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8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

February 25
Habitat for Humanity
Building Project
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

February 25
Form I Winter Formal Dinner
7:00 p.m.

February 25
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8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

February 29
College Counseling Coffee
Form I & II Parents
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

February 29
Middle School
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8:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

MARCH

March 3
Habitat for Humanity
Dedication
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

March 3
The Hockaday Parents’
Association Benefit
6:00 p.m.

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Lower School Conference Day
No Classes, Pre-K – 4

March 8–9
Upper School Exams

March 11
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March 12–16
Spring Break

March 19–30
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Basket Drive

March 20
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6:30 p.m.

March 21
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Orientation Meeting
for Students & Parents
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

March 23–24
North Zone SPC Tournament

March 24
8th Grade Community
Service Project
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

March 24
Upper School
International Mixer
7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

March 26
Founder’s Day
Assembly & Reception
2:30 p.m.

March 26
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Senior Dinner
6:30 p.m.

March 28
College Counseling Coffee
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March 29
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APRIL

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Upper School
Orchestra Concert
7:30 p.m.

April 5
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6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

April 11
Return to Your Roots
Form IV
2:15 p.m.

April 11
Upper School Choir Concert
7:30 p.m.

April 12
House Council Picnic
5:30 p.m.

April 13
3rd Grade Field Trip
to Fort Worth
8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

April 13
5th Grade Olympics
8:00 a.m. – 3:05 p.m.

April 13
All Upper School Art
Exhibit Opens

April 13
Environmental Fair
3:30 p.m.

April 15–18
International Student Trip

April 16
AP Art Exhibit Opens
Wang Commons

April 16
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Program & Reception
7:00 p.m.

April 18
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7:30 p.m.

April 19
Voice Recital
4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

April 19
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6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

April 22
Lower School Fine Arts Festival
12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

April 23
Sudie Duncan
Assembly & Reception
2:30 p.m.

April 23
Middle School
Orchestra Concert
6:00 p.m.

April 24
Middle School Choir Concert
7:00 p.m.

April 25
College Counseling Coffee
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8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

April 26
Alumnae Board of Visitors
Annual Meeting
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

April 27
Alumnae Day
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

April 27–28
Upper School Spring Play
7:30 p.m., St. Mark’s

April 28
Alumnae Boarder
Reunion Breakfast
9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

April 28
Alumnae Family Picnic
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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- All Hockaday Parents’ Association meetings
- Uniform Resale Boutique hours
- Athletics game times
- SAT and ACT Testing Dates
Dear Members of the Hockaday Community:

In November I attended the Centennial conference of the Headmistresses Association of the East (HMAE). A group of trailblazing founders, like Ela Hockaday, began the organization in the early part of the 20th century. These women dared to envision a world in which girls and women should be educated in schools that emphasized academic rigor and intellectual pursuits.

While the organization has changed over time – it is no longer confined to schools in the East nor to headmistresses (admitting heads of schools – including men – from all over the country), it continues to provide a forum for discussing leadership and women. This year's conference was no exception.

The keynote speaker was Dr. Shirley M. Tilghman, President of Princeton University. She presented a study that she commissioned on undergraduate women's leadership at Princeton (available online at www.princeton.edu/reports/leadership). The study found that after several decades of improvement, the number and percentage of young women holding the highest-profile leadership positions at Princeton has, in fact, declined in the first decade of the twenty-first century. In contrast, women were reported by both male and female undergraduates to perform much of the strategic and operational work of most campus organizations. In addition, women are outperforming their male peers, earning honors and high honors in greater numbers. Male undergraduates, however, earn highest honors and win major academic prizes and postgraduate fellowships in larger numbers than female undergraduates.

Those of us in the audience who work in girls’ schools were both dismayed and gratified by the findings. My dismay stemmed from statistical evidence that young women are shying away from formalized positions of leadership and influence. However, as someone who has worked in girls’ schools for 15 years, I was not at all surprised at two additional findings of the study: “Women, perhaps even more than men, benefit from mentoring – by older students, faculty, staff, alumnae – and from encouragement by their peers.” And, “women seek, and benefit from, affiliation with other women.”

As I’m writing this, I have just walked back to my office from attending our annual College Alumnae Holiday Luncheon. I watched as these young women greeted their teachers and peers with hugs and exclamations of delight. I listened as girl after girl reminisced with each other and teachers about the relationships they’d built at Hockaday. These relationships were not just important socially. They literally provided the underpinning for future success. Hockadaisy is planning careers in foreign service, medicine, law, engineering, advertising, international business, non-profit management, global development and education. They are studying abroad, leading student organizations, interning and Teaching for America. They are doing these things, at least in part, because they were mentored by caring teachers who encouraged them to believe that they should. They are doing these things because they have drawn strength from other girls who believe that they will.

I walked back to my office feeling energized, just as I do each time I finish one of my small teas with our current seniors. I find myself imagining what this collective creative energy, intelligence, passion and drive will mean for our future.

The Hockaday mission calls us to prepare girls who will “assume positions of responsibility and leadership in a rapidly changing world.” The girls who run and play outside my office windows, who speak and read in fluent Spanish, French and Mandarin, who fan out across the nation to study international business, art history and engineering, are, in fact, the girls who will change our world.

Very truly yours,

Kim Wargo
Eugene McDermott Headmistress
James M. Hoak, Jr. Named Life Trustee

Last spring, the Hockaday Board of Trustees named James M. Hoak, Jr. a Life Trustee of the School. For close to 25 years, Jim’s dedication and loyalty have been guiding influences on the Hockaday community. Jim became a Hockaday parent in 1987. By 1992, he joined the Board of Trustees and served for 15 years, participating on all of its committees and chairing the Board for four years. Although retired from the Board and now a past parent, his commitment to Hockaday has not waned; he continues to volunteer his time, efforts and wisdom.

Jim has been a major factor in ensuring the School’s financial stability and future success. Jim co-chaired the Hockaday Tomorrow Campaign Leadership Committee and led the campaign to a successful conclusion, which exceeded the goal and raised more than $50 million. He is the current chairman of the Investment Committee, and led Hockaday strongly through the recent economic downturn. The endowment has rebounded from a low of $86 million to $125 million on June 30, 2011.

In 2005, Jim received the Honorary Alum Award from the Alumnae Association. Jim and his wife, Nancy, are the parents of two sons (Hale Hoak and Sam Todd) and three daughters, Hockaday alumnae Kate Hoak Power ’90, a former member of the Board of Trustees; Maggie Hoak ’03, and Abby Hoak ’05.

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Teaching Leadership
Hockaday revamped its Student Council this year to integrate more intentional leadership exploration. Each Student Council board is led by one of 22 elected officers. In the past, students on the boards felt they did not have enough responsibility or accountability. This year, council members are learning to delegate and hold their board accountable to reach new goals.

To create open language about leadership and to invite students to discover the most successful ways to lead their peers, the Hockaday Student Council members have participated in "Leadership Swaps" with peer schools Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas, Greenhill School and Episcopal School of Dallas.

During Leadership Swaps, students brainstorm answers to questions in order to improve the way things are done. They ask each other: What leadership roles have you had in the past? As you have served on Student Council, what were your positive and negative experiences? What kind of leader are you? How can you better engage your board to join in your cause?

Students lead the full spectrum of clubs and extracurricular activities advocating for their personal passions. Leaders are, of course, Student Council officers, sports captains and at the forefront of clubs, but Hockaday is also home to many leaders in the classroom – leaders in learning.

Learning To Use Your Voice & Listen To Others

“Leadership flows naturally out of the students,” said Dean of Studies and Upper School Science Teacher Barbara Fishel. “The girls show us they may have their own way to lead, and we need to make it acceptable to let them use new practices. Part of teaching leadership at Hockaday is allowing the girls to lead.”

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**STUDENTS’ VIEWS ON LEADERSHIP**

Eugene McDermott Headmistress Kim Wargo, Head of Upper School John Ashton and Dean for Student Affairs Meshea Matthews convened a group of girls from disparate sectors of the Upper School and learned how Hockaday students view the role of a leader. Scan here to watch the roundtable discussion with the students and Kim Wargo.

“I didn’t think of myself as a leader, but I found a cause that was really important to me – that no one else was willing to take on – and I learned that you have to take that role upon yourself.”

– CHANDLER STUBBS (Form IV)
President of Spreading the Word about Disordered Eating (SWADE) at Hockaday
Teaching leadership is not explicitly in the Hockaday curriculum – rather, it is an underlying assumption of all teachers to empower girls to be aware of their leadership potential and to take advantage of leadership opportunities. Everyone at Hockaday works toward fulfilling the School’s mission: “To provide a college preparatory education for girls of strong potential and diverse backgrounds who may be expected to assume positions of responsibility and leadership in a rapidly changing world.”

Women are often held back by being unaware of the power of their own voice and opinions. Hockaday teachers encourage girls to speak up and speak their minds. Students practice using their voice in class, and speaking becomes second nature.

Leadership takes place in the classroom as often, if not more often, than in the clubs, and after graduating, Hockaday alumnae shine in their colleges and careers. Head of Middle School Linda Kramer reflects, “John Quincy Adams once said, ‘If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, you are a leader.’ In Middle School we have an opportunity to model and teach that philosophy each day. We believe that all students can be leaders in a variety of ways – not only those girls in elected positions. Middle School affords the girls a multitude of venues and paths from which to comfortably lead and, I would hope, to step forward even when they are not as comfortable in that role. Observing their transformation into bold, thoughtful, respectful leaders is one of the greatest rewards of teaching in Middle School.”

“Students are ‘set loose’ after several years in Hockaday classrooms, feeling equipped to comfortably practice the leadership skills they learned here, whether they were leaders at Hockaday or not,” said Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs & Provost Cathy Murphree. “Their foundation – collaboration and academic skills – prepares them to be leaders.”

Collaboration is emphasized at every age and in all classes. For example, students in science classes from Lower School through Upper School sit at group tables and perform interactive labs, a practice that intentionally encourages partnership and sharing of ideas. At Hockaday, collaboration is taught not only through group work but also through teaching the best ways to talk through problems at the youngest ages.


“Leaders can’t be hesitant. You have to have confidence in yourself so that you can encourage the people you’re leading. That way, they not only have faith in you, but faith in the future.”

– ASHLEY DEATHERAGE (Form III)  
Form III Class President at Hockaday
“What I see in every edition is that good leaders are not self-serving,” she said. “They move initiatives forward and affect change through collaboration.”

In Martha Wieser’s 2nd grade classroom, students are encouraged to improve their communication skills as they work together. Martha teaches thoughtful processes for conflict resolution. Taking the time to work on these skills is invaluable. Developing the ability to use one’s voice and listen to others’ voices will have long-term benefits as these girls become leaders.

Martha says she takes a “direct instruction” approach. She gives the students the words so they can handle conflicts in the future. Students often talk about their feelings in her class.

She uses a book from the FISH! Philosophy called “Schools of Fish.” The FISH! Philosophy teaches students how to forge caring, encouraging relationships; build community based on common language and inclusive behavior; improve character; reduce conflict and, when it occurs, resolve it; and enhance personal responsibility for behavior and effort, according to the book’s website.

Martha’s students enter the class and “choose” their attitude by placing their fish-shaped name card under the “thumbs up,” “thumbs down” or “thumbs horizontal” section of the white board. By declaring whether they are in a good mood, bad mood or neutral mood, students are taught to be aware of their feelings.

“I tell them they can have a bad day, but they have to own it and recognize when they are in a bad mood,” Martha said.

This is empathy training. She teaches consequences – or outcomes of one’s actions – and how to solve problems.

“Leaders can’t be self-satisfied. You can’t be entitled and satisfied with your own achievement.”

ADELA ZHANG (Form III)
Founder of Junior Statesmen of America at Hockaday
She encourages students to first use their words, and if that does not work, then come to the teacher for help. Students use the phrase “When [blank], I feel [blank],” and fill in the blanks with their personal experiences. By using this statement, students communicate with one another, address their personal reactions and calmly share with others how their actions affect their peers.

“It’s about empowering them to use their words,” Martha said. “It gives the girls a voice. They need this language to practice using their own voice.”

Earlier in her career, Martha was exposed to the idea of teaching through intrinsic motivation and giving the power of learning back to the students. She sees the role of teachers – especially of younger girls – as a role of teaching the whole child, not just Language Arts, but shaping who they are holistically.

Martha is a certified Academic Language Therapist, which means she is qualified to provide reading remediation – a useful skill to possess as a Lower School language arts teacher. At a related lecture by a professor from Yale University, Martha learned about the energy of emotions. Emotions do not exist in a vacuum; the energy within the body can also affect one’s feelings. By teaching her young students how to identify and consider their own feelings, they will be better equipped to respect and collaborate with others.

When students work in small groups, she requires them to talk effectively and make decisions – like how to decide where to sit or who gets to take their turn first. Students brainstorm solutions to team-related conflicts, such as playing “Rock, Paper, Scissors” or alternating turns. These basic life skills learned in Lower School are repeated and practiced through Middle School and Upper School.

As students gain greater responsibility, their team work and mediating skills become more important. Hockaday aims to prepare students to be successful leaders in all walks of life, and time in the classroom invites our students to learn the sound of their voice and gain greater confidence as they begin to put that voice into use.

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CATHY MURPHREE
Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs & Provost

“A leader must truly understand every part of a problem, and this happens by making sure that no one’s perspective is going unheard.”

– MARZIA ZENDALI (Form III)
Admissions Volunteer, President of Italian Culture Club and Harry Potter Appreciation Club at Hockaday
A part of Hockaday’s mission is the commitment to prepare girls to assume positions of responsibility and leadership in an ever-changing world, and recently I was asked what that looks like.

The most evident answer is found among the many clubs, teams and student boards that provide opportunities for students to hold formal leadership positions. However, at an Upper School Assembly in the fall, I was reminded that the most available opportunities to lead—and perhaps the most influential—occur daily as the girls make decisions regarding their commitment to academic integrity.

During our first Upper School Assembly, the Honor Council demonstrated situations that could lead to academic dishonesty in order to prompt students to think about making good decisions and the importance of academic integrity.

In one of the skits, a student asked her friend to read her English paper and offer suggestions for improving it. The friend changed words, re-wrote sentences and referenced online resources. In the second portrayal of this same situation, the friend responded appropriately by asking specific questions about the essay and pointing out parts of the essay that were unclear.

Following the skit, the Honor Council Chair emphasized the “right” way to approach this situation and reminded her peers that decisions they make in these moments strengthen or undermine their integrity as well as the integrity of the community.

Watching the portrayal of these situations affirmed for me that these moments require from our students great courage and a commitment to integrity—two essential qualities for leadership.

To close the assembly, students and faculty stood and read aloud the Honor Code in which each pledged “[…] to do justice to my community, to my peers, and to myself [and] pledge[d] to respect the trust invested in me as a Hockaday student, acknowledging that my conduct in school will lay the foundation for a life-long commitment to integrity.”

I hope as the year goes on, that when faced with difficult decisions about right and wrong, each student will hear the support of her classmates to do the right thing— to lead in these private moments—and to recognize the influence of her decision on all of us.

“Leadership is about using the best of your abilities to help other people grow. It’s not about you.”

– JULIANNA PAPALAS (Form IV)
Co-President and Founder of the Quirky Club at Hockaday
“Inconvenient Women” or “Do It Anyway”

By Steve Kramer, Distinguished Teacher, Upper School History Department Chair

It will not surprise you that I have a copy of the high school American history textbook I used when I was a high school junior in 1966–67. In looking at that textbook, first published in 1912, and an early edition of the text I now use for European History, I was not surprised that neither book recounted much of the significance of women in history.

Only within the last 40 years or so have historians, mostly women but not a few men, brought women back into history. We often find that those women of modern history were “inconvenient” but did it anyway.

Renaissance Women

We now learn about Christine De Pisan, a rather remarkable 14th century Renaissance poet who, married at 16, widowed at 25, had three children, a mother and a niece to support. Having been educated by a father as if she had been a son, she chose rather than to remarry, to make her living with her pen, a decision that would have been exceptional even if a man had chosen that path. We have contemporary comparisons of the work of De Pisan to that of Cicero and illustrations of her presenting her poetry to royalty, thus challenging the medieval conception that women were solely sexual temptresses.

Louise Labe, a poet in the mid-1500s noted that education would “raise [women’s] minds somewhat above their distaffs and spindles,” so women would “not be disdained as companions in domestic and public matters by those who govern and command obedience.” Study as well, she observed, would cause “men to devote more time and effort in the public good … for fear of seeing themselves left behind by those over whom they have always claimed superiority in practically everything…”

In some cases in the 1500s, men could not claim superiority in everything. The tutor of the future Elizabeth I of England observed in 1549 that “her mind has no womanly weakness, her perseverance is equal to that of a man, and her memory long keeps what it quickly picks up.” Perhaps these attributes and her verbal skills in French, Italian, Latin, and Greek, as well as her native English, were factors in one historian stating that she was the one monarch of the 16th century who most successfully resolved her country’s religious turmoil.

Scientific Revolution

The scientific revolution as well would produce more, but still rare, “inconvenient women” who did it anyway. The Duchess of Newcastle, Margaret Cavendish, wrote on atoms and scientific philosophy with the support of her much older husband, the Duke. Of her one appearance before the British Royal Academy of Science in 1667, an organization she had hoped to join, Samuel Pepys, the famous diarist, could only observe of her talk that the Duchess “hath been a good, comely woman; but her dress was so antique and her deportment so ordinary, that I do not like her at all and nor did I hear her say anything that was scarcely worth hearing.” She was not invited to join the society.

The German entomologist, Maria Merian, trained as an illustrator in her father’s workshop, had since her youth studied insects. To examine the metamorphosis of insects, she “withdrew from human society and engaged exclusively in these investigations.” At the age of 52, she traveled to Surinam in South America to study the insects and collect samples of plant and insect life. Her Metamorphosis of Insects of Surinam was lavishly illustrated with her drawings.

During the scientific revolution, astronomy was one of the sciences most transformed through the scientific method. In the late 17th century, one in seven German astronomers was a woman, one of the best known being Maria Winkelmann. Her husband, the eminent German astronomer, Gottfried Kirch, noted in 1680:

“Early in the morning (about 2:00 a.m.) the sky was clear and starry. Some nights, before I had observed a variable star and my wife, as I slept, wanted to find and see it for herself. In so doing, she found a comet in the sky, at which time she woke me and I found that it was, indeed, a comet. I was surprised that I had not seen it in the night before.”

When Winkelmann’s husband died, the Berlin Academy of Sciences made her relinquish her work on the official calendar of observations. Her work on the calendar, when her husband was alive, had subjected the academy to ridicule. Should she be “kept on in such a capacity, mouths would gape even wider.”

“To be a leader you have to be a teacher.”

– CAILYN STRAUBEHL (Form IV)

Captain of Hockaday Varsity Volleyball, Participant at SMU HART Global Leaders Program
The New World

The New World produced its own share of inconvenient women. Anne Hutchinson challenged the religious orthodoxy of the Massachusetts Bay colony in the 1630s, and the Puritan colony hanged Mary Dyer because she refused to cease her evangelizing for the Quaker faith.

Perhaps the most famous of the early inconvenient American women was Abigail Adams, who wrote to her husband the famous words, “Remember the Ladies” in the new codes of law that the Continental Congress would make. She urged him, “Do not put such unlimited power into the hands of the husbands. Remember all Men would be tyrants if they could.”

John Adams’ condescending reply, men, “in practice … are the subjects” of women, led Abigail to write Mercy Otis Warren, the future author of one of the early histories of the American Revolution, that Adams had been “very sausy [sic] to me,” and Abigail proposed a petition to the new government to prevent an American Code of Laws, which would give “unlimited power to the husband to use his wife ill.”

Judith Sargent Murray, in 1790, wrote in her essay, On the Equality of the Sexes: “We can only reason from what we know; and if an opportunity of acquiring knowledge hath been denied us, the inferiority of our sex cannot be deduced from that.” She continued that little boys were “taught to aspire,” while their sisters were “early confined and limited.” These two revolutionary women were, not surprisingly, inconvenient for their views in their time.

19th Century America

Nineteenth century American women would continue that inconvenience. Abraham Lincoln called Uncle Tom’s Cabin, that “little woman who had started the Civil War.” New England women would transform the Lowell textile mills and themselves. The Seneca Falls meeting of 1848 wrote what was essentially a declaration of independence for women. Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton formed an incomparable as well as improbable tag team in support of women’s suffrage, often wondering how educated women could not vote, but illiterate men could.

These ideas slowly filtered down in American society. In 1902, a Polish Jewish immigrant, Sadie Frowne, talked about her life as a garment worker. She worked 11-hour days with “the machines [going] mad all day, because the faster you work, the more money you get.” In spite of the long hours and enervating nature of the work, she had been going to night school where she “learned reading, writing and arithmetic.”

She was reading English language newspapers, and people said she was “clever and fine in conversation.” She was a union member who had saved $200 and enjoyed her leisure time at Coney Island where a “girl who does not dress well is stuck in a corner even if she is pretty.” She only went out $200 and enjoyed her leisure time at Coney Island where a “girl who does clever and fine in conversation.” She was a union member who had saved “learned reading, writing and arithmetic.”

Immigrant women were not the only ones where the inconvenience of education changed the lives of women. The African American reformer, Victoria Earle Matthews, the daughter of a slave mother and the master, moved from the South to New York City in the late 19th century. With only a grammar school education, she expanded her knowledge while a servant by reading in her employer’s library. Eventually, she became a journalist and a civil rights activist, but she was best-known for the establishment of a settlement house for young black women to help protect them from exploitation and train them for gainful employment.

Miss Hockaday’s School for Girls

This obviously takes us into the time of Miss Hockaday. I have no idea about how much she knew about any of these women. Certainly she might have learned about Elizabeth I and probably Anne Hutchinson, Abigail Adams, Harriet Beecher Stowe, and Anthony and Stanton.

No matter whom Miss Hockaday had studied, she had a background in which, through her father and mother, education was emphasized. She grew up in an era when both the secondary and collegiate education of women was improving and expanding. The new land-grant colleges were usually coed, and a number of women’s colleges had been established in the late 19th century.

The number of inconvenient women increased dramatically. Ten percent of the women born between 1860 and 1880 never married, the highest percentage of any generation of American women. Some of those women saw the chance to enhance girls’ education, so schools like Chapin, Spence, Holton Arms and Madeira were founded during this era. Brearley was founded by Samuel Brearley, but all of the schools had a similar purpose — the same education for girls that boys received in their prep schools.

When Menter Terrill telegraphed Miss Hockaday in September 1913 to come to Dallas to discuss forming a private school for girls, to pursue this kind of education, there was an existing, but limited sympathetic attitude, especially east of the Mississippi, for education for girls that created inconvenient women. Miss Hockaday accepted the offer from the Dallas city fathers to establish a school for girls and had it open within a week.

It would be a school where the curriculum would challenge the girls and lead them to being inconvenient women, those who would see something men had missed in the night sky before, who feared to call their husband “sausy” for being obstinate, who would learn Greek, Latin or French, who would have the perseverance, the mind, the memory to have a claim to superiority of education to prepare them for the world as it changed around them.

Those ten girls who started in September 1913, under the tutelage of Miss Hockaday and Miss Trent, set the pattern for generations of Daisies who followed. Courtesy and character were deemed attributes necessary for women in the early 20th century. Miss Hockaday saw academics and athletics as important additional attributes that would take her girls beyond the accepted norm.

Miss Hockaday would be pleased that we want to perpetuate and support this Dallas institution, one that for almost 100 years has graduated young women who would become the new “inconvenient women” – women who would have careers, raise families, volunteer in the community, or want for their own daughters and those of their peers the same education that allowed them to “do it anyway.”

“Eventually Hockaday helped me realize that I have the responsibility to lead even though I didn’t really see myself as a leader at first.”

- FANGFEI LI (Form IV) Exchange student from The Beijing National Day School
Alumnae Leaders in their Fields

Alumnae leave Hockaday with years of practice as leaders in the classroom then apply it to the area of their passion in the world. We asked several alumnae making a difference in their fields what they have learned about leadership in their careers.

