. They develop online performance management software such as performance appraisals, salary worksheets for annual raises, goals management, online employment applications, and more. Her biggest client is Excellus (BC/BS), Cyn writes, "another big change in my life started a year ago last March when Bill and I split up after 28 years of marriage. Only 6 months later (just when I'd trained myself to say "I" instead of "we") I met a wonderful man. Two months later we were engaged. George and I got married this April on the beach in Florida. I feel like a different person, incredibly blessed, with a life filled with sunshine and laughter." Cyn wishes "all of my sisters in Ago health and happiness! Please let me know if you

are live near or visit Syracuse -- I'd love to get together!"

Betsy Osterhout Washam husband Roy send greetings from South Carolina. They moved from Schenectady, NY about 10 years ago and are about an hour south of Greenville. Betsy's parents also moved there and love it especially the "winters". She has been teaching high school math and has so far had two of her three children as students. Daughter Grace is at Erskine College and is an accomplished bagpiper. She is hoping to do a semester abroad in Scotland and compete with her bagpipe. Their son Peter will be attending USC Columbia next year. Their other son Ethan just finished 8th grade, so Betsy has not had him for "Math" yet. Roy has worked for GE for 28 years and is looking to obtain a Chemistry degree so that he can teach in the future. Betsy says she is turning into a real southern girl and to come and see her if you want fried chicken, greens, and grits!

Amy Durgin lives in Plymouth, MA and teaches sixth grade at Hobomock Elementary School in Pembroke. Cathy Flaherty Harrelson sends greetings from St. Petersburg, FL. She is self-employed and works as a contractor for a company that provides special needs trust administration; she interfaces with attorneys, guardians, and people with disabilities. Her son Dylan lives nearby and is in college. Cathy had a great 50th birthday present... her grandson, Dylan, who was born the day before her birthday! Cathy still plays tennis and says, "I have become a left wing, radical tree hugger!" To that end, Cathy is the chairperson of a coastal task force for the Sierra Club, America's oldest, largest, and most influential grassroots environmental organization.

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Nancy Geis Wilcox lives in Saline, MI which is just south of Ann Arbor. She has been married to Doug for 30 years. After working in the banking industry for ten years, she now works at Macy's department store in a managerial position. Her husband Doug works for the U.S. Geological Survey as a wetlands research scientist. They have three children, two boys and one girl. Jeff is 27 and a PhD candidate at the University of Wisconsin. Julie is 25 and works for the U.S. Senate in Washington, D.C. Adam is 21 and a junior at Michigan State University. They also have a daughter-inlaw Sara who just finished her degree at Chicago Theological Seminary and is an interim associate pastor. They've been blessed with a granddaughter Anna Grace born June 20, 2006.

Nancy enjoys traveling, sports, gardening, reading, playing her piano, and being with family and friends. She writes, "I am thrilled that I was contacted for this newsletter and would love to hear from other sorority sisters. I can be reached at nwilcox101@hotmail.com." Eileen Goss Whelley lives in Wilton, CT with her husband Don (alias "Zulu", Clarkson '76). They have been married 26 years and have two children: Natalie who is at Franklin Pierce College and Stephen who is in high school. Eileen left GE last December after 17 years to become the executive vice president for global human resources for the Hartford Financial Services Group, a Fortune 100 company. She loves spending time with family and friends and getting out to Cape Cod as often as possible, and would love to hear from old friends.

Class of 1977

Karen Kittelsen Stefanski is getting ready to update her kitchen, so she's

been busy purchasing appliances, knobs, cabinets, etc and started to empty out her cupboards to be ready for the "fun" to begin!! Karen is busy at work and usually carpools with her husband Tom since she drives past where he works on her way to work. Son Tim finished his second year at Boston University and is working on Mathematics's Federal grant at Kansas State University this summer. He gets paid to do research in Mathematics's plus gets free flying lessons as well. The college search with her younger son Nick began this spring.

Roxanne Gaudin Holland is still living in Southern California and loving it! She and husband Jack have a marketing consulting business for The Tussauds Group and specifically the Madame Tussauds attractions for which they do strategic alliances and external relations. Their 4 children are all grown and continue to do well in their respective passions. Roxanne and Jack have 3 beautiful grandchildren. In her spare time, Roxanne enjoys running and volunteering at a no-kill animal shelter. Joan Mosher DiFulgentiz and Bob are still in Wichita, KS (5 years) which is a long time for them!! Bob is still with Koch and Joan is doing volunteer work. Their youngest, Cathy, graduated from UT in Austin, TX in May so all are off the payroll!! Joan says: "Hello to all my Agonian pals. I think of those days often and smile.

