“A good education is another name for happiness.”

- Ann Plato (1841), Poet
Calendar

MAY

May 1-2
SPC Tournament

May 2
SAT Exam
8:00 a.m.

May 2
Senior Prom

May 3-7
Seventh Grade
New Mexico

May 4-8
Upper School
Advanced Placement Exams

May 4-8
Lower School
ERB Assessments

May 6
Hockaday Trustee Reception
5:30 p.m.

May 7
HPA Board Meeting and Lunch
11:30 a.m.

May 7
Upper School
Recognition Assembly
2:30 p.m.

May 8
Seventh Grade
No Classes

May 11-15
Upper School
Advanced Placement Exams

May 12
Varsity Athletics Banquet
6:00 p.m.

May 17
Residence Host Family Dinner
6:00 p.m.

May 18-19
Eighth Grade Exams

May 18-20
Senior Project Week

May 18
Form III Ring Day
3:15 p.m.

May 19
Form IV and Honor Guards
Commencement Rehearsal
11:30 a.m.

May 19
All-School
Commencement Rehearsal
3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

May 20
Last Day of Classes
Middle and Upper Schools

May 20
Middle School
Green and White Day

May 21
All-School
Commencement Rehearsal
8:45 a.m.

May 21
Eighth Grade
Graduation Practice
10:15 a.m.

May 21
Middle School
Closing Assembly
12:30 p.m.

May 21
Senior Banquet
7:00 p.m.

May 22
Upper School Honors Assembly
9:00 a.m.

May 22
Eighth Grade Graduation
1:00 p.m.

May 22
Last Day of Classes
Lower School

May 23
94th Hockaday
Commencement
7:00 p.m.

May 25
Memorial Day

May 26-29
Faculty In-Service Week

JUNE

June 8
Summer Session I Begins
Lower, Middle and Upper Schools

June 14
ACT Exam
8:00 a.m.

June 19
Summer Session I Ends
Lower School

June 22
Summer Session II Begins
Lower School

June 26
Summer Session I Ends
Middle and Upper Schools

June 29
Summer Session II Begins
Middle and Upper Schools

JULY

July 3
Summer Session II Ends
Lower School

July 4
Independence Day

July 6
Summer Session III Begins
Lower School

July 17
Summer Session II Ends
Middle and Upper Schools

July 17
Summer Session III Ends
Lower School

July 20
Summer Session IV Begins

July 24
Summer Session IV Ends

July 27
Summer Session V Begins

July 31
Summer Session V Ends
Dear Hockaday Community:

Just last month, UCLA’s Graduate School of Education & Information Studies released the results of a national study that shows the statistically significant edge girls’ school graduates have over their peers who are educated in coed schools. According to the UCLA report, which was commissioned by the National Coalition of Girls’ Schools, graduates from girls’ schools consistently assess their own abilities, self-confidence, engagement and ambition as either above average or in the top 10 percent. They also rate themselves more successful and engaged in precisely those areas in which male students have historically surpassed them – mathematics, computers, engineering and politics.

- Ten percent more girls’ school graduates rate their confidence in math and computer abilities high at the start of college compared to their peers from coed schools;
- Girls’ school graduates are three times more likely than their coed peers to consider pursuing a career in engineering;
- More than 80 percent of girls’ school graduates consider their academic performance highly successful;
- On the intellectual front, 60 percent of women from girls’ schools report self-confidence;
- Nearly half of all women graduating from single-sex schools rate their public speaking ability high, and nearly two-thirds of girls’ school graduates assess their writing ability as high;
- More girls’ school graduates consider college a stepping-stone to graduate school and 45 percent of women from single-sex schools choose a college in part for its record of alumnae gaining admission to graduate school;
- Political engagement thrives in single-sex schools: almost 60 percent of girls’ school graduates compared to just under 50 percent of their coed peers report they are more likely to keep current with the political scene and have political discussions in class.

While peer-reviewed academic research that supports one’s point of view is always comforting, this groundbreaking study confirms what we have known all along: a girls’ school education is good for girls.

At Hockaday, we educate girls well and we always have. Rosamond Larmour Loomis, Head of Upper School from 1948 to 1953, said it in a different way more than 50 years ago explaining that at Hockaday there has always been “a high respect for scholarship as well as for earnestness of purpose. Both faculty and staff strove for high standards without jeopardizing the individuality of the person. There [has always been] a cooperative spirit, which includes the joy of life.”

This issue of Hockaday Magazine looks into the classroom and at the faces of Hockaday girls who learn there, and celebrates the men and women who teach and inspire the bright and brilliant girls, past and present, who are Hockaday.

Very truly yours,

Jeanne P. Whitman
Eugene McDermott Headmistress
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ON THE COVER: Hockaday Middle School students in Shane Bourek’s 6th Grade math class: Dominique Sung (front left), Meredith Burke (front right), Hayes McManemin (back middle) and Elizabeth Bell (back right).

“The Hockaday faculty is and has always been the core of the School. Of all our many resources, our teachers are our most essential, our most respected, our most beloved.”

LESLIE MELNICK DIERS ’74

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Teaching Girls:
The Hockaday Experience

Pre-Kindergarten teacher Martha Zavaleta helps a student during a cooking/math assignment.
At Hockaday, girls can do anything, in part because here they do everything – hold leadership positions, start clubs, win championships and cultivate their passions and interests. The all-girl environment is only part of the equation, however, as to why at Hockaday, girls excel in all areas of their lives. Hockaday’s faculty members, who undertake the challenge of teaching girls in this ever-changing world, provide a key component in developing girls to become the leaders of tomorrow. They guide, mentor, teach and inspire, ensuring that each girl, no matter her age, develops into a strong and confident woman with a lifelong love of learning.

Whether in Lower School (grades pre-k – fourth), Middle School (grades fifth – eighth), or Upper School (Form I – Form IV), Hockaday supports the best practices, ideals and academic standards that complement the distinct way in which girls learn. This works falls to the teachers, who carry this responsibility and challenge and encourage Hockaday girls to become their best selves.

Miss Ela Hockaday’s founding principles of the Four Cornerstones of Character, Courtesy, Scholarship and Athletics have endured and guided the School for almost 100 years, during which five generations of women have graced Hockaday’s halls and continued to positively impact their communities. While specific methods of providing girls with a high-quality education may have changed, the principles have stayed the same. At Hockaday, each girl takes her own path to learning, but they all head in the same direction – out into the world around them with the necessary skills, enriched academic accomplishment and curiosity to sustain them no matter what their futures may bring.

Making connections: Lower School

Hockaday’s youngest students are the School’s most unshaped and impressionable learners, and they require the most guidance. Lower School faculty members create a safe and encouraging environment for these girls to begin to discover who they are and how they learn.

“One of the most striking things about the all-girl environment at Hockaday,” said Dr. Lisa Holekamp, Head of Lower School, “is that it’s all about connections – connections with other people, connections with concepts and connections with subject matter. Socialization in Lower School is a very necessary part of their development – to learn and discuss how things are connected.”

Lower School academics begin to expand a student’s world with a broad curriculum of core subjects that create a curious learner: the building of communication comprehension with reading, writing and language skills; math-foundation skills that develop new and more complex ways to engage the thinking process; the introduction of scientific principles that build associations to each student and to the world around them; and art and music classes that open up creative opportunity for self-expression. As a student grows here, she makes connections about who she wants to become and how she learns. Students begin forming relationships with their teachers and their interests, and they start discovering their passions.

“The way in which girls learn is that they are wired to discuss the process and verbalize strategies,” said Dr. Holekamp. “Under the umbrella of Hockaday’s mission [that of preparing girls of strong potential to assume positions of leadership and responsibility], we asked ourselves, ‘Is this curriculum in Lower School built in a way to give girls the opportunity to do the processing they need?’”

This fundamental question led to the recent review of the entire Lower School curriculum. “Because everything in Lower School is about connections, we needed to make sure that the sequential flow of curriculum was appropriately connected vertically – from grade-level to grade-level – as well as horizontally – from subject matter to subject matter. Connecting concepts is key; that is simply good teaching,” said Dr. Holekamp.

The Lower School faculty began the review process by confirming their own educational philosophy that, inspired by the Four Cornerstones, would guide every decision in Lower School teaching. The Lower School statement of philosophy affirms the division’s need to create a safe place for learning that is based on the milestones of child development and the understanding that each child is a unique individual.

“The Lower School statement of philosophy really works for our girls and helps us identify how they grow and develop and how we can tap into that. Every part of Lower School is a very necessary part of our girls working, learning, processing and discovering themselves. This includes an emphasis on problem solving along with downtime for girls to simply think and
process information,” said Dr. Holekamp.

There is no one model for the ideal Lower School student. A teacher’s responsibility is to meet each girl where she is developmentally and take her as far as possible before she enters Middle School. Success is about much more than just academic performance in Lower School; and at the end of each grade a student is measured on how she built upon her academic success and the building of her character: her resilience, her integrity and her respect for others.

“Lower School has to be joyful, and it has to be an enriched environment,” said Dr. Holekamp. “Teachers here truly care for and love our students. It’s key that they get to know each child and honor who she is while challenging her to grow – we must be ever mindful of the growth of each child’s character.”

**BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS: MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Middle School engages girls at their most challenging ages as they face several academic and social transitions. More than any other division, Middle School is about building relationships – relationships with teachers, friends, subject matter and the world at large. Two distinct transitions occur during the Middle School years: the move from Lower School and the move to Upper School. The four years in between at Middle School take excited Lower School students and cultivate them to become academically inquisitive Upper School students. The all-girl environment is particularly meaningful during these years, making an impact on a student’s performance in the classroom, her confidence and her academic curiosity.

“Quite frankly, with all the physical and cognitive changes occurring during this time, not having the distraction of boys is key,” said Linda Kramer, Head of Middle School. “Our girls can focus and get the individual attention they need; they are the leaders and feel safe and comfortable discussing topics that they are curious about in a non-threatening environment.”

She added, “Relationships are the building block of success in Middle School – if we can make the girls feel supported, positive relationship skills will then lead them to take risks and make decisions with confidence.”

At the foundation for this relationship-building are Hockaday Middle School teachers, and they support students as they grow and take on more challenging academics and extracurricular activities. With each year of Middle School, fifth through eighth grades, teachers begin integrating more abstract principles into each subject, enabling students to formulate more complex theories while also improving a student’s analytical, reasoning and communication skills. By the eighth grade, for example, students have a solid foundation of earth science systems, having already studied the lithosphere (fifth grade), hydrosphere (sixth grade) and atmosphere (seventh grade) in depth. Each of these subjects, leading up to the Earth Science Systems study in eighth grade, integrates elements of physics, chemistry and biology while building a comprehensive understanding for these multifaceted systems. Such relationships within all subject matter are explored in Middle School, introducing students to the analytical perspective needed as an Upper School student.

Middle School success is based on a solid skill-set, a growing sense of self to make wise decisions, a spirit of independence to help manage changes and, most importantly, the ability to problem solve. “If they can problem solve and have the confidence to do so, then no matter the course or topic, they are able to think it through and adjust to their learning style,” said Mrs. Kramer.

Like Lower School, the Middle School division regularly examines its curriculum, making ongoing adjustments because of the transitions at both ends of the division while maintaining its own developmentally appropriate curriculum for maturing adolescents.

“Our faculty is always looking at the skills fifth graders bring from Lower School. Likewise, we are aware of our eighth graders and where they need to be by the ninth grade. Sixth and seventh grades are the ‘bridge years’ that move our girls toward deeper, more abstract thinking; and we work with all of our students closely so that they are constantly growing, strengthening and learning,” said Mrs. Kramer. “Our focus on every child in every grade is to ensure that each of our girls is obtaining the appropriate level of attention and direction so that as they grow and take on roles with greater responsibility, they can do so with confidence.”

Student and parent involvement is important. The Middle School holds many transition seminars, meeting with fourth graders and their parents in the spring before they enter fifth grade, and hosting student-run eighth grade meetings about Upper School.

Because of this pivotal time in a girl’s education, Middle School teachers do all they can to prepare their students for the rigors of Upper School. “How our teachers implement curriculum may change – with technology integration and structural changes like block scheduling – but it only serves to support Hockaday’s mission even better,” said Mrs. Kramer. “The bottom line is that we are always looking at what is developmentally appropriate for all Middle School girls and making sure that our curriculum and teaching practices reflect that.”
Mathematics teacher Shane Bourek assists his Middle School class with an assignment.

Math instructor Jackie Girard helps an Upper School student with an assignment.

Ceramics teacher Kevin Brady assists students with a pottery project.
CREATING FUTURES: UPPER SCHOOL

Hockaday’s Upper School is the gateway to the world. Lower School introduces the possibilities of academics within a distinct set of boundaries to foster learning and curiosity. Middle School builds upon students’ skill-sets and provides the encouragement needed to confidently make decisions and explore their interests. But it is in Upper School when students fine-tune their talents and soar toward their futures.

“Upper School has an atmosphere where the girl who is interested in contemplation, inquiry and analysis can feel comfortable and stimulated,” said Steve Kramer, Upper School history teacher, in describing the difference of Upper School.

Here, students can participate in a diverse array of classes in a range of subjects, including more than 30 honors and Advanced Placement courses. Fine arts, language, science, mathematics, technology, athletics and service-leadership are all emphasized and encouraged. No activity or interest is discouraged and everything is possible. Upper School girls can explore their passions while delving into subject matter that prepares them for success in college and the workforce.

“Hockaday graduates girls who know the value of hard work and how to achieve what they want,” said Mr. Kramer.

Critically important to a student’s success, Upper School faculty members challenge and inspire each girl – helping her build upon her strengths and transform her weaknesses into opportunities. “Teaching at Hockaday allows creativity in teaching,” said Mr. Kramer. “Upper School students like challenges that permit them to learn in ways that are both traditional and innovative, and a teacher at Hockaday can encourage students to really think.”

Upper School is demanding but encouraging – it’s a creative and supportive community in which every faculty member serves as a mentor to those in their classes as well as an assigned advisory of girls. “Students are not primed to parrot back a teacher’s words; they are asked to develop their own lines of thought and support them,” said Pat Saxon, Upper School English teacher. “Sometimes this means even taking an angle of vision contrary to the teachers. By senior year, a number of students have the maturity, skill and confidence to do that. On the other hand, we seek to balance the analytical with other modes of intelligence. For example, students are invited to paint, dance or compose photographs in response to literary texts, or to create their own advertisements using principles taught in media literacy.”

Hockaday’s student body is a mixture of girls from different backgrounds, cultures and languages. In Upper School, they all converge to create an environment in which girls live and learn about the world around them. Here, students find and cultivate their voice, starting clubs, holding elected positions of authority,
Learning Outside the Classroom

An important component of Hockaday’s curriculum is the emphasis on active participation in community programs. Community service is a necessary part of the Hockaday experience and teaches girls the value of common respect and kindness to those around them. Every year, Hockaday girls volunteer at dozens of community organizations around the Dallas-Fort Worth area and positively impact the lives of thousands of people in need. From tutoring DISD students and non-native English speakers to volunteering in homeless shelters, food banks and raising funds for charitable causes, girls from every division help their community in valuable ways.

In addition to the myriad programs girls can participate in every year, Hockaday and St. Mark’s students are involved in a five-year initiative with Habitat for Humanity. This March, the students completed their second home, holding a dedication March 7 and presenting the key to the new owners. Thanks to the generosity of Hockaday and St. Mark’s parents, this five-year initiative pairs students with community members in bettering the Dallas community.
Alumnae Teachers Bring Added Perspective to Teaching at Hockaday

Melissa Thomas Allan ‘90, Randal Rauscher Rhodus ‘97 and Elizabeth Ostrow Smith ‘86 are just a few of the alumnae who have returned to Hockaday as faculty and staff members. Melissa Thomas Allan teaches Middle School English, Randal Rauscher Rhodus teaches 2nd grade, and Elizabeth Ostrow Smith is the Director of the English for Speakers of Other Languages, teaching Form I and Form II ESOL students. Each of these women, one from each division, brings a unique perspective to their jobs, a fresh and understanding energy to their classrooms, and a strong love for Hockaday and her students. While much has changed since their time as Hockaday girls, there still exist some similarities. Below, they share some of their perspectives on teaching at their alma mater.