ALICIA CARTER ’97
Archaeologist, Philanthropist and Hockaday Middle School History Teacher

“As a field director on archaeological digs, I learned that a successful leader was one that inspired others to do their best work. Making each member of a team feel valued (respected, appreciated and, perhaps most importantly, heard) was critical to the overall success of the project. If each team member didn’t do his or her best work, be that analyzing stratigraphy, excavating delicate finds or shoveling loose soil, then the results of the season were less than what they could have been. As a teacher at the head of a classroom, I find that these same strategies continue to be successful. When my students feel valued they are more willing to open their minds and their mouths in class! We all benefit from a vigorous class discussion where each student is well-prepared and willing to take risks. This is easily achieved when each girl feels that she is respected, appreciated and heard.”

LYNDE JONES SCHOELKOPF ’92
Environmental Attorney

“Leadership is not about command and control, position, ego, power and ‘I.’ It is more about vision, influence, inspiration, cooperation and ‘We.’ Champion leaders have a vision, involve a team and invest in a team to help execute that vision, take calculated risks with transparency and integrity and welcome feedback from others to make sound decisions.”

ELLEN MCCULLOUGH ’99
Doctoral candidate studying Applied Economics

“The great leaders I have encountered in my career are more interested in listening than in being heard.”

CARYN SMITH ’95
Engineer and Project Manager turned Litigation Consultant on Construction Disputes

“I have learned that it takes a lot of hard work and diligence to be successful. As an engineer, one must be intelligent, knowledgeable, have good communication skills, work well with others and understand that all people work differently. I always lead by example and one of the most important things I have learned is that respect towards others goes a long way; I always treat people the way I wish to be treated, with respect and kindness. Engineering has traditionally been, and still is, a male-dominated industry. This has been challenging at times and even though I have always been a strong woman, I have had to learn how to adapt and shape that strength to effectively communicate as a leader. I have gained much respect throughout my career due to my strong work ethic and being able to excel in many different situations. I always look forward to working on new projects and to creatively solving problems with the skills that I have gained throughout my career.”

ROGERS HARTMANN ’89
Film and Television Producer and Dystonia Activist

“As a producer in film and television for over 20 years, I always stick to my guns about what I think is right, creatively and otherwise. I found that sugar-coating my responses or input was counterproductive, but I always aimed to do it with respect and grace. My main focus on every project is perseverance. Those who do not succeed are those who give up. I remain open-minded to other ideas and viewpoints, but I refuse to give up on projects that I love and never surrender to anything that would compromise a script that I believe in. As related to my activism and my role as founder of BEAT DYSTONIA, it is the same. I will not give up, I will fight for a cure and I will always have my door open to those in need. I refuse to let my physical challenges hinder my progress in the world and the energy that I want to put out there. I refuse to be a victim. In fact, I find humor in my daily challenges. Thankfully, I think I was born with this proclivity but then made a choice to practice it – day by day. My foundation is now internationally recognized and patients know that they can turn to me for a referral, advice and a compassionate ear. I work and I work and I work some more. In that, I find satisfaction and happiness. And ultimately, creativity in all aspects of my life brings me so much joy.”

“You learn from watching other people take on leadership responsibilities. You see how older girls handle difficulties and you realize that you as a senior class can really set the tone for leadership.”

– REGEN ROUTMAN (Form IV)
Head of Fine Arts Board, President of Madrigals and Coordinator of the Shakespeare Festival at Hockaday
place at the right time, but rather I think they were simply the ones share responsibility for successes. Many great leaders I have known do so on a public stage, take full accountability for failures but gladly corrective action, and moves on to the next challenge. Those who lead do not blame others. Rather, a leader analyzes the situation, takes to take on responsibility and openly share their visions and opinions. Manager of KEW Drilling kA

leaders are, in fact, servants to their team, organization or cause.”

“F I ha methewess ete. People will give unceasingly of themselves if they believe in you or your mission.”

“Leadership must be earned and not just stated.”

- NINA QUIRK (Form IV)
Fundraiser for Children’s Medical Center, President of Children’s Club at Hockaday, PR Chair on the Junior Leadership Board for Children’s Medical Center
Teaching Leaders

In the last year, three generous families provided the resources to create four endowed Distinguished Teacher positions at Hockaday, exhibiting their belief in the School and the importance of its faculty. We sat down with several of these generous donors who explained why their experience with Hockaday and its teachers inspired them to lead the future of Hockaday and support its faculty.

LYDA HILL ’60

Lyda Hill ’60 is a leader in every sense of the word. She led the way for The Hockaday School by providing the largest single gift given to an independent girls’ school by a living alumna on April 6, 2011. The gift was $20 million.

Lyda celebrates that Hockaday has always taught leadership, and it continues to do so today. Hockaday gave Lyda opportunities to learn and lead. This is one of the many places she found inspiration as she has progressed throughout her career.

Mathematics teacher William McNabb, who was at Hockaday from 1946–1960, understood that Lyda learned and worked differently than other students. She knew he believed in her, which helped her believe in herself. He gave her advanced math formulas to solve, simply because he believed she could handle the challenge.

Sports also played a crucial role in Lyda’s development. She feels athletics and physical education teach kids how to find their successes and face their challenges.

Even through challenges, Hockaday teachers encouraged Lyda. In music class, she struggled to sing in tune with others and later found out she was tone deaf. Her music teacher realized her potential and found a job that suited Lyda. She was named the Music Librarian. Lyda proudly says the music had never been so organized.

“It is important for people to always be able to look at themselves in the mirror, knowing they were honest and ethical,” Lyda said, when asked what advice she would offer current Hockaday students beginning their lives as young adults. “Back in my day, women did not step up as leaders, but they do today. At Hockaday, it never occurred to me that I wouldn’t be a leader.”

That is what she was taught and that is what was expected of her. In a single-sex education environment, women are the ones doing everything. Whether serving as president of Student Council or treasurer of one of the 57 clubs at Hockaday, girls are leading. Girls do not have the option to bow out of a leadership role because boys typically take on that particular role.

“There are many different ways to lead, and many women have the human perspective in their leadership roles that many of their male counterparts are lacking,” Lyda said.

There are three things Lyda focuses her life around: One, having fun; two, doing things she knows something about; and three, making a difference. She believes science and education are the answers to all the world’s problems.

“Whether it is air pollution, disease, bioscience or food issues, research will provide the answer,” Lyda said. “Hockaday students are poised to make discoveries and change our world.”

In addition to providing a significant gift to allow Hockaday to add to our science building, Lyda established two Distinguished Teacher endowments, currently held by Distinguished Teacher in Science Beverly Lawson and Distinguished Teacher in English Diane Glaser. These endowments honor extraordinary faculty and allow them the opportunity to focus on their own discipline, scholarship and teaching.

Over 50 percent of students in colleges today are female, and Lyda believes her gift will inspire those women to support their educational institutions. Ninety percent of women leaders attended a women’s institution. These leaders inspire Lyda, and she hopes her gift supporting Hockaday will lead others to step up and make well thought out gifts, ultimately making the world a better place than how we found it.

“I look forward to the students at Hockaday making a difference,” Lyda said.

Women can give and give significantly, and Lyda certainly walked the walk with her $20 million gift to The Hockaday School.

“WOMEN CAN GIVE AND GIVE SIGNIFICANTLY.
A WOMAN CAN STEP FORWARD TOO.”
– LYDA HILL ’60
Life Trustee
John “Jack” G. Penson

In his youth, John “Jack” G. Penson enjoyed writing plays for his school. When he would give them to his teacher for review, he was moved by her praise of his talent for writing. For Jack, leadership started early. He would write these plays and organize the cast, directing and playing roles in his own plays.

“You can never underestimate the effect a teacher can have on the life of a student,” Jack said. “They not only teach their subject matter, they teach by their own example. The example a teacher sets for their students is based on character.”

This teacher was the reason he pursued higher studies at Harvard University. He applied twice and was ultimately accepted, but he persevered because his teacher encouraged him. She believed in him, so he believed in himself.

In 2011, Jack and Nancy Penn Penson ’41 established a Distinguished Teacher in Fine Arts endowment – the title is currently held by Ed Long, Fine Arts Department – Lead Chair.

“Next to students, teachers are the greatest asset a school has,” he said. “I have always enjoyed studying and respected great teachers and athletic coaches.”

Jack was born in England, but his parents brought him to the United States before his first birthday. He jokes that he lost his accent before he started talking. He went to college preparatory school at St. Paul’s School in New England, spent four years at Harvard, then went into the Army during World War II. After the war, Jack returned to Boston and spent two more years at Harvard Business School.

After college, living in New York City, Jack met Nancy and courted her, he says. They fell in love and made Dallas their home. Jack and Nancy, a Hockaday Alumna, raised three daughters at Hockaday.

Jack served on the Hockaday Board of Trustees for more than 15 years. He is an Honorary Alum and was named a Life Trustee in 1978.

Nancy was a member of the Board of Trustees and served as president, vice president and treasurer of the Alumnae Association. In 1987, the Hockaday Alumnae Association named her a Hockaday Medalist.

In his life, Jack’s main focus has been leading his investment business. He says he reads to stay sharp and to stay abreast of the digital trends. He believes Hockaday teaches core values that will prepare its girls to be lifelong learners.

“As long as Hockaday stays with the Four Cornerstones, they will do all right,” Jack said. “So many schools don’t teach character, and I am glad Hockaday does. As the great sportswriter Grantland Rice said, ‘For when the great scorer comes to write against your name, He marks not that you won or lost but how you played the game.’”

Anonymous Donor

An anonymous member of the Hockaday community approached The Hockaday School last year to participate as a lead donor in the Centennial Campaign. She quietly led her peers by providing endowed funding to further develop great teachers.

The donor established a Distinguished Teacher Endowment, currently held by Chair of the History Department Steve Kramer.

“Hockaday continually supports the teachers in the STEM fields, but there is also a need to recognize those in the humanities,” she said.

“Mr. Kramer is a superior teacher, continually learning and growing through research during the summer and vacation breaks.”

The donor recalls being inspired by one teacher during her education – he made education interesting, explaining lessons clearly, and believing in her. The leadership he showcased in his classroom encouraged this donor to lead the way for others in her own life.

“We didn’t have all the bells and whistles they have in classrooms now,” she said. “But my teacher expected a lot from his students and wanted his students to do well.”

Echoing the sentiment shared by Lyda Hill and Jack Penson, this anonymous donor believed in her abilities because her teacher believed in her.

“Hockaday gives its students confidence to know they can achieve, and that is invaluable,” the donor said. “Today, Hockaday exposes the girls to a wide variety of things, and students come away from Hockaday with a better understanding of who they are.”

Leadership is instilled in the girls from an early age, preparing them to lead in a fast-paced, ever-changing world.

The emphasis on communication is so strong. We’re taught to hear what other people have to say, and we’re taught not to be afraid to speak our minds, not to be afraid to voice our opinions even if we stand alone.”

– Divya Walia (Form III)
Volunteer/Fundraiser for Pratham (non-profit focused on children’s education in India)
According to the ConAgra Foods Foundation and Feeding America, 24.3 percent of children in Texas are experiencing food insecurity. Nearly one in four Texans under 18 years of age – or 1.6 million children – do not have access to the foods that they need to lead active, healthy lives.

Hockaday students are doing what they can to change their community and put a stop to hunger. On October 17, Hockaday students from Upper and Middle School delivered 81 boxes of food to a waiting Salvation Army truck. After two weeks of collecting items like peanut butter, pinto beans and crackers, the students were excited to see the combined total of their efforts as they helped package and load their donations.

The annual food drive jointly sponsored by Hockaday and St. Mark’s collects items to provide meals to homeless families in the Dallas/Fort Worth area, and this year the total donation from Hockaday came to 1,782 pounds of food.

Several years ago, Avery Hall (Form IV) decided she wanted to do something that would make a difference in the lives of children. After researching different areas of need, her heart was drawn to children born with cleft lips and palettes in third world countries. According to the Operation Smile website, every three minutes a child is born with a cleft and most of those children’s families cannot afford surgery.

After reading an article about a local doctor who volunteers his medical skills around the world, Avery reached out to him and was able to spend a day in the operating room at UT Southwestern Medical Center seeing how these clefts are turned into beautiful smiles.

Last spring, Avery began a letter writing campaign to raise $40,000, which is the amount it takes to fund an entire mission trip. Eight months and many presentations later, Avery exceeded her goal! In August, she spent two weeks in Peru and Brazil, where she filled her days screening patients, playing with children, comforting families and assisting in any way she could.

The donors will soon see some of the hundreds of new smiles their contributions made possible. Avery is well into the fundraising efforts for her next trip and hopes to do one every year. A Junior Board for Operation Smile was created by Avery here in Dallas, and they are deep in fundraising efforts for their next mission.
Mavs Day

MAVS’ NBA CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY VISITS HOCKADAY

Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban and head coach Rick Carlisle inspired students with their story of triumph. In a rare opportunity provided for Hockaday students, the Dallas Mavericks’ NBA Championship Trophy visited campus, hand-delivered by two devoted dads who inspired students with the evidence that no feat is unreachable with perseverance.

Mark Cuban and Rick Carlisle – both Hockaday parents – spoke to all ages of girls at Hockaday, showing their school spirit as well as their skills on the court.

“The Mavs have only had a six-game losing streak twice since I’ve been here – my first year and this year,” Cuban said. “This year, no one thought they could make it, and they came back to win a championship.”

Carlisle shared how Hockaday students are facing challenges just like the Mavs – they will face setbacks and can keep getting back up. He conveyed his trophy-winning coaching message that excellence is in the process.

Eugene McDermott Headmistress Kim Wargo demonstrated her willingness to face her fears on the basketball court by shooting free throws with Cuban and Carlisle – Wargo even got some professional coaching from Carlisle and Tina Slinker, Hockaday’s Director of Athletics.

Students sported blue from head to toe for the occasion, a special “blue-out” free dress day. After Cuban and Carlisle addressed students, they took photos with students and the trophy.
FOURTH GRADERS EARN THEIR PINS AS THEY LEARN TO LEAD THE LOWER SCHOOL

Hockaday teaches girls to be leaders at all ages, and the newest 4th grade class recently was acknowledged as the leaders of Lower School in a traditional ceremony with Eugene McDermott Headmistress Kim Wargo.

Girls in 4th grade at Hockaday are expected to be mentors and role models to the students in other grades in Lower School. The pin symbolizes seniority in Lower School and serves as a reminder to the girls of their commitment to Hockaday’s philosophy and purpose, which includes a love of learning and a commitment to moral and ethical values. The 4th Grade Pin recognizes leadership and service in Lower School.

The pins are the first that girls at Hockaday can receive to eventually appear on their uniform blazers; often Hockadasies wear their 4th grade pins proudly in Middle and Upper School as a reminder of their early days spent in Hockaday’s Lower School.

TWENTY HOCKADAY SENIORS NAMED SEMIFINALISTS IN THE 2012 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Officials of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) announced the names of approximately 16,000 Semifinalists in the 57th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 8,300 National Merit Scholarships worth more than $34 million that will be offered next spring. To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, Semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. About 90 percent of the Semifinalists are expected to attain Finalist standing, and more than half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar title.

Hockaday is proud to announce the names of 20 seniors in the Class of 2012 who earned the distinction of Semifinalist in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Competition: Emily Bao, Rupsha Basu, Abigail Becker, Jessica Bluedorn, Mollie Cowger, Hannah Cyr, Katherine Dannenmaier, Caitlin Garcia, Tavia Gonzalez Peña, Caroline Magee, Daly Montgomery, Katherine Mosle, Megan Neligan, Oladunni Ogundipe, Jennifer Qin, Laura Roberts, Caroline Sydney, Michelle Tsai, Christin Urso and Annie Zhu.
ALUMNAE HELP CHILDREN FULFILL THEIR POTENTIAL WITH TEACH FOR AMERICA

Poverty limits educational opportunities, but children facing the challenge of poverty are proving that— with education—they can achieve at the highest levels. Hockaday alumnae are working with Teach for America to close the achievement gap and bring superior education to all children.

Continuing a long line of Hockaday alumnae joining Teach for America, the Class of 2007 has seven members who began their first stint teaching this fall in low-income school districts. Teach for America recruits a diverse group of leaders with a record of achievement who work to expand educational opportunity, starting by teaching for two years in a low-income community.

Teach for America has the wonderful problem of an overwhelming number of applicants wanting to join the program as teachers, making the acceptance rate highly competitive. The Washington Post reported that the Teach for America 2011 acceptance rate was only 11 percent of the record 48,000 applicants for this fall. Hockaday is proud that so many of its alumnae have been accepted into Teach for America, where they are making a huge difference in the lives of children across the country.

From the Hockaday Class of 2007, Teach for America invited the following recent college graduates to teach. Allison Hayes is now teaching middle school special education in Durham, NC, after graduating from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as a Duke Robertson Scholar. Katherine Novinski now teaches middle school science in Baltimore, MD, after graduating from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as a Morehead-Cain Scholar. Maillil Acosta is teaching in Dallas after graduating from Southern Methodist University. Olivia Trevino now teaches first grade in Dallas after graduating from the University of Southern California. Blakely Hull is teaching in Los Angeles after graduating from the University of Southern California. Kat Morgan is teaching middle school math in Memphis, TN, after graduating from Rhodes College. And Bess Milner is teaching in Nashville, TN, after graduating from The University of Texas at Austin.

A LOCAL GROWN MURAL: STUDENTS PAINT A MURAL AT CHEF KENT RATHBUN’S RESTAURANT

To promote his flavorful concept of sustainable food production and consumption within an upscale comfort-food type of cuisine, Chef Kent Rathbun sought Hockaday Upper School Advanced Studio Art students, led by Fine Arts teacher Juliette McCullough, to design and paint the mural now appearing on the exterior of Kent Rathbun’s Blue Plate Kitchen in Dallas. Mr. Rathbun says Blue Plate is serving food that his mom might make, but with a twist.

The girls developed a basic design for the space. From February through May, they tested images that incorporated regional vegetables, a farmer and a representation of the state of Texas. The overall composition of the mural is a blending of designs proposed over several months and then executed by the entire class. Juliette McCullough was on site at Blue Plate overseeing the girls every day during the first week of summer holiday.

“I think that one of the interesting challenges of the project was that we took on a professional assignment with a high school class,” Juliette said. “The demands of work in the restaurant world and the school timetable do not fit very well together: because of this we had many ups and downs that gave the girls a good real life experience of the vicissitudes of working with an actual client. At one point they all thought that it would never happen, but now, after successful completion, it has given them all a very positive and well earned feeling of accomplishment.”

Blue Plate employed a professional mural painter, Craig Grimston of ‘Muralicious,’ who worked on it for about a week with several of the students helping him paint on two different days. Craig exhibited inclusiveness of our student artists, collaborating every step of the way. Juliette McCullough worked with her students on artistic direction and she, Mr. Rathbun and Mrs. Elizabeth Karahan, Visual Arts Volunteer Liaison and parent of current Form IV Hockaday student Olivia Karahan, were instrumental in making the mural a reality.

Craig Grimston invited the students to come and work on the lower parts of the image. He said that he had been inspired as a teenager by his own high school art teacher and wanted the girls to be able to take some ownership of the final painting; in fact, he gave them a demonstration and instruction on how to work the large areas of color, which was especially difficult in the heat because the paint dried so fast.

Ms. McCullough’s Advanced Studio Art Class included juniors and seniors: Jackie Carroll, Jean Chien, Hannah Cyr, Caitlin Garcia, Lily Grayson, Megan Gross, Alexandra Hamilton-Bovard, Serena Heydari, Olivia Karahan and Shay Southerland.

Fine Arts teacher Juliette McCullough’s Advanced Studio Art Class designed the mural now appearing on the exterior of Kent Rathbun’s Blue Plate Kitchen.

HOCKADAY WEB ENHANCEMENTS

You speak and we listen. Numerous requests pour in for enhancements to the website at www.hockaday.org. Here are just a few enhancements that have occurred this school year.

• Group pages were introduced to all grades, Pre-K through Form IV.
• Teacher pages were developed for all Lower School teachers.
• Locations were added to away games for Athletics.
• The mobile site (www.hockaday.org/mobile) was redesigned and now has sign-in functionality, allowing access to the directory while you are on the go.
• Mobile numbers that were listed in the printed directory this year were also added to the online directory for accessing numbers on the go.
• The Hockaday Calendar can be synced to your smartphone or mobile device.
• The Hockaday Parents’ Association introduced a new Facebook page (Hockaday Parents’ Association) and a Twitter feed (@HockadayParents).

Stay tuned for continued enhancements. Thank you for your continued feedback and support.
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Session I: June 11 – June 22
Session II: June 25 – July 6
Session III: July 9 – July 20
Extended Days Available

MIDDLE AND UPPER SCHOOL
Session I: June 11 – June 29
Session II: July 2 – July 20

For more information, contact Nancy Gale at 214.360.6534 or ngale@mail.hockaday.org
Athletes in Service

TWO STUDENTS INNOVATIVELY COMBINE TEAMWORK AND COMMUNITY SERVICE AT HOCKADAY

Jennifer “J.J.” Hayes and Everest Goldstein, Form IV, knew they had a good idea on their hands. As sophomores in 2009, they approached the Upper School administration with a suggestion. They thought athletes should be able to combine practice time with community service to build teamwork and contribute to the community.

“I was eager to start [Athletes in Service] because I am very involved in athletics and community service,” Everest said. “As an athlete, I noticed that many of my teammates had trouble finding time to complete their required community service hours, so I thought it would be a good idea to coordinate events where they could do community service and bond with their team members.”

Their idea was not easily integrated into the Athletics program, however, and J.J. and Everest, now seniors, were initially met with resistance. They continued with the concept – which required collaboration and the support of team coaches, school administration, community service staff and fellow athletes – and have succeeded in bringing this innovative idea to fruition.

Last year, the idea began to take shape when J.J. and Everest led the Field Hockey and Basketball teams in grassroots community service efforts with their coaches. The Cross Country team also participated in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Dallas.

This year, athletics coaches are allowing students to use practice time to build teamwork through service. On Saturday, September 17, the Field Hockey team participated in the Wipe Out Kids’ Cancer run at Addison Circle.

“I would love to get some teams involved in a Special Olympics opportunity since that is also athletically oriented,” J.J. said. “I am very happy with the success we have had with Athletes in Service so far. Every team and coach I have worked with has been gracious and had a fun time volunteering with their team! I only hope that once we graduate and pass the idea on to the underclassmen, they can keep it going in the future.”

When students engage in the community, the School is able to play a beneficial role in Dallas as well as in agencies serving special needs within the city. In Upper School, Hockaday requires a minimum of 15 community service hours a year; however, many students surpass the minimum. In 7th and 8th Grade, participation is one class project per year.

Learning the importance of community service has always been an integral part of a Hockaday education. There is a record number of students running food and clothing drives to support the community. However, this new concept allows athletes to integrate service work into their busy practice schedules with great ease and enthusiasm.

“I am very pleased with the program we have set up,” Everest said. “I feel it has bonded teams and inspired more athletes and coaching staff to support their community.”

The Hockaday Cross Country team is SPC Champion for the first time since 1997.

SPC RESULTS ARE IN

The Cross Country team is SPC Champion for the first time since 1997. All-SPC Top 20 Cross Country honors go to:

Jackie Choucair (Form III) – 1st Place SPC Champion
Lexie Hood (Form III) – 3rd place
Courtney Burke (Form III) – 14th place

Field Hockey won the Division II Championship. Ramie Payne (Form III) scored both goals in a 2–1 win over Fort Worth Trinity Valley for the Division II Championship on Friday, November 4, 2011. Payne broke a 1–1 tie by scoring on a rebound with 14:05 left in the first half.

The Hockaday Volleyball team represented the School well, winning their first and third games. They pulled together and embodied the grace and class of Hockadaisies.

Congratulations to all of our teams and coaches!
On the Playing Field
Centennial Celebration
SAVE THE DATES!