Georgie Czerniak McGlinchey was part of a mini-reunion Albany sleepover and it was wonderful to see everyone there! Daughters Abby and Beth graduated this year, and Miss Beth will be attending SUCP and Crane....very exciting. Abby is heading a good way in the opposite direction to American University in Washington, DC. Meg is still at SUNY Purchase with one year left. She and Georgie had a trip to Ireland this summer! Kathleen is working for CSC and working on a master's program. All are doing well. Georgie had a blast at the Albany reunion with Double Axel in May and at her annual Mother's day trip to Florida with her fellow

Hope everyone is well."

Montville Moms!

Albany area.

Laurie Wood Cooper and Bob will be empty nesters this fall - yahoo! Both boys will be in college so they are finding all sorts of inexpensive places to go! Tom finished up his sophomore year at Methodist University in Fayetteville, NC - studying business and Pro Golf Management. This summer's internship has him in Chicago what's not to love? Matt heads off to UConn to follow in the footsteps of the Kane and Henry young'uns....Laurie will transport him as often as possible so she can stop and see George and Amy....she has her priorities. Mama Hind takes good care of all of the Ago alums in the

Mary Ellen Sullivan Bucco works for a hospital system but avoids blood and guts. Her last two years has been focused on redesigning care in the Emergency Department. She has worked closely with the industrial engineering department to model the new process and help implement at several hospitals. It has been very exciting but challenging. She has also been working on opening a new hospital this fall. Her son, T.J. has decided he wants to be a rock star, what a surprise for a 15 year old boy! He has been playing the guitar for about a year and the "band" practices in their Arizona room. At least they play music Bucco and Mary Ellen enjoy. They are still looking for a singer but have been playing outside in downtown Tempe and the college students from ASU have been enjoying listening to them. Bernadette is 14 and is interested in a healthcare career and will be going to a high school that is focused and partnered with healthcare providers. She is very excited and has amazing insight on people and ability to stomach blood and guts. John is working in Alberta, Canada for a company building a power plant in the Oil Sands (another source of oil) It is



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Class of 1977

Lori Gremmels Wackenheim got married on June 23, 2006 to a wonderful man named Tom. They had a small family wedding at the Del Monte Lodge in Pittsford. Lori's Dad and his wife made the trip from Tennessee. Brandon is now 13 years-old and heading for high school in the fall. He adores Tom and now has siblings. Lori has 2 stepchildren: Heidi is 25 and married. Scott is 22 and engaged. They all get along great and spend a lot of time together. Lori is still working at Paychex and enjoying it very much. Tom, Brandon and Lori drove to Tennessee to visit her Dad and brother in August 2006. They had a great time and made the most out of driving by visiting the Space & Rocket Museum in Huntsville, AL the Cincinnati Zoo and Newport Aquarium on their way back. Tom and Lori got away for a short honeymoon in Las Vegas. They stayed at a wonderful resort away from the strip. They are planning an Alaskan cruise for the summer of 2008.

Donna Passarella Bonomo, Bob and the girls are all doing great. They had a mini reunion in Binghamton with Hoff, Jeannie Q. and Vera (and for those of you who remember, Doreen Spoor). What a fun fun time!! Time ceases when they get together. Conversely, the laughter increases. As they celebrated their milestone birthday it brought them back to the beginning of their friendship back in 1974 at SUNY Potsdam. They all were randomly selected to be floor mates on Knowles 5. They remember that first night sitting in the lounge going around the room; telling their names, hometown, grade and what

they would like to do. There were a group of sophomores who mentioned they were in a sorority and they made it sound like so much fun. Donna also wanted to mention how much the sorority added to her college life. Having a daughter who is in college; she is constantly flashing back to her college days. So many happy memories due to Ago and the friends she made in the dorms and in the sorority.

Cindy Darrow Kohl and her family are doing fine. Kristin finished her 2nd year teaching 4th grade in Ewa Beach, Hawaii. She loves it there, but hopefully will be coming home next year (it's so far away!!). Joe and Cindy went to visit her last year and they sent the boys for their Christmas present this year. Kevin is graduated from LeMoyne this year and just found a job as a financial analyst in the Albany area. He is still playing lacrosse - LeMoyne won the DII NCAA Championship last year -- lots of fun!! Eric is at Loyola studying engineering. He also plays lacrosse and enjoys it very much. Cindy and Joe traveled to San Diego with his team in March (and then every weekend thereafter...). Joe and Cindy are so happy to still have sports as part of their life; they're going to need to adopt some neighborhood kid when we're done. Tuning 50 was definitely a "low" point for Cindy this year. A week before her birthday she stepped off a stepladder - broke her ankle, dislocated her foot and tore tendons in both her knee and foot. It was nasty. She was in a cast for 6 weeks, made the Jersey Shore a bit interesting! The start of school had her teaching from a rolling chair because she couldn't put pressure on it. At least she had sympathy from her students! Cindy is trying to keep an open mind that this 50 stuff will get better!!