HOW DID ATTENDING HOCKADAY PREPARE YOU TO TEACH FUTURE HOCKADAISES?

Melissa Thomas Allan ‘90: I think that the most significant way that a Hockaday education prepared me to teach was by example. In addition to their exemplary teaching, I also had the good fortune to have Hockaday teachers model, on a daily basis, how rewarding a life of service in a school environment could be.

Randal Rauscher Rhodus ‘97: The teachers I had while attending Hockaday are what inspired me to be a teacher in the first place. Now I have the privilege to work with and learn from the same teachers who taught me. Also, one advantage I have is that I know what is expected of the girls as they enter Middle and Upper School. It is important that the girls remain curious, motivated and confident throughout their time at Hockaday. I hope I help the girls develop confidence in their abilities and a love of learning.

Elizabeth Ostrow Smith ’86: I understand the girls – their challenges, triumphs and conversations are similar to the same ones I had. I value the school traditions and enjoy seeing the students anticipating what is to come in the course of the school year. Plus, when I see girls being silly in the hallways, it makes me laugh because I was part of the same kind of antics in the exact same locations myself. Having gone through the curriculum, I understand and am aware of teacher expectations; in fact, I had a lot of the same teachers as my students and advisees have today!

HAS THE SCHOOL CHANGED SINCE YOU ATTENDED AS A STUDENT?

Melissa Thomas Allan ‘90: There are certainly some structural changes in the school since my time here as a student as far as the classrooms and the Academic Research Center, but the use of technology on campus is probably the biggest change that has occurred. When I was a senior, there were about ten computers tucked into the back of our math classroom, serving as the “computer lab.” Now the technology is such a part of some classroom instruction, and the girls are really mastering and integrating technology into their lives both educationally and personally. And while Hockaday has always been a close-knit, friendly community, I do think that the interactions between teachers and students are a bit less formal now than they were almost 20 years ago.

Randal Rauscher Rhodus ‘97: Things haven’t changed too much for me – I am teaching in the same 2nd grade classroom that I was in when I was in 2nd grade! Some of the facilities have changed [and] technology is incorporated into every classroom with SMARTBoards™ and laptops in Middle and Upper School. However, the traditions are still the same and are greatly valued.

Elizabeth Ostrow Smith ‘86: I see greater diversity in all aspects of the school. There is even more support in place for all types of students and learning styles. The campus is prettier than ever, with the addition of beautiful new buildings and facilities. The uniform code now includes sweatshirts and tights – a lifesaver for cold weather!

WHY RETURN TO HOCKADAY TO TEACH?

Melissa Thomas Allan ‘90: It really is a rare privilege to return to one’s own school to teach – to have colleagues who were former teachers – and to watch both the continuation of the traditions of the school and the natural evolution that occurs in any institution over time.

Randal Rauscher Rhodus ‘97: When I decided to move back to Dallas, I saw that Hockaday had an opening in the Lower School. After I interviewed at Hockaday and other schools, I couldn’t imagine a better place to teach than Hockaday. One criterion I had for schools is their faculty turnover. Teachers stay at Hockaday because it is a wonderful place to teach – you don’t find that at a lot of schools. I wanted that same experience.

Elizabeth Ostrow Smith ‘86: I’d been teaching ESOL for seven years when I applied for my position at Hockaday. I am grateful that my department receives such respect from the entire faculty and administration [and] it’s wonderful to feel the School’s commitment to the International Program. As an added
bonus, my daughters go to school here; I love being able to work where my daughters go to school – even though they are thrilled I will never have them in my classroom.

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO TEACH YOUNG GIRLS TODAY?

Melissa Thomas Allan ’90: Every day, I strive to teach the girls empathy for others and an appreciation for other peoples’ perspectives and opinions. I also love to ignite their curiosity in the hope that such a sense of wonder will stand them in good stead as they venture out to create their own personal and professional lives.

Randal Rauscher Rhodus ’97: I get to work with some very smart and creative 7- and 8-year-olds. Strength of character is one of the most important things that these girls can develop. It is important for them to respect other’s views and opinions, to show kindness to those around them, to know that it is okay to not be perfect, and to feel confident and proud of their efforts.

Elizabeth Ostrow Smith ’86: Stay curious. If you love to learn, this will stay with you way beyond any grades you might make. The love of learning will help you stay happy and continue to grow for the rest of your life. This is one of the most important lessons I took away from my years at Hockaday.

OTHER ALUMNAE AT HOCKADAY:

Cassidy Acuff ’01
Athletic Director Assistant

Stephanie Hazlewood Dees ’94
Lower School Teacher

Alexa Hutchison Heck ’78
Middle School Office

Jessica Kramer ’88
Upper School Office

Margaret King Morse ’93
Director of Counseling

Kelli Sams ’03
Child Development Center

Amy Spence ’87
Director of Alumnae Relations

Christie Browning Sullivan ’95
Upper School Dance Instructor

Technology in the Classroom

An ongoing and important component to the Hockaday educational experience is the seamless integration of technology into the classroom. Growing up in the digital age, students become adept at a very young age at using technological innovations in their everyday lives. To prepare students for the rigors of college and the workforce, it is Hockaday’s responsibility to teach media literacy to its students as part of its overall curriculum.

Since instituting its laptop program in 2005, the School has worked to educate faculty, staff and students about real-world uses of technology as well as the ethical issues that may arise. Regular tech audits are held and the ad hoc Technology Committee of the Board of Trustees, comprised of board members, faculty and parents, works hard to integrate technology around the campus.

Alan November of November Learning, a technological assessment firm for educational organizations, has recently conducted audits of Hockaday’s use of technology in the classroom, and plans are in place for a series of workshops with faculty later in the year. In assessing Hockaday’s academic use of technology, Mr. November said, “Hockaday’s in great shape – the School is doing what it needs to do and the technology department has a clear and comprehensive plan.” But he cautioned about limiting Hockaday’s use of technology and allowing laptops to become “very expensive pencils.” More than just for note-taking, laptops and SMARTBoards™ in the classroom can literally open up the world to Hockaday students. “As one person in the class is designated to take ‘perfect notes’ other students can act as researchers for a given lesson, comparing assignments from other countries on the same topic and comparing these lessons to their own, creating a much more universal and cultural education.

“Hockaday’s next move,” said Mr. November, “is to design more rigorous and motivating activities to involve everyone in the classroom. Collaboration is the single most important 21st century skill a student can learn.” By working together and becoming actively involved in how technology is used in classroom, students develop a lifelong love of research and learning. In addition to teaching students how to use technology, Mr. November said that Hockaday will also need to provide the ethics and the role-modeling on how to use these very powerful technologies in innovative ways.

“It is important to stop thinking about how to add technology in the class and to start thinking about technology as an integral part of any curriculum,” said Mr. November.
Milestone Celebrations at the School

The Hockaday School is privileged to have faculty and staff who have served the School loyally for more than 30 years. Students who attended the School during the last three decades have benefited greatly from the dedication of these individuals. This year we celebrate 30-year anniversaries along with those celebrating 25-year, 20-year and 15-year milestones at Hockaday. We thank them and salute them for their contributions to Hockaday.

30-Year Milestone

GRACE BUTCHER, Upper School Spanish teacher, currently teaches the Spanish V community service/advanced Spanish class. She earned her BA from East Texas State and an MA from Texas Woman's University. She is the mother of Rebecca Butcher '96.

LISA CAMP, Head of World Languages, has taught French in all divisions. Ms. Camp earned her BA from Austin College and an MA from Middlebury College. She is the mother of Mariana Pickering '00 and aunt of Holly Perkins '09.

SHARON CHILDS has taught Middle and Upper School English and served as Cornerstones advisor. She earned her BA from the University of Oklahoma and her MAT from the University of Texas – Dallas. She is the mother of Allyson Childs Hale '87 and Jennifer Childs Kugler '90.

RODRIGO PARRA joined Hockaday as a groundskeeper and now opens the School each morning. He is a Hockaday bus driver for off-campus events. His wife, Socorro, is employed at Hockaday as is his cousin, Benito, and uncle, Juan.

LANA YORK has worn several hats in the Business office, including handling student loans and accounts payable. She is a caring and frequent visitor to the Child Development Center where she's been "Aunt Lana" to many little ones.

25-Year Milestone

KEVIN BRADY

HARRIETTE FLACHEMEIER

DIANE GLASER

DEE MAYES

ROBERT PATRIZI

JUAN RETANA
20-Year Milestone

NANCY BLAKE
SUSANNE BROUSSARD
ISNARDA LARES
BETH WORTLEY

15-Year Milestone

JANET BILHARTZ
MARK BUSCHARDT
LYDIA GILLESPIE
JUAN LARES
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VICTORIA SPEARS
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Hockaday thanks the following faculty and staff members for their years of dedicated service:

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Pat Coggan, 33 years
Karen Drawz, 32 years
Pat Saxon, 32 years
Rod Badyes, 29 years
Nancy Harrison, 29 years
Steve Kramer, 29 years
Benito Lares, 29 years
Jackie Girard, 28 years
Johnnie Powell, 28 years
Carlos Aranda, 27 years
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Constance Alexandre, 23 years
Dorothy Dickmann, 23 years
Beverly Harris, 23 years
Linda Kramer, 23 years
Jeanie Laube, 23 years
Beverly Lawson, 23 years
Khileah “Kief” Tekle, 23 years
Barbara Allen, 22 years
Magie Lynch, 22 years
Arturo Martinez, 22 years
Esquiro Martinez, 22 years
Swoorni Martinez, 22 years
Wendy Branson, 19 years
Panfilo Espinoza, 19 years
Mary Pat Higgins, 19 years
Barbara Orlovsky, 19 years
Susan Ragdale, 19 years
Justino Rodriguez, 19 years
Isabelle Seeman, 19 years
Oscar Silva, 19 years
Peggy Bradley, 18 years
Bridget Cunningham, 18 years
Linda Elliot, 18 years
Jen Liggitt, 18 years
Olga O’Reilly, 18 years
Glenns Quick, 18 years
Janet Reeves, 18 years
Brenda Rentfro, 18 years
Steve Spencer, 18 years
Tim Yeaman, 18 years
Robert “Bobbie” Barr, 16 years
Cynthia Fuentes, 16 years
Susan Hubbard, 16 years
Jesus Lare, 16 years
Juliette McGullough, 16 years
Anna Medina, 16 years
Linda Nichols, 16 years
Robert Snook, 16 years
Vickey Thumlert, 16 years
Kathryn Townsend, 16 years

Sadly, Manuel Reyes passed away April 2, 2009. He was a valued member of the Hockaday community and he will be greatly missed.
Family Days at Hockaday

Every year, the School enjoys visits from family members on Parents’ Pop-In Days (Middle and Upper Schools) and Grandparents’ Days (Lower and Middle Schools). These special days allow a student’s family members to enjoy her classes while meeting her teachers, seeing her class work and experiencing a day in the life of a Hockaday girl.

Lower School
Grandparents’ Day
Middle School Grandparents’ Day
Family Days at Hockaday

Middle School Parents’ Day
Upper School
Parents’ Day
In celebrating her 50th Hockaday reunion this spring, it is fitting that Dr. Nancy Fix Anderson, a graduate of the Class of 1959 and a current member of Hockaday’s Board of Visitors, reflects on her time at the School and what influenced her to enter into the world of academia. “At Hockaday, we learned to get excited about our studies,” said Dr. Anderson, “and that enthusiasm for learning is what influenced me to become a professor … I just couldn’t imagine a life without learning.”

As a Professor Emerita of History at Loyola University New Orleans, Dr. Anderson focuses her teaching and writing pursuits on women’s history, particularly British women’s history and the Victorian Era. Her Hockaday influences are extensive. “So many Hockaday teachers influenced my work and passions: Mr. Merritt (English) and Mrs. Grow (Latin) both taught me how to be disciplined in my studies. My piano teacher, Ms. Rea was my ‘stress reliever’ and Mr. McNabb, our beloved but feared math instructor, went beyond teaching mathematical principles and taught us many important life lessons including responsibility and the character of conviction.” But perhaps her most influential Hockaday teacher was her junior year literature teacher, Mrs. Ciufardi, who instilled in Dr. Anderson a love of British literature. “To this day, 50 years later,” said Dr. Anderson, “my classmates still get together and discuss her class.”

Upon graduating from Hockaday, Dr. Anderson would not major in English or British literature however; as she went on to attend Stanford University. “I loved reading literature but didn’t want to ‘dissect’ it as much as understand its place in time and the cultural implications that lay behind a text,” she said. “Studying history allowed me to incorporate literature as well as my other passions that included philosophy, art and music – and to put all of these into a cultural context.”

She would earn a B.A. in history from Stanford and continue her education with an M.A. in history from the University of California–Irvine and a Ph.D. in Victorian women’s history from Tulane University. “I began my Ph.D. in 1969, which was exactly the right time for my interests as the happenings of early 1970s opened up opportunities to study social history and women’s history,” she said.

As a history professor, Dr. Anderson has also written several articles and books on various facets of women’s history. Her latest pursuit is The Sporting Life: Victorian Sports and Games, projected for a late 2009 release. Again, this topic’s origins have Hockaday roots, having been influenced by Miss Ela Hockaday’s love of sports and athletics. “Looking at sports and athletics – areas traditionally dominated by men – one finds fascinating parallels between the rise of the ‘new sporting woman’ in England to the rise in awareness of women’s issues in general. I think a lot of what was happening in England at the time shaped Miss Hockaday’s ideas about education and the rise in women’s sports definitely influenced her devotion to athletics,” said Dr. Anderson, who recalls her time as a Hockaday athlete, citing field hockey, volleyball and especially swimming as some of her favorite sports.

As a professor, Dr. Anderson has always tried to instill the same enthusiasm for learning in her students that she gained while at Hockaday. “Kids are flooded with so much information these days,” she said, “that they can start to just learn things on a superficial level. I wanted my students to engage in the learning process to gain a deeper understanding of what I’m teaching them – for them to stay focused and open up to new ideas.”

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Alumnae Profile

Angela Ards ’87
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY AND INDEPENDENT JOURNALIST

When beginning to think about her career ambitions as a Hockaday student, Dr. Angela Ards’ first inclination was to become a professor. Ultimately, this initial career goal would be fulfilled, as Dr. Ards is now an Assistant Professor of English at Southern Methodist University, specializing in American literature and culture, and teaching all levels from first-year students to Ph.D. candidates.

Dr. Ards’ journey to the lecture halls of SMU, however, was a circuitous one that began with a love of literature fostered in Hockaday English classes, and continued throughout her collegiate career. After graduating from Hockaday in 1987, she attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, earning a B.A. in English and Afro-American studies. Later, she would earn an M.A. in Afro-American studies from UCLA and a Ph.D. in English Literature from Princeton.

Between degrees, she worked as a journalist, focusing her pieces on urban socio-economic and gender issues. “I learned to love writing in Dr. Pat Saxon’s Romantic Poetry class in Form III,” said Dr. Ards. “Part of what made Dr. Saxon such an effective teacher is that she knew we were capable of excellence and accepted nothing less. She took our writing very seriously – she had an eagle eye for the comma splice, in addition to well-crafted prose – and this inspired us to be serious, too, about our work.”

This devotion to the written word helped Dr. Ards craft compelling pieces as a journalist for some of the most provocative and leading literary publications around, including *The Village Voice*, *The Nation*, *Essence*, *Ms. Magazine*, *The Women’s Review of Books* and *The Los Angeles Times*, many of which she still contributes stories to today.

With the continued decline in print journalism however, Dr. Ards made a decision to craft a new career for herself, turning to academia. “Being a professor was one of those ‘other lives’ I’d often wondered about pursuing (along with Olympic track star). While my chances of being another Wilma Rudolph seemed slim, when the changes in journalism made it clear that I needed to reinvent my career, I decided to pursue being a professor – what I first imagined I’d be ‘when I grew up.’”

As a professor, Dr. Ards tries to nurture the same kind of curiosity and exploration that she was taught at Hockaday. “Attending Hockaday prepared me for a career in education, because it taught me how to be a lifelong learner. For me, teaching is primarily about learning – about my fields of specialty, yes, but also, more importantly, from my students. I try to bring enthusiasm into a classroom, in the hope that it will be infectious, inspiring students to read literature, not for plot points on which they might be quizzed, but as a way to understand the history of our world and our place within it.”