ALUMNAE DAY 2013
Friday, April 19, 2013

CENTENNIAL KICK-OFF WEEKEND 2013
Friday and Saturday, September 27 – 28, 2013

ALUMNAE CENTENNIAL WEEKEND 2014
Friday and Saturday, April 11 – 12, 2014

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ALUMNAE DAY 2013
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September 27–28, 2013
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Alumnae Art Show – HAARTS
Amy Williams Monier ’73
Salute to Athletics
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April 11–12, 2014
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Meg Munson McGonigle ’96

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Co-Chairs
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Samantha Ackerman Simons ’91

Alumnae Weekend Centennial Gala
Co-Chairs
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Jacqueline Sewell Taylor ’99
Hockaday Alumnae Association Past Presidents Luncheon
Co-Chairs
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Mary Ann Jackson Hyde ’49 & ’51

THE HOCKADAY PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION

HPA Benefit 2014
Chair
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Hockaday Parents’ Association Past Presidents Luncheon
Co-Chairs
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CENTENNIAL PROJECTS LEADERSHIP

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(2012–2013 Form III Community Service Board Representative)

CENTENNIAL SUGGESTION BOX
Hockaday will celebrate its 100th Anniversary during the 2013–2014 school year. Planning begins this year for the many ways we will commemorate this singular occasion. Share your ideas with us for innovative and meaningful ways to remember Hockaday’s Centennial. Please e-mail your suggestions and questions about the Centennial to:

Sara Melnick Albert ’73
Centennial Chair
centennial@mail.hockaday.org.

Join us for the Hockaday Centennial Celebrations!
Advisory Council

The Centennial Advisory Council celebrated its inaugural meeting on Wednesday, October 19, 2011, in the Hockaday Lower School Library. Advisory Council members – including former Heads of School, Board Chairs, Alumnae Association Presidents, Parents’ Association Presidents, faculty and other members of Hockaday’s past leadership – participated in a topical strategy session led by Eugene McDermott Headmistress Kim Wargo and received an update on Centennial planning from Centennial Chairs Sara Melnick Albert ’73. The Centennial Advisory Council will meet again in February 2012.

Celebrating 50 Years at the Welch Road Campus

As The Hockaday School looks ahead to its second century we also take time to recognize an important milestone in the School’s history: the 50th Anniversary of the Welch Road Campus. During Thanksgiving break in 1961, an entire school, grades one through 12, uprooted from a tree-studded campus on Greenville Avenue to its new home at 11600 Welch Road in far North Dallas. The campus and its five new buildings were dedicated on October 21, 1962.

The Hockaday Centennial Alumnae Art Exhibition

SAVE THE DATE!
Exhibit – Fall 2013

Share your vision and talent:
Announcing a celebration of Visual Arts at Hockaday in honor of the Hockaday Centennial.

Media will include two-dimensional, three-dimensional, mixed-media, works on paper, works on canvas, photography, film and video.

The Exhibition will feature Hockaday’s first online art show.

Look for submission specifications and deadline requirements in the Fall 2012 Hockaday Magazine and on the Hockaday website later this year.
Think of the impact you can have on one life. Then multiply many times over.

That’s the joy of giving to the Annual Fund – the knowledge that your contribution has the singular power to change one girl’s life as well as the cumulative power to strengthen and elevate the Hockaday community.

Make a difference that starts today.

Your donation immediately supports a full range of programs and experiences at Hockaday. Tuition and fees alone can’t pay for all the opportunities that make Hockaday distinct. That leaves the Annual Fund and income from the endowment to make up the $6,424 per-student gap.

Please support the 2011 – 2012 Annual Fund.
Make a gift online: www.hockaday.org/makeagift
Make a gift by phone: 214.360.6587

For more information contact:
Keturi DeLong Beatty, Director of Annual Giving
214.360.6587 or kbeatty@mail.hockaday.org
The Benefit season kicked off last October with a glorious event surrounded by creative works hosted by Honorary Benefit Chair Talley Dunn at her exquisite art gallery in Dallas. Parents gathered to celebrate a new year of support for the Ela Hockaday Fund for Faculty Excellence and began collecting donations for the 2012 HPA Benefit, “Deep in the Heart of Hockaday: Welcome to Texas Kim Wargo.”
Fall Fashion Show and Luncheon

The HPA Benefit Fall Luncheon and Fashion Show, October 26, 2011, was a huge success with faculty and parent models sporting a variety of designers, such as Ralph Lauren. Thank you to Crawford Brock of Stanley Korshak, Fashion Show Chair Jennifer Karol, and Fox 4 News for covering the event.

The fashion show benefited the Ela Hockaday Fund for Faculty Excellence. The money raised supports professional development, graduate studies, faculty salaries and other compensation. This fund gives Hockaday a competitive edge to attract and retain the best and brightest faculty who help prepare our girls to lead exceptional lives.

Photography by James Edwards.

Watch the coverage on FOX 4 News, featuring news anchor and Hockaday mom Heather Hays and Eugene McDermott Headmistress Kim Wargo.
Dear Alumnae,

In this edition of the Hockaday Magazine, we explore women in leadership. Indeed, leadership is one of the first words to come to mind when thinking of Hockaday alumnae. No matter the endeavor, a Hockadaisy always seems to rise to the top, set the example for excellence, provide inspiration and guidance to others, and demonstrate great skill and confidence. And, somehow she makes it look easy.

One woman who leads with grace and wisdom is our new Eugene McDermott Headmistress Kim Wargo, who began her tenure at Hockaday in July. I hope you all will get the chance to meet her and get to know her at one of our alumnae events.

Hockaday is so fortunate that so many of you remarkable leaders contribute so much of your time and talent to Hockaday. The Board of Visitors provides the administration a fresh perspective on Hockaday during their annual spring program. Many of you network with sophomore students in our Net Pals program and serve as mentors to seniors doing their senior projects in the workplace. Others participate in the Daisy Chain program, providing networking and a local community link to our recent graduates in new college environments. You provide inspiration to our middle and upper school students through Career Day, HAARTS, HATS and HAH, among many other alumnae initiatives and projects.

Each year the HAARTS program features several outstanding alumnae leaders in fields largely related to the arts. The 2012 program, “Art of Diplomacy,” featured distinguished alumnae and Hockaday community panelists, including: Ambassador Anne Woods Patterson ’67, U.S. Ambassador to Egypt; Angier Peavy ’68, former Senior Foreign Service Officer; The Honorable Jeanne L. Phillips, former Ambassador in Paris and U.S. Representative to the OECD; and The Honorable Pamela Fitzer Willeford ’68, former U.S. Ambassador to Switzerland and Liechtenstein.

Within our Alumnae Association we recognize our alumnae leaders with the Ela Hockaday Distinguished Alumna Award. The 2011 recipient was Catherine Baxter Sidamon-Eristoff ’82. In addition, the Hockaday Medal will be awarded at Alumnae Day to an alumna who has shown excellence in her chosen field of endeavor and has demonstrated her loyalty and support of Hockaday, exemplifying the Hockaday Cornerstones and serving as a role model to the students and the alumnae of Hockaday.

Our alumnae are leaders in the fundraising efforts of the School. The historic gift of Lyda Hill ’60 of $20 million to the capital campaign this year was the largest single gift in Hockaday’s history and the largest single gift from a living alumna among independent girls’ schools in the nation. Our Alumnae Association achieved a record 32% participation in our annual fund in 2010–2011. (The national average participation among girls’ schools is 12 percent.) Hockaday is proud of the loyalty and generosity of its alumnae.

I invite and encourage you to become involved with the Alumnae Association and to share your talents and leadership. Explore our alumnae pages on the Hockaday website, www.hockaday.org. Network with us. Join us on Twitter and LinkedIn. Add Ela Hockaday as a friend on Facebook. Join your class Facebook group. Remember we are not shrinking violets; we are Killer Daisies! I hope you, as alumnae, will show that Hockaday spirit.

Sincerely,

Allison Campfield Taten ’89
2011–2012 President
Hockaday Alumnae Association
Hockaday alumnae, beloved faculty and distinguished guests enjoyed a beautiful evening of celebration October 27, 2011. Guests gathered for cocktails in Great Hall before sitting down to a festive and delicious dinner in Biggs Dining Hall.

Eugene McDermott Headmistress Kim Wargo was the evening’s guest speaker, and her inspirational words instilled in everyone an even greater sense of pride for our remarkable school.

The Fall Alumnae Dinner also celebrated the Ela Hockaday Distinguished Alumna Award recipient, Catherine Baxter Sidamon-Eristoff ’82, an extraordinary alumna who has made a profound impact on her career, family and the Hockaday community.

Catherine is a managing director of Constellation Wealth Advisors LLC, a multi-family investment office in New York, which she joined in 2007. From 1987 through 2005 she held various management positions in the Private Wealth Management division of Morgan Stanley, ranking among the top female Managing Directors on Wall Street. She began her career there as an Investments Representative.
Class Notes
A full-time November 2010 found them on a two-spectacular lilies now that they live in Tahoe City. Son Jon and family, including grandsons was to be previewed in Los Angeles. Daughter movie project with Elton John’s music, which partner. Baker has just completed a four-year time last year at the Vancouver Winter Olympics, daughter, who will attend Hockaday. Margaret McClennahan Tyner in Crescent City, California, surfaced after a long silence and sent a surprisingly new e-mail! Their area was under a tsunami warning after the earthquake/tsunami in Japan, so we were very concerned. She and her son and his family live next door to each other on the edge of the evacuation zone and elected to stay inside their homes. They did not suffer damage, but the fishing fleet harbor and many boats were lost. The downtown area, all schools and the highway going south were closed all day. They were alerted by sirens and police knocking on doors at 4 a.m. Son John is a doctor so was called to the emergency center at once. Quite an experience! John’s wife Irene is very active in civic affairs and has served as Mayor of Crescent City. Grandson Jordan married in October 2010. He is in graduate school at the College of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. His wife is a graduate there and is working on a line of vintage clothes. Thirteen-year-old granddaughter Joely is very smart, athletic (sound like her granny?) and performs in a repertory theater between athletic events! As for herself, “McClennahan” reports that having had a mastectomy, hip replacement, cataract surgery and sporting hearing aids, she feels great, has no complaints and cannot believe that she is pushing 81! She has been a board member of Community Assistance League (formerly Easter Seals) helping those in need to go to other towns for medical attention not available locally. Now she is stepping back from those demands a bit but will continue as a Volunteer. Her other son Michael and his wife Valarie live on a ranch outside Sweetwater, Texas. Michael is in investments and Valerie is a consulting behaviorist veterinarian. At Christmas time, Donna Reese Godwin was expecting much of her Texas family to come to Jackson to be with her. Donna sounds upbeat and cheery but she is having lots of physical problems and has a very hard time getting around. With such a huge clan of children and grown grandchildren, she seems to have one of them in residence frequently and does not want to give up living in her house. She loves to hear from her Hockaday buddies, so give her a call or send her a note. Marilyn Files Webb stays busy with church projects but is somewhat handicapped by chronic bronchitis. However, she was considering taking a Mediterranean cruise! Marilyn Draper Brown and her beloved Bill are still leading their fun life. Once settled in North Carolina for the summer, they immediately left for a family party in California followed by an Alaskan cruise. One of her goals for this season was to get together with Ellen Galey Scher, who lives less than 100 miles from Blowing Rock, but they have not seen each other since our 50th Reunion at Hockaday. Laura Hillhouse Cadwallader and Bobby are spending the summer nursing Bobby back to health following his second hip replacement. Unfortunately, the femur developed a hairline crack a few weeks later for no apparent reason and he was put on complete bed rest for six weeks, hoping that it would heal itself. Sounds like a good excuse to stay in out of the 100-plus degree heat and drought that San Antonio endured last summer. Condolences to Patsy Murphrey Whitman on the death of her sister Mary Jane Murphrey Harmon ‘42 in Houston last July. Mary Jane had just visited
Patsy in Connecticut in April and had an opportunity to be with all three of Patsy's sons and their children. Patsy had a wonderful time at the Hockaday Alumnae Luncheon in New York City in early spring. She said, of course, all the attendees were very interesting and outstanding City in early spring. She said, of course, all the attendees were very interesting and outstanding.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Darlene White DeLee and Rita Crocker Clements on the deaths in May of their beloved husbands. On a brighter note, Marjorie Reynolds Prichard attended the Board of Visitors meeting and then Alumnae Day this year – what a treat to have her here for two days! In May, Marjorie and her husband, Ed, flew from Corpus Christi, Texas, to Los Angeles, California, to attend their granddaughter Maria's graduation from the University of Southern California, and, the same day, to celebrate Ed's 80th birthday. Their son, Charles, and his wife joined them from Houston, and the family then traveled to Santa Barbara, California, home of Maria's parents, their son David, his wife and Maria's brother. During the family reunion, they visited the Cambria winery and drove up the coast to San Luis Obispo to visit Cal Poly Tech, where grandson David is a freshman.

After all the ice and snow of winter 2011, most of us were off to see the world! Ann Ferguson Williams, her cousin Sue Deakins from Tyler and a friend drove from Texas to Charleston, South Carolina – more than a thousand miles – to see Charleston's beautiful homes in April. Several of us made the annual trip to Wimberley for a house party at Lila Luckie McCall's, June 3–5. In attendance were Martha Ann Knapp Linden from Houston, Ann Ferguson Williams from Decatur, Alice McCart Walters from Fort Worth, and Dottie Stacy Wood, Peggy Davis Greenstreet and Betty Taylor Cox from Dallas. Our annual “weekend at Lila’s” includes lots of talk on her spacious front porch by the river, a shopping trip to Wimberley’s “Market Days” held the first weekend of the month except in the winter, and lots of Hill Country good food. Alice “Bert” McCart Walters has been commuting to New Mexico to their construction site at Hillsboro, near Truth or Consequences in western New Mexico, where they’re building a studio/barn/ apartment. Her husband, a sculptor, and Bert, an artist, are creating the Mueller steel structure as an “off-grid” studio, powered by solar panels, which they installed this spring. And they’ve invested in a 4-wheeler for this rocky terrain. On May 17, I was at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C., for a friend’s husband’s military burial – an impressive sight in the nation’s capital – for someone who was one of the youngest officers in the Korean War. The news for Peggy Davis Greenstreet is that her daughter is moving from Washington State back to Colorado, and that means her granddaughters will be that much closer. Eva Jane Potter Morgan has been working on two history projects: One is a labor of love – compiling professional photographs of her father’s noted Texas ironwork, still in use in churches and homes across the state, and writing the introduction to his work. She has also compiled photographs of early White Rock Lake in Dallas and shared scrapbooks and photographs with those planning the lake’s 100th anniversary events. Dallas ancestors operated a fishing concession on the lake during the decade from 1910–1920 and during the Depression, when improving the lake became a WPA project. Lanette Sherman Sullivan, with 29 friends from the Holly Lake community in East Texas, has begun a wonderful community service program called “Handy Helpers.” The friends get together each quarter for lunch, contribute $20 each for the Help fund, and have already helped renovate the house of a couple in need, served lunch to women re-entering the workforce at a local Job Corps center, and found other ways to help in their East Texas area. For Sonia Wolf Wilson in Austin, Texas, the news was sadder. She lost her son to cancer after a long illness in April. Several of us were able to send a gift in memory of the life of Sterling Howard Wilson to St. Andrew’s Episcopal School in Austin, where he had been a trustee, where the family had sent his own sons, and where he had been active in so many ways. The school dedicated a beautiful stained glass chancel window in his name. We hope each of you is well, happy, traveling, and will come to have lunch with us in Dallas soon! Don’t forget that Hockaday’s Centennial is coming soon (in 2013–14) and they are accumulating memories. We don’t want them to forget about Hockaday Junior College, or its last class, ’52JC. So do share your memories by coming to the Sweetheart Tea in February at Hockaday in Dallas, if you can, or by writing or calling the Alumnae Office. They’ll videotape your comments, or welcome your written material. – Betty

Jane Mitchell Talbot “This year I received the Lifetime Achievement in Volunteerism Award from the Junior Service League of McAllen. Six of us were recognized for creating and serving on the popular La Piñata Cookbook committee, which had eight re-printings. La Piñata raised more than $1.5 million, all of which was given back to the community – mainly to help needy or ill children and provide college scholarships. This year was the 35th anniversary of the book. The League decided not to reprint it again, and they are now out of La Piñata books, so if you don’t have it, you probably will never be able to get it; however, the League has another book, Some Like It Hot, which is still available. Although I was a sustainer when the books were created, I was...
Annual gathering of the Class of 1958 at the riverfront home of Blythe Holder Thomas, left to right: Carol Moore Diehl, Peggy Simmons Dear, Blythe Holder Thomas, Cissy Wall Carr, Marilyn Munger Watson and Betty Moreland Knapp

Back row: Carol Owen Funk '61 and Anne Jordan Logan '63 with their mothers. Front row: Barbara Kelknap Owen '35 and Louise Corigan Jordan '35

Mead and Mima Tally Ferguson ’55 celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and Mead’s 80th birthday with a cruise on the Adriatic in October 2010.

Janet Kleinman Kutner ’55 and husband Jon celebrate their 50th anniversary with a cruise in South America in March 2011.


Judy Kadane Nix ’61, Judy Camp Sauer ’60 and Judi Galles Friday ’59 at an annual New Mexico party in September 2011.
Class Notes

honored when my friends who were still active members invited me to join them in creating both books (at different times of course). It was loads of fun! Ginger Friedman Gomprecht “I want you to know that my husband Irvin Gomprecht died after a very brief illness on July 17, 2011. We were married 25 years. He died at our Baltimore home. I am devastated as I was so very happy. My first husband Henry H. Harteveldt, Jr. died 31 years ago. My two sons Henry Harteveldt III and Robert Harteveldt spoke at Irv’s funeral and my grandson Henry Michael Harteveldt sang a beautiful song by The Beatles. It was truly a celebration of Irv’s fabulous life and his great love for his family. I am working hard to get my life back to a more normal pace, but it is not easy. To all my classmates of Hockaday 1953, I ask you to savor every moment you have with your husbands and cherish each and every day you have together.”

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Dana Halton Freese and her husband, Lee, spent the summer at their place in Red River, New Mexico. Eliza Thomas Quigley ’89 was in Dallas in June to attend a meeting and visit. Margie Eliza reported that her mother, Lydia Ann (Legs) Thomas was just fine and still very busy. Her children planned a big celebration in Las Vegas in November for Legs’ 75th birthday! She then goes to Lake Tahoe as a guest speaker for the Southwest Foundation. Judy Walker Renick and her husband, Coleman, spent August in La Jolla, California. Lou Ellen McGinley is recovering from foot surgery; as active as she is, I am sure she will be up and running in no time! The Concho Pearls had the most wonderfultime the first week of May at Claire Curry Saunders’ ’81 new beach house in Port Aransas. It is right on the Gulf with the most incredible views. The house’s rooms are all shades of blue and green with white wood throughout. To say that it has an air of serenity is an understatement. Claire’s mother, Gayle Glass Roche, Lisa Meadows Di Leo, Margo Robertson Templeton, Nancy Showers Slaughter, Lucia Hartgrove Waggoner, and our dear friends Sandra Hulse and Beatty McGrath make up the Concho Pearls. Judy Renick showed us her condo in Port Aransas that she and Coleman have had for a number of years. It has a wonderful view of the big ships as they sail through the channel. She not only arranged for a tour of the Marine Research Center, but also treated us to a yummy lunch on the water. Judy is truly amazing. Gail Swenson joined us for dinner one evening. She is as precious as ever. We declared this to be our BEST time ever. Margie and I would love to hear from you. Please keep in touch! Peace and joy to each and every one of our incredible classmates from your eternal class agents, Margie and Nita.

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Mima Tally Ferguson and her husband, Mead, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary and Mead’s 80th birthday in October 2010 with a wonderful trip that included three days in Venice and a cruise to Dubrovnik, Croatia, Ephesus, Athens and Mycenae. Janet Kleinman Kutter, who also observed 50 years of marriage with a fabulous voyage, wrote on March 9, 2011: “Jon and I celebrated our 50th anniversary by taking a South American cruise that turned out to be a bit more adventurous than we anticipated, since it was summer on that side of the equator. Our ship, the Silver Whisper, was total luxury, but dreams of sunny days by the pool disappeared quickly as we ventured south from Valparaíso, Chile, through the Straits of Magellan and back up the east coast to Buenos Aires. We had so many wonderful experiences – sailed close to bright blue glaciers, watched penguin couples stroll the beach, visited a distant Patagonian estancia where a sheep shearing took place, and I got to feed a guanaco from a baby bottle. At the end of 16 days, we’d stopped in nine ports in three countries – four if you count the Falklands – and were ready for a rest.” Two creative classmates are at work on new projects. Betty Dudley wrote on January 20, 2011: “I am still slowly working on the book about my grandmother Aldredge’s floral designs and also on a new sculpture which has been a challenge as the space is narrow – 23 inches wide and 7 feet long.” Dulany Lingo is working in Polymer Clay at her DUART Studio in La Veta, Colorado, where she creates a great variety of decorative and useful objects for the home. Grace Hill Gentry wrote about a bike trip that she and husband Richard were planning for the spring of 2011: “We’ve been lucky and do still bike – we have biked through the Loire Valley four times, South Holland three times and southern Italy once. This spring, we’re leading a week of biking in the Napa Valley for some friends. Since we bike up there all the time, we realized that we could put one together (no charge by us for the service) for our friends for about a third of what the companies charge – plus we have complete control over what we do and for how long, etc. We did it for the first time last spring, and the group asked us to make it an annual thing. This is our second annual event. Richard and six women – he says it’s wonderful. We started walking the long distances last spring in Paris. Now, with Richard unable to bike for a few months, we have been walking, and that gave us the idea of doing the walking tour.” Lynn Bailey Carl wrote from Hawaii on January 24, 2011: “Aloha. We have left the 6-degree weather in Missouri and are once again back here in Hawaii. I now have almost the entire closet in the guest room filled with my summer clothes. No doubt we should just remain here till spring; unfortunately, we do need to return home every now and then to check on things including our animals! Dan has left the ‘stans – i.e. Uzbekistan, Afghanistan – that whole area they fly in and out of, and, yes, we are greatly relieved. He had not yet returned

GRACE HILL GENTRY ’55 has biked through the Loire Valley four times, South Holland three times and southern Italy once. She and her husband now lead friends on week-long biking trips in the Napa Valley.
to the States when we had to fly here to babysit. They have to stop several places on the return trip, so he is still not back in Missouri but is expected there in a day or so. He called this morning from Romania and is about three days away from arriving home! We will return to Missouri on February 2, so we plan to catch up with him at that time. It is hard giving all your children equal time, isn’t it? They do notice.”

Lanie Amacker Bridges wrote on April 3, 2011: “I am doing my monthly review of my e-mail, so that AOL doesn’t cancel me again for having 30,000 unanswered messages. I must admit that if I don’t start typing more often I am going to forget how. I suspect I will go to my grave still writing letters. Would you believe I am scared of a digital camera and my phones are still landlines? My new son-in-law-to-be, Chris [Laura’s husband-to-be], came to the ranch Tuesday. He is not only very nice-looking (in that Michigan-guy way) but is sensitive and intelligent. I was afraid someone in the family would kill him on sight since he is in environmental law. On April 27, I start driving to Michigan. I hope the snow will have melted by then. Max [Laura’s son] has Grandparents’ Day in early May and needs me there. Max has spread my fame among all his classmates, mostly because of the treasure hunt I did for him that took me three days to put in place and almost killed me. Rattlesnakes moved in under the treasure chest I buried in a caliche pit. The things I do for my grandchildren! As you can see I have lost all the veneer of civilization Hockaday gave me.” As of March 2010, Manny Bergen Tollefsen has moved. Her new address is as follows: Manny Tollefsen, Harald Hårfagres, Gate 2A, 3116 Tønsberg, Norway. Manny spends winter months skiing on a nearby golf course, safer at our age than Harald Hårfagres, Gate 2A, 3116 Tønsberg, Ireland, Greece, Canada and Paris, France.

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We were all smiles when 21 of us attended our 55th reunion in April 2011. We were again hosted in the homes of Nancy Murrell Neuhoff and Sue Barnes Willis. We are grateful to them for hosting us through the years, not only for the delicious dinners they have served, but also for providing the casual settings, which allow us the time and comfort to catch up with one another. We are proud of our Class of ’56 go-getters! Here is applause for our classmates who are still doing what they love best and still doing it well. Read on.

Martha Kyger Guyton is still riding her horse Absolut in dressage competitions. She competed in the dressage competitions. Her new address is as follows: Manny Tollefsen, Harald Hårfagres, Gate 2A, 3116 Tønsberg, Norway. Manny spends winter months skiing on a nearby golf course, safer at our age than Harald Hårfagres, Gate 2A, 3116 Tønsberg, Ireland, Greece, Canada and Paris, France.