Bonnie Johnson See faced 51 in January and is very appreciative of good health so far. Her daughter Jennie graduated from Chapel Hill spring 2006 and is now working and living in London. She fell in love with a boy from Wales who was a Morehead scholar and he graduated last year. He had a great job in NYC with Credit Suisse

but they couldn't get his visa together so they put him in their London office until it came through. He is doing so well in that office that he wants to stay for a bit so Jennie interviewed and got a great job in a PR firm over there and they're both happy as can be. Bonnie and Jennie still talk everyday and Bonnie went over there in the fall with Gary and their son Billy to visit and had a ball. They're in the Kensington area, not too far from Harrod's. They came home for a week at Christmas then headed down to Capetown, South Africa to visit his family over New Years. The plan is to be back living and working in NYC in the next year and Bonnie is sure a wedding is in the near future! Billy stands around 6'6" tall and is social chair at his fraternity Phi Kappa Alpha (like Alpha Kappa Phi in reverse!) at Appalachian State University in Boone, NC. He's studying abroad in Germany this summer. Bonnie is still doing real estate and Gary is still business brokering and franchise consulting. They've traveled quite a bit this year, both with the kids and without and find it is cheaper with just two but really enjoy it when the kids can come along!

Pam Pendleton has had a busy year. She got two dogs (who are wonderful and so much fun!), turned 50 (eegadds!), is more involved in her teacher's union at work, along with all the other job responsibilities. She took last summer "off" - at least from teaching! She did work a bit at the fur store but pretty much relaxed. She went to Lori "Gremmels" Wackenheim's wedding reception, spent a lot of time in the pool, worked in her yard/gardens, tiled one kitchen wall, and just relaxed! Last fall Pam attended the Potsdam/Double Axel event in Rochester - what fun it was to see all the Ago's - the best attended group there! Pam's sister, her ex-hubby and Pam are going on an Alaskan

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Sue DiFulgentiz Dee enjoyed having Deirdre home for Christmas then she was off to Paris for a week. Sue is still teaching science in middle school. The classes she had this year are better than last. She teaches science to ESOL students - mostly Hispanic at level 1 and 2 English. It is challenging. Sue bought a boat last summer- a 15 foot Yamaha jet boat. It is so much fun!!! She skis and plans to try wake boarding this summer. Sue still does kayak tours- so she gets the fast and the slow.

Sue Hoffman Ospelt and husband Art had a joint (no not the bone kind) party to commemorate their 50th birthdays. Friends traveled near and far to roast Art and to honor Sue. Sue is still teaching high school science in the Binghamton school district. Samantha is now 21 and the spittin' image of her mother at the same age: just adorable and bubbly! Younger sister Emma is playing soccer.

Nadine Gager Compisi had the opportunity to do a 50th celebration in Binghamton with Donna, Vera, Hoff, Jeannie and Doreen (and husbands). They spent the day in a limo that transported the group around the Finger Lakes with stops at a couple of wineries and McKenzie Childs. It is amazing the memories they shared and how easily they slip back into their friendships. Tony and Nadine spent Christmas in Chicago with

Tony's kids and grandkids. They celebrated the birth of grandchild #5 last July. Nadine continually feels blessed to have made the friends that she did at Potsdam and Ago in 1978.

Class of 1979

Mary (Cookie) Scalise Balme is still living in Webster, NY in a marine community with Chip and their two kids. Lisa (20) will be a senior at St. John Fisher College studying early childhood education. Rob (18) will be a freshman at Canisius College for Pre-Med. Chip oversees 2 manufacturing plants, one in NY and the other in Niagara Falls, Canada. Cookie is in her 5th year as assistant superintendent at BOCES. They enjoy boating on Lake Ontario and recently purchased some fractional ownership in Naples, FL. If anyone is interested in renting, let Cookie know!

Shanon Fowler Schneider and her family have been in Atlanta for 5 years. Dane (20) just finished his junior year at Penn State majoring in supply chain management and economics. Brett (17) will be a senior in high school and loves soccer. Trey (14) will be in 10th grade and plays soccer and basketball. Shanon returned full time to the work force as a practice manager for the Atlanta Women's Health Group. She is still painting and hopes to get some sales on the net when she finds time to build her website!