Focusing on challenging her students to think beyond the surface level of a text is Dr. Ards’ main objective in teaching literature. “For me, the biggest problem has been encountering students who have been taught to take a test but do not know how to learn,” she said. “In analyzing literature, there are rarely ‘right’ or ‘wrong’ answers, but independent interpretations supported by the text.”

The same type of confidence that she gained in her Romantic Poetry class is what she hopes to impart to her students. “It was in that class that I wrote my very first piece of creative nonfiction and, subsequently, fell in love with the process of writing: being inspired, finding just the right words, putting the finishing touches on the final draft,” she said. “Today, I am an English professor and a writer, in large part, because of Pat Saxon’s influence.”

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In 1998, prior to her Hockaday graduation, the final senior-focused issue of The Fourcast named Trude Goodman “Most likely to become a Hockaday teacher.” It seems that her peers and teachers saw her calling before she did, as she left Hockaday to attend Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut, earning a BA in psychology in 2003.

“Until my junior year in college, I was thinking about going into advertising – I love the creative aspect – or counseling,” said Ms. Goodman. “I took a year off before college to join AmeriCorps and gained experience teaching that year but I hadn’t thought of it as a career until I visited some friends who were teaching at a boarding school in western Massachusetts.”

It was this visit that drove home the idea of teaching as her life’s calling. “It hit me like a ton of bricks,” said Ms. Goodman. “I love to learn, I enjoy working with kids, I am not afraid of speaking in front of groups and I was always engaged in my own school communities. It was kind of a ‘duh’ moment [so] the next three semesters in college I devoted my studies, including my honors thesis, to my goal of becoming a teacher.”

After graduating from Trinity, Ms. Goodman returned to Texas, teaching at The Emery/Weiner School in Houston for four years, where she was a member of the middle school faculty and served as the coordinator of Student Life. She then returned to New York to attend graduate school at the Klingenstein Center for Independent School Leadership in the Teachers College, Columbia University, earning an MA in education leadership. She accepted a position at The Chapin School in Manhattan, an all-girl school similar to Hockaday, teaching 5th grade humanities.

“I love working with middle-school-aged students (10-14 years old),” said Ms. Goodman. “Some may shy away from this age group because of the social challenges that are associated with pre-teens, but I believe this is the most critical point in a young person’s education. There are so many opportunities to help middle school students discover their passions and their identities.”

In reflecting on her Hockaday experience, it is many of the Middle School faculty members to which Ms. Goodman feels most connected. “Perhaps it was a sign that I would become a Middle School teacher some day,” she said. But there is one class in particular, Dr. Pat Saxon’s Heroine’s Journey senior-elective class that stands out as being especially transformative. “This class not only affected the way I thought about my own journey as a woman, but it has (in retrospect) served as a model for the types of learning experiences I hope to provide for my own students,” said Ms. Goodman.

As a teacher, she strives to encourage creativity and original thought, building in her students the confidence they need to try new things. “I believe it is not what you teach, but how you teach that will have a lasting impression on students,” she said. “If I can create a safe place where each of my students feels heard and important, where they realize the importance of compassion as well as widening their comfort zones, then I have done my job.”
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THANK YOU PHONATHON

This spring, Upper School students called donors to thank them personally for their contributions to Hockaday’s Annual Fund. Annual Fund participation is an important way to stay connected to Hockaday while positively impacting the life of a Hockaday girl. Every gift is appreciated and used to better Hockaday’s facilities, curriculum and the overall educational experience.

ENDOWMENT DONOR LUNCHEON

On March 12, the Hockaday community celebrated Miss Ela’s birthday along with 100 guests at the second annual Endowment Donor Luncheon.

The Endowment Donor Luncheon recognizes alumnae, parents and friends of The Hockaday School who have generously supported the School’s endowment in the last fiscal year or have established an endowment fund at Hockaday.

Faculty members who received a study grant in 2007-2008 and Eugene McDermott Headmistress Jeanne P. Whitman welcomed guests and shared the importance of endowment donors to Hockaday’s legacy of excellence.

Gerard L. Regard
and Eugene McDermott
Headmistress
Jeanne P. Whitman

Upper School Students
Elizabeth el-Effendi (Form I), Catherine Hicks (Form I), Sarah Jane Schneider (Form III) and Margot Konig (Form III) at the Thank You Phonathon.
January 20, 2009, marked a historic day for the United States, with the inauguration of President Barack Obama. As a community, Hockaday students, faculty and staff gathered to watch on televisions around campus as President Obama took the oath of office in front of hundreds of thousands of Americans from all walks of life. In that enormous crowd were many Hockaday students, parents, alumnae and faculty members, who witnessed firsthand the inauguration of our 44th President. Below, they share their thoughts and pictures of that historic day.

WHAT WAS THE BEST THING ABOUT BEING AT THE INAUGURATION AND WHY DO YOU THINK THIS ELECTION AND PRESIDENCY IS IMPORTANT TO YOUNG PEOPLE?

“[The best thing was] the way people reacted to each other. There was no fighting and people were kind. It shows young people that it is possible to do anything you’d like to do if you try hard.”
- Joy Nesbitt, 4th Grade, Hockaday Class of 2017

WHY WAS IT IMPORTANT FOR YOUR DAUGHTER TO WITNESS THIS HISTORIC EVENT?

“This was one of the most memorable events of our time. This inauguration will shape the new millennium, and it marks a change in the approach and thinking of diversity. America is a leader in the world and this event will spark other events worldwide. We wanted her to experience that firsthand.”
- Shawna and Thomas Nesbitt, Lower School parents

WHAT IS ONE ISSUE THAT YOU HOPE PRESIDENT OBAMA WILL ADDRESS DURING HIS FIRST TERM?

“I am an active supporter of national service [and] I participated in AmeriCorps’ City Year program after graduating from Hockaday. I strongly believe that every young person should be obligated to serve his or her country in some way. I am thrilled that President Obama is such an active supporter of this initiative and has already increased funding to AmeriCorps and other service organizations. One of the immediate signs of his commitment was his declaration for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day to be a national day of service.”
- Trude Goodman, alumna, Hockaday Class of 1998

WHAT DOES THE INAUGURATION OF BARACK OBAMA MEAN TO YOU, PERSONALLY?

“To me, being able to witness the inauguration of Barack Obama symbolizes a witnessing of history. I participated in the Presidential Youth Conference and being a part of such an event allowed me to gain confidence in myself as a leader in this country. The astounding quality of the experience, the attitudes and speeches I heard from my peers, and the words of Barack Obama instilled in the country a certain amount of hope. I feel truly blessed to have been a part of that experience.”
- Caroline Stephens, Form IV, Hockaday Class of 2009

Suzanne Brown ‘89 (right) and Carrie Boren ‘89 (left) at the Texas State Society “Black Tie and Boots” Ball during the Inauguration celebrations.
“I think the presidency of Barack Obama is important because it reinforces what I teach on a daily basis; you can overcome obstacles and reach your goals with hard work, determination and belief. Hard-fought and earned success is the best kind.”

- A.D. Achilefu, faculty member, Physical Education and Athletics

WHAT WAS THE BEST THING ABOUT BEING AT THE INAUGURATION?

“The best thing was being able to be a part of history. I know that I can look back and say ‘I was there.’ The energy from the crowd was unbelievable; everyone was there to support the same idea and to celebrate the fact that ‘We did it!’”

- Meredith Menache, Form II, Hockaday Class of 2011

SINCE PRESIDENT OBAMA IS THE FATHER OF TWO YOUNG GIRLS, WHAT IS ONE LESSON THAT YOU LEARNED FROM HOCKADAY THAT YOU WOULD SHARE WITH HIS DAUGHTERS?

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The 2009 Hockaday Happening at Saks Fifth Avenue was the place to be Saturday, March 7, when Hockaday parents, faculty, staff and alumnae took over the entire Galleria store for a festive evening of fashion and fundraising, catapulting The Ela Hockaday Fund for Faculty Excellence past the $1 million mark!

All three floors of Saks Fifth Avenue provided entertaining festivities and fun that included the lively fashion show, silent and live auctions, a flipbook station, casino gaming tables and the well-populated men’s lounge that featured the Mavs game and spa hand and neck massages. Pre-Happening fundraising included the online auction and the Hockaday Tuition Raffle that yielded three winners: Tina MacDonald, grandmother of fifth grade student Katherine Grace Warner ($5,000); Dr. Lawrence Menache, father of Form II student Meredith Carstens Menache ($5,000); and Len and Kelly Beacham, parents of third grader Kaleigh Joyelle Beachem ($10,000).

All proceeds from the online auction and Benefit go toward The Ela Hockaday Fund for Faculty Excellence, which provides Hockaday with a competitive edge to attract and retain the best and brightest teachers who will help prepare our girls to lead exceptional lives. Established by The Hockaday Parents’ Association with proceeds from the 2008 Venetian Carnival Benefit, the Fund supports professional development, graduate studies, salaries and other compensation for our faculty.

HOCKADAY THANKS YOU!

The Hockaday School would like to thank everyone who participated in this year’s Hockaday Happening Benefit, especially all those who gave their time and talents to help plan and underwrite the event. Without your crucial input and participation, this event could never have achieved its goal of putting The Ela Hockaday Fund for Faculty Excellence over $1 million. Thank you to alumna Alyssa Lugger Maisano ’94 for serving as the evening’s photographer and we especially thank this year’s Steering Committee for their wonderful tutelage in making this off-campus event a great success.
TOP LEFT: Tucker Enthoven and Peter Gudmundsson at the “Flipbook Station.”

TOP RIGHT: Kloe and Cy Barcus, Carmen and Michael Gross and Debra Hunter and Lyndon Johnson enjoy the Saks Fifth Avenue fashion show.

ABOVE: Lower School moms Amy Ware, Julie Kim and Kristy Sahm

LEFT: New Head of Upper School and Hockaday Lower School dad John Ashton with Jasmine Harris, Hockaday’s Director of School and Community Relations.

LEFT: Middle School Parents Jamie and Gerry Isbell

ABOVE: Lower School parents Alyssa and Keith Martin.

BELOW: Upper School parents Lisa and Wayne Barger enjoy the casino tables.

ABOVE: Lower School mom Christine Sigurdsson

LEFT: Middle School Parents Jamie and Gerry Isbell
This spring, Hockaday Upper School students donned pink T-shirts to hear from Ambassador Nancy G. Brinker, former Chief of Protocol of the United States and founder of Susan G. Komen for the Cure. Ambassador Brinker spent the day visiting with Hockaday students and faculty and shared experiences in her life and in her career as this year’s Hartman Fellow, made possible by the Fanny Harris Hartman and Ruth Lindsley Hartman Fellowship.

After her sister, Susan G. Komen, died of breast cancer in 1980, Ambassador Brinker embarked upon a life-long mission to fight breast cancer. Two years later, she founded the Komen Foundation, which began with just a few volunteers, but today has spawned a global movement in the fight against breast cancer. Since that time, the Foundation has raised and invested more than $1 billion in research, education, screening and treatment. Their reach and focus is now global as cancer is a major affliction around the world, with more than 70 percent of cases occurring in the third world where there is little to no screening services, treatment or medicine available.

Hockaday has been involved with Komen for many years, with students participating in Passionately Pink Day, running in the Race for the Cure and raising funds for the organization through Hockaday’s Komen Club. During her remarks, Ambassador Brinker noted the School’s involvement and the similarities that exist between Hockaday and Komen, stating that both share the goal of empowering women, the bonds of sisterhood and the desire to create a better world. She urged students to continue to seek out ways to make a difference in all that they do and to live their passions, whatever they may be. Above all, she encouraged them to never stop giving back to their communities and helping others.

In addition to her efforts with Komen, Ambassador Brinker is also a dedicated public servant, having served as U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Hungary and as Chief of Protocol of the United States. In her role as Chief of Protocol, Ambassador Brinker served the United States as liaison to foreign ambassadors in Washington, DC among other responsibilities.

As a token of appreciation for her visit to Hockaday and her work around the world, Hockaday’s Komen Club presented Ambassador Brinker with a framed photograph of the entire Upper School dressed in pink and forming a human breast cancer ribbon during last year’s Passionately Pink Day.

The Hartman Fellowship was established in 1964 to honor the memory of Fanny Harris Hartman, who graduated from Hockaday in 1942. In 1995, the Fellowship was expanded to include
Ruth Lindsley Hartman, a close friend and classmate of Fanny Harris Hartman. The Fellowship brings a notable speaker to the School each year to expand the experiences of Hockaday students by introducing them to people and ideas with whom they would otherwise not come in contact.

JIM STEYER, FOUNDER AND CEO, COMMON SENSE MEDIA

As technological innovations evolve, one of the biggest challenges – and opportunities – for any educational institution is the seamless and consistent integration of technology in the classroom that complements a curriculum. Jim Steyer, founder and CEO of Common Sense Media and a professor of civil liberties and children's issues at Stanford University, recently visited Hockaday to address students, parents and faculty about the growing advances – and concerns – that advancing technologies present to our youth.

Common Sense, the nation’s leading non-partisan organization dedicated to improving the media lives of kids and their families, provides comprehensive ratings for families on every aspect of pop-culture media, from music, movies and TV shows to books, games and Web sites. According to the company’s mission, Common Sense exists because “media and entertainment profoundly impact the social, emotional and physical development of our nation’s children. As a non-partisan, not-for-profit organization, we provide trustworthy information and tools, as well as an independent forum, so that families can have a choice and a voice about the media they consume.”

During his visit to Hockaday, Mr. Steyer met with parents and faculty members about the new digital technologies readily available to children. Recognizing the significant and positive impacts technology can have in an educational institution, he cautioned against “naïve use”: taking all information at face-value and not thinking about the effects that technology can have on cognitive and social development. Some worrisome aspects of 24-7 technological access include problems in the classroom such as the downgrade of accurate information and writing problems. Some worrisome aspects of 24-7 technological access include problems in the classroom such as the downgrade of accurate information and writing problems. Web sites such as Wikipedia provide particular challenges to teachers who are seeing a rise in the usage of unverified Wikipedia statistics for research papers and a decrease in the breadth of student research. And it has recently been found that 64 percent of teens incorporate informal text-based words into school writing, meaning that there is a rise in misspellings, abbreviations and slang that is commonly used when text-messaging friends over the Internet and through cell phones.

Mr. Steyer encouraged parents to have an open dialogue with children about what and how the media presents pop-culture in newscasts, blogs and tabloids and also to become aware of the types of technologies children have access to these days.

During his assembly with students, Mr. Steyer held an open discussion to hear from students on their experiences with the media, particularly digital media such as iPods, podcasts and blogs such as Twitter and Tumblr. In discussing media usage by teens, Mr. Steyer stressed that the most exciting thing about new digital technologies is that they are changing the way everyone lives. The challenge this presents is how to navigate the nature of this new world, recognizing that this technology is here to stay but also analyzing how this technology is used in one’s everyday life. In his closing, he explained that there is a big difference between information and knowledge, which is the ability to analyze and synthesize information in a coherent manner.

Students from the Hockaday Komen Club present Ambassador Brinker with a picture of the entire Upper School taken during the 2008 Passionately Pink Day.
HOCKADAY NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS

Thirteen Form IV students have been named National Merit Finalists in the 2009 National Merit Scholarship Program, a national academic competition for recognition and scholarship that began in 1955.

The finalists are Maeve Drablos, Elizabeth Florence, Anne Garton, Brooke Granowski, Hannah Hudson, Elise McDonald, Elizabeth Moir, Aanika Patel, Amelia Sargent, Rebekah Scott, Jennifer Stevens, Chloe Teeter and Shivani Vohra. These high school seniors were chosen from more than 1.5 million applicants in nearly 21,000 high schools for their exemplary PSAT scores. All finalists will be considered for National Merit Scholarships to be offered in 2009. The selection of some 8,200 Merit Scholarship winners from the group of more than 15,000 finalists is now in progress by the universities, organizations and companies that sponsor National Merit scholarship programs.