JERRY JOHNSTON ANDREW ’56 was honored by the Texas Institute of Rehabilitation and Research Foundation for her remarkable life. Jerry was just 35, a recently divorced mother of four young girls, when a terrible car accident left her a quadriplegic. She was never defeated by her circumstances. She drove carpools, attended her girls’ activities, carried on with life and gave back to her community. She has been a volunteer at the TIRR facility as well as the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and the 100 Club for many years. Her smile tells her story: one of resilience, peace and a life well lived.

Hilde Harberger Odelga spent two months in Jodhpur, India, last spring as her Austrian production company went on location for a Warner Brothers Batman movie sequel. Susan Reynolds Hughes and Mary Sue McClain are still playing tennis regularly. Mary Sue is also a watercolor painter of exceptional talent. Having mastered the difficult technique of painting light passing through glass and crystal or reflecting off of porcelain or polished wood, Mary Sue creates magically beautiful paintings. Sandy Cooper Woodson and Holly Hill once again went on intrepid travel adventures. Despite the unrest throughout the Middle East, Sandy went...
to Jordan and Morocco. Despite the altitude, Holly went to Machu Picchu (nearly 9,000 ft.) and Lake Titicaca (nearly 12,000 ft.). Holly was honored at Hockaday Alumnae Day in April 2011 with the Volunteer of the Year Award. She was head of the HAARTS Program and had planned a brilliant evening with the theme, The Art of Diplomacy. Most unfortunately, ice and snow in February caused it to be canceled. Holly worked on it for a year and was certainly a most worthy alumna for the volunteer award.

Nancy Philen Thompson and her husband return several times each year to Guatemala where they feel enormously rewarded by their medical missionary work. Adelaide Biggs continues her prison ministry when she is in Houston. When she is in Colorado, she works to reunite prisoners with their families. To date, she has successfully reunited nearly 300 families. In a letter to the class at the time of the reunion, she wrote: “The work I do is so satisfying for, almost without exception, when I call a family member to see if they want contact [with a prisoner] they burst into tears of relief and can hardly wait to communicate. It is so heartwarming. Who would have thought that I would end up doing prison work? In thinking of that irony, I would encourage each of you to ‘think outside the box’ when you are looking for something meaningful to do with some of your time. Each of you has much to contribute toward making this a better world.”

Shannon Harrison Armstrong moved from Austin, where she had lived since the 1960s, to Denver to be near her two daughters and two grandsons. We’ll miss her here in Texas. Carolyn Higinbotham Schley was a leader in Bible Study Fellowship this past year, which required much preparation. She also loves to crochet.

– Betty

1957

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Wendy Johnson in Vermont is doing well – enjoying her kitchen and bath design, and she is used to traveling to your destination. In fact, she was in Dallas last August to check out a job in Texas. Despite the fact that she is on a walker from hip replacement, Judith Wilson was very close to 100 percent participation for our class giving last year. I am sure you heard our class giving last year. I am sure you heard

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Delia Staley Crossley lost her daughter-in-law, soul-mate and best friend, Dana Mullins, to brain cancer last June. Delia said Dana created the gift shop at the Nasher Sculpture Center in Dallas, which set a standard of excellence for museum shops. Blythe Holder Thomas held her annual Hockaday river party in Kerr County last July, attended by Carol Moore Diehl, Betty Moreland Knapp, Marilyn Munger Watson, Peggy Simmons Dear, Cissy Wall Carr, and Blythe’s ten-year-old granddaughter Emma. Nancy Greene drove down to join them on Sunday. She has been sculpting clay and has set up a web site to show off her pieces: www.sculptedclay.blogspot.com. Early last year, Cissy and her husband, Plack, took all of their children and grandchildren to see the Grand Canyon. In August, Cissy and Plack went on a Mediterranean cruise. Peggy writes: “The Alumnae Association has several events a year in other cities. I have started going as a trustee and alumna representative. Nice assignment! The one

on June 28, 2011, was in Santa Fe at my sister Suzanne’s new home. Her husband is Enrico Bartolucci and they did the design themselves. The catering was by Marja Claire Martin ’83. Penny and her sister Jane attended, as well as my sister Betty Simmons Regard ’55’ Penny Taylor Rembe and husband Arnie built a new house—born on the farm at the Los Poblanos property in New Mexico. As of this writing, they were expecting visitors from Louisiana in the fall, including Deborah Beard Tallis and Jane Ritter Clawson with their families. Penny described Suzanne’s house as “just gorgeous — wonderful proportions and views of three mountain ranges.” She also writes lyrically about summer in New Mexico: “Arnie is still looking after his bees and his gardener. We are harvesting garlic now, so we have been harvesting all week. My two sisters and their husbands are in Santa Fe until the fall. Last year we all took art classes together and realized, rather late in life, that we

Wendy Marcus Raymont, Nancy Murrell Neuhoff and Nancy Philen Thompson – Class of 1956

Sue Barnes Will, Beverly McLemore Robbins and Lelya Levy Menscher at the 55th Reunion of the Class of 1956.
had no talent. Maybe this year we’ll go to the Santa Fe Cooking School. I know we’re good at that.” Marilyn writes that she has been on three trips this past year and now has collected about 600 quilt bars. She gives presentations in North Texas about the bars. Her plan in July was to pick up her 14-year-old granddaughter in St. Louis and take her on an 11-day trip to Michigan to find more quilt bars, as well as murals and gardens, about which Marilyn also gives talks. She says that she loves her Cavalier King Charles dog, Sat. Laura Sue Holland Patton is still working with dogs. She raised the river party because she was at the San Antonio dog show in July. Cookie Amacker Duncan’s youngest son has moved to Michigan, and she and her husband visited him there last summer. Alice Shelburne Neldt took an around-the-world trip in September. Sue Williams McCullough and Marilyn sat together at Park Cities Baptist’s Patriotic Service July 3, 2011. Barrie Niehuoss Gravel and her husband, Martin, had some health problems and came to Houston for treatment. Hester Woodfin Parker and her husband went to Carmel for the month of July to get out of the Texas heat! Carol Diehl is still leading her Bible study group and going to Naples, Florida, with her husband to sail. Carol’s daughter, Carolyn, went to Camp Mystic for eight years, so Carol was thrilled to go out there for lunch during the July river party. Blythe’s husband, Bill, teaches riflery at the camp and coaches the shooting club at Schreiner in Kerrville during the school year. Carol Craig Cowan-Lanyon writes: “I thank of America accepted Ken’s Dallas house into its Equator Program. Their Protective Services Division posted a notice on the door, entered the house and will make all necessary repairs. Thanks to all of you for placing the sticks to build me up – the thoughts, the gifts and the special love.” Your class agent is well but needs help gathering news and updating our class list. Wishing each of you health and happiness in 2012!

1959
CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Well, ladies, Cindy Tally McDonald said it best: “I’m amazed we are all turning 70!” But from all the news I received (after the second prompt) it appears we are not slowing down! Pat Finley Fallin has had a major change in her life, moving from Basalt, Colorado, to Solvang, California, just north of Santa Barbara, to be closer to her children and grandchildren. It is a beautiful area with lots of mountains, small towns and many, many wineries, and Pat is enjoying the milder climate and being near her kids. Another classmate on the move is Constance Hill, who together with her husband and newest Siamese cat is moving to an over-55-lifestyle community in Berry, New South Wales, Australia. Berry is a quaint little village three hours from Sydney on the South Coast and five minutes from a beautiful beach. Constance is facing a hip replacement operation soon but the Olympic-size swimming pool at her new community will be perfect for her rehab! Patsy Parkin Lipscomb can sympathize – she will be having a knee replacement shortly. But her most fabulous news is about her new career. Paty and Charlie were on a Crystal cruise last fall and several people admired the necklaces she had made to take on the trip – the retail manager on the ship asked to see her “line” so she quickly went home, designed 37 more necklaces and sent pictures – and she was invited back on the ship for a free cruise to “show her line.” Now she is selling her jewelry through trunk shows. For Paty’s 70th birthday and their 50th anniversary, she and Charlie are going on a Safari in September. Susie McCrum Marshall and John took a trip to Venice and a cruise along the Dalmatian coast in the fall of 2010 and made a spectacular trip to Egypt in December 2010. Last summer she had “Grandy Camp” for her grandchildren the first week of August, then went with six friends for 10 days to Switzerland, staying in a small castle village named La Tour-de-Peilz and touring the country by train. Marcia Fuller French wrote the very night she returned from Europe, taking her youngest son, her wife and two small children on a barge trip in Burgundy, then to Paris, Lake Como and Lausanne, Switzerland. Marcia’s husband has contracted Alzheimer’s disease and as she says it is “the meanest disease.” But they have a wonderful “married life” with “three divine sons and now three divine daughters-in-law.” Their son, Fuller, is married to Betty Reagan Murray’s daughter, Kara. Betty and the entire family met in Destin, Florida, in June for a reunion – four married children and a total of 13 grandchildren. Betty and Fulton have moved to a new house in Santa Fe, New Mexico. She recently attended a Hockaday Alumnae Party at the nearby home of Suzanne Simmons Bartolucci. Last summer Alison Taylor traveled to Seattle, Victoria, Vancouver and the San Juan Islands by train, boats and ferries. Her plans for last summer included Dallas (in July? So hot!), Santa Fe, and – to cool off – Maine in August. Alison tutors and substitute teaches, and she says her life is made up of “small triumphs and general pleasures.” Nancy Fix Anderson and Cliff recently completed a portion of the Camino de Santiago Pilgrimage (also known as the Way of Saint James), a 1,000-year-old pilgrim trek through southern France and northern Spain. They walked 115 kilometers in Spain, the minimum to be certified as pilgrims, and received their certification at the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. Nancy said walking each day, usually just the two of them, through the beautiful countryside, was truly inspirational. Anne McCord Miller spent her birthday weekend (Memorial Day) with children and grandchildren at a lovely B&B on the Mohawk Trail in the Berkshires. In August she took grandchildren Olivia (9) and Elias (7) to see Porgy and Bess by the American Repertory Theater in Cambridge. “Anything I can do to encourage more music and opera fans!” says Anne. Sallie Bell Jackson Loop is planning a cruise to Alaska for her 70th birthday with 18 family members on the Disney Wonder. She says, “The good news is that there are lots of kids aboard! The bad news is that there are a lot of kids aboard!” Sue Schaenau Eagan says she has no news to report but wants to say how thrilled she was by Lyda Hild’s recent gift to Hockaday. “As a development professional [for the Free Library of Philadelphia], I was bowled over by her generosity, commitment and obvious joy in making such a transformational gift. I was also happy to see that her competitive, White Team spirit – nourished on the playing fields at Hockaday – has not dimmed!” Ellen Higginbotham Rogers is raising funds for the Dallas Museum of the American Railroad to relocate from Far Park to Frisco. Once completed, the Museum will offer educational and cultural activities and display its vast collection of restored cars, locomotives and other memorabilia. Camille Johnston Jones sent a short synopsis of her life since leaving Hockaday. She and her husband, Forrest, “Champ” Jones, graduated from SMU, where Champ also earned a law degree. They have raised a family of three boys in Donna, Texas. After the boys were in high school, Camille went to work at her husband’s law firm and for the last 25 years has been the Office Manager there. Her middle son, Matthew, is now the managing partner following the death of his father in 2007. Camille has six grandchildren ranging in age from 5 months to 20 years! Several years ago, Camille wrote a little book about her family experiences called Thank Heaven for Laughter. She sent a copy to us at our 50th Reunion. She included a chapter “about my year at Hockaday and the wonderful time I had there.” Kay Stanley Thrasher writes from Longview, Texas, of her grandchildren’s activities. Kyle is attending Tyler Community College to update his medic license from the Army. Zach will attend Louisiana Tech on a computer science scholarship. Katie is an upcoming high school senior, and Christy is a freshman. She and the school band marched in the July 4 parade in Washington, D.C. Kay tutors at the high school. Gale Lawrence still lives in Vermont with her life partner, Bob, who is now 91 and still carving birds for his Birds of Vermont Museum. They now spend their winters in Cedar Key, Florida, where they’re surrounded by artists, writers, bird watchers – and birds! Gale has a website left over from her writing days, which includes references to some of the web projects she’s developed since she retired from writing for publication: www.galelawrence.com. Just under the wire came a fun note from Katie Allen West saying that she has recently completed all the requirements and is now a fully accredited Flower Show Judge. She says she thinks garden clubs are the last bastion of southern gentility! Her granddaughter, Madison Doyle, is studying with the Joffrey Ballet in New York this summer. Madison will be a sophomore at Booker T Washington School for the Performing Arts this fall. All is well with Hzem and me (Allie Stemmons Simon) now that we are out of the Texas heat and in our mountain home in Snowmass Village, Colorado. We spent a delightful week in January 2011 sailing in the British Virgin Islands, and in early June traveled to Western Canada, where we took the Rocky Mountaineer train tour from Vancouver to Jasper, then drove through the Canadian Rockies to Calgary. Our oldest daughter, Karen, is building a house very near us in Snowmass Village and last summer we were “supervising”! We returned to Texas in the fall. Thanks for all the news – and Happy Birthday, everybody!
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Jane Rose Sallis writes to let us know that her mailing address has changed. It is now 220 N. Zapata Hwy. Ste. 11, Laredo, Texas 78043-4464. Her email address remains the same: Jane@JaneSallis.com. She would love to hear from you. Jane writes: “Much to my surprise, the rebel of my youth has turned into a club woman of sorts, with book clubs, garden clubs, etc. I am still working tirelessly for my favorite charity, Patronato Pro Niños, of which I am a past president, and I am working on my bridge skills. I also recently completed the editing of someone’s memoirs. My paints are always at the ready, and life is very, very productive, imaginative and caring classmates. Sharing stories, reflecting on Hockaday memories and planning for future reunions rounded out the weekend of special activities. Suzanne Simmons Bartolucci, Peggy Grinnan Allen and Carol Owen Funk warmly opened their beautiful homes for three very special gatherings. The icing on the cake was your presence and the wonderful notes, calls and e-mails afterward expressing your enjoyment of the shared time together. Shortly after leaving the reunion, Mary Kay Pederson Grum and her husband attended the Kentucky Derby. Mary Kay looked resplendent in her beautiful Derby hat. Linda Brack McFarland and husband, John, recently returned from a cruise to the fords of Norway. Following in their wake was Ann Addyman Lawrence and her daughter, Dana Lawrence ’90 as they cruised in the Baltic Sea. The hot Texas weather has made everyone seek a cooler location. The devastating fires near Los Alamos, New Mexico curtailed a planned party by Suzanne Simmons Bartolucci at her home in Santa Fe for many Hockaday friends. A few weeks later, though, the Hockaday Alumnae Association had a well-attended reception in Santa Fe after the threat of fire danger had passed. Susie Allen Ryan brought me up to date on Suzanne Simmons’ latest trip to Bhutan. The far corners of the world are like a magnet for our classmates who love to travel. Shortly following our reunion

Wayne Hollomon Price passed away peacefully in her home on May 19, 2011, surrounded by friends and family. Wayne is the founder and primary benefactor of the Hollomon Price Foundation, a charitable organization that annually funds environmental causes. She had a particular interest in preserving trees and the rainforests. We sadly add another classmate to our memorial list. It may be some time before we gather again so I encourage you to continue sending your latest news. Our Hockaday friendships grow more precious with the passing of the years and we all look forward to knowing what is important in your life.

1963

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Greetings to all in the Class of ’63! I hope everyone is planning to attend our 50th in 2013, which is just around the corner and is Hockaday’s Centennial Celebration. Last April I attended Alumnae Day, mainly to see many in the Class of ’61 of whom I was so fond. What a treat it was to connect with those very special ladies. Our class has a lunch bunch which meets the third Tuesday of each month. It continues to grow, and how delightful it is to catch up and keep up with old friends. Those who have joined us include: Jody Williams Hagler, Susie Weber Munson, Betty Walker Crouch, Jeanne Weil Sholton, Beverly Brown Estlering (who has moved back to Aubrey, Texas, from New Mexico) Diana Davidson MacDonald, Nan Brown Self, Nancy Cook Kendzior, Linda Deal Barrow, Mary Pendery Haggerly, Carol Hill Taylor, Kerry Dixon Pickens, Mary Jane Ehrlich Fally and Anne Jordan Logan. Pedie Oliver Bramblett, Betty Sanford Crawford, Sharon Bright Nettleton, Dorothy Louise Hawn Kearney and Mary Horne Hodge also are alums from the Lower School. We encourage everyone who is in our class and in the area to join us anytime. So many of us are blessed with grandchildren and a few are even great-grandparents. Some of us still have our parents (I play Scrabble with my 92-year-old mom Louise Corrigan Jordan ’35 regularly). Susie Weber Munson’s three daughters and their families are now living in Dallas. Mary Pendery Haggerly spends her summers at a family home in Wisconsin, where she annually updates her Pendery family mail order catalogue (since 1870), World of Chilis & Spices. Mary has five children and four great-grandchildren, and she is very involved as a judge with the Garden Club of America. This year she will travel to judge 20 shows. Mary is also a talented photographer: Diana Davidson MacDonald has five grandchildren and one great-grandchild, and she visits them often in Moscow, Idaho. On a recent trip to Austin, Carol
Jane Rose Sallis ’00

Susie Weber Munson ’63 and her grandchildren celebrated July 4 at Lake Texoma.

Members of the Class of 1963 celebrated 50 years of friendship. Pictured left to right: Susie Weber Munson, Diana Davidson MacDonald, Nancy Cook Kendzior and Carol Friedman Dressler. Not pictured but in attendance were Laurie Spurgin Thornton and Liz Jacquet O’Brien.


Linda Young ’66 and John Jackson at the 45th Reunion in April.

Temple Wynne ’66 with brothers Shannon and Angus at Six Flags.
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Friedman Dressler visited with Mary Sanger, and then in Dallas got a head start celebrating 50 years of friendship two years ahead of our 50th. (Carol came to Hockaday as a junior in 1961.) Carol retired two years ago, has sold her home and is now remodeling a townhouse in Menlo Park. She and her husband enjoy their two grandchildren, and Carol exercises, volunteers with at-risk kids, and, as she says, “enjoys her many blessings.” We all send our love to Karen Bradley Pacini in Honolulu, where she and husband Alejandro keep the Hawaiian economy flowing with their commercial real estate interests. A number of us enjoyed visiting with Cynthia Wood Marston and husband Peter at the wedding of Susie Weber Munson’s youngest daughter Meg Munson McNicol ‘86 in Palm Beach, Florida, in May 2010. The Marstons live in Oregon to be near their kids and grandkids. Congratulations to Dorothy Payne Dunn, whose daughter Talley Dunn ’86 is the new chair of the Hockaday Board of Trustees. Susie Moody was recently featured in The Dallas Morning News for her outstanding work in ceramics. And speaking of art, Mary Horne Hodges continues to exhibit her bronze portrait art and her work is a must-see. Betty Walker Creech’s daughter Elizabeth Stephenson Wells ’91 is the proud mom of Solea. Son John has moved back to Dallas from the bitter cold of Minneapolis with his family, wife Beny and daughter and son Tessa and Walker. Son Hunter teaches children’s cooking classes in Dallas. We extend our condolences to Carol Hill Taylor on the loss of her sister Linda. I greatly enjoy my three grandchildren, son and daughter-in-law; especially the wonderful time we spend outdoors together, skiing, horseback riding, rafting, hiking and fly fishing. I know we all value the time we have with our family and friends and are thankful for good health. May God bless each family in our class.

1965

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1966

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We had a wonderful 45th Reunion in April. Although we did not have as many attendees as in years past, we did still have a wonderful surprise: Carol Urquhart-Fisher. Carol, who lives in Australia, happened to be in Dallas for a family celebration, and surprised everyone at our Dallas Country Club gathering. It was a special treat for all of us. Friday night attendees at the Dallas Country Club were: Linda Young and John Jackson, Beth Marr Lee, Margaret Mills Trulock, Cassie Jackowski, Jan Hardy Hickey, Jimmy and Carla Ochs, Rick and Frances Rolater, Carol Urquhart-Fisher and Becky Love Ingle. DCC provided an incredible meal, and Margaret Trulock did another fabulous job of organizing this event. Alumnae Day at Hockaday was attended by: Julie Golman Melendi, Jan Hardy Hickey, Frances Alford Rulock, Gano Scurry Ehlers, Margaret Mills Trulock, Caroline (Jinx) Washburne Heyer, Beth Marr Lee and Becky Love Ingle. We enjoyed lunch and touring the campus, then proceeded to go shopping! However, this was no ordinary shopping trip. The task of the day was to find comfortable shoes! Can you believe that? It must be a sign of something, but I’d rather not say what. Several of us proceeded to compare feet and the need for comfort, so we decided to do something about it. We went to EG Geller on Preston, and tried on about every shoe they had in stock. However, Beth Marr Lee was the “most shoes purchased” award. You’ll have to ask Beth how many pairs she bought, as I lost count! Seriously, it was a fun afternoon of being silly, and being together! Saturday night attendees at the Blue Mesa Grill were: Margaret Mills Trulock, Beth Marr Lee, Jimmy and Carla Ochs, Jinx Washburne Heyer, Bob and Julie Melendi and Becky Ingle. Gano Scurry Ehlers organized this gathering, and she and her husband, Mel, treated us to nachos and pitchers of margaritas. We had a wonderful evening of food and shopping, and had one more surprise: Jimmy and Carla Ochs picked up the tab! We have some very generous classmates! Temple Wynne is blessed to have a magnificent blended family, 6 adult children, 5 sons and daughters-in-law, and four-going-on-seven grandchildren. My kids, their families and I joined the larger Wynne clan for a family reunion this summer – so much fun! I have had race visits with Nini Rowe Lion, Harriet Higginbotham Stoneham, Lynn McIntyre Vogt and Frances Alford Rolater this year, and I bumped into Carla Peavy McCracken and Betsy Henderson Urban right here in Wimberley. Ann Bright McFarlane wrote to me from China to say that she was having dinner with some young friends of her son, who discovered that one of them was my son, Michael Hanschen, who lives there – small world! Lillian Crosby Mauth had hand and thyroid surgery within five weeks of each other. Lillian now has seven grandchildren, one granddaughter who is 13 and six boys following her. They all live in Atlanta. Becky Haven Brown is still busy running conferences, and practicing her craft (my little girl really is a craft) hosting 14 people for a fundraiser. Class of ‘66 still rocks! Anne Scolum spends a lot of time with her wonderful grandson, Liam, during horse show season. Toni Moseman Monnin’s gallery had two shows around reunion time: one in Washington, D.C. and one in New York to continue fundraising for artists who are still trying to overcome the damage the earthquake wrought on Haiti. Petty Anderson’s daughter, Keeton, gave birth to a girl February 10; she had complex heart surgery four days later, February 14. Addison Leila Disser survived and is finally at home in Durango with darling Mason, who is two and a half. The Andersons were at Children’s Hospital in Denver for two months and two days. Steffi O’Brien Yearwood moved from the English Department at Lamar U to a position in charge of university accreditation several years ago. Work demands are considerable, but it is quite rewarding to be involved at this level of a growing institution. Steffi’s married daughter is living in Dallas. Anyone who wants an expert Pilates instructor should look up Josie Yearwood Henderson at Equeinox.