Becky Monckton King returned to work full time, but Kenny has taken an early retirement..."can that be possible"! Allison just finished her freshman at Stonehill College. The boys are both in high school. Greg will be a senior and Dan finished his freshman year. They are all enjoying the built-in pool they added to their back yard last summer!

Anne Marie Bianchi Sellitti and Mark had been living in a Residence Inn in NJ for 3 months while building a new home. Anne Marie says it was a little inconvenient being in a hotel, but felt very fortunate to sell their house in the current market. They moved into their house at the end of January! Both she and Mark are doing very well.

Barbara Lanzano Combs was laid off from CA last August, just 8 weeks short of 20 years! She decided to take a break and stay home to concentrate on her Mary Kay business. DB is running the family electrical contracting business in Winchester, VA and doing fabulous. Wills (11th grade) plays soccer and got his learners permit. Andrew will be in 9th grade and plays soccer and his new sport of lacrosse. The family is enjoying a new puppy (Barb reports it was the only way she was going to get a girl!)

Sharon Keating Heiligman and Dan enjoyed a wonderful fall vacation to Hawaii to celebrate their 25th anniversary. Sharon is still working at an embroidery shop and a lighting store. The whole clan enjoyed a "Beer-B-Q" (twist on the defunct Beer Blasts) in Potsdam after AJ's graduation from Clarkson in May 2006. AJ loves his new energy engineering job at Xerox. Kim finished her sophomore year at Geneseo and recently pledged Sigma Delta Tau, and of course loves the social life it brings!

Class of 1981

Patrice DeLaus Scully lives in Mahwah, N.J with her daughter Jacquelin, a junior in high school, son Charles, an eighth grader, and mini-poodle Nikki. Patrice continues to work from home for IBM.

Robin Landrigan Smith made a career change this year and is doing independent consulting for healthcare software project management. She enjoys the flexibility and independence! Robin still owns the marina on Lake George and loves all the activities offered by Adirondack living!

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Class of 1984

Irene Jezsik Rauchenberger and her family had an exciting year. After waiting more than a year and a half, their new baby boy Gregory Stephen arrived from Korea in July 2006. Steve and Irene are thrilled to have a second child. Big sister Jacqueline 7 has really taken to having a baby brother. Lori Dietz and Ron celebrated their 5th anniversary with a return trip to Las Vegas and Zini & Bryce Canyon National Parks in December. Lori continues to run and ran her first Boston Marathon in April. She getting more active in the community and now sits on 3 different organization boards of directors.

Robin Wheeler Gallagher is busy with four kids ranging in age from 14 to 6. The oldest is off to high school in the fall and that is hard to believe! Robin is still working in the freelance event planning business - as long as the economy stays strong she stays busy! Peter is captain on Lowell Fire Department as well as two other jobs so he is very busy and rarely home - they are two ships passing in the night! Robin had Kim Brown, Sue Anne Trippany Bell and Jill Mogavero Mann over for brunch in November – it was good to see them! Robin tried to get together with Janie Whitton Forando last summer but will try again this summer.

Ellen Murphy and her husband John continue to enjoy life in Massachusetts. Ellen is an avid golfer and had her career best last year shooting an 81. Maybe this year she will break that elusive 80 mark.

Anastasia Glasheen is still living in Beverly Hills and now a second year doctoral student in choral music at the University of Southern California. She had her first doctoral recital is this spring. In addition to her studies, Anastasia has moved up from assistant to the acting professor for an

undergraduate musical theatre/diversity class. Anastasia's travels took her to Japan, Taiwan, Korea, and a wonderful cruise to Mexico last year. If you're ever in Southern California, she'd love to hear from you!

Jane Judson Mistur was pleasantly surprised while attending a Cazenovia sectional football game at the Carrier Dome. She ran into Ellen Bartis Gambee (her big sister) who was visiting relatives in Cazenovia! It was great to catch-up!

Class of 1987

Becky Volans Akins is in her 15th year of teaching high school math. She and Mark keep busy with the social and athletic events of Ryan, 14, and Allison, 13. Family trips for 2006 included Florida in April and the Grand Canyon in July. Mark and Becky enjoyed a trip for two to the Dominican Republic in January 2007.

Rima Hartvigas Hampson and Brian purchased a house in Albany April 2006, where Olivia started kindergarten last fall. (Where did the time go??) Owen (3) started playing soccer this year and has proven to be an excellent striker, and Brian has accepted the head golf professional position at Burden Lake Country Club. Busy year!

Michelle Ray Hogan continues to train child welfare staff at SUNY Albany, and loves working with the foster care youth leadership program. James started Kindergarten last fall and Ethan is now 2. JJ just celebrated his 40th birthday. The Hogans added a new deck and patio area last summer, and plan to do some more renovations this year. They continue to keep in touch with Annie Bryant Geiger '85 and family.