HOCKADAY COMPETES WELL IN MADELBROT MATH COMPETITION

Four Hockaday students competed in the Mandelbrot Math Competition. The students, Katie Radford (Form III), Tina Tian (Form II), Selina Wan (Form IV) and Yuting Yang (Form IV), competed in five total rounds in the competition with the final round in March. Ms Wan earned third in the competition for the Central/Mountain region and the Hockaday team finished 10th overall in the same region.

CUM LAUDE SOCIETY INDUCTS 10

The Hockaday Chapter of the Cum Laude Society welcomed 10 new members from the Class of 2009 in an assembly this fall. These new members joined the 10 Class of 2009 Cum Laude inductees from the Upper School Recognition Assembly last spring. New inductees are Kathleen French, Claire Illmer, Erin Ku, Elizabeth Novinski, Dunja Panic, Aanika Patel, Margo Ryan, Shivani Vohra, Qian (Selina) Wan and Yuting Yang.

Spring 2008 inductees were Laura Rose Brylowksi, Maeve Drablos, Brooke Granowski, Hannah Hudson, Sara Oliver, Rebekah Scott, Jennifer Stevens, Anne Tabb, Cynthia Tassopoulos and Claire Wyatt.

Entry into the Cum Laude Society is by invitation only and students are selected by a committee of Hockaday faculty. The committee takes into consideration academic achievement, the strength of the student’s chosen academic program and their demonstrated intellectual curiosity. The Cum Laude Society was founded in 1906 by Dr. Abram W. Harris, Director of the Tome School, Port Deposit, Maryland, who was determined that the scholastic achievement of students in secondary schools should be recognized as much as other achievements.

FOUNDER’S DAY AWARD RECIPIENTS

Given in honor of Miss Ela Hockaday on the occasion of her birthday, the Founder’s Day Award is presented to a select group of seniors who have been nominated by faculty members and their peers for their embodiment of the traditions on which the school was founded: Character, Courtesy, Scholarship and Athletics. Four Form IV students were honored with the 2009 Founder’s Day award: Brooke Granowski, Cyonna Holmes, Elizabeth Novinski and Cynthia Tassopoulos.

Each girl embodies the Cornerstones in her daily life at Hockaday and serves as a leader to her classmates. Marietta Scurry Johnson ’57, the Alumnae Association’s 2008 Hockaday Medal recipient, addressed the student body in honor of these recipients and encouraged each girl to carry the ideals of Hockaday into the next phase of their lives.
A DEDICATION TO LEADERSHIP: SUDIE DUNCAN AWARD RECIPIENTS

The standard for school involvement was set more than 20 years ago by Sudie Duncan, Hockaday’s first director of student activities. For Ms. Duncan, the Hockaday experience was a total learning experience, in the classroom and out and her involvement was visible in a number of ways, from organizing the community service committee and establishing senior projects to promoting Hockaday and St. Mark’s coordinate classes and even sewing costumes for the Fine Arts department.

Ms. Duncan’s accomplishments left a lifelong impact on The Hockaday School. Her community service work with the Salvation Army still continues today as does the School’s commitment to student government and student participation, two activities of which she was a fervent proponent. Her example of commitment and dedication is recognized annually with the Sudie Duncan Awards. Students receiving this award illustrate loyalty and service to The Hockaday School; students who give their best to make the School its best. This year, 33 Upper School students were honored with the Sudie Duncan Award.

THE 2009 RECIPIENTS ARE:
FORM IV:
Sarah Lyn Bruff
Briand Gentry
Michelle Goodman
Brooke Granowski
Elise McDonald
Anika Patel
Emily Sampson
Amelia Sargent
Marianna See
Eesha Sheikh
Caroline Stephens
Shivani Vohra
Qian (Selina) Wan

FORM III:
Elizabeth “Luyi” Adesanya
Aline Bass
Austyn Blevins
Jasmine DiLucci
Brenda Hernandez
Caroline Kryder
Neesha Nama
Alexandra Nowlin
Hayley Williams

FORM II:
Briana August
Madeline Burch
Taylor Freeman
Kristjana Gudmundsson
Mary Hughes
Meredith Menache
Emily Satinsky

FORM I:
Catherine Hicks
Tavia Isaura Gonzalez Peña
Christin Urso
Avery Youngblood

HOCKADAY TEAMS WIN BIG AT LEGO LEAGUE ROBOTICS COMPETITION

Eight Hockaday LEGO League teams competed in the North Texas Championship tournament at the University of Texas at Dallas this winter. The Hockaday 8th Grade LEGO team, “The Robo Locos,” took home the Championship award for Robot Performance and for Overall Most Competitive team. The victory qualified the team for the World LEGO League Tournament in Atlanta, Georgia, in April. The 8th grade team members representing Hockaday at the World Championship are Megan Neal, Mackenzie O’Brien and Hailey Winston.

Two other teams from Hockaday also received awards at the LEGO League tournament. The 7th grade “Loly Pop Guilds” team, composed of Mary Landry and Alexis Jones, won the 1st place Teamwork Award. The 5th grade “The Electrifying Frantinibotz” team, made up of Caroline Van Kirk, Frances Burton, Katie Huber and Hannah Jurgensmeyer, received the 2nd place Teamwork Award. The LEGO League coaches for Hockaday are science faculty members Richard Abbondanzio, Chris Bhatti and Peggy Cagle.

Hockaday’s 8th Grade LEGO championship team: Megan Neal, Mackenzie O’Brien and Hailey Winston.
HOCKADAY DEBATE TEAM FINISHES STRONG AT STATE AND NOVICE NATIONALS COMPETITIONS

In the beginning of March, the Hockaday Debate team competed at the Texas Forensic Association Debate State Championship in Houston. Form IV student Shivani Vohra was a quarterfinalist, placing in the top eight students in debate, after going undefeated in the preliminary rounds with a 5-0 record. She also received the 10th place award for speaking. Form III student Anna Ramundo was an octofinalist, placing in the top 16 students in debate. Other Hockaday participants included Divya Balan (Form IV), Lara Gatehouse (Form II), Trishla Jain (Form II) and Sarah Ridout (Form II). Congratulations to all our state competitors!

Later that same month, Hockaday’s Novice division traveled to Atlanta for the Junior Varsity/Novice National Championships at Woodward Academy. In the novice division, Mollie Cowger (Form I) was a finalist, placing 2nd in the tournament for Lincoln-Douglas Debate. Kay Dannenmaier (Form I) finished in the top eight for the competition and earned the 10th place speaking award. Also placing was, Rupsha Basu (Form I), who earned the 7th place speaking award. In the junior varsity division, Sarah Ridout (Form II) was a quarterfinalist and received the 5th place speaking award. Congratulations to our young debaters!

HOCKADAY ARTISTS RECOGNIZED AT DALLAS ART SHOW

Hockaday artists received recognition at the Goss-Michael Foundation Art Contest and Exhibition. Winnie Kuo (Form IV) won 3rd place in the competition and received a $500 savings bond. Tyvela Shelmire (Form III) received an Honorable Mention award. In addition, Brinni Gentry (Form IV) and Brenda Hernandez (Form III) were accepted into the show for their photography work, and Emma Ritch (Form III) was accepted into the show for her Advanced Studio Art work. The Goss-Michael Foundation contest and exhibition featured art work in the disciplines of photography, painting, drawing or other flat media by students from Dallas/Ft. Worth and the surrounding areas.

Form III students Tyvela Shelmire (left) and Emma Ritch (right) at the Goss-Michael Foundation Art Contest Exhibition. Both students’ works were accepted into the show and Ms. Shelmire earned an honorable mention.
On the Playing Field

Seven Form IV students signed to play collegiate sports. BACK ROW – R to L: Katie Cummiskey (soccer, Cornell University), Katie Squires (soccer and softball, Colorado College), Olivia Bailey (volleyball, Loyola Marymount University) and Spindrift Beck (swimming, The University of Texas – Austin). FRONT ROW – R to L: Amber Hardeman (golf, Dartmouth College), Cynthia Tassopoulos (field hockey, Harvard University) and Taylor Thornton (lacrosse, Northwestern University).

SEVEN ATHLETES COMMIT TO UNIVERSITIES

Seven Form IV athletes have signed national letters of intent to play collegiate sports. Olivia Bailey signed her national letter of intent to play volleyball for Loyola Marymount University. As a team captain, she has helped push her team to excel, helping the team win the 2008 SPC championship, its first SPC trophy in 23 years. Spindrift Beck signed her letter of intent to swim for The University of Texas – Austin. As a member of Hockaday’s swim team, she has helped her team earn several SPC Championships, including this year’s 1st place trophy. Katie Cummiskey signed her letter of intent to play college soccer for Cornell University. As a team captain, she has helped push her team to excel, helping the team win the 2008 SPC championship, its first SPC trophy in 23 years. Amber Hardeman signed her national letter of intent to play golf for Dartmouth College. An impressive golfer with many achievements, she hopes to help her team achieve its third SPC championship in a row later this spring. Katie Squires signed her national letter of intent to play both soccer and softball for Colorado College. An all-around athlete, she has participated in several sports at Hockaday and was a key part of each team on which she has participated. Cynthia Tassopoulos signed her national letter of intent to play field hockey for Harvard University. As the Hockaday team goalie, she helped field hockey win several titles, including this year’s hard-fought 2nd place trophy. Taylor Thornton signed her national letter of intent to play lacrosse for Northwestern University. As a key player for the lacrosse team, she has helped lead the team to Hockaday’s first-ever Texas state championship last year.

SPC CHAMPIONS

At the Southwest Preparatory Conference championship held this winter, Hockaday won 1st place in Division I swimming and diving. The team defeated 2nd place Greenhill by more than 65 points, claiming their 14th SPC title out of the last 15 competitions!

In individual results, Spindrift Beck (Form IV) won the 200 IM and the 100 breast. Keegan Watters (Form III) won both the 200 free and the 500 free. Hockaday also won the 200 medley and the 400 freestyle relays. All-conference swimmers (athletes who finished in the top three in either individual or relay events) were: Spindrift Beck (Form IV), Megan Ernst (Form IV), Erica Hsu (Form II), Blake Osborn (Form II), Sheila Salopek (Form III), Kate Van Scoter (Form I), Casey Watters (Form II) and Keegan Watters (Form III).

In other SPC news, Hockaday had a 3rd place finish in Division I soccer defeating both Kinkaid and St. Johns. Led by captains Katie Cummiskey (Form IV) and Form III students, Hayley Williams, Hanna Fobare, Katie Kennedy, Liz Cowle, Hanna Loucas, Katherine Pully and Emily Bowe, Hockaday soccer finished the season 20-2-2.

The Hockaday basketball team had a 4th place finish at SPC in Division II basketball. Led by captains Elizabeth Novinski (Form IV) and Megan Bolden (Form III), the young team took on some great challenges this season playing against very talented 5A schools.

FIELD HOCKEY PLAYERS NAMED TO THE NFHCA NATIONAL ACADEMIC SQUAD

Four Hockaday Form IV students were named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association National Academic Squad. The students are Kristi Brooks, Annee Garton, Cynthia Tassopoulos and Taylor Thornton. The National Academic Squad program recognizes high school seniors who have achieved a cumulative, un-weighted GPA of 3.5 out of 4.0 or the equivalent through the first quarter of the 2008-09 school year. These four seniors helped lead Hockaday to an SPC Championship in 2007 and a runner-up finish in 2008 while maintaining high academic standards in the classroom.
Brushstrokes and Musical Notes
“The Aristocrats” – 4th Grade Musical
“Spring Dance Recital” – Upper School
“Pop-Art” Coffee House – Upper School
“Hello, Dolly!” – Hockaday/St. Mark’s Upper School Musical
As an alumna and former faculty member, Anne Hunter Hill ’45JC understands the importance of education. “I will always be grateful to Hockaday for having such an impact on my life as a student and teacher.” Now she hopes to make that same impact on future students by naming Hockaday as a beneficiary of her estate.

For almost 100 years, The Hockaday School has given women the opportunity to find their voices, accomplish their dreams, lead lives of brilliance and enable them to give back to their communities. Planned giving provides one of the most meaningful and lasting commitments for Hockaday.

**Tax-Deductible Charitable Giving:**

- **Bequests** – Join The Cornerstone Society and the more than 100 members who have made provision for Hockaday in their estate planning
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**And more!**

For more information about Planned Giving and your lasting legacy to the School, please contact **Julie Kay Maguire**, Director of Planned and Major Giving at jkmaguire@mail.hockaday.org or 214.360.6680.
Dear Alumnae Friends,

When I reflect on my time as a Hockaday student and my life since my Hockaday graduation, I am always grateful for the privilege of having received a Hockaday education. The apparent as well as the intangible benefits of the quality learning experience that Hockaday provided then, and continues to provide, imprint our lives and prepare us to impact our communities and families in abundant and extraordinary ways.

Today a Hockaday education is enriched by, to name but a few, high tech classrooms, a laptop computer program, an innovative language lab, a robotics program, a modern Academic Research Center (which we used to call the “library”), a wellness program and state-of-the-art fitness center, ceramics and photography studios, a symphony orchestra and varsity sports programs in fencing, crew and golf. And yet, now, just as in our days as Hockaday girls, what would be the merit of any of these amazing extras without our Hockaday teachers?

The Hockaday faculty is and has always been the core of the School. Of all our many resources, our teachers are our most essential, our most respected, our most beloved. Who among us has not been inspired, prodded and challenged by a Hockaday teacher? We all recall that certain teacher who introduced us to our dreams, who bestowed us with the skills to accomplish our goals, who imparted their confidence in us that we could grow and work to be our very best selves. And we all remember that teacher who stood up for us, who believed in us, who comforted us, who gave of themselves in countless selfless ways.

In this issue of Hockaday Magazine, we highlight alumnae who have built their careers in the field of education. Their careers in this noblest of professions makes us all proud. Their appreciation for the Hockaday teachers that inspired them makes us mindful.

In these uncertain times in which we find ourselves, a silver lining might be our joy in affirming the many touchstones in our lives. Our Hockaday education – at its heart our teachers – has given us the intellectual flexibility and moral tools to sustain us, to center us and to encourage us through transition.

May we continue to make our teachers proud.

With appreciation,

Leslie Melnick Diers ’74
I REMEMBER HOCKADAY:
DOROTHY AUSTIN WEBBERLEY ’28

Dorothy Austin Webberley, Class of 1928, is a Texas artist, with strong Hockaday connections. She attended Hockaday from 7th–12th grade and her Hockaday connections include five nieces: Jane Austin Kyte ’57, Judy Austin Neuhoff ’60, Michelle Neuhoff Thomas ’83, Dorothy Connor Thomas (Class of 2011) and Electra Gail Thomas (Class of 2016).

As a Hockaday student, Mrs. Webberley was involved in a variety of aspects of the School. An enthusiastic art student, she also played field hockey and served as the Society Editor for The Fourcast. She also boarded her senior year at Hockaday, a memorable experience that including getting in trouble for trying to make wine with grape juice and yeast in her dorm room!

Her memories of Hockaday include time spent with beloved teachers Miss Trent (who taught history and English) and Mrs. Crum, her art teacher. She also remembers Miss Hockaday. “Miss Hockaday was a forward-looking woman and the community had great respect for her and her sense of purpose in establishing the School. She would bring visitors to campus to discuss important ideas with the students and we, as boarders, were invited to special dinners at her cottage with guest lecturers,” said Mrs. Webberley.

After Hockaday, Mrs. Webberley attended Arts Students League in New York and became a sculptor, working with wood, stone and bronze for much of the 1930s and 1940s. She was commissioned in 1936 to create two pieces for the Texas Centennial. The first was a life-sized cowboy in varnished pine for the West Texas Room of Fair Park’s Texas Hall of State. The second was a set of inset panels for the north facing bronze doors at Fair Park’s Dallas Museum of Fine Arts.

Mrs. Webberley resides in Dallas and lives an active life filled with art, family and friends.
**Alumnae News**

**WELCOME BACK ALUMNAE**

The success of a Hockaday education is measured by the character and good works the School’s alumnae accomplish in their everyday lives. Hockaday’s alumnae are the benchmark by which the School seeks to empower young girls to lead brilliant lives. This year, Hockaday welcomed back several alumnae for speakers’ series, lectures and special events to motivate students to live their lives with passion and to follow their dreams.