Pat Castleberry Everett is on the committee for Polo on the Prairie, which is a fundraiser for MD Anderson. There are Polo matches, a wonderful dinner under a tent and dancing to Pat Green. Janice Lane Henry had a premiere for her Hurleyville series for children episode three. You can find the videos (which make great gifts for your grandchildren) on their website, www.hurleyvillehow.com (for ages 4–15). Janice just got a distributor and is on the road to being in your local Walmart or Christian book store. Beth Marr Lee returned from three weeks in Poland with a Polish friend, staying in homes all over: Warsaw, Gdansk, Turin and Krakow. Poland is wonderful, and still recovering from World War II and communism, but a country full of hope and potential for the future. There’s nothing like getting really acquainted with another culture to make you appreciate your own! Cassie Nelson Jackowski had major surgery, and will soon begin radiation. She will also have plastic surgery at some time in the future. Our very best wishes and prayers go out to you, Cassie, and we are all hoping for your speedy recovery. Also, we were saddened to learn about the death of Linda Young’s mother, Wanda G. Young, on June 11, 2011. Our sympathy and prayers go out to Linda.
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Ellen Lee Falls is enjoying her children (now grown) and grandchildren. She and Shawnee Rathbone McCard and Janie Castelman McNairy went to visit Helena Underwood Sparling in spring 2011. Helena now lives in Dallas after her accident and is doing therapy to regain her strength. Helena goes between Colorado and Texas but is in Dallas much of the time. Her four kids keep her busy! Shawnee Rathbone McCard is busy and living in Dallas. She spent a lot of time in Canada last summer to escape the hot weather in Dallas. Janie Castelman McNairy still enjoys riding with her husband on motorcycle tours in the United States and Eastern Europe. However, she does complain that it is getting hard to get on and off the cycle! She just got back from California where she went to the wedding of Helen Hunt’s daughter, Kim. Helen has written several books, one of which is called *Women of Faith*. She is currently working on a book about marital relationships. Karla McKenzie is recuperating from surgery for melanoma, and so far she is cancer-free! She has been taking care of her husband who had brain surgery (he’s doing well too!), she is a daffodil judge (I immediately think of Dr. Zhivago), and she is remodeling her farm house. All of that, plus 11 grandchildren keep her busy! Joanne Rosenstein Levy took her father – who is in his 90s – to Europe and had a blast. What a blessing for him and for her. We are planning a great reunion – our 45th! Can you believe it? We are planning to get together for the lunch on Friday, April 27, 2012, after pictures on campus at around 10 a.m. We are also planning something Friday and Saturday nights, so plan to spend the weekend with us! Please contact us at the following e-mail – hockaday67@yahoo.com – and let us know your current address, phone number and email so we can make an updated list to send to you with all the activity information. Also, if you know the whereabouts of anyone who went to Hockaday in our class, please let us know and we will contact them. We are looking forward to a wonderful reunion!

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Betsy Davis Holland began the new year in 2011 by taking a fall down the stairs. We all tried to get her to come up with something a bit more exciting than stairs, but she is a truthful soul and stuck with the facts. By the summer, she was rehab-ing madly and hoped to be sprung soon. Susie Strauss Breen went to Colorado for Betsy’s birthday and reported that she is in high spirits. Nancy Strauss Halbreich is chairing the capital campaign to build the new Parkland Hospital. Nancy notes that she
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has to raise “only” $150 million. If anyone can do it, it’s Nancy! Her husband Jeremy is chairman of Sun-Times Media in Chicago, which won a Pulitzer in April. Kathy Mack is working on her own construction project renovating bathrooms and kitchen at the same time. She sent pictures of the progress and of the extremely basic temporary facilities in the garage. Susan Lively is off to Macedonia after some time in India. Susan went up to the foothills of the Himalayas for a little trip, and while she was unpacking, a large green monkey opened her door and strolled in. I am sure that she can give you details on the hotel if you want to make a reservation. I visited her in Macedonia in July where there are, alas, no monkeys. Jackie Miller Stewart and Vicki Michaelis Bartholow enjoyed jaunts to Paris last spring. Vicki says that she and daughter Sarah received the French economy and probably had an impact on the entire Euro Zone. We had a lively e-mail discussion about when or whether we had heard Edward Albee and John Crowe Ransom somewhere in Dallas, and we have found that memories morph as the years pile on. We are instituting an official policy to allow editing of the past. If you can come up with three other people to accept your version of reality, it becomes Truth.

1969

Adrienne Amandson is still living in San Rafael, California, with husband Doug, an attorney with the San Francisco Court of Appeals. She is in practice as a clinical psychologist. She had a wonderful weekend last spring visiting with Carol Phelps. Last year, she went with Global Exchange, a progressive organization based in San Francisco, to Afghanistan to get a first-hand look at the effects of the war and to learn about women’s rights, education, and other work being done by various NGOs. She says, “It was an overwhelming, beautiful and humbling trip. Can you imagine International Women’s Day in Kabul? It was inspiring.” She is working on several writing projects about the trip and Afghanistan. Adrienne has two sons. Molly Brewer was promoted to professor in 2010, and she was honored in 2011 to receive the Outstanding Alumnus Award from her medical school, SUNY-Syracuse. Molly has two daughters. Kaleta Doolin’s book, Frito Pie: Stories, Recipes and More, has been published by Texas A&M University Press and is available for pre-orders on Amazon. Dale Cregar Brandon retired after 31 years of teaching and advising in Montessori schools for 3-6 year olds. She is living in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, with husband Tim who is still working as an oil-and-gas geologist. They have one son, two daughters and two grandchildren. She enjoys traveling to visit them and anywhere she can snorkel or scuba dive. Molly Sharpe is working as the marketing advisor with James Dick’s Round Top Festival Institute. She writes, “I’d love to see classmaters there, so e-mail me if you plan an outing to Round Top. The Institute’s Festival Hill campus is quite a place, including a concert hall that rivals those one finds in Europe – a project of 25-plus years. Our fellow classmaters Jan Woodward Fox and Mandy Mayhew Dealey serve on the Institute’s board.” Sid Spires is living in Shiner, Texas, which is billed as “The Folk Artiest Little City in Texas!” Go to www.shiner.com for more information. Helen Johnson Crow is living in Oklahoma City but travels often. In Louisiana in June 2011, she stopped in Baton Rouge to visit with Carla Crosby McNeilland. They had a great time reminiscing about their years at Hockaday and Vanderbilt. And she got to see photos of Carla’s grandbabies. She writes that she received a call from Amanda Shelton Allen who was a boarder from Venezuela our sophomore and junior years. She lives in Austin now but was visiting her daughter in Oklahoma City so gave Helen a call. They met for lunch and caught up on the past 40 or more years. Helen says she is still game for a 60th birthday celebration if anyone else is interested! Thank you to all who responded to my call for news. I can confirm that we are a diverse, interesting group. We are slowly coming back together for the greater good! Many of you have mentioned Facebook. So if inclined, you can reconnect with classmates there. Keep the news coming.

1971

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Debbie Buell Coombs’ son got married in May in San Francisco to Lisa Kobylarz. Debbie’s first novel, Wana Get Lucky? was a New York Times Notable Crime Novel in 2010, and it was a finalist for two awards from the Romance Writers of America. The second book in the series, Lucky Stiff, came out February 1, 2011. Go Debbie go! Cathy Irwin’s son, Taylor, just graduated from Severance where he played on the golf and baseball teams. Taylor’s baseball team was All Conference all 4 years and All Region his junior year. He just started a job in Nashville at TBH Global Assets. Carol Johnson Proctor’s son, Drexel, just graduated from Pomona College in California this spring, and started Medical School at UT Health Science Center in San Antonio July 2011. Carol Lee Luscombe Downs’ daughter, Colleen, finished her first year in medical school at UT Health Science Center in San Antonio. Beth Holland Dorman’s son, Preston, graduated from UT with a degree in Petroleum Engineering. He’s headed to Eagle Pass, Texas next week to begin his new job as a field engineer for Newfield Petroleum. William just graduated with his MBA from the UT McCombs School of Business and started a job with KDC in Dallas. Andrew, also a UT graduate, is a commercial real estate broker with Axis Tenant Advisors in Houston. Leslie Ann Crozier’s niece, Kara, was crowned High School Homecoming Queen in Austin. Betty Barr Whitham’s nephew, Cade, was the starting linebacker for his football team, and was elected Senior Class Vice President at his high school in San Antonio. Our beloved classmate, Mary Burford, passed away after fighting a courageous battle with cancer. Let us stop each and every day to give thanks for our friends and family . . . and the many reasons we have to celebrate. Life is short, enjoy and savor the journey. And always remember . . . “We are the greatest class alive . . . we are the Class of ’75” . . . closer than ever before!
We were whisked back to sophomore year as we were entertained and educated by Ed Long during his Alumnae Day lecture. We also were all agog at the campus and how fabulous it is. What a special treat that so many of us made the effort to travel to Dallas for our 35th reunion. A huge thanks to Nancy Dressner Olivier for being our invitation guru and corralling the masses. Friday night was the scene of the Great Chess Pie Throwdown at Sharron Hunt Munson’s house. Merilyn Greenblatt Robbins and Missy Young cooked some fabulous pies to add to our groaning dessert buffet. There was no clear winner—we’ll probably need a rematch! Ann Colgin sent some bottles of her uber-fabulous wine from her world-famous Colgin Cellars. What a privilege to try this special merlot that is not available anywhere commercially. For those of you who want to get on her mailing list—sign up now—and wait! Amanda Miers McDowell played her guitar—she still rocks. We had so much fun looking at our annuals and old photos. On Saturday, the Daisies were hosted by Mary McEntire Young at her home. Mexican food ruled! A real treat for those who live where there is no Mexican food. Come to think of it, a treat for those who do live in Mexican food heaven. Thanks Mary! We were also thrilled to host some of our former teachers at our evening events. Mr. Gaillard (who came all the way from New York!), Mr. Long and Mr. Capps honored us with their presence. Mrs. King was unable to join us, but Amanda took her to church on Sunday and delivered our notes to her. Señora Escobar came to lunch on Friday. (For those of you who were wondering, as were Jane Halebian and I, Mr. Capps gave his tiny red sports car to his nephew!) It was so gratifying to all of us to just sort of pick up where we left off with one another, as if time had stood still. It was like coming home again. The shared Hockaday memories, experiences and growing pains are our bond. But we also learned, through our pre-reunion e-mail flurry, that we all had some insecurities, regrets and unique memories. Some reminiscences were hilarious, some were particular to that person, and some were slightly scandalous. We also learned that we all have a share in life’s randomness, what with aging and dying parents, wonderful and troublesome offspring, and our own individual challenges and successes. (S-U-C-C-E-S-S, that’s the way we spell success!) Collectively, we all liked: the fried chicken, Nursie, the Rotunda, the desserts, Candy Counter, swimming, Tarry House, our Fine Arts program, Green vs. White, Daisy Power, St. Mark’s boys, Mrs. Barr, Mrs. King, Milk Break, fetal pig dissection, the musicals, and many, many more memories—far too numerous to list here. Above all we are so grateful that our parents sent us to Hockaday and that we had an amazing, committed, tolerant, dedicated and inspired group of teachers. With the stunning clarity of hindsight, many of us revealed that we wish we had studied harder and appreciated at the time the excellent opportunities that were at
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hand. However, we are putting to use the fine education that we received. What a privilege to know such a caring and energetic group of ladies and to be able for all of us to call each other – friends. In addition, we have learned that Maggie Oman has written several books and has become a priest. Martha McKenzie earned a law degree, has a law practice, and, among other things, spent time as a speech writer for George H.W. Bush and James Baker III. As an artist, Dottie Lipscomb has shown and sold her paintings all over the country. Cynthia Philipson majored in geology and is now writing training and instructional manuals for Schlumberger, one of the largest international oil-well service companies.

Much Love, Hugs, Cheers and Peace,
– Sharon

1977

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Sheryl Childress Troiani’s oldest son, Brooks, is a junior at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California. Both she and her husband Lane serve on the parents’ council, which gives her the perfect excuse to go out there and visit twice a year. Blake will be a sophomore at Trinity Christian in Dallas and spends most of his time playing soccer for school and a club team, so they spend most weekends at the soccer field. They vacationed in Canada last summer to escape the heat. (Smart move!) She said that life is fun but going way too fast (I think most of us can relate to that.) Sharon McCally said 2011 was remarkable. She was sworn in as a Justice on the Fourteenth Court of Appeals in January 2011. She, her husband and daughter Caroline took their dream trip to Africa in June for a photo safari, and Caroline started high school in the fall. Harriet Shutt Burrow has graciously agreed to co-chair the position of Decade Chair for the classes of the 1970s on the 2011–2012 Alumnae Board. If you have any input for Hockaday’s 100th Birthday Celebration, she is the one to talk to. The following classmates were seen at Ellen Harris Ballon’s birthday in November 2010: Anita Parker Howard, Liza Orchard, Mary McCarthy Moore ’79, Caro Emerson Goette, Karen Higginbotham and Gina Woods ’79. I have spoken with several classmates who don’t want to be mentioned here, but it would be great if everyone could send prayers or good thoughts to all classmates who are fighting cancer or other diseases or disabilities. I’m sure it would be appreciated. Janet Aker and her husband, Rosney, have moved back to the Washington, D.C. area in Maryland. In true Janet fashion, Children’s Hospital will continue to count on her writing talents remotely. Gretchen Eppler, her 11-year-old son Calvin and husband Pete continue to take full advantage of Colorado living. Pete, when not making over homes, instructs ski-munchkins at Winter Park. If you have seen Liza Orchard’s TV spots, she revealed the truth about non-dairy creamer last spring. Small world – the media buyer for the campaign was another alumnus, Charlotte Hudson ’90. When not dealing with her responsibilities at Bank of America, Elizabeth Kurleecz and husband David Durham escape to their backwoods cabin at Lake Palestine. The fishin’ is good, and the fixin’s even better! As a board member for Wipe Out Kids’ Cancer (www.wokc.org), Debbie Ingram helped raise $75,000 with Jersey Mike’s Subs. Debbie continues to be one of the top real estate agents for Allie Beth Allman and Associates. Rebecca “Becky” Seale De Laeche and husband Bill have been home-schooling their three children for the past seven years, during which time the whole family set their sights on visiting the 50 capitals. They have 13 remaining and hope to accomplish this during the next few summers. Becky says home schooling isn’t for everyone but it has been an incredible journey for their family. “We have all loved the past seven years of being together!” Her oldest daughter, Sarah Beth, graduated this year and is off to Asbury University in Wilmore, Kentucky, and will be pursuing a double major in equine management and elementary education, with a minor in voice. Her son, Mason (15), will be a junior this year, and her daughter, Laura Lynn (15), attended Episcopal School of Dallas this past year as a freshman and loved it. After years of basketball, she has turned in her jersey and joined ESD crew. Bill continues to run the family’s cotton farm in Levelland, Texas, and Becky still lives in Dallas and loves to spend time with her family on weekends, fishing and relaxing in East Texas near Athens. Michelle Stephenson Bufkin said, “Morgan graduated from Hockaday this year and is now a proud member of the Alumnae Association too! I attended the Alumnae Day Luncheon this spring but did not cross paths with any other ‘78ers. It was a fun day with Morgan and Claire, our boarder buddy. Morgan had the good fortune to be in Mr. Long’s advisory, which made her senior year even more sentimental for us. Graduation evening was a beautiful and emotional ending to her days in green plaid. Morgan is headed to SMU this fall and looking forward to joining the Mustang family. Luckily, she will still be a host family to our boarder buddy, so I’m looking forward to enjoying another Hockaday senior year!” To wrap up, we have to give a really big “Congratulations!” to the class for coming through on the fund drive with a whopping 83.3% participation. Way to go! I have to say it … the Class of 1978 is still great!

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Denise Smith Thompson: “My husband and I celebrated our daughter’s college graduation in May! Time flies when you’re paying tuition – anyway, she (Lauren) earned her B.A. in American studies from the University of Maryland and is currently looking for a job. Our son, Christopher, completed his freshman year at Pennsylvania State University and came home for the summer. I have been sewing and designing (a little). I have a sewing blog that I’ve been writing, but I slowed down a bit due to graduations and birthday celebrations last spring. My next sewing project is a patio umbrella (seriously) – it was my husband’s idea!”

1980

SHARON MCCALLY ’78
was sworn in as a Justice on the Fourteenth Court of Appeals last year.

Veronica Frenkel ’80 and her daughter at Mount Shasta
During a semester abroad in her senior year at SMU’s Cox School of Business, August Knape ’08 (right), the daughter of Susan Jones Knape ’71, visited with Anna Cutler Cameron ’71 (left) in her hometown of Adelaide, Australia. Anna and Susan were classmates and college roommates.
Leslie Hyland-Rodgers is an actress, singer and artist. She is the founder and volunteer executive director of Symphony of Soul (www.symphonyofsoul.org). Home-grown in Austin, Symphony of Soul is now in its 11th year of providing live music or “musical medicine for the soul” to people who are facing challenging circumstances and confined in care centers. Laura Levinson Gottesman is still actively involved in residential real estate in Austin. Her husband Morris is an investment advisor at Wells Fargo, and their oldest son Freddy lives in Austin and works at Facebook. Wesley graduated from UVA in May and their youngest, Garrett, began UVA this fall. The empty nest phase of her life has begun! Thalia Sarris Banowsky’s son Will is a sophomore at the College of Charleston. Her oldest son Cameron is at home, going to school and doing great. Her daughter Thalia Claire is a senior at Hockaday along with the daughters of Lizzie Horchow Routman, Jenna Brach Woodberry, Betsy Reid Eisenman and Amanda Goldstein. Thalia Claire and Regen Routman, daughter of Lizzie Horchow Routman, do IMPROV and TACT together. Thalia Claire is Student Council President and Regen is Head of the Fine Arts board. Thalia is an attorney doing estate planning, wills and trust work. Marilyn Mayo is still working at UT Southwestern Medical Center where she is an Associate Professor, and also the Training Program Director for the Division of Digestive & Liver Diseases. On a personal note, her two children are growing up. Ethan, age 9, is a 4th grader at Parish Episcopal School, and Nicole, age 13, is an 8th grader at Hockaday. Marilyn and her husband Dan took a family trip to South Africa later this summer. Chandler Lindsey has taken a hiatus from her veterinary practice in McKinney to begin to address the footprint of her family’s ranching operation. The beginnings of a pecan orchard have been planted, and in the next couple of years they intend to bring both broilers and grass-fed, ranch-finished beef directly from the ranch to the tables of Dallas and Ft. Worth. Last July she completed a 5,015 mile driving trek with her two kids (her husband stayed home to monitor the vet practice). They went to Williamsburg for a wedding and sight-seeing, to the New York Finger Lakes to visit a friend, to New Hampshire for her Dartmouth 25th Reunion where she saw Kendall Burney Wilson, and to a magnificent mountain inn called The Swag in North Carolina. Chandler’s daughter Swiler is in Hockaday’s 5th grade class and will graduate in 2019; 100 years after her great-grandmother. Chandler’s son Hays is excelling in 7th grade at Parish Episcopal. Kendall is still tutoring English and helping high school seniors write their college essays. Additionally, she has a small import business called San Miguel Treasures, specializing in unique, hand-crafted jewelry. Kendall was elected president of her Dartmouth class and is looking forward to more frequent trips to the East Coast where she can attend special events at Dartmouth and visit her daughter Lauren at Emerson College in Boston. Kendall continues to be active at Hockaday where she teaches as a substitute and serves on the Alumnae Board. Robin Grier Vettoretto and her family moved to Yokohama, Japan in May of 2011. They are having a great time exploring Japan and the rest of Asia and welcome any visitors! Nancy Winston’s son Blake was in summer school in Hakodate, Japan for eight weeks and is a junior mechanical engineering major with a minor in Japanese) at Penn. Nancy’s daughter Hailey spent seven weeks in Zhengzhou, China studying Mandarin on a full scholarship with the U.S. State Department and is a junior at Hockaday. After Nancy was declared cancer-free, she and her husband Richard went to Thailand and India to enjoy a six-week absence of kids for the first time in exactly 20 years. Mollie Talley Williamson came out of retirement (if you call a stay-at-home-mom retired) to become the buyer for a cute locally owned women’s clothing boutique in New Orleans called Rye. She also took a six-month teacher training course in yoga, so if you are ever in New Orleans come to Swan River and take a class (Jivamukti, Anusara inspired) with her. Lucie, her only child, is in 2nd grade at The Louise S. McGehee School, an all girls’ private school that reminds Mollie of Hockaday. In November Mollie and her husband George celebrated their 21st anniversary and 27th year together. Sarah Woodberry says that she loves having Hockadaiuses visit. Technically she lives in Connecticut because she loves grass and trees, but she hangs out in NYC. Lydia Smith Brach (to whom she is also related by marriage through Jenna Brach Woodberry) came to NYC last March and they had a festive catch-up. Ann Whitley Wood came for a theater weekend in June with her son Landon and daughter Genny who is in middle school at Hockaday. Then her beautiful goddaughter, Haley Woodberry, a senior, came through for War Horse and power shopping in July. At the Fall Alumnae Dinner Catherine Baxter Sidamon-Eristoff was awarded the Ela Hockaday Distinguished Alumna Award. Congratulations Catherine, we are so proud of you!
up on Facebook, and we invite you to contact us so we can add you to the conversation! We cannot wait until our 30th reunion where we hope to have even higher participation. In the meantime, enjoy the news of 31 of our sisters — in no particular order — from the class of ’86.

Shelly Divins Schmidt: “I’m sorry I missed everyone at the reunion this year. I was in Boulder studying/learning Rolffing (also known as structural integration) at the Guild for Structural Integration. It’s pretty cool work, and I’ll be finishing up with the studies in March. My husband Mark and I live in Houston with our three dogs. It’s a furry existence! He’s a chef, and I’m surviving the heat while going back and forth to Boulder. We have a standard poodle named Misha, a silver/black combo. She’s 9 years old and is really just now calming down — loads of energy!”

Jill Bramlett: “I began working at Bank of America last spring on a contract as a senior systems analyst. I primarily work from home, which is the bomb, and it frees Susan up to do more of her home-organizing work because I can help out with the kids while she’s working. I am still enjoying, very much, my pepper gardening and I’m ready to experiment with lots of different sauces once my kitchen is up and running. (That’s another story altogether, and may become a book.) Thank goodness pepper plants love the heat! As for my kitchen, we experienced a hot water slab leak back in December 2010, and we decided to go ahead and remodel the kitchen since we had to replace the floor anyway. Needless to say, it has been a fiasco. Let me just say this — you get what you pay for. Almost there, and I can’t wait to see how it turns out. If it doesn’t get finished in the next month, and if you see smoke, don’t call 911!”

Claudia Jasín: “I’ve been happily living in San Francisco since 1995. I work at a community center that provides education and recreation programs after school and during the summer for kids in a primarily Latino low-income community. I have been the center’s executive director for the past eight years. I live with my partner Michael and have discovered the joys of gardening. Having home-grown fresh strawberries and blackberries for breakfast on a daily basis is pretty hard to beat.”

Ann Melvin Hatley: “Hi everyone! My husband Mark and I live on Wonderland Trail in Dallas with our children, Mary (9), Charlie (7), Annie (4) and Margaret (23 months). We definitely have a very loud house with the kids and their animals. My kids have chickens in the backyard and they love their two Giant Schnauzers and the Siamese cats, Max and Ruby. Mark is doing sarcoma research, publishing, and also seeing patients. It is with sadness that I report that my mom died in August 2010. Because of that, it has been a very difficult year. My dad is still in his house on Lennox Lane in Dallas, where I grew up. Catherine and I still have our horses there. I am busy with the kids and taking care of my Dad and managing their estate. It’s a real handful. I hope to attend the next reunion and see everyone!”

Alma Doll McCutchin Pratt: “We had a busy summer. Travis played select baseball and now he has decided to play lacrosse too! We had a wonderful time in Colorado and visited the beach. Alex is in his sophomore year at SMU! I feel so old!!! He graduated from Prestonwood Christian Academy magna cum laude in 2011. He was a counselor last summer at Camp Champions, and Austin and Travis were campers. Austin is a junior and Travis is in 6th grade at PCA. We are involved in Young Men’s Service League (a mom and son service organization) and many school activities. I have taken on the job as chairperson of the junior/senior banquet this year. I have become involved with the Genesis Women’s Shelter, co-chairing the Genesis Lecture Series this year and last.”

Carolyn Perot Rathjen: “Thank you to those who attended the reunion — it was great to see all of you! I am busy with all my family business activities and spending a lot of time working on the plans for the Museum of Nature and Science expansion that my siblings and I are naming after my parents. It is set to open late 2012 or early 2013.”

Elizabeth “Amy” Anema: “My wife, Betsy, went to Florence for the month of July for an art conservation class, and I joined her in early August for a short tour of Italy. We returned to Amherst, Massachusetts, for about a week, and then we turned around to head off with my family on an Alaskan cruise. Before we returned home we fit in a week in San Francisco, one of our favorite cities! That brings us to early September. Between all the travel, I’ve been madly catching up on gardening. With work, I’m basically out of commission during prime planting season of mid May to early July and I catch up in August and September. Again, it was wonderful to catch up with everyone at reunion! Enjoy your summer!”

Ellen Lampi: “I couldn’t stay away from Texas. I’ve been living in Austin for the last 15 years. My husband has a production company, and we have two girls. Our oldest attended Hockaday’s summer program, getting a taste of boarding life. Chloe is a sophomore at Westlake, and Jade is in middle school (when not riding horses), so no more little ones (except for our two Jack Russells). I’ve been working on movies for the last 10 years, doing graphic design and art direction. I spent the summer in sunny Detroit, working on the prequel to Wizard of Oz, starring James Franco.