Life for **Linda Dolanch Longhouse** and her family in Ithaca, NY is status quo. Olivia, 8, is involved in ice-skating and gymnastics and John continues to work on his golf game. Linda is happy and healthy balancing her life with school, church, and fun social activities.

Tara Raftery O'Neil lives in Franklin, MA (around the corner from Jill Kaplowitz Lyons '89). Jake is now 8, Shane, 6, and Jack-

ie is 3....time flies!! Tara has been working at PHCS for 13 years. She continues to keep in touch with Rima Hartivagas Hampson; and enjoyed a girls' night out with Kim Bingham Meusel '89, Laura Boyd '89 and Jill Lyons.

Patty Carroll Wilson, Tom, Allie (10) and Kayleigh (8) now share their house in Howell, NJ with a very spoiled rescued boxer named Bella. They enjoyed a beautiful trip to Disney in the fall and will visit the Lake George area this summer.

Class of 1988

Kelly Underwood Case is busy with Jack (10) and Katie (8), and with their homework and extracurricular activities. She volunteers a lot at their parochial school, and thoroughly enjoys it. They love camping in their camper during the spring and summer, and ski during the winter. They got a Chesapeake Bay retriever puppy and have fallen in love with her. Kelly is doing agility with her, and may eventually compete.

Diana Carroll Kaufman found the big 4-0 was discouraging, but life goes on. She got together with Colleen Palmer Perry, Lisa O'Brien George, Kelly Underwood Case, Laura Perry Bridge, and Aimee Fiorentino Garlock over the summer of 2006. They all headed to Baltimore for their first gettogether since graduation and had a BLAST ... staying up late at night talking and catching up with each other, and seeing Baltimore by day. Though so much has changed in the past 18 years, it was as though nothing had changed at all. They just picked up where they left off! They had so much fun, they're talking about doing it every year, with Annette Bratek Saxman, too!

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Colleen Palmer Beaudoin was part of the Baltimore gathering to celebrate big birthdays! She reports some drinking and singing along with the good times described by Diana. She is still working part-time mentoring new teachers. She works with the school district, but also works on a grant at University of South Florida, and as a mentor for the University of Tampa. So much for "part time"! She is also taking a class at USF. In her spare time she drives the boys from one activity to another. Connor will be in high school in the fall! Devin is in middle school this year and Bryce is in preschool.

Missy Steinberg Bernier reports that their big news this year was building and moving into their new home! They still have LOTS to do, but it's been fun and they love it. The girls are 5 and 2 and there's never a dull moment. They visited Disney in February. Missy is still working full time, although her company was recently acquired by Oracle, and the future is a bit unclear. Maybe she'll finally have that excuse to stay home full time - although that is, as we all know, the hardest possible job on the planet.

Kim Peverly Lenta still resides in MD with Ken, Jackie Rose (12), Nick (11), Weizen their yellow lab and Marzen a chocolate lab. Kim is enjoying running her own franchise, Gotcha Covered®, and coaching lacrosse year round. The Lenta's travel yearly to Hilton Head (one of these times we'll run into the Biches!) and wherever lacrosse tournaments take them. If your kids are on the lacrosse circuit be sure to let Kim know so you can connect. Ken recently returned to Clarkson for a recruiting trip, enjoyed dinner with the Clarkson President and of course went to the hockey game. Kim says, "It got me so excited – it would be a blast to get everyone up there for our

20th reunion during a time when it is not 20 below!!! Email: kimlenta@yahoo.com. Jaime Walton Fogarty reports the Fogarty household is busier than ever! Aurelle (7) just finished second grade and running the family! Sullivan (6) was their kindergarten star! Andrew (4) and Peter (4) are giving her a run for her money! They spend their winter skiing, sledding, snowshoeing and ice skating. The summers are spent swimming, biking and boating. She and Terence continue to operate their marina all year. They do major renovations all winter. Summer is just crazy. They also have an ice cream stand on the property...so stop by and see them if you are ever in Saranac Lake or Lake Placid.

Maureen Gerst Stalica says all is well at the Stalica household - just crazy. She is still a stay at home mom and is not sure if and when she will make it back into the teaching world. The kids are 12, 11, 8 and 4. Time is flying with them and she says it is very bizarre to have a 12 year old daughter who is taller than she. She also finds is bizarre that her 4-year-old played soccer this spring and that she is starting school in the fall - she seems too "little" for all of that. 40 was a blur and did not faze her much so now she is on to 41 which isn't much different either - just weird to say she is that old. Kim Twiss Smith also lives in Clifton Park now so she sees her and her beautiful children all over town - which is great - she hasn't changed a bit!!!