**HATS: HOCKADAY ALUMNAE IN TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE**

Three alumnae returned to Hockaday for the first-ever HATS assembly, or Hockaday Alumnae in Technology and Science. Urologist Meredith Lightfoot ’88, structural engineer Amy Barr Patrick ’00, and radiologist Allison Campfield Taten ’89 talked to students about their respective career paths.

Upper School science teacher Murry Gans moderated the event posing questions to the alumnae panelists about their professions, college and graduate studies, and memories from Hockaday. For all three panelists, Hockaday’s math and science courses were excellent preparation for their future studies and vocations.

Each of the women discussed the obstacles they faced while pursuing a career in math and science. “I've encountered some hurdles — it's particularly hard to find steel-toed boots in women's sizes — but I have found that you really can do whatever you want to do in life,” Patrick said. Patrick also revealed that her involvement with the Hockaday JETS team sparked her interest in engineering.

The panelists described how it feels to be one of the few women in their respective traditionally male-dominated careers. Lightfoot said that although less than 10 percent of all urologists are female, she has found wide acceptance from colleagues and patients alike. “I see it as not a challenge, but an opportunity,” Lightfoot said.

In closing, the alumnae imparted advice to current students and instructed them to seek out their individual passions in life, whatever they may be. “Be open-minded to the possibilities along the way in figuring out your interests, but ultimately, choose something you love,” Taten declared.
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HAARTS: HOCKADAY ALUMNAE IN THE ARTS

The 7th Annual HAARTS (Hockaday Alumnae in the Arts) event honored those alumnae in the writing profession and brought five distinguished panelists to Hockaday to speak with students and fellow alumnae about their craft. Each alumna has a very different yet accomplished writing career, proving that a good writer can work almost anywhere.

Moderated by Ed Long, the panelists discussed their writing lives and how Hockaday faculty encouraged them to find their own voice and to commit it to paper. From newspapers and magazines to theater, television and books, the panelists’ careers stem from the skills and creative freedom they gained while at Hockaday and nurtured through their college years.

Angela Ards ’87, an assistant professor at Southern Methodist University, got her writing start as a journalist for The Village Voice. She went on to write for The Nation and Ms. Magazine, among others, before earning a Ph.D. in English from Princeton University.

Mary Clare Jalonick Cahlink ’93 is a reporter for the Associated Press in Washington, DC after a seven-year career at Congressional Quarterly. She currently covers Southern politics and food and farm issues in the United States.

Natalie “Schatzie” Henderson Lee ’55 is an art historian who has authored numerous books and publications on art. Her most recent publication is a book of 19th and 20th century paintings in the Robert Lehman Collection at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Ashley Rice ’92 is an author and illustrator of books and products designed for ‘tween and teen girls, including “Girls Rule . . . a Very Special Book Created Especially for Girls,” which was included in the National Organization of Poetry’s Top Ten List of children’s poetry books.

Stephanie Simpson ’81 is an award-winning screenwriter who began her career by writing screenplays before becoming the producer and head writer of the Peabody award-winning series Wishbone for PBS.

HAARTS is an annual forum spotlighting the accomplishments of Hockaday alumnae in all areas of the arts. Past HAARTS programs have focused on literature, television and film, music, theatre arts, art history and the art world and architecture and interior design.

Donica Folse Jimenez ’79, owner of Cafe Madrid, provided tapas and wine for the program and Carrie Moore Becker ’89 chaired this year’s HAARTS committee.

BELOW: Karen Votteler Carreon ’81, Jill Shorey Girio ’80, Tamara Hedge Johnson ’81 and Tamara’s daughter.

RIGHT: Donica Folse Jimenez ’79 and her mother. Donica’s restaurant, Cafe Madrid, provided tapas for the HAARTS event. BELOW: Robin Zopolsky Gabriele ’94 and Jennifer Schoellkopf Emanuelson ’94

ABOVE: Bethany Elliott Holloway ’98, friend Sally Ann Hudnall and Courtney Elliott Itson ’94

2009 HAARTS PANELISTS – L to R: Angela Ards ’87, Ashley Rice ’92, Stephanie Simpson ’81, Mary Clare Jalonick Cahlink ’93 and Natalie “Schatzie” Henderson Lee ’55
February brought three generations of Hockaday women together for the annual Sweetheart Tea. This year's afternoon event was hosted by Rita Crocker Clements ’49, Bonnie Bass Smith ’75 (back), Jenny Moroney (Class of 2013), Aline Bass (Class of 2010) (back), Barbara Bass Moroney ’75. The Sweetheart Tea honored Hockaday’s multi-generational families, all Junior College alumnae and alumnae from the classes of 1917-1959.
Giving Back

Alumnae bring a special energy to Hockaday, serving as mentors to Hockaday students and the surrounding community. Each year, alumnae have the opportunity to participate in a variety of mentoring programs with current students, keeping them connected to the School.

**Net Pals** – The Net Pals program connects Hockaday alumnas with current Form II students via email. Alumnae serve as mentors by offering insights and advice about their careers, college and life after Hockaday. As one Form II student and Net Pals participant said, “I really enjoyed this program and my Net Pal was really helpful. I was paired with someone who went to the university I was interested in and who had the same major I was considering. She really gave me some wonderful insights into university life and we still keep in touch to this day!”

**Daisy Chain** – Daisy Chain participants serve as a “community connection” to recent Hockaday graduates in their region or at their university alma mater and over the course of the year, Daisy Chain volunteers ensure that their recent graduate eases into college life and a new community. There is a particular need for volunteers in the following areas: Los Angeles; New York City; Austin; Washington, D.C.; Boston and the surrounding areas; Charlotte and many more.

**Community Service** – The Alumnae Association offers Dallas-area alumnae the opportunity to participate in community service projects, as a way for alumnae to work alongside Hockaday friends and classmates. Last year, alumnae partnered with the Salvation Army to participate in the Angel Tree program. Alumnae volunteers congregated to collect donations for children of needy families. They also hosted a project at Scottish Rite Hospital, which provided local alumnae with an opportunity to volunteer together at an arts and crafts project for the young patients.

**Mentoring** – As an alumna, you have the opportunity to expose a current student to your career through the Hockaday Mentoring Program, providing her with invaluable insight. Volunteer opportunities include sponsoring a student for her Senior Project, helping a student network within your given career field, offering summer internships to Hockadasies and much more.
Young Alumnae Holiday Party

ABOVE: Caroline Penn ’07, Laurence Glasscock ’07, Channy Ronchetti ’08 and Bailey Anderson ’07.

ABOVE: Katie Barnett ’08, Eugene McDermott Headmistress Jeanne P. Whitman, Kassie Lorenzen ’08, Kirin Gupta ’08 and Katina Gamber ’08.

LEFT: Kyra Bonsu ’05, Victoria Ser ’05 and Ellen Parkhurst ’05.

ABOVE: Flo Monier ’06, Claire Albert ’06, Brooks Dennard ’06 and Caroline Kusin ’06.

ABOVE: Amanda Leigh Cline ’08, Kate Le-thi Reeder ’08, Tia Kirksey ’08, Kiki Dreyfuss ’08 and Leslie Johnson ’08.
Hockaday Connections Across the Country

Hockaday On the Road Alumnae Receptions are a great way for those outside of Dallas to mingle with fellow area-alumnae, hear from school officials on the state of the School and stay connected to Hockaday.

Are you interested in helping host an alumnae reception in your city? Please contact Amy Spence ’87, Director of Alumnae Relations at aspence@mail.hockaday.org or 214.360.6531 for more information. For the most current information about upcoming events, please visit www.hockaday.org/alumna.

BOSTON

Above: Ashley Walker ’05, Louise Flaig ’96 and Scott Emerick (guest)

Right: Ellen Gores Lewis ’93, Mark Lewis (guest) and Lucy Steere ’69
LOS ANGELES

BELOW: Theresa Escobar Fisher ’73, Anita Escobar Miles ’80 and Marian Higginbotham Niles ’62

ABOVE: Nicole Stewart ’97 and Amy Talkington ’88

RIGHT: Karen Soltero ’92 and Channing Henry ’90 with a guest at the LA alumnae reception.

ABOVE: Kristin Tucker ’99 and Sarah Howell ’99

RIGHT: David Manning (guest), Roxy Khan Manning ’93 and Emily Loeb Love ’92
Alumnae News

ABOVE: Jan Woodward Fox ’68, Liz Earlywine Altshuler ’72 and Jorge Altshuler

RIGHT: Cynthia Philipson Klein ’76 and Margaret Anne Ryburn ’02

BELOW: Pippa Eltringham Zimmerman ’93 and her son, Adam Zimmerman, with Catherine Battle Hanslik ’91

ABOVE: Chesie Hortenstine Breen ’84, Thad Hill, Margaret Estep Hill ’84 and Catherine Battle Hanslik ’91

RIGHT: Deidra Hinkley Godwin ’95, Leila Parvizian Braswell ’00 and Leila’s mother, Inger Parvizian

LEFT: Robin Singleton Cloyd ’71 and Cathy Wilson Sharp ’71

BELOW: Sara Speer Selber ’75 and Val Giltsch ’72
TUCSON

RIGHT: Hockaday alumnae in Tucson spent an evening enjoying each other’s company on March 30 at Acacia in St. Philips. Pictured L to R (back row) are Kay Lefthich Doanyes ’68, Julie Paulson ’69, Bryn Ball Allen ’67, Gwen Weiner ’58, Tamara Stern Hundley ’80 and (front row) Katie Ackerman Rhamey ’02 and Elizabeth Nicholson King ’84.

PHOENIX


MIDLAND

LEFT: Patricia Cordonnier Smith ’52JC, Frances Kornblatt Levin ’45JC, Lu Calhoun (Hockaday grandparent), Patti LaForce (Hockaday grandparent), Rosalind Redfern Grover ’59, Candy Bass Drummond ’66, Sally Erwin Reeder ’41 and Edna Brown Hibbits ’54.
Class Notes
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Emmy Jane Tittle Clinton and Charlotte Grissom Brelsford were in Austin for the Admiral’s Ball. Their granddaughters were Duchesses: Presly Clinton, a student at TCU, and Kate Brelsford, who is a student at A&M. Jean House Ferguson was in Austin for her granddaughter’s wedding in early November. Katherine Reece Ferguson attended the lovely wedding. Martha’s grandson, Christopher Covert Crowley, escorted Sheridan Showers Butler, granddaughter of Ann Showers Butler ’46, at the Admiral’s Ball in August. Sheridan attends Ole Miss, and Chris attends Texas Tech. We would all enjoy hearing from other classmates, so please send your news.

Martha Woods Covert

Charlotte Grissom Brelsford ’45JC and Emmy Jane Tittle Clinton ’45JC.

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CLASS AGENTS – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Sad news first: Nancylu Crosthwait Bennett lost her husband Bob at the end of September. Our deepest love and sympathy to Nancylu and her four boys, all of whom live in the Waco area. The very next day, Marilyn Draper Brown’s 102-year-old stepmother, Zelma Draper, passed away in Kilgore, where Marilyn’s younger half-sister, Lee Draper Elder ’58, looked after her mother. She was also the stepmother of Myra Jo Draper Perley ’45. Mrs. Draper was blessed with a long and active life, which she lived to the fullest. In October, Anne Toole Cottingham’s husband Bob, known to many of us even when we were still in school, also died. Anne was in the midst of preparing to move to Dallas’ Presbyterian Village North, and she has now completed the move. Anne and Bob were married for 56 years! We send our love to Anne. Sadly, we also must report the death of Worth Lawhon White. As M&M wrote in the last notes, she had been in a nursing home since 2006 and was not doing well. Our sympathy and love to her extended family.

M(argot) had a great phone visit with friends as well as her Pi Phi buddies from SMU. Laura enjoyed seeing classmates and other Dallas artists of the 1890’s in Chicago, New York and Paris, and she hopes to have it completed in September.

Mary Tonetti Dorra

1952

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Our sad news is that Bette Griffin died February 10 at her east Texas lake home at Cedar Creek. She’d battled cancer for several months, with friends and family coming to visit her. Family services were held at her home at Dixie Isle on February 14, and the North Texas “lunch bunch” made plans for a class celebration of her life at the home of Eva Jane Potter Morgan in Dallas, March 11. She leaves behind a daughter, Jami Scott, a son, Max Thomas; a sister, Gail Thomas of Dallas; a brother, Isaac ( Ike) Griffin III; their spouses; and numerous grandchildren and even great-grandchildren. Her new grandson, Scott, is named for a family member killed in Iraq. And she leaves with us so much art, in her portraits and mandelas, and the memory of her love of jazz and music. The past year has that it is the percentage of alumnae participation that is critical when the school makes presentations to foundations to request grants for our alma mater, so S-T-R-E-T-C-H as far as you can with your generosity, but be sure to send something!

M&M
brought happy news, too. For Martha Ann Knapp Linden of Houston, it was seeing her husband, Bill, finish a book he’d been working on since his retirement, with recent study in England at Oxford, titled The Historical Jesus for Beginners. Now, instead of writing, he’s being interviewed by Marla McCarty of Wits and Stock. The Lindens took a late September National Geographic tour to the United Kingdom and Ireland. The Lindens took a late September National Geographic tour of Newfoundland and New England. The great-grandson of Alexander Graham Bell led the tour. Lila Luckie McCall of Wimberley has made an amazing comeback after lung surgery. Alice (Bert) McCarty Walters of Fort Worth and Betty Taylor Cox visited her in the hospital in Houston in August. By fall, Lila managed the trip to London last summer to have tea at Fortnum & Mason and see the sights. When Hurricane Ike hit the Gulf Coast in early September, Dottie Stacy Wood’s daughter, Jenny Herd, and her grandchildren left Houston to stay with her in Dallas. With no electricity in Houston, they were refugees for a time in Dallas. The North Texas “lunch bunch” met in Fort Worth in September for lunch and a viewing of The Impressionists at the Kimball Museum. Making the trip were Ann Ferguson Williams of Decatur, Lanette Sherman Sullivan of Big Sandy, Eva Jane Potter Morgan, Peggy Davis Greenstreet and Betty Taylor Cox from Dallas; and Alice (Bert) McCarty Walters of Fort Worth. Other get-togethers included lunch at Ann’s ranch in Decatur and a trip to the Fort Worth rodeo in January. If you’re in the North Texas area and would like to join us for lunch every month or so, just let us know when you’ll be here! Betty Taylor Cox

1953

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Sarah Jane English recently sent in news to the Alumni office. Sarah visits her son, Robert T. Rylee, III (Trey), and his family in Connecticut each July to celebrate the 4th of July. Granddaughters Preston (8) and Ava (5) call their grandmother Gamber. The girls enjoy decorating the house and yard with flags, garlands and other colorful items of red, white and blue. Leslie is a superb wife, mother and cook, and she bakes wonderful pies with rhubarb and other fruits that Trey grows in his garden. Leslie and Trey share the cooking duties with Trey grilling meats and vegetables outside on the grill while Leslie stirs up other delights inside. They have two blond puppies at home for most of those years. The class also remembers Alice Worsham Bass whose father, Irion Worsham, passed away October 14, 2008. Many of us remember him with affection from our school days. Wendy Marcus Raymont became a grandmother for the first time in December 2007. She writes, “Our son Daniel and his wife had a girl, Lula Maya Elliott-Raymont. She is a delicious Japanese-American blend of her parents and is precious beyond words.” Wendy and Henry are amending their travel schedules in order to spend more time in the States now. Continuing with the 70th birthday celebrations, Wendy celebrated hers in Berlin (where Henry teaches) and then in Rockport, Maine, at her sister’s (Jerrie Marcus Smith ’53) home for her actual birthday with twin brother Dick and their entire family. Cita Smallley Suratgar celebrated her 70th birthday in Iceland with her husband and two sons. She said that they “flew to the biggest glacier in Europe,” which was the inspiration for Jules Verne’s Journey to the Center of the Earth. Leyla Levy Menscher is happy to celebrate turning 70 – she now gets a good discount on her Aspen ski pass! Continuing with 70th birthdays, Alice Worsham Bass attended a group 70th party with her Smith College friends as well as a lunch with Dallas friends and a dinner at the famous Chez Panisse in Berkeley, California, with Dick. Mary Sue Norris McClain was surrounded by her family in Sun Valley for her 70th birthday. I (Betty Weichsel Compton) celebrated my 70th in Austin with Howard, our children and five grandchildren. Congratulations to Louise Phinney Caldwell, who was named Jubilee History Maker.
Marjorie Purnell ’54 took her great-niece, Ali Purnell (Hockaday Class of 2013) to Paris and London this summer with Callie and Jenny Moroney (Hockaday Class of 2013) with their aunt, Mindy Moroney.