Kim Drummond Thomas and other residence students from Class of 1986 enjoyed reconnecting with their house “mom,” Millie Saxon, at the 25-year reunion weekend: “When we were boarders, the dorm ‘mom’ stayed on the same floor, and the kids rotated each year. The dorm moms moved up as there were openings as I think it was perceived that seniority got the older girls. It just happened that others left, and Millie moved up with us from 10th through 12th grade. Also, there were a few in our class (Laura Sneers, Izchel McKinney) who were boarders in 8th grade and also had Millie then. Anyway, she was very special to us, and it is amazing that she is still so much the same as she was 25 years ago. Many tears shed as we remembered these times. Many other classes had great times with Millie too, but I think we had the most time with her. She is a very special lady.”

Julia Kovisars: “After shooting my most recent film in Detroit I am safely back at the beach, in a new apartment right on the sand in Redondo Beach. I live there with my better half, Milan, and a big mastiff/pit bull mix named Buster. While getting geared up for the next project, my days are consumed with Bikram yoga every morning and living an organic and sustainable life the rest of the day. The reunion was a blast. I stayed in a large house with a group of 20 women who were boarders during our time at Hockaday. As I wasn’t a boarder, I didn’t

ADRIENNE GRUBEN ’86
works at Paramount Pictures on the international marketing campaigns for films like Captain America, the new Martin Scorsese movie Hugo, and the remake of Footloose. Paramount’s biggest movie last summer was Transformers 3.
go see Millie (at Hockaday), but the high points of staying out with the boarders in the megaroom in North Dallas was I got to stay in the pirate room at our spring trip to Hong Kong and we power girls one night, and Ellen Lamp and I roomies another night.” Shelley Green: “I am living in McKinney, Texas, now. I recently got my real estate license and am looking forward to a new beginning in my career. I have a wonderful boyfriend, and I love teaching dancing as a hobby.” Karen Forman: “I live in Los Angeles. In fact, I see Judy Choi all the time. I also get to see Lisa Loeb and Adrienne Grubert once in a while. I am an actor – I do commercials mostly, but also film and TV. I just co-wrote a sketch comedy album called The Big Tickle. I wrote it with my good friend and long-standing improv partner Brendan McNamara. The hope and design of it is a throwback to the comedy album era of The Buttoned Down Mind (Bob Newhart) and Nichols & May. It will be pressed to vinyl and available as an mp3, of course. We start recording soon! Lots more info on my website: www.thekarenshow.com. I also teach kids improv here in LA.” Katherine Bliss: “I have been living and working in Washington, D.C., since 2003. I’m a senior fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), where I research and write about global health and global water policy challenges. Currently I’m running a project analyzing how emerging economics are engaging internationally on these issues, and over the past year the project has taken me to Brazil, China, India, and South Africa. My husband, Mark, and I live on Capitol Hill and would welcome the opportunity to see classmates in the D.C. area.” Hilary Jenkins: “I moved back to Dallas after living in Southern California for 17 years. I have done everything from selling Internet advertising for Citysearch in Los Angeles to working as a concierge at The Ritz-Carlton in D.C. and am executive director of a community center in San Francisco that provides education and recreation programs after school and during the summer for kids in a primarily Latino low-income community.”

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called the Lisa Loeb Eyewear Collection, which is available online and in stores near you. I co-wrote a musical for kids, Camp Kappanama, which was inspired by my second kids’ album, Camp Lisa, which played this summer in Miami at the Adrienne Arsht Center. I continue to do voice-overs for animation and commercials, like Bounty paper towels, and a kids’ book with CD that came out in October with Sterling Publishing called Lisa Loeb’s Silly Song-Along: The Disappointing Pancake and Other Zany Songs. I am currently in the studio finishing a new punky, poppy, rock album, which will be out within the year. I was in Dallas in October promoting my kids’ book and in December playing at TEDxSMU! Hope to see everyone soon!” Amy Sanders Kerber: “Melanie and Jeremy entered 7th grade in the fall at Hockaday and St. Mark’s. Melanie is very good friends with Elizabeth Ostrow Smith’s daughter, Charlotte. Such a small world! And Jeremy is very close friends with Henry Roberts, the son of Katherine Rogers Roberts ’89. There are several more Hockaday/St. Mark’s connections, too! And Melanie had her 7th grade lock-in this year – who remembers that?! I am still working part-time as an attorney and doing more and more cakes all the time. My cake website will be up and running soon and I will let you all know as soon as it is. In May 2011, I became a Bat Mitzvah – only 30 years too late. I didn’t do it when I was 13, so while Melanie and Jeremy are studying for theirs in 2012, I decided it was time to have my own. Kevin and I have been together for over 26 years ... and we still like each other.” Caroline Clark Hope: “I am still living in the South Island of New Zealand with my husband, Paul and two children. Katherine is 15 and learning to drive ... a big step for both of us! Adam is 13 and in his first year of high school. We have a new addition to our family – little Kaz, a Bichon Frise. He is currently attending puppy school. I also attend school (as the teacher). I love Facebook and it was so great to hear about the reunion; I wish I could have come! Susan and I talked about using Skype – maybe next time! I love reading about what everyone is up to. Facebook is great when you are really far away. It is so nice to hear
Katherine Bliss ’86 on a recent trip to India

Lynn “Susy” Hahn ’86 and Rachel Blum Nicholas ’86 at a class reunion

Joanie Martin Price ’86 with husband Gary, son Martin (15) and daughter Emma (7)

Lisa Loeb ’86 and Adrienne Gruben ’86 pose with one of the “Transformers” on the Paramount Studios lot.

Elizabeth Enloe Malakoff ’86 with her husband Michael, daughters Cameron (Class of 2015), Isabell (Class of 2021) and Mercer (Class of 2016)

Sarah (11), daughter of Katie Hurst ’86 with Lisa Loeb ’86
Julie put any hobbies on hold (i.e. yoga and tennis), as I started a new job and settled into a new office as a Medicaid Director, along with my other position as medical director of a charity clinic here in Hot Springs, Arkansas. I love my job, but just found out that Hot Springs is opening a medical spa with mineral water that we have, so my career path also might include integrative medicine as well. The spa is scheduled to open in January 2012.” - Margaret Herndon

“My got two boys, one who entered St. Mark’s in the fall. My sisters, Eleanor Munson ’83 and Emily Herndon ’90 are doing great, and we see each other often. Eleanor is a Ph.D who works as an educational consultant, and Emily is an M.D. neuropathologist. I am a very proud sister! My parents are also well — my dad is still in practice, and my mom is out and about and loves to hear about the Class of ’86. She sends her best to all of you reading this. I work, I’ve just been promoted to run marketing for Industry Services at HP Enterprise Services (previously EDS, founded by Carolyn Perot’s dad Ross Perot!). When I first started the job, I presented to the worldwide marketing team and talked about our 4th grade field trip to EDS. Remember that? People laughed when I described the big computer room with the magnetic tape and how impressed I was with the whole facility. My husband now also works at HP and runs a business we bought two years ago. For those of you who remember that I drove a cab to school, I recently restored my beloved yellow checker taxi, and our nanny drives my kids to school in it on Fridays!” - Kristin Kessler Scholl

“Tony and I are happily raising our four littles – Will (11), Anna (10), Ellie (8) and Sarah (4) in Austin, Texas. When I’m not at schools, church or in the car you can find me knee deep in recipes, cooking and blogging at www.theschellcafe.com. I’ve written The Schell Cafe, a blog on food and faith, for almost six years and am working on my first cookbook.”

1987

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Chap and Kelly McClennahan Barnett are still living in Seoul (and have been for the past year). The kids are having a fabulous time and have adjusted beautifully to ex-pat life. They will be in Seoul for another year. They’ve made some wonderful and amazing friends from all over the world. The kids and Kelly ventured back to Texas for the summer. They loved staying in their house and seeing their friends! It really is the best of both worlds. The kids get the urban international life of Seoul (a city of more than 20 million people) and get to combine that with small town Texas life. They all went to Bali for spring break this past year. They did elephant rides, temple visits and white water rafting.

Beni Kikars Berger is still in Atlanta, Georgia, with the American Cancer Society. She recently got promoted to Director of Digital Content. She’s in charge of ensuring the integrity of ACS medical content anytime it is
reproduced digitally, whether on the website and newsletters, or in syndication arrangements with partners. She’s getting involved in all sorts of new projects around search engine optimization and mobile platforms. Her son Alec is now and in the 4th grade. Her husband, Adam, took a new job recently with a company in California, and he gets to work out of the house for the most part, which is very nice. They got a second whippet in December. Katia Jestin spent the summer with her kids Madeleine (3), James (3) and Samuel (7) in South Hampton at the beach. She is enjoying life in New York! Diane Tedrow Bode had a busy senior year. Last year with her husband Clay and son Collin as they were State Quarter Finalists in football at Douglas MacArthur High School in San Antonio. In track, Collin finished as 26-5A District Champion as well as 5A regional qualifier in the 300-meter hurdles. He also placed second in district in the 110 high hurdles. Her husband is the head track coach. Collin attends Texas Lutheran College in Seguin, Texas, where he plays football. Their youngest son, Ryan, is a sophomore and also plays football and runs track. Diane will continue to teach government and economics at Madison High School in San Antonio. For Collin’s graduation they took a summer trip to Hawaii and then cruised the islands. Cynthia Battle Shaffer has some fun updates! They took Bravetheart to the Bahamas last winter and explored the Berry Islands as a family. What a fun and memorable adventure! They were even able to convince Fran Engle Alfred to join in for a long weekend in Boca... made the Pennsylvania winter short and sweet! Are you ready to hear about another one of Brook Boyd’s excellent adventures? I am always ready! She took another trip with her sister, Katey, and their father. Last Thanksgiving, the hours from their home, they took them on a three-week expedition to Antarctica, Falkland Islands and South Georgia Island. It was an amazing trip—one that they will never forget. And she said, “No, it was not freezing,” in answer to the second question usually asked by people. The first question is, “Why on earth did you go to Antarctica?” They had beautiful weather all but two days. Sunny and 35-40 degrees Fahrenheit. On South Georgia Island, they saw the world’s largest King penguin colony (approximately 300,000 pairs). King penguins are the second largest in size behind the Emperor. It must have been incredible seeing these penguins up close and personal. They came right up to them to check things out. They also had frightening encounters with Elephant and Fur seals. Fur seals are quite aggressive and nothing like the ones found at Sea World. They charge and chase you if you are not careful. A bit unnerving! On this trip they visited old whaling stations and the very inhospitable place Sir Ernest Shackleton left his men while he went for help on South Georgia. The story of his ship, the Endurance, is fascinating. Their small ship (100 passengers) sailed past icebergs the size of large buildings. Antarctica is a very peaceful place. Quiet and pristine. It’s so quiet you could hear a pin drop with the exception of the occasional calving iceberg or squawking penguin. It’s not easy to get to Antarctica but so worth it, she said. As a matter of fact, Brook would like to go back to see the Emperor. She has seen every breed of penguin except the Emperor and Galapagos. Crossing the Drake Passage was every bit as tough as everyone says it is. Sea sickness patches were a must. Their ship had passengers from all over the world. Last year you may recall that they sailed through the Panama Canal. What will be next year’s adventure? PS. If you ever have a chance to look at Paul Nicklen’s Polar Obsession book you will see exactly why they wanted to visit Antarctica. Amy Spence’s sister, Merrie Nell Spence ‘85, performed her autobiographical stage show Lipstick and Camouflage at the Dallas Woman’s Club this summer. Lipstick and Camouflage is a heartwarming and funny tale of two best friends, Merrie Nell and Heather Powell, who are polar opposites living in New York City and pursuing their dreams of being actors and singers. The show made its Dallas debut last winter when it was performed to sold-out audiences at the Addison Theatre Center. Merrie Nell has studied acting and worked with Elizabeth Browning Shaheen ’73 in NYC for several years. This past spring, Merrie Nell accepted the “Best New Show” award on behalf of a television show she hosted on LMC-TV Public Access Television called Off the Shelf. Merrie Nell is also Elizabeth’s business partner for a short film project, The Fax, which they recently completed. The film is about aging, learning to love yourself and seeing beauty in every stage of living. The Fax can open eyes and inspire women and men of every age to shift the existing beliefs around aging and beauty as people challenge a billion-dollar advertising industry that tells us we are never enough: young enough, thin enough, beautiful enough, good enough. Suki Hawley released her latest documentary film to great acclaim. Battle for Brooklyn has been a darling of the critics and a film festival award winner. Go to www.battleforbrooklyn.com for more information about the film. Battle for Brooklyn is an intimate look at the very public and passionate fight waged by residents and business owners of Brooklyn’s historic Prospect Heights neighborhood facing condemnation of their property to make way for the polarizing Atlantic Yards project, a massive plan to build 16 skyscrapers and a basketball arena for the New Jersey Nets. The film focuses on graphic designer Daniel Goldstein whose apartment sits at what would be center court of the new arena. A reluctant activist, Daniel is dragged into the fight because he can’t accept that the government should use the power of eminent domain to take his new apartment and hand it off to a private developer, Forest City Ratner. The effort to stop the project pits him and his neighbors against Ratner and an entourage of lawyers and public relations emissaries, the government, as well as other residents who want the construction jobs, the basketball team, and the additional housing that the project might produce. Daniel and a host of Brooklynites form the group Develop Don’t Destroy Brooklyn to pursue alternate plans to Ratner’s proposal and to expose misconceptions about the project. One by one, residents living in the footprint begin to sell their homes to the developer or move away, leaving Daniel as the last man standing in the footprint of the proposed sports arena. Along the way, he loses a fiancée, falls in love again, gets married and starts a family. The film is a thoroughly engaging look at the infuriating erosion of individual rights in the interest of corporate concerns and political maneuvering. Shot over the course of eight years and compiled from almost 500 hours of footage, Battle for Brooklyn is an epic and universal tale of one man under pressure, and how far he will go to fight for his home and
what he believes in. The Gersch family is still here in Seattle. I (Kathy McLane Gersch) am working for Kotter International and having a lot of fun. My husband Michael just started a new job running a company called Serials Solutions. Our four kids, Victoria (14), Colin (12), Anuabelle (8) and Cooper (7), run me ragged with all their activities. I know that many of you can totally identify! We spent the summer with a soccer tournament, swim meet or dive meet every weekend except the Fourth of July. We got to spend that weekend at our fabulous beach house on Whidbey Island watching some amazing fireworks displays courtesy of our neighbors on Mutiny Bay! You guys have to come visit sometime!

1988

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Hello fellow classmates! I (Nicki Allen) just want to start off by saying I hope to live up to the wonderful job Adrian Harris Forman has done as class agent over the last five years. We all thank you, Adrian, for your hard work and service keeping us informed of the latest news. You’ve done such a great job, I am nervous I may get booted before I even get the hang of it … but here goes my best shot. I have been living on this ranch now for over five years and cannot imagine anywhere else I would rather be. We have our second annual Allen Ranch Round-Up coming up and hopefully it will prove to be as successful as last year’s. My goddaughter and her family came to visit from Colorado and it was a wild week of riding, fishing and swimming. I was terribly excited to see her and her brother, because, as we all recognize now as we get older, they grow up so fast! Amy Talkington was the first Daisy to contact me with exciting news. She and her husband, Robbie Adams, welcomed their second daughter, Virginia Eileen Adams, into the world on September 4, 2010. As well as having a newborn to take care of, she stays very busy screen writing. She is currently working on several projects including a Private Benjamin remake for New Line with Anna Faris set to star. Amy was also just awarded the Writers’ Guild of America Award for Avalon High, a Disney Channel movie, which she co-wrote and premiered in November 2010. Many congratulations to you, Amy! Ellen Dutta and her husband, Anand, would like to announce the birth of their second daughter, Louise Muriel Viswanathan, born May 17, 2011. She joins big sister Adele. They are still living in Boston and doing well. On the subject of kids, Liz Notewarte’s son, Ari, just turned 2 years old, and he is a redheaded doll! Gabriela Jasiny her partner, Charlie White Booth, became new parents welcoming Sofia Cecilia Booth on November 3, 2010. She is a tiny beauty, and judging from the influx of Facebook photos, Gabriela, as expected, is in love with the new addition to their family. Alison Gower writes in regards to the infamous Killer Daisy mascot. Instead of my dull summarization, I thought it more appropriate to allow you to read it as sent for it gave me a very pleasant chuckle. See the sidebar for her account of the history of the Killer Daisy. Thank you! And for all of those out there who do not have their Killer Daisy shirts of old: Last time I had time to go by Hockaday, I stopped in the athletic building and purchased a new one. I am not sure what year it was but it had the mean daisy with a gun and read “Daisies, Killer Daisies.” How fabulously violent and horrifying is that? Just as any good mascot should be … am I right? Kudos, Class of ’88 … We left our mark. Peace and Love, your crazy cowgirl,
– Nicki

1989

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Lisa Endicott was named to the Dallas Business Journal “Top 40 Under Forty” business class of 2011 with an awards presentation party at House of Blues, June 23, 2011. Lisa has been the owner and president of Endicott & Co. Public Relations for 15 years. Jill Cline is close to defending her thesis. Her oldest child Megan is in her senior year of college, spent a semester abroad, and has remained on the Dean’s List her entire college career. Her middle daughter, Loren, is in her senior year of high school. Her youngest, Courtney, is in her junior year of high school. Rogers Hartmann splits her time between Los Angeles and Dallas. Rogers still produces films in Los Angeles under her company Greenway Productions.

Alison Gower ’88: The First Killer Daisy

“Having consulted with those mentioned in this missive, I can confirm our tentative assertion that I was, indeed, the first Killer Daisy, and I can add that Elizabeth Compton made the first shirt. It was one of my dad’s old undershirts, and Elizabeth used her considerable artistic talents to render a most terrifying Killer Daisy. We then headed off to a volleyball game to root for the team. If memory serves, Madame President asserted that I was, indeed, the first Killer Daisy, and I can add that I was the first Killer Daisy. The first Killer Daisy was born out of the athletic building and purchased a new one. I am not sure what year it was but it had the mean daisy with a gun and read “Daisies, Killer Daisies.” How fabulously violent and horrifying is that? Just as any good mascot should be … am I right? Kudos, Class of ’88 … We left our mark. Peace and Love, your crazy cowgirl,
– Nicki

LISA ENDICOTT ’89
was named to the
Dallas Business Journal
“Top Forty Under 40” of 2011.
Lisa has been the owner and president of Endicott & Co. Public Relations for 15 years.

Lisa has been the owner and president of Endicott & Co. Dallas Business Journal was named to the A endicott ’89 Asia. Levin has been brushing up on her will be in cities in Europe, the Middle East and Asia. Levin has been brushing up on her language skills. Kristal A. Snelson is a new associate at the Burleson LLP law firm in their San Antonio office. She has analyzed and interpreted deeds, contracts, agreements, assignments and other title instruments affecting surface and mineral estates, royalty interests, developmental interests, and various other complex oil and gas title issues. Renee Bromfield became the new Director of Community Relations for The Bethlehem Center of Charlotte, North Carolina. Renee moved to Charlotte from Dallas in July of 2008. In Dallas, she managed her own company specializing in marketing, branding, events and fundraising. In addition, she served as Director of International Business Relations for the Dallas Regional Chamber. Joanna Holland Thiele loves her job teaching high school students at Tyler ISD for dropout prevention/ recovery and finds it very rewarding. She teaches four levels of English and spends time raising her three children in Tyler. Leslie Henderson Harrell is still running and cycling a lot. She ran the Houston and Austin half-marathons last year. She also took to the road for multiple sclerosis and was able to raise more than $1,500 for MS by riding her bike from Houston to Austin in April 2011. She and her family spent the summer traveling to fun places including Lost Pines with her sister, Laura Henderson Spikes ’83 and her family. They also enjoyed Seaside, Florida, for a week with friends from Brenham, Texas. They traveled to Indiana for the Fourth of July to visit with Leslie’s family for a reunion. Her daughter Virginia enjoyed camp at Mystic this year. We have two pieces of very sad news. Leslie Searcy Hayes lost her husband Kevin Hayes to metastatic melanoma April 4, 2011, after his fight of many years. Kevin was a deacon in their church in Canton and a wonderful, devoted husband and father. He loved to rodeo and worked with horses, and he passed the love of rodeo on to his three boys. Leslie is currently a surgical nurse at North Central Surgical Center. Our classmate Leslie Julia “Julie” Baber...
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has passed away after a battle with breast cancer. Her husband Ronan O’Malley shared with me some details about Julie: “Julie loved Hockaday and always spoke fondly of her friends and the time she spent there. We met the first week of college, only a few months after her graduation from Hockaday, and from all her stories over the years I really feel like I know the place.” Julie did an ophthalmology residency at University of Illinois at Chicago. After completing her residency, she and Ronan moved to San Diego where Julie began a fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology. They were only in San Diego for a few months when Julie was diagnosed with breast cancer. During her treatment, she worked on a book on pediatric ophthalmology as a reference for primary care physicians which will be published later this year. While Julie enjoyed working on the book, she missed the patients, especially the kids, and she was really a surgeon at heart, so soon after finishing her treatment Julie went back and completed her fellowship. Tragically, it was only a few weeks after she finished her fellowship that she was diagnosed with a brain metastasis. Julie fought incredibly hard and with her rare grace. She passed away on January 26, 2009. Julie was always that sweet, smart girl with a generous spirit and wonderful sense of humor that you remember. She went on to become a beautiful and accomplished woman, and Ronan thinks she would have credited Hockaday with helping to give her the confidence and poise to pursue difficult goals (even though she wouldn’t have made a big deal about them herself). Julie had requested that a donation could be made in her memory to the University of Illinois Chicago ophthalmology library. It is a small but very comfortable library with a great collection where she loved to work during late night calls during her residency. She very much liked the idea of contributing to that resource for future residency classes. For information on the Leslie Julia Baber Library Fund, contact Debra Ferguson, Office of Advancement, UIC College of Medicine and Medical Center, Westside Research Office Building M/C 792, 1747 W. Roosevelt Road, Suite 302, Chicago, Illinois 60612. Note on the check that the gift is in honor of Leslie Julia Baber, Fund #333114, University of Illinois at Chicago Ophthalmology Library Fund. Sadly, there are several classmates who lost parents recently. We extend our deep sympathy to Leslie Henderson Harrell who lost her father in October 2010, to Katherine Moore Madeira for the loss of her mother in November 2010, to Beth Bankhead who lost her father in March 2011 and to Jennifer Storey Irwin whose mother, former Hockaday Lower School Head Becky Storey, passed away in November 2010.

1990

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
Leigh Albright, leigh.albright@yahoo.com

Jennifer Hazlewood Cronin’s son, Jack, will be five in December and he is starting his second year at Lamplighter this fall. She is still working with her family’s cheerleading uniform business. She ran into Aimee Weaver Ertle with her family at Disney World this spring thanks to Facebook! She also enjoyed celebrating Leigh Albright’s 40th birthday in Santa Barbara, California, in May with Rebecca Eldredge and Elizabeth Smith Gray. Jennifer Childs Kugler and her family had a chance to visit Texas over Memorial Day weekend to reunite with their Texas family and enjoy all that the Hyatt Lost Pines had to offer. One family in their group came in second in the Family Olympics. Most of them just hung out on the lazy river all weekend. It definitely made her want to send her California kids to Texas camp sometime soon! Melinda Hartnett and her family, Sienna (7), Christopher (6), Tabitha (5), and Sophia (3), took a trip to Pensacola, Florida, for spring break and visited her husband’s family in upstate New York in August. They got to visit Lake Placid, where Melinda and Chris both used to live. Sienna and Christopher attend St. Monica School (2nd grade and Kindergarten) while Tabitha is at the Dallas Cooperative Preschool. Melinda continues to work at her family’s law firm, The Hartnett Law Firm. David & Paula Steinberg Greenman’s kids, Will (12), Claire (10), and Jack (8) spent four weeks at Camp Waziyatah in Maine last summer and had a great time. Jessica Setnick has some exciting news to share: Her new book, The American Dietetic Association Pocket Guide to Eating Disorders, was published in May 2011. Also, she and husband Greg were featured in the July issue of Psychology Today in an article on happy couples. It was fun to see their picture and read about their lives from someone else’s point of view. She said it sounded a lot more dramatic than it really is. Courtney Comer Wunderlick writes that they had an awesome time last winter in Grand Cayman, so they’re going back! Nicole MacLean McCauley said her family had a great summer! She keeps busy with the kids, learning Spanish and teaching tennis to kids ages 4-9, which she started doing in fall 2010 and loves it! Elizabeth Anderson Wilson and husband Randy welcomed a new baby, Jenny Belle Wilson, into this world on December 20, 2010. Big Sister
Michelle Hampton Agostine ’90 and Valerie Maxwell Bowen ’90 vacationed together in July 2011.