Wendy Schmitt Kowalczyk can't believe another year has gone by! She and Brian are waiting for a referral to travel over to China to adopt their baby. She is anxiously waiting to be a mom. She hopes that all of you are happy and healthy!

Karen Sarbou Richardson continues to be a stay at home mom spending most of her free time volunteering at the school. Scott left his job at Intel after almost 19 years and is now working for a Seattle-based company. She is not sure if that means they will eventually move to Seattle or not. Katie and Megan continue to be active in soccer, basketball, Brownies and

dance. They take their yearly trip home to Rochester every summer. They also took a trip to Alaska on Scott's dad's grand banks. They visited Glacier Bay, which is beautiful, and saw tons of whales up close, a once in a lifetime experience. They continue to spend long weekends at their vacation home in Black Butte Ranch where they ski in the winter and bike and swim in summer.

Patty Troutman Squier and family moved to Florida in August of 2005. They purchased a roofing business in Englewood, FL. The whole process of becoming business owners and moving from MD to FL took place in less than two months! They got through it and are returning to a normal life. Sean just finished 9th grade and loved it.

Jenssie Flores McClintock reentered the workforce as a part time event planner for Planned Parenthood after a 2 year hiatus of being a stay at home mom. She will be planning 3 major events that raise lots of funds and have lots of high profile celebrities attending. She says it feels like she is planning 3 weddings in one year! It's hard to believe that Aaron who is 3 will start pre-school in September and Jordan celebrated her 7th birthday in Hershey Park. They had a great time last summer visiting Wendy Schmitt Kowalczyk and Brian in their gorgeous new home. She reports it was a blast boating in the Adirondacks and catching up!

Heather Williams Biché celebrated her 40th year by training and walking in Philadelphia's Breast Cancer 3-Day. She raised over \$2500 and despite a day and a half of rain completed the 60 miles with only one blister. She looks forward to doing it again, maybe in 2008, hopefully with some Agonians! She still works part time at Lockheed Martin and spends the rest of the time keeping up with the four kids – now 12, 9, 6 and 2. She and Greg



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Class of 1989

Andrea Newhouse Frascatore finished her 10th year of teaching and continues at Baldwinsville teaching 8th grade math. Last year was a very busy year writing a New York State curriculum. At home, daughters Miranda (8-years-old) and Marissa (3-years-old are enjoying gymnastics and toddler-tango. Andrea is Miranda's Girl Scout-leader for her Brownie Troop. Summers are always busy with lots of trips including amusement parks (at least 5 per year) and camping. Many of these trips are with Andrea's sister's family (Lisa Newhouse Melveney '87). They have a great time!

Terrie Gentile Wehse writes that life gets to be more and more fun each year. Her boys are now the ages of 40 (okay, that's her husband Jon), 10 and 8. This is, by far, the longest they have had the same address and Terrie is wondering if that too stable? Living outside of Washington DC brings many benefits; and it's a great place to visit!

Sue Young had another busy year. This year's birthday trip was to Peru with Laura Boyd which included a 4-day hike of the Inca Trail and a visit to a jungle lodge. She also spent a bit of time investigating the job market outside of Rochester; and made the move to Boston! Starting in May, Sue became the divisional CFO with a company called Stryker Biotech, a division of Stryker and located outside Boston in Hopkinton. She lives in downtown Boston and does the opposite commute.

Laura Boyd spent much of the year taking advantage of the wonders of Maine. She

skied in the winter and hiked in the spring and fall. The big vacation for the year was a great adventure trip with Sue Young to Peru. They enjoyed the scenery, the people and the wildlife with a 4-day hike on the Inca trail to Machu Picchu and living with the monkeys for 3 days in the jungle.

Class of 1992

Amy Harvey Brune is a fourth grade teacher in the Syracuse City School District. She lives in Baldwinsville with her husband of 10 years Tracy and her 7-yearold daughter

Emma.

Class of 1993

Denise Indick Friebely and John are keeping very busy with their 3 kids Jack (8), Jessica (6), and Lily (2). They were able to meet up with Lisa P. in Lake Placid this summer and cheered both John and Lisa on as they competed in the Ironman race. John and Denise welcomed #4 to the family....a new puppy!!

Laurie Sweet finally moved back to NY after living in Dallas for 3 years. She is in sales with MapInfo still traveling the US a ton. She bought a house in Albany this year and would love to have some Ago Sisters come hang out! There's a bar in the basement!! Laurie had dinner with Keira and Belinda around Christmas time that was great! And she still hangs out with Kelley.