Christopher Covert Crowley, grandson of Martha Woods Covert ’45JC, escorted Sheridan Showers Butler to the Admiral’s Ball.

Tia and Molly Ruinsky are the granddaughters of Betty Sharp Adcock ’56.

Mary Murrell Neuhoff ’56 and Alice Worsam Bass ’56, celebrating their 70th birthdays in August 2008.

Bob and Dorothy “Sissie” Johnston Amts ’56 celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in Alaska.

Sarah Jane English ’53 visits her son Trey’s family on the 4th of July. L to R: Sarah Jane, Leslie, Ava (5), Trey and Preston (8).
Marietta Scurry Johnson, Carol Alexander Vesey, she is a gourmet cook and fabulous entertainer. bravo human! Machu Picchu is so déjà vu! Myrtie’s old home town of Ica. Now that is one to see where Myrtie lived; yes, she even went to of us should plan to attend this divine dinner next by their daughter, Sylvia.

Slantwise Johnston amis Betty family and realizing how blessed we’ve been to possible); seeing eagles, moose and baby moose, for a week in Homer, Alaska. Highlights included “catching and eating halibut (prepared every way possible); seeing eagles, moose and baby moose, and other wildlife up close; and visiting with family and realizing how blessed we’ve been to share 50 years of marital bliss.” Congratulations, Susie and Bob! Betty

1958

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Susan Smith Duquette, has re-emerged in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She writes that she is reading Jennifer Conant’s The Irregulars and asks me to “tell the girls that Hockaday offered a type of structure and style that I could never have obtained had I remained in the Highland Park school system for twelve years.” Carol Craig Cowan married last summer and now lives in both Tucson and Dallas, where her husband has a house. She shipped her car to Dallas but flew there from Houston for a Christmas visit with friends and to help me (Jane Elioseff) address the 300 UNICEF Christmas cards I ordered in a more optimistic moment. Both Carol and Dorothea Breslau Severino have been writing about their early lives. Carol’s reminiscence describes a post-Hockaday trip to Paris with her mother, where Lucy Reed linked up with them and made them laugh. Dorothea tells how she inadvertently won the American Field Service award that priced her out of her senior year in São Paulo and brought her only half-willing to a Dallas foster family, Miss Grow’s Virgil class, and a year-end cross-country sightseeing trip with 30 other AFS scholars. Hurricane Ike, which arrived in the Houston region last September, had a 70-mile-wide eye and arms that very nearly filled the Gulf of Mexico. The hurricane was pushing an enormous amount of water ahead of it, which destroyed much of Galveston and drowned the Bolivar Peninsula. Ike itself came straight up the Ship Channel, crossing the city on its way north. It rocked utility poles, and transformers exploded. According to Linda Stewart Douglass, winds were clocked as far inland as the Galleria at 100 mph. Providentially, Peppy Wright Fisher had arranged the week before Ike arrived to have the large tree in her yard thinned and trimmed. Her tree had no damage; but on the night of September 13, she and her husband Nelson lay awake listening to branches and flying debris smashing through neighbors’ roofs and windows. They evacuated to Austin, where their son, Jeff, is an Episcopal priest. At his Sunday service, they met my cousin Kay Woodward Olson ’66; Kay’s husband, Lyndon; and her sister, Mary Lynn Woodward ’68. Blythe Holder Thomas hosted two river parties last summer.

1959

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS: Allie Stemmons Simon, asimontc@verizon.net, Phone: 972-650-9313, Fax: 972-650-9407

Greetings! It’s been good to hear from so many of you as we plan for our 50th Reunion. We are looking forward to a big turnout and a chance to exchange news face to face! Alison Taylor Fastow is already in reunion mode having attended her 45th at Smith. She loves her first year of retirement from teaching and somehow finds herself busier than ever! She and her brother, Allen, traveled to California to visit cousins and an historic old family home. Anne McCord Miller and Ellen Kleiman Banner met in New York recently and attended the Pietra Dura exhibit at the Metropolitan which Ellen says was exquisite. Ellen’s latest grandchild, STELLAN YANN BECK, son of Ellen’s daughter, Emily, was born October 1. Kay Clark Lane and Bob spent most of the summer in Maine with children and grandchildren coming and going. Kay has taken up poetry – she attends several workshops, has her own small studio and is marketing some of her pieces under the name Prairie Pottery. Honey Altmann Minshow sold her gift shop in Sherman, Texas, after 26 years and is enjoying having time to read, travel and play with her grandchildren. She and Robert have a cabin where they take the little ones for fishing and fun. Honey also traveled to visit a friend in Hungary. Sandy Smith Laughlin and Gary are embarking on a recreation of Charles Darwin’s Voyage of the Beagle, a Stanford University Travel Expedition. They will visit the Galapagos Islands, Montevideo, the Falklands, Easter Island, New Zealand, Tasmania, Western Australia, Mauritius, Cape Town, Cape Verde and London – 31 days in all. Sandy and Gary are “binders” and look forward to seeing some new feathered friends. Cindy Tally McDonald is looking forward to our reunion and having her sister, Mima Tally Ferguson ’55, join her. She writes, “My grandson, Nicholas (6), and granddaughter, Aria (12), are still with me, and watching them grow in my care for the past six years is both a blessing and a challenge. We stayed in Spring, Texas, and survived Hurricane Ike with only debris. I have never experienced such a glorious group of neighbors and church friends all helping one another.” Betty Harris O’Neill says the only disadvantage to living in northwest Arkansas is the distance you have to travel to get anywhere. She has saved gas by becoming the queen of Internet shopping! She is down to five pets – one old dog, one old ferret, two cats, and her African Grey whom she says will definitively outlive her. Eleanor Hamric writes that she will have a total left shoulder replacement in November. 1 (Allie Stemmons Simon) had a grand

by the Dallas Historical Society. She was honored for Excellence in Community Service on November 10, 2008. Betty Sharp Adcock published another book of poetry in March 2008 titled Slantwise. She is working on a book of essays and still teaches a few graduate-level courses. Betty has a web page: www.bettyadcock.com. She and Don celebrated their 50th anniversary in June 2008 with a surprise party successfully organized by their daughter, Sylvia. Dorothy “Susie” Johnston amis and Bob went to Prince William Sound, Alaska, to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with their children and four of their grandchildren in June 2008. They rented a house for a week in Homer, Alaska. Highlights included “catching and eating halibut (prepared every way possible); seeing eagles, moose and baby moose, and other wildlife up close; and visiting with family and realizing how blessed we’ve been to share 50 years of marital bliss.” Congratulations, Susie and Bob! Betty

In an effort to prove life is great at age 70, Connie Constantine Cuminm scaled Peaks Island in a swift hike in August with family and friends applauding along the road. Alas, “I was only a dream; after a year of preparation, the road was completely snowed under and all was for naught. Well, Connie, there is always next year when you are another year older! The Alumnae Dinner was well attended by our class: Otekà Little Ball, Marietta Scurry Johnson, Carol Alexander Vesey, Caro Alexander Stalcup (in spirit), Susan Sibbitt Lott – we even let Holly Hill ’56 sit with us! More of us should plan to attend this divine dinner next time. As this goes to press, Marietta, Otekà and Myrtie Rawlins Rice are planning their trip to visit Kathryn Marion Haider as she bakes on the beaches of Elieethera. We get to be treated like queens as she is a gourmet cook and fabulous entertainer. Sailie McCutcheon is back from her trip to Peru to see where Myrtie lived; yes, she even went to Myrtie’s old home town of Ica. Now that is one brave human! Machu Picchu is so déjà vu! Pat Patterson fits back and forth to New York more than ever than ever now that she has a pied-a-terre there. She was even photographed in San Francisco – ever so chic as usual! Susan Underwood Seward broke her ankle in 2007 but went on an Alaska cruise anyway. She visited her oldest daughter in Oregon and spent time with Sally O’Brien Lemon who is doing a lot of painting. Susan went to California to visit four grandchildren for Christmas 2008. Suzanne Lunn Sommerville and Chuck decided not to move to Arizona; she is dealing with house repairs (new roof and the house foundation shifted so that the back door won’t lock). She has four grandchildren and her husband, Chuck, has six for a total of 10! Jody Polk Schwartz headed the capital campaign for a huge bronze sculpture of Don Juan Onate at the El Paso Airport: Otekà Little Ball and her husband, Jerry, went on a cruise to Nova Scotia on the Caribbean Princess with friends from Oklahoma Baptist University and the former president of OBU. They really enjoyed the cruise and will go again. Jerry got some wonderful pictures of the ocean and boats. Otekà writes, “it would be fun to have our class go on a cruise together!” Please let me know what you ladies want printed here and I will do it, but I need to hear from each of you! HAPPY DAYS AHEAD! Myrtie Rawlins Rice


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visit with Pat Finley Fallin in Colorado this past summer. We went over our Class of 1959 list and recalled many friends and good times. Pat definitely plans to be at our reunion. Because she and her husband have planned an extensive trip to the U.S. in 2010, Connie Hill will not be able to join us for the reunion. Connie lives in Australia, about an hour’s drive south of Sydney, “on one of the most beautiful stretches of coastline in the world.” Through the years she has been an airline stewardess, worked in advertising and in the 1980s became an academic. She earned four post-graduate degrees, the latest in counseling, and has now retired from the university and is counseling part-time in her own private practice. Connie says, “I will always remember my last years of high school when I attended Hockaday. It was an interesting time for me with so many new things to discover and dream about.” And now, 50 years later, still so many new things to discover and dream about!
Best to you all,
Aline

1961
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Santa Fe has a magical way of attracting folks… especially those who wish to escape from the Texas heat and humidity in the summer. Judy Kadane Nix, a full-time resident there, reports that Peggy Lubben Gould, Becky Beasley, Suzi Flaxman Greenman, Rue Howell Henry and Pam Carter's daughter Lily and her fiancé all came through for visits. Judy continues tutoring 3rd/4th graders in reading and enjoys watching the progress they make. Since many of us celebrated another “big number” birthday in 2008, Becky Beasley hopes to organize a class birthday party in Dallas in November (more on that in the next issue). She and her family spent part of the summer in Santa Fe, as well as some time at a Florida beach house. By print time, Peggy Lubben Gould will have had two knee replacements. It's a good thing that she has seven grandchildren nearby during her lengthy recovery. After more than 20 years of campaigning, Peggy finally convinced the Texas government to pass a resolution declaring Athens, Texas, as "The Home of the Hamburger." We do hope that there will be a statue downtown of Peggy holding a gigantic hamburger one day! Last summer, Monty Oliver Garretson helped granddaughter Poppy (4) host a political fundraising bake sale, which raised $800. One of Monty's twin daughters, Darcy, lives in Boston and works on a PBS film made by the descendent of a rich slave trader, Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North. Her other daughter, Dorothy, is living in South Carolina and works as a VISTA volunteer working with schools, local colleges, and various city organizations to offer them services and training. Beth Anthony Lightbown wrote from Canada that she and Dick welcomed their eighth grandchild, Jewel Clements Snyder, last July. Mother Erin, Beth’s daughter, and her husband Bryce had recently moved from Seattle to Dallas just in time for the birth of their daughter. Beth also is delighted that her stepson and his family have returned to Ontario after living the last 13 years in Hong Kong. Further proof of the “6 Degrees of Separation” theory: Last fall, Susan Wise attended a garden tour in her Asheville, North Carolina, neighborhood. While there, she met a landscaper who had helped Virginia Savage McAlester install new landscaping at her Swiss Avenue home. (Don’t ask how Susan figured out the connection!) Further notes on Susan Bradley’s job as a Disney train engineer in Orlando according to a previous Disney employee (whom Susan Wise also met in Asheville), Susan has the most prestigious job in any of the Disney parks. Very, very few women have ever achieved that position. Go, Susan! Here’s hoping that everyone who had wonderful holidays in 2008. Please send us your updated e-mail addresses so that we can stay in touch with all of you. May 2009 bring good health and happiness to us all!
Your loyal scribers,
Susan, Ann and Becky

1966
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We had a FABULOUS 60th Birthday Bash in Wimberley, Texas! I wish everyone could’ve made it. Many thanks to Temple Wynne and Charla Peavy McCracken for opening their homes to us. The following classmates attended: Temple Wynne, Charla Peavy McCracken, Diane Meyer Longenecker, Kay Woodward Olson, Becky Hawn Brown, Carolyn Smith Lorimer, Patty Wadley Calder, Steffi O’Brien Yearwood, Anne Brudno Routh, Gano Scurry Ehlers, Susan Northrup Eldredge, Nan Harrington, Carol Carpenter Winkel, Lynn McIntyre Vogt, Pam Perry Walton, Mary Ann Stell Harris, Margaret Bundy Kahn and Becky Love Ingle. Carol Carpenter Winkel writes: “I have a wonderful home in Austin; it’s a National Historic Register home in Tarrytown and a complete throwback to pre-Civil War times with current touches.” Becky Hawn Brown writes: “Although I never would have considered turning 60 a cause to celebrate when we were at Hockaday, we headed to DC to do just that. One of my birthday gifts, from an antique store, was a Hockaday scarf! We live outside of Brolah, Colorado, in the mountains. I’m still a part-time potter and love it.” Ruth Heiskell Summers writes: “Downtown Memphis has turned into quite the scene so going downtown is fun even if you have lived in Memphis all your life. My son has lived there for three years, and it has been nice to visit. He knows every restaurant/bar and most of the bartenders and owners. If anyone comes to Memphis, let me know and I can ‘hook you up.’” Linda Young writes: “Still at the Little Rock School District as the director of program development and grants and have a small consulting business on the side. My two wonderful sons live here in LR. Neither is married so no grandbabies to report. My mom and dad live nearby in Hot Springs, I spend almost every weekend with them.” Janice Lane Henry writes: “I have worked in interior design
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Kay Woodward Olson ’66, Patty Wadley Calder ’66 and Mary Ann Stefl Harris ’66.

for 38 years, and I enjoy the relational part – quirky customers, crazy craftsman and the rush of deadlines. I am designing, with God’s inspiration, a new children’s Bible study for Community Bible Study in Colorado Springs, producing an accompanying video, and testing it with 200 children and 50 volunteers. Our nine grandchildren in Austin and Tulsa are our hobby and our best friends. Bobby loves working as an orthodontist and never wants to retire.”