Sharon Childs ’90 and husband Hymen with their five grandchildren: Jacob and Ben Hale (sons of Allyson Childs Hale ’87) with Ellie, Nate and Chelsea Kugler (children of Jennifer Childs Kugler ’90)

Michelle Harvey Mahlo ’90 and her son Max

Pryiya Swamy Zeikus ’91 and her two children

Elizabeth Tucker Johnson ’90 and her family at her husband’s graduation from the Kellogg School of Business
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Abigail (7) was thrilled to find out she had a little sister, and big brother Clark (5) said he thought it would be okay that she turned out to be a girl even though he wanted a little brother. Their “Mimi,” Mary Louise Keever, recently retired from Hockaday, and she and “Papaw” are having lots of fun spending more time with all three grandchildren! Susan Ellenburg Criner has enjoyed reading about fellow alums in the alumnae magazine, and wrote that she has been out of touch only because she has been so busy. She always remembers Hockaday with light and as a positive experience in her life. She has been married for 10 years, and she has three boys. Skyler (20) is attending the University of Alaska. Tristan (18) is a sophomore at South Anchorage High School. Last year, he auditioned for Symphonic Strings and rose above two other cellists. He has only been playing the cello since spring break last year, but he has played the violin since 6th grade. Klacey is a 7th grader at Goldenview Middle School. He qualified for IGNITE, a gifted class, at Taku. Susan is the gifted teacher at Taku and also serves Campbell Elementary. The gifted program in the Anchorage School District serves kids that need more, need a challenge, and think outside of the regular scheme of school. She loves working with intelligent, independent and critical thinkers on a daily basis. She found her niche with intelligent, independent and critical thinkers on a daily basis. She found her niche with intelligent, independent and critical thinkers on a daily basis. She found her niche with intelligent, independent and critical thinkers on a daily basis. She found her niche with intelligent, independent and critical thinkers on a daily basis. She found her niche with intelligent, independent and critical thinkers on a daily basis. She found her niche with intelligent, independent and critical thinkers on a daily basis. 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Will Waldo, Carolyn Stewart Waldo’s son. She also randomly ran into my [Julie Flamant Hamilton’s] daughters in Turks and Caicos while there for a wedding photo shoot. Yony is a proud member of Etsy Dallas. She attended The Etsy Dallas Jingle Bash, which took place in November at the Palladium, and a few of her photos were recently published in Living magazine. Sarah Fry Close’s mother passed away after a battle with leukemia on April 20, 2010. She writes that she was so touched to have seen so many familiar Hockaday faces at the funeral and is always amazed at how well our class keeps in touch and at what a close-knit group we still are. It makes the impending reunion that much more exciting! She says, despite the sad news, she started a new business with a friend, Full Cycle Creative (www.fullcyclecreative.com), focusing on marketing communications from copywriting to graphic design to web development, and she is enjoying playing tennis and spending time with her family.

Lynde Jones Schoellkopf just celebrated the 4th of July in Indiana with her family, mom and her sister’s family. Willow and nephew Gabe enjoyed swimming, chasing each other around and playing in the sandbox. Willow also celebrated her first birthday back in January 2010 with Elise Watson, daughter of Ashley Hollweg Watson; Michael Kelley, son of Jackie Kelley; and Ava and Ella Sjogren, daughters of Dory Hawn Sjogren.

Dory took a new job with Southwest Airlines in their marketing department in December 2010, and she and her family took their first trip to Disney World. At the end of summer, they visited the beach in North Carolina. Jessica Cohen headed back to the United States in the fall and moved to the Bay Area, California, to concentrate on her furniture company, Tambino.com. Davina Cowan just moved into a fabulous new apartment with a view overlooking the water in Brazil, and she currently works as a coordinator at an English school there. She loves it but wishes family and friends could be just a little closer.

Leigh DeMarco and her family surprised her mom for her 60th birthday in Santa Fe, New Mexico, along with Melissa and Beverly and their respective families. They made custom T-shirts to commemorate the special day and showed up at her door completely unannounced. She loved it and was thoroughly surprised. Lisel Matheny Simmons writes that her daughter, Maddie, started at Hockaday in the fall. Maggie Klancnik is also going back to school and started her Executive MBA at Kellogg in the fall. I caught up with Katherine MeEntire Hoggan, who is happily living in Park City, Utah with her husband Craig and their son, Andrew, and works as a Licensed Professional Counselor. It is so great to hear from so many of you and I have been lucky to catch up with a few of you in person. I had not seen Susan Earhart Brower since graduation, but, on a recent business trip to D.C., she stopped by and had dinner with Maya, Maggie and myself. It was great. I also got to have a lovely lunch with Stephanie Stokes Davis’ husband, Alan, when he came to town for a convention. They just celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary! I hope you all are well and I cannot wait for our reunion. If any of you have any thoughts or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at julieflamant@yahoo.com. Take care,

– Julie
Hello! We hope this finds all of you well. We (Mary Clare Jalonick, Cindy Casey Brown and Rani Khamesra) have had fun hearing what everyone is up to. Lots of new babies! Margaret King Morse and her husband Jed welcomed a new baby girl on May 6, 2011. Margaret Elizabeth ‘Meg’ joins big brother, Sam, who is two and is very excited to welcome his little sister. Jennifer Rhoda Marsh and her husband Dan had a baby girl on January 22, 2011, and she weighed 7.3 pounds. Her name is Sophia Gibson Marsh. She is beautiful, and Cindy loves it when Jen comes to Dallas for work so she get to spend some time with her. Amanda Sanders Penny currently resides in Houston where she practices as a commercial litigation attorney. She and husband Matthew welcomed their first child, daughter Addison Mandla, on January 31, 2010. Rosemary Ramsey Stewart writes: “Matt and I welcomed our first son, James ‘Ramsey’ Stewart on December 3, 2010, and we are completely obsessed! He fills our home with joy on a daily basis, and we are savoring every moment.” Hillary Allbritton Kokes also has a new little one. She writes, “Our big news to share is that Avery Grace was born on March 23, 2011. She was 8.1 lbs and 19.25 inches long. Hadley (3) is loving life as the big sister and we are adjusting to life with two wonderful little girls.” Cindy says that she and husband Ed “are loving life with our two precious boys, and it is so much fun to watch Frank (2) be a big brother to George (7 months). George adores Frank and wants to do everything his big brother does. It is so sweet to watch them together and the only thing better than having one little boy is having two!” They traveled to Tennessee and Colorado last summer with the boys. Cindy gets to see Sara Briggs Pauley a lot since Kate and Frank both go to the same Mother’s Day Out program at Saint Michael’s. Sara’s daughter Kate is “so grown up now and loves her little brother, Connor,” according to Cindy. Connor Stuart Pauley arrived on December 16, 2010 and was a wonderful early Christmas gift to the Pauley family! Cindy went to Evan Underwood’s store, Green Beans Resale, recently and says it is amazing! The store has grown into the space next door. Evan sells so many wonderful toys and clothes for children. Lynn Lehner Sloan writes: “Aaron and I are enjoying our new life in Austin and celebrated our seventh anniversary last year. I accepted the position of Director of Global Industry Marketing at DemandTec, Inc. which keeps me on the road more than I would like, but I enjoy the work so much that I try not to let the travel get to me. Aaron’s real estate consulting business is keeping him busy with travel as well. Olivia turned 2 last June,
Cindy Casey Brown ’93, her sons and son George’s godmother

Hillary Allbritton Kokes ’93 and her daughters

Merry Munson Wyatt ’93 with her husband Brady Wyatt (St. Mark’s ’91), son Brady IV (3) and daughter Susie (6 months)

Margaret King Morse ’93 and her family

Rosemary Ramsey Stewart ’93 and her family

Jennifer Rhoda Marsh ’93 and daughter Sophia Gibson Marsh
and her personality is really starting to emerge. Alex and I just love watching her grow and adore being her parents.” Heather Steelman loves living in Denver with her husband Barry and son Barrett, who just started preschool. She recently celebrated the baptism of Leslie Abernathy Johnson’s second child, Barbara Kate, and is honored to be her godmother. Leslie also lives in Denver. Heather says her husband recently took a job with Pershing Advisor Solutions. Teel Jaffe is still on the marathon circuit! Teel writes: “The only big news I have right now is that I ran the White Rock Marathon December 2010, and it qualified me for the Boston Marathon. So I am really excited to run in 2012! I also ran and it qualified me for the Boston Marathon. ’The only big news I have right now is that I...”

Alyssa Maisano is doing well with her photography business and was a finalist in the “Best Photographer in Dallas by the Readers’ Choice” award category in D Magazine. Her three boys are now 6, 4 and 3. She and her family are still living in Keller, Texas, and enjoy trips camping and going to Walt Disney World and the beach. Monece Appleton and husband Steve welcomed baby Cole Cullum Appleton into the world on 3.3.11. He was the biggest of the 3 boys at 8 lbs 14 oz and 21.5 inches. Jack and Boone are totally enamored. The family is moving to Durham in June and is sad to leave Vermont but excited to live in a new beautiful city! Jenifer Fetner Booth was in Dallas to see friends and family at Easter 2011. She still loves San Francisco. She is working on redesigning a playground in her San Francisco neighborhood and enjoys the challenges of having a diverse and opinionated public client. She and her family moved to England last summer for two weeks to see family and also enjoyed trips to Jerusalem and Argentina in fall 2010. Annie Whitworth Downing has launched an online store for home furnishings with a friend from Washington, D.C., that she met in interior design school. Check it out at www.perusehome.com. Abby Golden Ritman and her husband Jimmy welcomed Charlotte Irene Ritman on April 9, 2011. Her brother Pierce seems to love being a big brother! Jeremy and Cate Weatch Ford welcomed their son Gerald “Jerry” Blue Ford on May 14, 2011. Big sister Madeline, age 4, is having a great time showing him the ropes. My husband accepted a new job, and we relocated to Farmington, Connecticut. We miss Boston and the beach, but are enjoying exploring our new town. I am still working in government affairs for Reach Out and Read, and I work from my home office while traveling every few weeks to Boston.” Katherine Morgan Breslin writes, “Well, after years of having the exact same update for the alumni magazine, I have one that...”

Steve Kramer (Distinguished Teacher, Upper School History Department Chair), Sara Jaffe ’94 with daughter Hannah, and Stephanie Hazelwood Dees ’94.

Jen Parks Barth ’94 with baby Avery and Michael.

Debbie Perez Vohs ’95 at her wedding with bridesmaid Tina Bonsu ’95.

Cate Veatch Ford ’94 with new son Jerry and family.

Erin Jones Rudsenske ’95, husband Wes and sons.
is wildly different! In April, my husband and I relocated to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and we definitely love it here. We live in Manayunk, which, while technically part of the city, feels more like a small European village. For a West Texas-raised girl, this is definitely a departure from the norm. If anyone is in the area, please feel free and look me up!" Sarah Price Brown is living in Marin, California, just north of San Francisco, and taking care of her two kids. She writes, "It’s been a change from Los Angeles. We have deer and wild turkeys roaming our front lawn! It has been great to see things on the home front couldn’t be better; my husband was promoted last year from Associate Registrar to Registrar at the Dallas Museum of Art, and our mini-woofer dog Barbara is always learning new tricks and making us laugh."

Elizabeth Hooper O’Mahoney is busy taking care of Ava (3) and Celia (then 6 months). She has started writing for pinkmemo.com and for CBS local media in the fashion section. She’s still doing fashion consulting while keeping up with her two blogs: www.bonvivantconsulting.com and insiderheaven.tumblr.com. Erin Jones Rudsenske reports she and Wes “finally made the move out of San Francisco to Marin. We are loving having a bit more space for our two boys to run around and we are loving the warmer weather. (Who knew moving just across the Golden Gate would make such a difference in the weather?!) Now that we finally have room for it, we have added a gorgeous puppy to our family.” Karin Brown Shoffner and her husband Mark welcomed their third child, Wynne Elisabeth Shoffner, on March 3, 2011. Karin writes, “She is a dream baby and we are enjoying every minute with her and her siblings! I have continued to work with my real estate group at Allie Beth Allman here in Dallas as well as with our family home building business, Tatum Brown Custom Homes. I just got my real estate broker’s license at the beginning of the year and am glad to finally have that behind me!”

Congratulations, Karin, on sweet Wynne! Jenny Muffin Smallwood lives in Lexington, Kentucky, where she owns an equine-only veterinary practice (her dream job, if you remember). Between the practice and her two kids, Jane (4) and Clay (2), things are pretty busy. This summer Merrie Nell Spence performed Lipstick and Camouflage, her autobiographical show about two best friends who are polar opposites but share a passion for performing, at the Dallas Woman’s Club. In the audience were several Lower School teachers and classmates from Hockaday. Merrie Nell is now in the process of finalizing The Face, a short film she has created with her business partner and fellow Hockaday alumna, Elizabeth Browning Shaheen ’73, who she met when they both participated in the HAARTS program a few years ago. The Face is about aging, learning to love yourself and seeing beauty in every stage of living. The Face can open eyes and inspire women and men of every age to shift the existing belief around aging and beauty as people challenge a billion dollar advertising industry that tells us we are never enough: young enough, thin enough, beautiful enough, good enough. Elizabeth Hale Spitzer’s son Alex is in 1st grade! She teaches Pre-K at Good Shepherd and has enjoyed catching up with other Daisy alums with kids there. Class Agent Sarah Stockton writes, “I recently started a new position at Research Now in Plano as the Senior Internal Communications Manager. It’s been crazy busy, but I get to go to the London office this month [summer 2011] which makes it all worthwhile! Love keeping in touch with everyone on Facebook. Keep those updates and photos coming!”

Debbie Perez married Jacob Vohs on November 6, 2010, in Dallas. Debbie said, “It was such a great day, made even greater by having Tina Bonsu stand as one of my bridesmaids. We live in Plano now with our dog Charlie and hope to start a family soon.” Congratulations are also in order for Jennifer Gerard who got married on October 2, 2010, to, in her own words, “a pretty fantastic guy: Billy Walsh. We got married at the New York Yacht Club in Newport, Rhode Island, where my parents live part of the year. After days of torrential rain, we had the most gorgeous New England fall day. Elizabeth Hooper O’Mahony was my matron of honor (at 7 months pregnant!) and her daughter (and my goddaughter) Ava was a flower girl. I was so thankful to have some of my oldest friends from Hockaday with us that day. After an awesome honeymoon in Tahiti, we returned home to L.A. – where I work at Trailer Park, an entertainment ad agency. I work on interactive campaigns for film and television clients.” Well, since my son Austin was born in March 2010, I (Adrienne Wilson Wagner) have
been exploring the carpool mom demographic from the inside, while slipping off to take the occasional class in literature or leadership. My big news, though, is that my daughter Allison started Pre-K as a Hockaday! So, I am up at school ‘most every day. I’ll try to keep everyone up on Hockaday happenings if you’ll keep me up on happenings with you! Keep in touch!

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Thanks to everyone who came to our 15th reunion this past April! We had so many classmates fly and drive in from across the country and even Mexico. It was fun seeing so many Daisies! A big thank you goes out to Britten LaRue, Kelly Johnston Middleton, Britney Rogers and Monica Long for planning everything!

Many classmates toured campus and attended the Alumnae Luncheon at Hockaday on Friday. Then, we all had a chance to catch up at a fun happy hour at Nikki Phinyawatana’s fabulous restaurant, The Mint, on Oak Lawn. Thank you Nikki! Saturday evening, we had a blast, and an amazing turnout, at LaGrange in Deep Ellum. Thank you to Wendy Soltero’s family, for donating two amazing, framed giclée prints by Wendy with her signature. It meant a lot to us to have Wendy’s sister, Karen ’92, with us Saturday night. Wendy’s prints were raffled off at our reunion party, and the money raised was donated to Hockaday in Wendy’s name to help promising art students pay for their supplies. In other Daisy news... Maha Armush writes, “I’m still in São Paulo, Brazil, working for the Foreign Service (U.S. Embassy). My next assignment will be Washington, D.C., and I’m excited about being back in the U.S.”

Congrats are in order to Anne Genung Madden, who married Slade Kennedy Madden at Stubb’s Bar-B-Q in Austin over Easter weekend. They were lucky enough to have fifteen former Hockaday girls in attendance! Anne currently has one of her impressive collections of art hanging in the Bass Concert Hall at The University of Texas at Austin. It will be showing through mid-February if you would like to see it. Jenn Self moved to Houston to open and manage the Calypso St. Barth store in Highland Village. Jenn says, “I miss Dallas, but Houston is growing on me!”

Congrats to Katherine Burch Canales and her husband Rob, who welcomed baby June in October. Big brother Charlie is loving the new addition! Have a wonderful new year!

– Allison

Anne Genung Madden ’96 and husband Slade at their wedding in Austin over Easter weekend 2011


Class of 1996 Hockadaisies gathered at the wedding of Anne Genung Madden in Austin at Stubb’s Bar-B-Q.
Hey everyone, hope you all are doing well. Our class has been busy the past year with new jobs, new marriages, new babies and new opportunities.

Ashley Beckman is living in Los Angeles and just started an acupuncture practice, while still running her organic skin care company. She also recently got married in June 2011, to Holland Murray in Jamaica. Congratulations Ashley! Greer Terry is in Jackson, Wyoming, working as the Director of Communications & Development for St. John’s Episcopal Church, where she stays busy raising funds and awareness for the church. She also has her home studio in Lakewood. She also has a number of affiliate nonprofits. Greer also reports she had a great time catching up with fellow Hockadaiases at Katie Reese's wedding in Dallas in June 2011, including Jeannine Shinoda, Nicole Stewart, Samantha Harkinsson, Masami Iida Overstreet and Noreen Mehdi. Masami Iida Overstreet is the VP of Creative & Marketing at Wisteria in Dallas. Her husband Arc is a nurse at Children’s Hospital, and her boys are growing up fast! Eli is 6 and started 1st grade in the fall, and little brother Knox is 2. Noreen Mehdi is living in Dallas and spending much of her time working as a commercial real estate broker for Grubb & Ellis Company helping landlords and tenants with their real estate requirements.

Leslie Parker Hinton and her husband, Wes, welcomed their second daughter, Ann Caroline, on May 17, 2011. She was 6 lbs., 6 oz. and 19 in. long, and big sister Audrey is thrilled. Leslie returned to work at ExxonMobil in October. Lauren Eilig Ruenger and her husband, Ted, are living in Florida, with their 2-year-old son, Thomas. The Ruengers are happy to announce they just welcomed their second little boy William on July 3, 2011. Congratulations Lauren! Neera Goyal and her husband, Jared, moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, in June 2011 where she has accepted a faculty position as Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center. Neera and Jared celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary with a trip to Napa Valley. Lindsay Shaw Valente recently moved back to Chicago from London, where they had resided for the past few years. She did get to see Will and Kate on their wedding day before she left! Lindsay is in the process of buying a house with a yard, which they are very excited about for their 16-month-old daughter, Abigail. Lindsay also plans to do some school admission consulting this fall. Nicole Stewart is enjoying living in Dallas where she teaches Pilates out of her home studio in Lakewood. She also has enjoyed spending time with fellow classmate Alicia Carter. Nicole also produces a storytelling event featuring true stories told from the stage with a different theme each month. She would love to have more Hockadaiases involved! Alicia Carter reports she loved her first year at Hockaday teaching 8th grade history and working with Jeanie Laube in community service. This fall she returned to Hockaday teaching 7th and 8th grade history. Lyle Foster Scovell is still living in Lubbock with her husband, Field, and 3-year-old son, John Field. Like Nicole, she is teaching yoga when not chasing after her toddler. Kate Brantley Hooper adopted Ryder Justin Hooper on May 19, 2011. The Hooper family, including Brantley (6) and Brayden (4), had been fostering Ryder since he was 6 weeks old, and adopted him at the age of 17 months. Congratulations Kate! Katy Harris has been living in Boston (Cambridge and Somerville) since finishing grad school two years ago. She has been working at a small design firm that specializes in information design and data visualization. Katy also joined the Rhode Island School of Design faculty as a critic this past spring, where she taught a senior studio elective in web design. Brooke Robinson Howe and her husband welcomed their second baby boy to the world on April 13, 2011! His name is Shepherd Robinson Howe and big brother Donny (3) is so excited to have a baby brother! Congratulations Brooke! Kristin Pittman Ortega started a new job in April 2011 after taking some time off and is working for a company called Novation in a senior corporate counsel position. She is loving her new job! Her daughter Aubrey turned 1 in June. Laura Douglass Dostert is living in South Carolina with her husband and daughter. Emily Mayfield is working as a psychologist in the US Air Force. She is living in Misawa, Japan, where she enjoys the mild summer weather. Marissa Downe is working as a corporate litigation associate in Chicago for Latham & Watkins LLP. Marissa Downe, Samar Malik and Neera Goyal got together last spring for Zareen Malik Hassan’s baby shower. As for me (Worth Anne Stites Herrell), my husband and I bought a new house in Plano, Texas, last October. I am still working as Director of Marketing for Advanced Beauty Systems in Dallas. We have three beauty brands – bodycology Bath & Body Products, Dr. Teal’s Therapeutic Solutions and Cantu Shea Butter – you can find at your local grocery, drug or supercenter. Lee Bowles Cordobes is working as the Franchise Sales Director for Health Magazine and Health.com in New York. Lee and I were able to recently grab lunch and talk business but mainly catch up on the past 14 years since high school! By the way, our 15-year class reunion is right around the corner. I hope all of you can plan to make the trip in the spring! – Worth Anne
Class of 1996 – Ashley Murphy, Desiree Lyle, Kylian Brown Cody, Leanetta Avery and Kelli Oby

Megan Wilde ‘98 with her husband and new baby girl Matilda

Charlotte Hudson ‘99 at her wedding to Grant Carter

Leslie Parker Hinton ‘97 with daughters Audrey and newborn Ann Caroline

Michelle Lloyd ‘99 and Carlos Morales-Betanzos

Charlotte Hudson ‘98 with bridesmaids Andrea Choquette ‘99 and Valerie Parks Thomas ‘99
Class Notes

Hello Class of ’99! We have several marriages and births to report, as well as exciting professional and career news and fun times with friends. Charlotte Hudson married Grant Carter in Dallas in March 2011. Valerie Parks Thomas and Andrea Choquette were bridesmaids. (Valerie sang a Mozart soprano solo, and Andrea did the scripture reading.) Other Hockadays in attendance included Kelly Brantley Little and Anne Fischer, as well as St. Mark’s classmates Tucker Thomas (SM ’99) and Scott Cunningham (SM ’98). Nazia Baig married David Jesus Hooper in July 2010. She completed her residency training in June 2010 and is now working as a pediatrician at the Austin Regional Clinic. They live in Pflugerville, Texas. Michelle Lloyd married Carlos Morales-Betanzos in November 2009 in Paradise Valley, Arizona, near Scottsdale where they live. In attendance were Sarah Coppin Edwards ’97 and Michelle’s brother Billy Lloyd (SM ’01), who was a groomsman. Kate Williams Dicker and her husband Nathan had son Quinlan Thomas Edward Dicker. Lilly Albritton Briant and her husband Chuck had son Gravonne James Albritton Briant. Kelly Brantley Little and her husband Mitch had twins, Matthew James and Molly Jeanne Little. Christef Fulton Crigler and her husband Jim had son James. Katy Crawford Slade and her husband Jared had daughter Elizabeth Mackay Slade. After graduating from the Wharton Business School in 2009 (along with Anne Fischer), Andrea Choquette is now living in San Francisco. She is an Associate Global Insights Manager at Clorox and works on Brita Water Filtration products. Robyn Schwartz Siegel is splitting time between Los Angeles and Dallas, writing a thesis on art and architecture in shopping malls to complete her M.A. in art history. She and her husband are also entrepreneurs, running a healthy gourmet food truck in Dallas. After more than three years living in Seattle and working for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Ellen McCullough has moved to Ithaca, New York, to start a Ph.D. in Applied Economics at Cornell. Kristin Tucker enjoyed seeing friends for a much-needed relaxation and pedicure during the holidays in 2010, including Robyn Schwartz Siegel, Lilly Albritton, Devonie Johnstone Cable, Christef Fulton Crigler, and Lydia Sands. As always, please send your updates and pictures to hockaday99@gmail.com. We also ask that each person please contact the alumnae office (214-363-6311) to make sure the School has your best e-mail address and current mailing address. Make sure you’ve joined the Hockaday Class of ’99 Facebook group! Message or e-mail any of your class agents with questions! Thank you! — Charlotte, Anne, Sara, Kate and Meredith

We can’t believe it has already been a year since our 10-year reunion! We hope everyone is doing great this spring! Congratulations to Jackie Gerber who was married to David Adolph on February 12, 2011, in Breckenridge, Colorado! They are now living in the Dallas/Fort Worth area with their two dogs, Dude and Evy. A big congrat is also in order for Jill Rosellini Ombrello and her husband Jim. Their second baby, Vincent Michael Ombrello, was born on February 5, 2011, weighing 8 lbs 5 ounces. Jill writes that Vinny was born the night of a horrible ice storm in Dallas which made getting to the hospital crazy! Vinny watched his first Superbowl in the hospital with his Dad. :) Franny loves her little brother. The whole family is very happy and Jill is back working as a dentist. Congratulations to Eva Stronowski who married Andrew Otte on March 26, 2011, in the Boston Museum of Science. Her bridesmaids included classmates Sanida Kikic, Kate D’Ambrogi, and Zoya Bozho. And congrats to Sonya Mirbagheri who married Alex Cheney (also Columbia Law School Class of 2007) on April 9, 2011. The wedding was held at the Central Park Boathouse in New York City. Alejandra Cejudo and Olivia Carleo Eklund served as two of the bridesmaids, and Sonya’s nieces, Natalie Lanners (5th grader at Hockaday) and Allison Lanners (1st grader at Hockaday), served as junior bridesmaid and flower girl. Katie Meyer Speaker is the proud new mother to Molly Shea Speaker, born April 13, 2011. Finally, congratulations to Vanessa Gerber Stickles and her husband Ryan on the birth of their beautiful daughter Kara who was born in summer 2011! Please keep the updates coming!