Carla Follos DeLong lives in Malta, NY with her husband Joe DeLong and their three kids. Son Graem is nine and daughters Rachael and Emelia are six and one. Carloa currently works part-time as a dental hygienist and keeps busy running her older two kids to hockey. Carla is hoping to make a dancer out of her youngest! It would be great to get all of the many Agos in the area together.

Cherie Williams Dragomani taught third grade for the first time this year, and she was surprised how much she enjoyed it. When she's not teaching, she keeps busy with her six-year old son, Owen, and her three-year old Madison. Rich (DK) and Cherie have also been remodeling their home themselves. They put on a new roof

and porch last year and have more projects in store for this year.

Class of 1994

Kristin Downey Tuohy wanted to let everyone know that she had to have an emergency c-section in February. "I had a little boy - Benjamin Andrew. He was very, very sick and didn't make it. Thank God for me he was able to hold on long enough for me to get to him - they had to transfer him from my hospital to Columbia Presbyterian in the city." He died in Kristin and Andrew's arms. We all send our prayers to them.

Class of 1995

Tammy Buchner Foley and Sean are living in Northern Virginia with their two little girls, Skyler – 5 and Jessica-3. Tammy is a currently a stay at home mom but does have plans to return to teaching when her girls are in school. Sean works from home as an attorney for a security company called Westec. If you are ever in the D.C. area give them a call!

Jodi Meyer Eyer, Andy and Kristen (2) are enjoying life in the Saratoga area. Jodi teaches 4th grade in Glens Falls. Andy enjoys traveling around the world with his new job.

Molly Moore Abrams and Chris had a baby January 2007, so they've spent most of this year savoring slow and quiet Saturday mornings! Molly's sister Megan married in September and Chris' sister had a baby a couple months after her so it's been a fun year of family news and events. Molly thinks of everyone often, especially as the weather turns cold, a reminder of Potsdam. Come see her in DC any time!

Gina Bernardo Michalski keeps busy and on her toes with Ella (31/2) and Olivia (2). She is doing some work from home but has decided to seek some part-time work in the evenings to get out of the house!! She loves getting together with Eva Dechario McGee and Kristin Downey Tuohy and wishes it was more often! Gina

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Eva Dechario McGee and Kevin are quite busy the kiddies, Ryan (4) and Laura (14 months). Eva continues to teach computers to elementary students in NJ. She loves going to fellow Agonians' children's birthday parties and catching up with everyone.

Jennifer Klehammer Batzing reports no new news or good gossip. Daughter Brookelyn is two-years-old. Jen and Chad love being parents and are still very busy with work.

Emily Gerepka Kish misses everyone and is looking forward to a reunion! She is still teaching 1st grade in Florida. Allison attends school where Emily teaches so they see each other a lot during the school day. William is 5 and is getting so big! He will start Kindergarten in the fall. Tom (her CA man!) is doing great. They are working on some future plans! Class of 1996

Melissa Page Bieniek and Damon still live in Clifton Park. Lauren was born 11/8/05 and their second child was born in June.

Melissa Dennis Fasse and Scott are still enjoying the Philadelphia area. Andrew will be 8 this year and Emme 3. The children keep Melissa and Scott very happy and busy.

Amy Nielsen Thomsen and JT had a very busy year. Amy continues to go to grad school at Bridgewater State College. She took a year off for her baby, but will return in the fall. They moved to Walpole, MA in June 2006 and welcomed a new addition to the family, Sara Marcy

Thomsen, on September 7, 2006. Ryan is 5, and Ella is 3. They are wonderful to their new sister. Amy would love to hear from all of you. Her email is amyjohnthomsen@comcast.net and phone number is 508-734-5160. They have plenty of room if anyone is in town. Jean Heinsohn is living the single life in the Bronx and having a blast in the city that never sleeps. She plays soccer most weekends and won the League Championship. Jean is working out hard to reverse the damage done while at Potsdam!!! She loves growing older...like a fine bottle of wine she gets better with age!

Gina Bloom Ludwig, Neal and big brother Andrew welcomed Olivia Jane on June 2, 2006. Andrew turned 4 in May. Gina keeps busy with her two children and teaching part time. She also enjoys volunteering at Andrew's nursery school, working out, and reading.

Kelly McKenna Gennoy, Chris and big sister Madison welcomed the arrival of baby Ella in March of 2006. Kelly continues to work in private practice as a speech language pathologist in Saratoga County.

Kim Costello Rose and Eric celebrated the birth of their second son Nolan in January. His older brother Liam couldn't be happier. Kim works for PPC as an IT project coordinator and loves it. It is a challenging job that uses both her engineering and IT degrees. She is in the process of organizing a "Spa Weekend" for the '96 girls.