Tony Mosson Monin writes: “I wish I could be with all of you for our 60th celebration, but we are still digging out from under the four hurricanes that hit Haiti. Fortunately, where we live, there was very little damage. Our son (19) was accepted to Earth University in Costa Rica. It’s an international, nonprofit university dedicated to education in the agricultural sciences and natural resources. He wants to come back to Haiti afterwards. The web site of our gallery is almost finished so please visit it at www.galeriemoninn.com.” Claire Bailey Genser writes: “I’m busy playing bridge, getting gardens put to bed, doing lots of rehab to stay mobile and watching my border collies play ball. I have two very close friends who have also recently lost their husbands, so we have each other there for comfort. I am taking a master gardener class through the University of Vermont. Then I will complete 40 hours of community service to get the designation. Happy Birthday to all of us!” Nini Rowe Lion, a successful artist in Marin County, California, writes: “This Thanksgiving we went to Seattle where daughter Casey is a second year pediatrics resident at Seattle Children’s state-of-the-art facility. Casey is dating a male pediatric oncology nurse who wants to do pediatric hospice work. Mark and Laurie have been married for 6½ years and live in Montclair (East Bay of SF); Laurie is part-owner in a women’s boutique. My mother, Marian Ug Knight Rowe ’41, is well although, as you may know, she is essentially blind from macular degeneration. She is happy and enjoying life.” Temple Wynne writes: “It was a pleasure to have you all here for our 60th celebration. I continue to marvel at the illustrious class of ’66! Growing up together contributed greatly to my lifelong happiness, and it was wonderful to have you here. Thank you to Charla for the lovely dinner, to Becky for keeping us all in touch, and to everyone else for attending!” Susan Northrup Eldridge writes: “Our birthday celebration was truly a highlight of my post-Hockaday experience and the most painless way to enter the next decade ever. It was wonderful to enjoy old friends and to make new ones. Although I left Hockaday before many of you arrived, the energy and connection is ever-present. We’re a part of the Sisterhood of the Green & White!” Nan Harrington writes: “I’m back in Cuernavaca with a big smile and wonderful memories! Everyone made the weekend so special! I’ve been babbling to everyone (even though they have no connection to Hockaday) about being with friends whom I haven’t seen in 40+ years!” Betsy Henderson Urban’s daughter, Laura, is very busy these days. She recently launched her new fashion boutique, Cake, at shopcakeonline.com. Laura joined us at the beautiful Trattoria Lisina, one of our birthday bash’s gatherings, and she looks so much like Betsy! Well, dear classmates, this is just a sampling of news. Please keep in touch. I love each of you and am so proud of ALL your accomplishments. Becky Love Ingle

1967

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS: Janie Castelman McNairy, jmcmnairy@juno.com

Bryn Ball Allen recently sent in news to the Alumnae office: “Hi Classmates – I always enjoy reading updates from Hockaday and have wanted to write in over the years. Because we have now passed the 40th year of graduation, I find that I still think of my two years boardling at Hockaday as a wonderful, if brief, experience. After Hockaday, I received my A.A. from Stephens College and eventually graduated from the University of Arizona with a major in Russian language. Deciding not to leave Arizona, I started working for a computer software developer and spent the next 20+ years working my way through the ranks in all phases of software programming, design, QA, documentation, computer operations and client support/ training. That was a lot of fun – I never needed computer games, work was more challenging than anything I could buy! During those years, I married and divorced, started riding horses again (still have one), traveled, took up skiing, volunteered for various organizations (especially Junior Achievement) and business clubs, and made many friends along the way. Then I entered a new phase of my life when I married my husband, Bill Allen. He is a great guy, a graduate of the rival university (ASU), a CPA and CFO mostly in the construction industry, and such a wonderful husband. Slightly younger than me, he had not given up the hope of having a family – so, after an early “retirement” and many, many IVF attempts, we had our first child in 2003 – a beautiful son named Trey. Then, with the hope of having another child, and a sibling for Trey, we were blessed in 2005 with TRIPLETS (can you believe it?) whom we named Annuelle, Spencer and Gregory. So here I am at the ripe old age of…well – you know how old we are – the mother of four children under the age of 6. So, I think you can guess how I spend my days! Let’s just say I am wonderfully happy and quite tired. So now I encourage others to send in their story – it is so much fun to hear about you all. All my love to you, Daises!”

1972

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS: Markea McNatt Brown, mmbrown@swbell.net

Pam Hudnall Quarterman’s daughter, Kendall, received her law degree from UT-Austin, although she actually completed her third year of law school at the University of Capetown in South Africa. She returned to the U.S. in December after spending several post-graduation months working with refugees in the U. of Capetown’s legal aid clinic. Kathy Leslie Gomberg writes that she and Martin are now empty-nesters, as the youngest of their four children has just started medical studies at Oxford University. Their daughter, Anna, spent a year in New York after graduating from Oxford and is training at the University of London to be a teacher. They celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary last summer with a trip to the States, visiting Chicago, California and Hawaii. Markea McNatt Brown

1973

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS: Janet Shields Maloney, janetshieldsmaloney@yahoo.com

I (Janet Shields Maloney) am so happy to be class agent starting this year. Many thanks to Matney Faulkner Heatherlin (and the others before her) who did such a wonderful job bringing us news of our classmates. Deborah Lattimore wrote to say that she moved from the San Francisco...
Bay Area to Reno, Nevada, to live down the street from her youngest son and his wife. The move was incredibly timely, because four months after moving, Deborah was diagnosed with breast cancer. She had a double mastectomy on November 20, 2008, and reports that the surgery was easy and painless and she was driving and feeling terrific only four days later. Her two sons, James and Matt, were by her side every second, and were wonderful caregivers. She is thrilled to finally have the flat chest she wanted all her life and to be 112 pounds! Deborah is very active in promoting early detection through mammography, which is how her cancer was discovered. Deborah is a professional photographer, and her website is www.deborahlattimore.com. Before moving to Reno, she was teaching photography workshops in San Francisco, including at the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy. Her photos have been exhibited and published worldwide. Most recently one of her photos was used as a book cover for a young adult's book, Taintamar, published by Blackwater Publishing. San Francisco Magazine recently published an article about her photography and her popularity on Flickr.com: www.flickr.com/photos/oceanbornstudios/. She has blogged her cancer experience at www.ddlatt.blogspot.com. If you would like your news included in the next issue, please write to me at janetshieldsmaloney@yahoo.com.

Janet

1974

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS: Sabrina Sabin Triplett, sabrina_triplett@yahoo.com

Mara Daly reports the birth of her first grandchild, David Julian Mehl, born October 23, to her daughter, Elizabeth. Lori Peniche writes: “Just over a year ago, I changed direction after 24 years as in-house legal counsel for Texas Instruments. I now work as an independent public policy professional and have been active on various national and state election campaigns. I look forward to lobbying in Austin on environmental and energy related legislation, and I serve on the Sierra Club Dallas executive committee.” Caron Gitelman Grant is in Ft. Lauderdale where she works as production coordinator at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. Caron advances incoming shows and most recently has worked with the touring companies of Wicked, 12 Angry Men and Hairspray. Caron visits her parents in Dallas regularly (they are doing great) and enjoys seeing Lou Ann Levering Monroe, Valerie Bixler-Youngs, Leslie Cooper ’80, and her father, Buster, when she visits. Laura McCulloch Gibbs writes: “Everett and I are enjoying early retirement, spending half the year in Houston and half in Colorado. The last few years have been filled with lots of travel to Europe, Asia and Australia for Everett’s consulting firm, Protiviti. We went to Africa on a photo safari in September, just in time to miss Hurricane Ike hit Houston, where our two oldest children, Courtney and Cameron, held down the home front. Courtney is in Human Resources, and Cameron is a high school biology teacher. Caitlin, Mary Ann Stell Harris ’66, Becky Hawn Brown ’66, Carolyn Smith Lorimer ’66 and Susan Northrup Eldredge ’66.

Members of the Class of 1974 lunched at Hockaday to welcome Yolanda Tung Yeh ’74 (third from the left), who was visiting from Hong Kong.
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Hockaday graduate, Tracy Diers ’08, with her mother, Leslie Melnick Diers ’74, and sister, Meredith Diers ’05.

our youngest, is a junior at UT studying studio art and English.” Kay Butler Howell writes: “Our middle son married in January. He is a mechanical engineer for Halliburton. Our oldest son is finishing SMU law school this May and starting a clerkship in Florida, and our youngest is a freshman at University of Alabama.” Alice Bergman writes: “At 50, I decided to get another master’s degree in counseling/psychology and work as a senior consultant for an employee assistance program. Ralph and I have been married for 26 years and our daughter, Julia, is a freshman at Kenyon College.” Leslie Macay Washburne writes: “Our daughter, Sarah, lives in Cairo, after spending four months in Sudan doing research for her Ph.D. Son John is finishing his dissertation at University of Glasgow. He went to the Czech Republic to study Czech and then toured around Germany before heading back to Scotland. Hugh and I are still running our restaurant in Fredericksburg (www.wethehoffmanhaus.com) and I am also teaching cooking classes through the school, The Natural Plate.” Jennifer Eppler writes: “A fun class note: my daughter, Rachel, was studying art in Italy in the summer of 2007 and her roommate turned out to be none other than the daughter of Laura McCulloch! I would like to encourage other classmates to join facebook.com so that we can stay in touch!” Peggy Darrah Adams writes: “John and I enjoy our empty nest and stay very busy. Jack is at UT Austin, majoring in economics. He is active in Sig Ep fraternity and Silver Spurs. Ben is at West Point, majoring in economics and political science. He recently brought two cadets home to Texas when Army played TAMU in College Station, and we enjoyed a big family BBQ. I have been involved in some wonderful groups, along with my precious neighbor Carol Albano Goddow. We have a neighborhood Bible study and a book club, and bridge lessons will commence soon.” Linda Sheldon Martinez writes: “We moved back to Dallas in the Northwest Highway/Midway area. My stepdaughter, Chelsea, is at The University of Mary Hardin Baylor where she studies nursing, and my stepson, Christian, is at Jesuit and is on the cross country team. Patrick is still with the Dallas Police Department.” Jana West Hacker writes: “I had a close call with my mom recently; but she is now better than ever. She had congestive heart failure, and they gave her only three more years. PLEASE! She pretty much blew that prognosis off and is determined to enjoy her life… a lesson to be learned from this woman, for sure! Gary is career switching to the financial arena, and I still do training development. My latest client is Centence Homes.” Paula Sammons Butler writes: “Bob and I celebrated our 29th anniversary on September 8, 2008. We spend the winter in Palm Beach and travel to Nantucket or Southampton in the summer. Bevin (28) is a graduate of Brown University and at Fordham Law in NYC where she was among the top 15 students in her class and is named a Wilkinson Scholar. Bryna (26), also a Brown grad, is also at Law School at Fordham, on the Negotiating Team and Law Review. They live together in New York City and travel extensively in their free time. I enjoyed seeing Leslie Melnick Diers, Jana West Hacker, Linda Sheldon Martinez, Amy McElheney Barbee and Lou Ann Levering Monroe in Nantucket in September.” Sally Wagner Rosenberg writes: “Rick and I celebrated our 30th wedding anniversary in September. Buddy (25) works in Dallas, and Robyn is a sophomore at the University of Arkansas. All is well with all us Rosenberg.” Libby Edwards writes: “My oldest, Stewart (28), has his own band, is the singer and songwriter of the band, and has recorded three CDs. He’s in the process of recording his fourth with Willie Nelson’s studio in Austin. They play and tour all around Texas and out of state. You can hear his music at www.myspace.com/stewartmann. My other two sons, John (25) and Price (23), are both finishing their degrees in international business (John) and computer programming (Price). I have been living in Houston for almost three years now and would love to know who lives here so that we can get together. My husband, Mark, is from Scotland and in the oil and gas business which is how I ended up in Houston. I am still practicing law and my area of expertise is abuse/neglect of the elderly in nursing homes, with my main office in Corpus Christi. I have published chapters in books on the subject and testified in front of the Senate and House subcommittees on legislation that affects nursing home residents’ rights.” Cornelia Groat writes: “Our daughter Monica is in law school at the University of Chicago, our son Stephen is computer engineering major at Virginia Tech, and I am in my second year of the master’s in social work program at Catholic University in DC (I plan to do adult psychotherapy when I graduate). Needless to say we are having a “no more tuition” party in the spring of 2010 when we all graduate! My husband Jack is an attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice in the civil litigation division.” Brie Sabin Triplett writes: “I have enjoyed getting caught up with a lot of you but would love to hear from more. My highlight this year was my daughter Megan’s marriage in Montana to a wonderful guy, Rob. My greatest sorrow was learning of the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Lewis – she taught Latin to us in 7th and 8th grade. I stay very busy trying to balance traveling with my husband Bob, working at my stationery and invitation store, and trying to spend time with family and friends. I am very excited about our upcoming 35th reunion and look forward to all of you being there. Leslie Melnick Diers is our alumnae president this year, and I would love to have as many of our classmates as possible at Alumnae Day.” Savrina

Betty Orchard (Liza Orchard’s ’78 mother and retired Hockaday librarian) and Ellen Harris Ballon ’78 at the Hockaday Fall Alumnae Dinner held in October 2008.

1978

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Thanks to all who have shared their news with us. Your support and participation are greatly appreciated. Ellen Plumlee Russell has opened Artisan Custom Framing (www.artisancustomframing.com) in Mill Creek, outside of Seattle. If anyone is in the Seattle area, please look her up! Betty Orchard, Liza Orchard’s mom and retired Hockaday librarian, and Ellen Harris Ballon joined our classmates for the Hockaday Fall Alumnae Dinner held in October 2008 as we supported the guest speaker, our very own Victoria Clark. From the East Coast, Kelly McGlothlin Smith writes: “Well, I’m an empty nester now. My sons are in Athens, Georgia, pursuing music. Hopefully their band’s..."
1980

CLASS AGENT – COMMUNICATIONS:
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Thanks to everyone for writing and keeping in touch! In October, Jill Shorey Giroir and family officially moved back to Texas from DC. She says, “Brett is Vice Chancellor for Research for the Texas A&M System; and we divide our time between College Station and Dallas where our younger daughter, Madeline, is in 10th grade at Shelton. After years affiliated with the UT system, we have given away all our Longhorn attire and are acquiring everything maroon.” Heather Purcell visited Meredith Greene Megaw and her family in New York City this summer. She’s also now executive director of a nonprofit agency. The Dallasties got to see Heather who joined us for the Fall Dinner at Hockaday in October. Suzy Blaylock writes: “It’s taken 20 some-odd years to happen, but I just wanted to share some very exciting news! Mike Wynneken, the man I’ve been seeing for two years, and I got married, August 9, 2008. He is a wonderful man and has two children: Caleb (11) and Hannah (7).” And from up East, Cheryl Cunningham Gardner writes: “My husband and I moved to New Hampshire two years ago from Indiana (I think we are nomads) with our three children and our bassett hound. Other than the very long cold winters, life here is good.” Holly Sandlin’s a Yankee again! She recently moved back to Philadelphia after a short jaunt in Jacksonville, Florida. She writes, “My daughter, Louisa, graduated from Westminster Boarding School in Simsbury, Connecticut, and is headed to college of William and Mary. Mallie is in 10th and Lawson in 7th. I am thrilled to be back in Philly.” And from Big D, Cindy Lu Remington writes: “I finished my race and I made it to the end. This was my third half-marathon since 2004! This race was in Alaska and it was beautiful.” Cindy raised $5,600 – go, girl! A blast from the past from Vicki Inman Jeffus who writes: “We just attended our younger daughter’s graduation from UT in Austin. Our older daughter graduated from Baylor last year and has been teaching junior high math in McKinney. She has been offered a position at Highland Park Middle School, so we’re helping her hunt for an affordable apartment in the area. We moved back to Wichita Falls from Kansas in 1995, and I really can’t imagine living anywhere else.” Vicky Albaugh writes: “I’m now Victoria Reed and I live in San Antonio. My husband, Jim, is a very good husband; and my son, Mason, is a senior at Texas Military Institute. He is one of the three primary Battalion leaders in the Corp of Cadets. I bought a house and have been fixing it up; the yard needed lots of work. I work with USAA and I’ve gotten lots of academic and financial designations since I started with USAA in 2000. My name is now alphabet soup: Victoria Albaugh Reed, BBA, CLU, ChFC, RHU, series 7, 6, 63 and soon to be MSFS. All this has led to good things.” Leila Dawkins writes: “I am currently writing a one-woman monologue through the mentoring program, Life Stories. I have published three blogs and received positive feedback from all my writings. My monologue will be finished in December, and a portion will be performed as a collaboration with others in my class. My full script will be directed and filmed for distribution over the Internet.”

1979

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Good news from Priss Benbow! PR News published an article by Priss in its December 2008 issue. The article is a checklist for CEOs who must communicate with the media during a company crisis and is titled “First, Stop the Bleeding.”

Priss Benbow

CD will be coming out in 2009. My daughter is attending The University of Southern Maine. We still have sheep, steer and chickens to tend to while the children are missing.” After three years living abroad in Mexico, Gretchen Eppler, husband Pete, and son Calvin, have returned to Denver. Calvin is a student, Gretchen is an attorney working with Spanish-speaking clients, and Pete is in school and teaching skiing. Vaye Asche Elkins shares with us: “Our son, Tanner, is a senior and plays varsity soccer. Our daughter, Alexandra (14), is a very competitive equestrian. Ed, who works for TXU, has had his hands full with handling all the emergency responses to weather-related power outages, and I kind of try to keep us all moving.” From the hurricane-bashed area of the Texas Gulf coast region, Jerome Cartwright Dick writes: “Daughter Amanda, husband Bill and I, and the menagerie (four cats and two Pappillons) are settling back into a routine after a couple of hurricane evacuations. The second one lasted two weeks! No major damage to our home and we are all safe and sound. I’ve been substitute teaching and volunteering for Legal Aid at the Disaster Recovery Center.” Please stay in contact. And, please let us know if you would like to join us as a co-class agent, or if you have ideas on how we can stay connected with each other. Because of you, the Class of 1978 is still great after all these years!