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Sonia Mirbagheri ’00 and Alex Cheney were married April 9, 2011.
Willa Caroline York (2), Meredith Greer York (born January 2011), and Britt Sorensen York ’01

Bridesmaids in the wedding of Sonya Mirbagheri ’00, including sister Christine Lanners, Alejandra Cejudo ’00, Olivia Carlo Eklund ’00 and Beeta Akhavi ’99

Elaine Cochran ’01, Jennifer Keener Judge ’01, Chrissy Van Duyne Adkisson ’01, Britt Sorensen York ’01 and Mae Zakhour ’01

Kate Holbrook ’01, Jennifer Muncy ’01 and Stephanie Frankfurt Weinberg ’01
While I am disappointed that I had to miss our 10-year class reunion in April 2011, I am very glad to hear that many of our classmates attended the reunion and had a great time! Congrats to Chrissy Van Duyne Adkisson on her marriage to Ben Adkisson (Cistercian ’00)! They wed on June 4, 2011, in Las Colmas, Texas. Britt Sorensen York and Jennifer Keener Judge were bridesmaids in the wedding. Brett Sudderth (Cistercian ’01), Victor Arias (Cistercian ’00), Andrew Sudderth (Cistercian ’99), Brian Abernethy (Cistercian ’00), and John Turpin (Cistercian ’00) were also in the wedding. Susan Mathai is in her third and final year of her internal medicine residency at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, and she will be graduating this June, after which she will start her pulmonary and critical care medicine fellowship at University of Colorado in Denver. Congrats to Susan’s sister, Pamela Mathai ’04, on her wedding in Dallas on June 23, 2011. Stephanie Frankfurt Weinberg and her husband, Erik, recently moved to a new house in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Stephanie is still enjoying her job as the Training Manager at Blackboard, Inc. She recently visited Kate Holbrook in San Francisco where they enjoyed a day of wine tasting. Jennifer Cain graduated from Stanford’s JD/MBA program in June 2011. Congrats to Lydia Elliott Kline on her marriage to George William “Willie” Kline III (St. Mark’s ’00)! They wed on March 26, 2011, at her family’s ranch in Gonzales, Texas. They are living in Austin, Texas, and Lydia works as a family law and child advocacy attorney at the Travis County Domestic Relations Office. Lindsay Barbey joined the law firm of Rochelle & Rankin, LLP. Congrats to Sarah Washburne on her marriage to Adam MacMillan! They wed on July 13, 2011. They currently live in Cyprus. Amy Meyer Stoneham is the proud new mother to Mark Harrison Stoneham. Mark was born on June 21, 2011 and weighed 8 lbs., 5 oz. and was 20.25 in. long. I am very blessed! I am the proud new mother to Mark Harrison Stoneham.

Helen Witt splits time between New Orleans and Dallas while working on a master’s in public health in tropical medicine at Tulane University. Helen had the opportunity to spend the summer in Europe, studying in Switzerland and Italy and traveling with her husband to France, Spain and the United Kingdom. Helen met up with Anita Carleo in Padua, Italy while in Paris. Helen reconnected with Ambra Pedrazzini, classmate and AFS exchange student from our senior year. Ambra is working on her Ph.D. in aerospace engineering in Milan but was in Paris for the summer for an internship. Anita Carleo received her Doctor of Optometry from the University of Houston in May. She is working in private practice at First Eye Care–DFW.

Joanne Hong ’03 with her bridesmaids on her wedding day, including Sarah Chung ’03 (far left)

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Sarah Stuart is currently working as the project manager of the SkinCare Study at University of California, San Francisco. The highlight of her past year was accompanying her father on a medical volunteer trip to Kathmandu, Nepal, where the medical team completed 35 surgeries in three days. Helen Witt splits time between New Orleans and Dallas while working on a master’s in public health in tropical medicine at Tulane University. Helen had the opportunity to spend the summer in Europe, studying in Switzerland and Italy and traveling with her husband to France, Spain and the United Kingdom. Helen met up with Anita Carleo in Padua, Italy while in Paris. Helen reconnected with Ambra Pedrazzini, classmate and AFS exchange student from our senior year. Ambra is working on her Ph.D. in aerospace engineering in Milan but was in Paris for the summer for an internship. Anita Carleo received her Doctor of Optometry from the University of Houston in May. She is working in private practice at First Eye Care–DFW.

Joanne Hong got married on April 16 and is now Mrs. Joanne Yen. She and her husband live in Addison.
Sarah Chung was one of her bridesmaids. Joanne also got to see Katy Rogers before Katy left to start pediatric residency in Georgia for the next few years. Chloe Stocum graduated from medical school at Columbia University’s College of Physicians and Surgeons in May 2011. She will be doing her residency in physical medicine and rehabilitation in Boston at Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital this year. Last year following graduation, she was doing an internal medicine intern year at St. Luke’s-Roosevelt in New York City.

Kira Austin-Young Schlesinger got married in June 2008 and moved to Nashville. She graduated in May 2011 with her Master of Divinity from Vanderbilt University’s Divinity School. She was ordained as a transitional deacon in the Episcopal Church. Her husband is in his anesthesia residency. Marguerite Gabriele moved to Houston to do bankruptcy law. Allie Polatin graduated from Washington University School of Law in May and will soon start practicing immigration law in Dallas. Valentine Collins Doyon received her master’s in public affairs with highest honors from the University of Texas at Dallas in December 2010. She is currently working as a government relations analyst at a health care trade association in Dallas. She enjoys traveling with her husband Daniel. They especially enjoyed celebrating her birthday in Washington, D.C., as they were able to visit their favorite Georgetown University professors. After her sister Mia Feldman ’98 got married in May to Stephen Parker, Pilar Macdonald moved from Dallas to Philadelphia. She has spent the past few years as an investment Banker for JP Morgan in New York and Dallas. She will begin studying at the University of Pennsylvania’s Wharton Business School this fall to pursue her MBA. She and her sister will be 45 minutes away from each other for the next two years as her sister is pursuing her masters at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public Policy at Princeton University.

Katherine Brooks is leaving the Bay Area after eight years to brave the cold weather in Boston at Harvard Business School.

Sarah Stuart ’03 accompanied her father on a medical volunteer trip to Kathmandu, Nepal, where the medical team completed 35 surgeries in three days.

SARAH STUART ’03

Feldman ’98 and Pilar Macdonald

Kira Austin-Young Schlesinger ’03 at her ordination with her parents and her husband Joe Schlesinger

Joanne Hong ’03 and Rudy Yen on their wedding day
Guests at the wedding of Katy Crow ’04 to Nathaniel Craig. Left to right, Back row: Elizabeth Crow ’04, Señora Susan Ragsdale (Upper School Spanish teacher), Megan Jepson Foley ’04, Harriette Flachmeier (Hockaday private music teacher), Lexi Scholes ’04, Julie Campbell ’07, Renie Mead Randall ’71, Sagari Bette ’04, Emily Campbell ’04, Katy Crow Craig ’04, Isabella Crow (Class of 2014). Samantha Pillsley ’11, Regen Horchow Fearn ’80, Ginny Crow (Class of 2014), Carole Bond Jordan ’91 (in blue), Natalie Ng (Class of 2014, in pink and black), Lucy Crow Billingsley ’71. Left to right, Front row: Alexandra Hart (Class of 2020), Sarah Crow (Class of 2021), Sabrina Fearn (Class of 2020), Louisa Lindsay (Class of 2020), Maisy Crow (Class of 2020), Margaret Doggett Crow ’37, Fiona Fearn (Class of 2020), Victoria Hart (Class of 2022), Payton Hart (Class of 2018), Alexandra Orchid (Class of 2020)

2004

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Marissa Lau is enjoying home ownership and living in Austin. As mentioned before, she spends much of her free time playing with her dog and volunteering at Austin Boxer Rescue. She is also training for an Olympic triathlon. Tess Reeder finished her third year at Bain and joined the Estee Lauder Companies corporate strategy group in NYC. She is excited about this new role and going from her dialysis market case to fun makeup! Rachel Conrad is continuing her studies at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, and Juliet Morgan is also in her class. Rachel recently took time off and earned her certification as a yoga instructor. Nikki Bruce loves her job working in strategy and operations for Teach For America’s national hiring team in NYC. She also attends the StartlingBloc Institute for Social Innovation in NYC. Whether at these events or around NYC, she continues to bump into other Hockadaisies and loves getting the chance to catch up! Rachel Hall is a proud stay-at-home mom to Lily who has recently started walking! She is happy to stay at home, especially now that she and her husband, Larry, moved to a house in McKinney, Texas, and love all the space and suburban life. Shelley Moore is doing clinical research at the McDermott Center at UTSW. She recently got engaged and is also busy planning for her wedding in Austin in March! She was the maid of honor at Juliette Morgan’s wedding Memorial Day weekend. Other Hockadaisies in attendance at Juliette Morgan’s wedding include: Mariam Chaudry, Rachel Conrad, and Juliette’s sisters, Michelle Morgan Lockhart ’87 and Ashley Morgan Hecht ’94. Katy Crow Craig got hitched to Nathaniel. She had an amazing wedding at which many Hockaday Daisies were also able to attend! Emily Campbell, Ginny Crow (Class of 2014), and Maisy Crow (Class of 2020) were her bridesmaids and Sagari Bette was an usherette. Amanda Havard has been very busy! She published her first book, The Survivor, a supernatural-themed young adult series with roots in history and mythology. This is the first of a five-book series. To promote the series, she has been traveling, doing signings, and attending conferences like Book Expo America. This fall, she will speak at the Southern Festival of Books. Living in Nashville, she has had the opportunity to be a part of a trans-media campaign and write and produce her own original songs to go with the series. Her first song, “Pretty Girl,” was recorded by Chris Mann from Glee! Two more singles will release this year! She is enjoying this exhilarating time and is super excited about what else is to come.

Beth Rosellini married Russell Wither on March 5, 2011, surrounded by family and friends including many Hockadaisies! She graduated from Baylor College of Dentistry in May 2011, and is now a practicing dentist in Gainesville, Florida. Beth says she has lots of room and would love visitors if you are ever in Florida!

2005

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2006

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Members of the Class of 2007 at the wedding of Kavitha Surana: Baylo Gottesman, Kathryn Ondricok, Danielle Knight, Allegra Sachs, Kavitha Surana, Allison Klon, Sarah Satinsky, Chelsea Miller and Maggie Burkhead

Beth Rosellini at her wedding with family and friends including many Hockadaisies

Beth Rosellini married Russell Walthers on March 5, 2011

Rachel Hall ’04 with daughter Lily

Katy Crow ’04 and husband Nathaniel Craig with their wedding party, including bridesmaids Emily Campbell ’04, Ginny Crow (Class of 2014) and Maisy Crow (Class of 2020) and usherette Sagar Bette ’04

Maid of Honor Shelley Moore ’04 at the wedding of Juliette Morgan ’04
Class Notes

2007

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Meredith Klein graduated *magna cum laude* in both international relations and French with a minor in Arabic from Tufts University. She stayed in the Boston area to work with an international NGO as a program coordinator for health initiatives in Haiti and Kenya. Also living in Boston is Emily Rowan, who works at L.E.K. Consulting. After graduating from MIT in May, Jessica Bainbridge-Smith and her freshly-minted bachelor’s in mechanical engineering shipped off to Bangalore, India, for 10 months to work on microfluidic medical technology for developing areas. Her trip is the result of years of growing interest in medicine for the developing world, sparked by her work in Nicaragua and Senegal. After Bangalore, Jessica plans to pursue a Ph.D. in materials science and engineering. Maillil Acosta recently graduated from SMU with a B.A. in political science and minors in human rights and Spanish. After serving as her sorority’s president and as the active-at-large member on the national board of directors, she is now the regional chair for the North Texas region and oversees six collegiate chapters. Maillil will be working in Dallas as a bilingual elementary school teacher with Teach for America for the next two years, a commitment she is very excited and passionate about. Katherine Novinski joined Teach for America in Baltimore and has been placed to teach secondary math (grades 6-12). She hopes to work with middle school students. In June 2011, Carolyn Shinn started her master’s program in museum education at George Washington University. Maggie Parker is participating in the Coro Fellows Program in Public Affairs this year and will then go to graduate school to obtain a master’s in urban planning. Alexa Garcia is attending Parsons The New School for Design in New York City and will be completing an AAS in fashion marketing. Bayla Gottesman recently hit her one-year mark of living in Manhattan. She works at a hedge fund and loves living in New York. Also living in New York City is Courtney Levering, who works at Business Monitor International. Sarah Harris spent last summer announcing and reporting at North Country Public Radio, profiling young farmers around the Adirondack North Country. She tried her hand at farming as an intern for Little Grasse Foodworks, a human-powered food project and CSA. In the course of her work last summer she butchered a rabbit, ate stinging nettles, and learned about the many uses of the fourth stomach of a cow. Nicole Bullock graduated in May from Washington University in St. Louis with a double major in human resources and international business. She moved to Atlanta in August and works for International Paper as an human resources generalist. Leslie McCombs is completing her final year at SMU and is planning to go to law school next fall. She was elected president of SMU’s business fraternity, Alpha Kappa Psi, and serves in a director position for her sorority, Delta Gamma. Leslie is still writing music and enjoys living in Dallas! Stephanie Ray graduated *magna cum laude* from Austin College last May and now works for the Texas Presbyterian Foundation. Danielle O’Bannon is working at the Dallas office of Bickel and Brewer. Bailey Anderson is doing commercial real estate at Stream Realty, L.P. Courtney Johnson recently graduated Phi Beta Kappa from UNC Chapel Hill with degrees in economics and international studies. In the summer of 2010, she worked on a research project for a UNC professor and moved to Austin to begin her first year of law school at The University of Texas. She is very excited to finally live in the same city as Jillian Switzer! After graduating *summa cum laude* from Fordham University’s Gabelli School of Business with a degree in marketing, Jillian relocated to Austin to start her job as an enterprise sales associate at Google. So far, she loves everything about her job and being back in Texas, particularly the barbecue and Tex-Mex! Since the last Class Notes, Kelly Potter has started her own jewelry line. She splits her time between her jewelry studio and a blacksmith shop, where she works as an apprentice to the master blacksmith (which involves standing next to at least one fire while wearing long-sleeved shirts and jeans). Kelly writes, “Despite the heat, it is very rewarding to be able to make pretty much anything.” The most recent project she helped complete was collaborating with glassblowers to make wall sconces for the Gaylord Texan. Kavitha Surana married Luca Rolando on July 21, 2011, in White Plains, New York. There were lots of Hockaday attendees, and Bayla Gottesman, Allie Hayes, Kathryn Ondricek, and Danielle Knight were bridesmaids. She completed an internship at *The New York Times* Style magazine, where she was published online and in print. She is currently looking for a full-time job. Anna Simon graduated from Tufts University with a B.S. in environmental engineering and minor in Mandarin. As a final farewell to Boston, I ran the 2011 Boston Marathon after training and fundraising with the Tufts President’s Marathon Challenge Team. I now live in Salt Lake City and work as an operations analyst for Goldman Sachs. Thank you to everyone who sent in updates. Please keep in touch!

2008

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Jennifer Stevens is enjoying attending Wash U and is excelling in organic chemistry. She is still completely focused on becoming a doctor. Last summer, she lived in St. Louis as a research fellow. She is also a PLTL leader (a sort of mentor) for first-year chemistry students, has volunteered as a tutor on Sunday afternoons the last two years, is very involved in her church there, and will be a TA for one of the biology classes in the fall.

Kate Squires writes: “This summer [2011], I am in India for two months with a service-learning program. I am splitting my time between Pune, India, which is a city of about five million in the state of Maharashtra, and a tribal village called Chilati. I’ll be teaching a science course, shadowing doctors, and researching the tribal children’s views on education. As for school, I’m aimlessly studying pre-med, history, and psychology, hoping to have some sort of revelation about narrowing my course of study.”

Luyi Adesanya writes: “After finishing my first year at the University of Chicago, I was able to find a summer internship program. Last summer, I was in Baltimore, Maryland, doing research and working for the National Institute of Health. My research was done at both the University of Maryland Baltimore County and Johns Hopkins.”

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Luyi Adesanya ‘10 with Annual Fund Director Keturi Beatty in Chicago

Luyi Adesanya ‘10, Lily Kim ‘10 and Joyce Adesanya

Nur Kara, Luyi Adesanya and Lilly Lerer – Class of 2019
MARRIAGES

1969  Evy Kay Rhodus to Richard P. Washburne, October 2, 2010
1977  Valencia Mack Yarbrough, July 10, 2010
1978  Ellen Plumlee Russell to Brian Stanley, October 2010
1983  Tricia Cummins to Doug Berry, May 2008
1985  Deidra Wilson to Mark Hubenak, September 29, 2010
1988  Meredith Lightfoot to Richard Rohrman, February 2010
1992  Caroline Briggie to Nathan Hattemer, July 3, 2010
1992  Kristine Maniago to Paul Allen, May 28, 2010
1997  Neera Goyal to Jared McElroy, May 2010
1998  Kim Kircher James to Heb James, August 7, 2010
1998  Leigh Montgomery to Adam Sandwick, April 3, 2010
1999  Sarah Wilson to Thomas Henry Fenton, June 5, 2010
2000  Erica Gioia to Trey Kuppin, Summer 2010
2000  Anne Catherine Savage to Zach Podolsky, August 2010
2000  Vanessa Gerber to Ryan Stickles, September 2010
2002  Mary Ann Bitter to Matthew Hobbs, October 9, 2010
2003  Valentina Collins to Daniel Richard Doyon, February 6, 2010
2004  Peri Wilson to Hunter Merritt, 2010
2004  Megan Jepson Foley, October 2010
2005  Kelsey Swingle to Patrick Robertson, August 2010
2005  Claire Bucholz to Devin McPhillips, June 2010
2005  Erika Hoops to Alex Gorodetsky, October 2, 2010

BIRTHS

1985  Amy Springer Zinck, Alexandre Frank Pierre Zinck, July 6, 2010
1987  Radhika Shah, Maya Shah, adopted April 2009
1988  Annie Delesi Strain, Teddy Strain, October 2010
1988  Amy Talkington, Virginia Eileen Adams, September 4, 2010
1990  Erin Sudbury Ashby, Bennett Miller Ashby, September 8, 2010
1990  Valerie Maxwell Bowen, Brookes Wilson Bowen, April 5, 2010
1990  Jennifer Barrett, Sebastian Barrett, October 22, 2010
1991  Allyson Connally Gonzalez, Samuel Pierce Gonzalez, April 7, 2010
1991  Stacy Michaelson LaCorte, Angelina Shane LaCorte, May 13, 2010
1992  Carlyn Stewart Waldo, Will Waldo, October 21, 2010
1992  Ashley Hollweg Watson, Elise Saunders Watson, May 15, 2010
1992  Anne Pederson Curtis, John Curtis, July 2010
1993  Cindy Casey Brown, George Miller Brown, September 30, 2010
1993  Merry Munson Wyatt, Susie Weber Wyatt, October 28, 2010
1993  Meredith Armstrong Niles, Walter Sands Niles, June 15, 2010
1994  Emily Bodine Conrad, Lucy Staton Conrad, November 3, 2010
1997  Randal Rauscher Rhodus, Marue McCarthy Rhodus, September 30, 2010
1997  Monica De Anda Huffman, Brand Huffman, 2009
1998  Sarah Walker Kinard, Noah Robert Kinard, October 17, 2009
1998  Lana Constantine, Carolina Constantine, July 16, 2010
1998  Suzanna Dryden Jensen, Adam Jensen, September 2, 2010
1998  Mandy Fisher Moore, Griffin Douglas, November 15, 2010
1999  Sara Frankurt Gail, Jacob Leon Gail, September 7, 2010
1999  Katherine Campbell Johnson, Campbell Tyler Johnson, July 11, 2010
1999  Kelly Brantley Little, Molly Jeanne and Matthew James, September 11, 2010
1999  Catherine Bogart, Mya Grace Berglund, July 2010
1999  Devonie Johnston Coble, Matilda “Barrett” Coble, July 3, 2009
2001  Britt Sorensen York, Meredith York, January 2010
2004  Rachel Hall Causey, Lillian Grace Causey, September 2010
Mary Frances Cunningham Yancey
1913 – 2012, Hockaday Class of 1931

Mary Frances was born in Waxahachie, Texas in 1913, and she attended Hockaday as a boarding student for five years, graduating in 1931. She then attended Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts where she majored in philosophy and architecture. Her involvement at Hockaday was life-long, as she quickly became engaged with the School through the Alumnae Association shortly after graduating from Smith. Her passion for the School and her commitment to preserving Hockaday’s history is unparalleled.

With a background in architecture and a passion for interior design, Mary Frances embraced and honored the School’s history across the campus. She was consulted regarding every building project and were not limited to these historic rooms. Throughout her life, Mary Frances was consulted regarding every building project and was a desire to create meaningful and memorable environments across the campus.

Hockaday’s students, faculty, staff, parents and alumnae have benefited from the time and dedication that Mary Frances gave the School for decades. The School honored her with a special display of objects from the Hockaday archive in the archival cases along the administrative corridor near the Hoak Portico.

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Earl Elmquist, grandfather of JoAnna Elmquist ’06 and Lara Elmquist (Class of 2013), November 18, 2011
Myrl Sawyer Good, mother of Sandra Good Ramey ’59 (deceased) and Candace Good Jacobson ’63 and grandmother of Beja Embry ’89, October 19, 2010
Richard Hawn, Jr., father of Dory Hawn Sjogren ’82 and Meredith Hawn Jaworowski ’96, November 22, 2010
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Frank Springer, father of Amy Springer Zinck ’85 and Emily Springer ’87, 2010
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ALUMNAE DAY 2012
Friday, April 27
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Alumnae Day activities will include
Alumnae Lecture, Reunion Class Photos,
Awards Ceremony, Luncheon,
Campus Tours and Classroom Visits

ALUMNAE BOARDER REUNION BREAKFAST
Saturday, April 28
9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Tarry House

ALUMNAE FAMILY PICNIC
Saturday, April 28
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Lower School Playground and Picnic Area

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