Class of 1997

Julie Hagan is living in Cazenovia, NY and is in her 7th year as the coordinator of youth ministry and confirmation at St. James Church in Cazenovia. She truly loves her job and is rewarded every day working with teenagers. Julie cannot believe she has been gone for 10 years already and would love to catch up with her classmates and friends from Ago. Feel free to e-mail her at ymjulie@hotmail.com. There are lots of Agonians that live in Caz and they are talking about having their own little porch party reunion right in town. If there is anyone that lives in the area and would like to join

them, please let Julie know.

Class of 1999

Stephanie Bennett Bolster and Damian live in Canandaigua, NY with their two kids Mason (2) and Emilia (1). Stephanie stays at home with her kids and teaches aerobics at the YMCA.

Class of 2004

After spending the past year and a half helping her family care for 4 kinship foster children on Eastern Long Island Jamie Sico is finally enjoying some peace and quiet as well as trip to Colorado to visit Rene Mulhern. Jamie finished her second year of teaching general music and chorus at Eastport Elementary School for grades K-4 and also teaches 4th and 6th grade chorus. She is secretly hoping that a band position will soon open up so that she can demonstrate her true passion for instrumental music. Mandy Agnew is living in Columbus, OH where she received her Masters

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Class of 2006

Allison Autry works at Heritage Christian Services as a residential counselor for the elderly and mentally challenged. She will attend school for nursing in the fall.

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Lindsay Buchta is living in Endicott, NY with her family and working at AIG in insurance claims. Her daughter Mattea turned two in February.

Rachel Cajigas is living in Queens, New York and working at the Developmental Disabilities Institute as a teaching assistant Choose one of the following: in a classroom for children with autism.

Lyndi Cobbett graduated from the Finger Lakes School of Massage. She will take the NYS Boards in August to be licensed.

Maria Potenza will graduate in the fall with her Masters in Elementary Education at Nazareth College. She is also substitute teaching in the Webster Central School District.

Liz Wegner graduated and had her Senior Choreographer's Concert this spring. Her degree is in Employment Relations with a minor in Dance.

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the Class of 1957 made a generous gift of over \$800 to the sorority. We appreciate the generosity of these women and thank them for allowing the Ago board of directors to use these funds toward the new flooring project at 11 Pierrepont. So far, the following women have contributed: Mary Jane Flewellin Fischer, Mary Lou Trask Scott, Julie Eisenstein Hirsch, Susan Smykla Udell, Sue Gernold Miller, Barb Fowler Prater, Jan Scott Burwell, Jan Schneider Hogan, Betty Meehan Wind, Marge Armstrong Chase, Bunny Sideman Levinson, and Jean Schauffler. If anyone else would like to contribute toward the gift, you may send a

Community Service by Heather Taylor, President Agonian Sorority

The active sisters of the Agonian Sorority are proud to report that we have made a valiant effort to give back to our community during the past school year. We have participated in numerous activities to support various causes along with raising money for people and friends in need.

For the fall semester, our biggest fundraiser was an annual event, hosted by Sigma Chi fraternity, in mid-November called Derby Days. The fund-raising objective this year, was to donate half the money raised to the Children's Miracle Network and half to a charity of each Greek houses' choice. Ago chose to give to three charities including the American Cancer Society, Binghamton Flood Relief, and Hospice. By the end of the week, Ago managed to raise over \$1000 taking 2nd place over the Clarkson and Potsdam sororities.

We have recently started a biannual tradition of harvesting food for the hungry called the Cecile Garden Project. Starting spring 2006, we helped dig and lay a great garden full of vegetables. In the fall we were excited to go back to pick and weigh them and see how it turned out. To our great surprise and satisfaction, the garden was plentiful, and we walked away knowing we had really helped!

fall semester consisted of helping out at a Red Cross Blood Drive, Walk Against Domestic Violence, and an AIDs awareness walk. As the semester came to a close, we concluded our services by participating the Potsdam Holiday Fund. With the Christmas spirit in mind, we raised enough money to get three different children each a substantial and meaningful gift.

The second semester was just as giving as the first. The active Agonians participated in the blood drive that came to town - including giving blood and helping the donors recuperate. We donated bags of clothes to Renewal House, took part in a national charity called, "Birthday cards for Shane", and raised over \$400 for Canton-Potsdam Hospice. In addition, the sisters participated in the All Greek Council Greek Week organized by our own Sarah Paparella. We worked together to make a success out of the events all week including a town cleanup, a campus cleanup and a book drive. The now 21 active sisters are excited to see what the next year will bring, and we look forward to sharing our experiences with our alumnae.

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