Your Co-Class Agents,
Karen, Liza and Phyllis
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California! A freshman at Pepperdine University and loves did her sister the currency. She was able to sell her house as country before the new government changes sell her house and get the money out of the country. The communists have taken over the government. She decided to

Claire McCracken ‘82 and Steven Albert Galetti at their wedding, September 26, 2008.

Kendall Burney Savage’s daughter, Lauren, is attending Swiss Semester. This Hockaday-sponsored program is in Zermatt, Switzerland; however, I come into Westwood for work. I am a partner at Wood, Smith, Henning & Berman, LLP, in Los Angeles. I also still participate in the Navy Reserve in which I am a Captain in the JAG Corps and am looking forward to taking over as the Commanding Officer of the Naval Reserve Legal Service Office San Diego in December.” Not one to sit for long, Regen Horchow Feenan is launching a software package called GotItTogether Life Management System which is a program, like Outlook, designed specifically for busy women. It should launch in summer 2009. If you want to be on the list to get updates, register at www.gottitgether.net. Thanks to everyone for writing. I just love hearing from you all. Our 30th is coming up in 2010, so save the date! Amy Rhodes Stevenson

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Thalia Sarris Banovsky had so much fun watching daughter Thalia Claire play field hockey with Amanda Ursel Goldstein’s ’84 daughter, Everest, and Betsy Reed Eisenman’s ‘84 daughter, Reed. Thalia’s son, Cameron, is a freshman at Pepperdine University and loves California! Cuqui Chiriboga reports that things in Ecuador are chaotic; the communists have taken over the government. She decided to sell her house and get the money out of the country before the new government changes the currency. She was able to sell her house as did her sister Deborah ’84 and their mom; they will rent and live together until they see what happens. Claudia Sandlin Harvie says her son Jamie’s (6) latest obsession is all things Asian. First, he wanted to be Mao for Halloween. She nixed that, so he opted for the Dalai Lama, rectangle glasses and all! Claudia worked on Obama’s campaign, but otherwise is a stay-at-home mom with four boys. Serena Young Ritch sent in a picture of her daughter, Emma ’10, with beau, Will Jackson, a junior at St. Mark’s. Emma is a junior at Hockaday, co-captain of her fencing team, and a jewelry designer. Sophie (14) is prospering at Oak Hill. She just made cheerleader and is over the moon. Serena is director of art programs at the O’Donnell Foundation and very happy.

Carol Mccracken married Steven Albert Galetti, September 26, 2008. They had a small, private ceremony in West Side Park in Champaign, Illinois, where they live and spent their honeymoon in the Caribbean. Claire continues to work for Jacobs as senior planner in the advance planning group – she travels a lot to DC to work with the architect on Senate and Library of Congress building projects. Laura Levinson Gottesman is in real estate in Austin and loves it! Her oldest son, Freddy, is a junior at UT. Wesley is a sophomore at UVA and Garrett is a sophomore at Austin High. Kendall Burney Savage’s daughter, Lauren ‘11, is attending Swiss Semester. This Hockaday-sponsored program is in Zermatt, Switzerland; and the kids take academic classes as well as participating in outdoor activities, including biking, rock climbing, hiking and skiing. Kendall is substituting in the Upper School this year in English and Spanish and tutors a bit on the side. She also is working with a Hockaday-sponsored tutoring program in DISD which she says is very rewarding. Phyllis Whiteside Fredricksen’s family hopes to take a trip to Norway next summer for her 45th birthday and her son, Forrest, graduation. Forrest turned 18, November 5, 2008, and was upset that he just missed the cutoff to vote! Karolyn King Gillespie’s children, Ian (15) and Audrey (5), have become tennis addicts at T Bar M. Ian plays and works out all the time now – he is no Rafael Nadal, but he swears Karolyn will not have to worry about retirement. Needless to say, she keeps putting money in her 401k! Katy Miller Merriman and her husband, George, have been married 21 years and have lived in Shreveport, Louisiana, for 16 years. Their daughter, Sydney, is a junior; and Max is in the eighth grade. Jani Hall Leuschel was named to the Board of Directors of the Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival. She is “actively retired” from training but plays quite a bit of chamber music with area clubs. Things are going great in Kaufman for Kathy Kirkpatrick Burt and her family. Stoker (15), Hallie (14) and Jon Drew (13) are very active with school and sports; and they are all in honors programs. The Burts have almost completed three home restorations: two 1940s cottages and a 1920s bungalow. They try to keep them historically accurate while bringing them up-to-date. Over the years, they have restored six historic homes in addition to keeping up their 125-year-old Victorian! My life (Polly Dossett Whittle) has calmed down. My husband and I were in and out of the country for most of the spring; and then our daughter, Erin, got married in Nashville in October. Now things seem to be settling down a little until the next adventure! Polly

Lauren Savage (Class of 2011), daughter of Kendall Burney Savage ’82, in front of Matterhorn in Zermatt, Switzerland where she is participating in Hockaday’s Swiss Semester program.

Lisa Ginsburg Silver '80 (L) and Heather Purcell '80 (R) at the 2008 Hockaday Fall Dinner.

Kate Belknap '79, sister of Laura Belknap '85, and new husband Bill Bruchak.

Caroline Haynes '83 with husband, Mario Lopez, sister Ellen Haynes '81 and their mother on Caroline's wedding day.

Amy Rhodes Stephenson '80 (seated) with Heather Purcell '80 and Ed Long at Hockaday's Fall Dinner celebration.

Holly Mullins Vinella '78 and her daughter Stella.

Emma Ritch (Class of 2010) (center), the daughter of Serena Young Ritch '82, and Will Jackson, junior at St. Mark's with a friend at St. Mark's Homecoming – 2008.

Kate Belknap '78, sister of Laura Belknap '85, and new husband Bill Bruchak.
Hello! Here is some news of your classmates. I hope to hear from more of you next time! Double best wishes go to Robin Carder who gave birth to twins, Jack Henry and Caroline Sullivan, May 23, 2008, just after the Hockaday reunion, where she looked fabulous! New mom and the babies are doing well. Robin is a pediatric dermatologist in private practice in Dallas. Julie Ullhorn Allen, husband Mike Allen, and daughters Annie (8) and Morgan (12) have been living in Singapore since January 2007 due to Mike’s job with Cisco Systems. They previously lived in Dallas. Karen Kendrick has returned to the States after living and working in Eastern Europe, and most recently Qatar, for several years. She now lives in Washington, DC. And I (Caroline Haynes) married Mario Lopez, August 16, 2008. Mario is a financial advisor with Edward Jones, and we live in Dallas. We met in a spin class about 9 years ago — so yes, working out does have its perks! We were married at Saint Michael and All Angels Chapel in Dallas by my godfather who is a retired Episcopal bishop and had a small luncheon afterwards at City Café. My sister Ellen ’81 was my maid of honor. Mario and I spent our honeymoon in Jasper and Lake Louise, Alberta, where she looked fabulous! New mom and birth to twins, Jack Henry and Caroline Sullivan, 60

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Dearest classmates! This April (2009) is our 25th reunion! On the West Coast, Jennifer Hocking and her husband, Sam, welcomed their third son, Francis Finley “Finn” Hocking, joining big brothers Mac (6) and Oliver (4). Jennifer and Sam just completed their “home away from home” in Sooma County. Leslie Stoneman Cornog’s family is nearby in Menlo Park: Leslie’s daughter, Quinn, started kindergarten; and William is in pre-school. Chesie Hortenstine Breen and her family moved to Houston joining classmates Margaret Estep and Heidi Rath Black. Chesie’s girls, Virginia, Eliza and Margaret, are adjusting great! They still spend their summers in the Hamptons. Laurel Neuhoff Page and her family traveled to Sardinia this summer – Tres Page will be in the 4th grade at Bradfield, and Benner will be in the 2nd grade. Joining them are Ruthie Lighthourn and her husband Walt’s boys, James (7) and David (5). Ruthie and Walt had an exciting adventure last winter break – they traveled to Germany, Austria, Finland and Belgium with the boys. Lynne Page Larke reports that her sons, Mitchell, Christian and Nicholas love school in Dallas. Pam Macintosh reports that her sons are doing well. Clayton started high school at HP, Ike is in Middle School at HP, and the baby William is at Bradfield. Reed Eisenman, daughter of Betsy Reed Eisen, and Everett Golstein, daughter of Amanda Urschel Golstein, attended field hockey camp in Vermont this summer. They both purchased some of the best players for Hockaday this year. Richard Eisenman and Bear Urschel are both at St. Mark’s. Karen Pollock’s family spent several weeks in La Jolla this summer. Katherine and Matthew are both at Lamplighter. Katherine played the orphan Molly in the musical Annie last year, and classmate Campbell Swango played a servant. It was an amazing production! Also at Lamplighter is Gower Sharma’s daughter, Kavita. Sydney Hall’s children, Sydney and Jakes, are doing great. Little Sydney is the spitting image of her mother. Beverly Brown Ladley and her family spent the summer at their beach house in North Carolina, and some time in Wyoming. As for the Swango clan, we spent most of the summer in Coronado, California, and experienced a week at a dude ranch in Wyoming. Campbell (9), Jack (7), and Katherine (4) are all at Lamplighter now! Well, I am sure our classmates would love to get some fresh new blood to write our class notes for a few more years – someone, please step up to the plate – it really is fun and I know it would be greatly appreciated! As always, please send photos and news. Have a happy, healthy, and safe year. Here’s to 25 years! Best regards, Candace

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As our 25th reunion quickly approaches, I hope everyone is making their plans to be in Dallas in the spring 2010 for the big day! I have spoken with many of you, and it sounds like we might have a great turnout. In addition, I really would like to have each and every one of your addresses and e-mail addresses. So, if you receive this and know of a fellow classmate of your addresses and e-mail addresses. So, if you really would like to have each and every one of your addresses and e-mail addresses. So, if you received this and know of a fellow classmate that is not current, please send me their info so that we can extend the invitation for the BIG reunion. Elizabeth Oldham Collett is living on the North Shore of Long Island in Locust Valley. They are about 30 miles east of the city, five minutes from the Long Island Sound. Elizabeth and husband John celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary this year. They have three children – Porter (13), Elizabeth (11) and Margaret (8); and she has her own business – Elizabeth Collett Interiors – doing residential interior design. She sees a lot of Margaret Flanagan Solomon and her family. Margaret is their daughter Elizabeth’s godmother, and Elizabeth is Margaret’s daughter Gretta’s godmother. They also see Rebecca Enloe Fletcher and her family because they go to Lonesome Valley for a visit most summers. Lauren Shepard is currently living in Austin. She has been married for 18 years. They have two boys, Caleb and Toby. Professionally she does a lot of writing and creative consulting; right now, she is writing TV spots for Hockaday Magazine. She also does a lot of writing and creative consulting; right now, she is writing TV spots for a cable network rebroadcast and doing some identity/message/positioning consulting. Lauren and husband David also design t-shirts, invitations, and logos for companies, individuals and schools. She received a very nice honor from the Academy for one of her screenplays and they are currently trying to get the movie financed. Elizabeth Shockney Phipps is living in Comprene, Texas, a rural community southeast of Dallas. Elizabeth changed her career from accounting to teaching three years ago and is a 4th grade math, science, and social studies teacher in Crandall ISD. She has a daughter, Zoe, and two sons, Garrett and Gavin. Margaret Flanagan Solomon and her husband, Glenn, welcomed daughter Gretchen Neuhoff Solomon (“Greta”), October 27, 2007. Big brother Barrow (3) started Lamplighter this fall. Elizabeth Clark Walsh is proud that her daughter, Catherine, auditioned for and was awarded one of the principal roles in Hilton Head Dance Theatre’s production of The Nutcracker. She will dance the role of Marie a.k.a. Clara. Susan MacKay Keene is a loan officer at PrimeLending. Business is terrific, even in the wake of this mortgage crisis. Her son, Houston, is in 8th grade; Miller is in 5th grade; and Izzy is in 3rd grade. Linley Young lives in San Diego with her husband, Victor, and two daughters. For the past six years, Linley has been working for a company called Via-Telecom and is involved in the digital design of modem chips for cell phones. At home, she likes to teach her girls, Kathryn (8) and Laurissa (6), new things like playing piano and violin or doing crafts. Kim Fleming and her former army sergeant are now business partners. They produce online webinars, interviewing experts in various fields. Kim is blessed with the gift of knowing a little something about everything and is a great resource as well as being a good friend. Laura Belknap Calley is living in Frisco and normally is an ESL/English teacher for high school, but she is taking time off to enjoy her son Ralph’s childhood. Ralph Belknap Calley is now 4! Laura’s sister Kate Belknap ’79 is head of a ski school at Powderhorn Resort near Grand Junction, Colorado, as well as an English teacher at Mesa State College. Actually, Kate just got married to Bill Bruchak who is a river guide and head of the ski patrol at Powderhorn, this summer. They are very happy! Her dad (many Dasies actually know him and ask about him) is well and healthy, playing tennis three times a week at age 84! Laura passed on info about Deidra Wilson Graves and Kimberly Tomlin Sone. Deidra Wilson Graves just got a new job with her father’s law firm. Her daughter, Cathy Fraser Graves, is Laura’s goddaughter. They are doing well and living in Rockwall. Kimberly Tomlin Sone is in Dallas and has three beautiful kids! Lisa Schweers has been living in LA for the last 12
The daughters of Elise Black Parteli '85: Hayden Elise Parteli (Class of 2021) and Landry Margaret Parteli.

Hayden Parteli, daughter of Elise Black Parteli '85, Katie Harmon, daughter of Stephanie Glickman Harmon '86, and Campbell Harris, daughter of Holly L. Harris '85 at the Sweetheart Tea February 2009.

Margaret Flanagan Solomon '85 and her husband, Glenn welcomed daughter Gretchen Neuhoff Solomon ("Greta"), October 27, 2007. She joins big brother Barrow.

Skylar Kaye, daughter of Tracy Bassman Kaye '85 pictured with Hockaday voice teacher, Yung-Fang Ludford, after a voice recital in July.

Catherine Walsh, daughter of Elizabeth Clark Walsh '85 practicing for her part of Marie (a.k.a Clara) in one of the principal roles in Hilton Head Dance Theatre's production of “The Nutcracker.”

The family of Linley Young '85: daughters Kathryn (8), Laurissa (6) and husband Victor.

Elizabeth Oldham Collett's '85 children.

Stacey Scott Schmierer '85, Elise Black Parteli '85, Amy Castle Gray '85, Brenda O'Neal Lazenby '85 and Kelly Bryan '86.

Laura Field Belknap Calley '85 with husband Brad Calley and son Ralph Belknap Calley.
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years … and plans to finally commit and is in the process of trying to buy a house. She has been a clinical social worker at Children’s Hospital LA for the last 10 years but just started a new position, working with childhood cancer survivors. It’s a newly created position that she is developing, and she loves it! For fun, she writes restaurant reviews and hikes; for her birthday last year, she hiked the Amalfi Coast. 1 (Elise Black Partell) attended the Fall Hockaday Alumnae Dinner in October and ran into Kit Richardson Sawers. We were actually the only two people from 1985. It was a great evening, and I saw lots of familiar faces. Kit and her husband, Kemp, have two beautiful little girls. Kit is currently the executive director at the Bickel & Brewer Foundation. But she has exciting news: She is actually leaving her job for a new one — VP of Events, Super Bowl XLV. She will start that in January. I occasionally get to have lunch with Amy Castle Gray. She is busy with her boy/girl twins, Boone and Sullivan. Amy is now juggling the twins and a new work venture as she has gone into a law partnership. The new firm is Abbage & Gray, PLLC. Brett Cohen Levy co-chaired an event in December, The ChildCareGroup Tea. As for me (Elise Black Partell), my daughter, Hayden, is in kindergarten at Hockaday and has the pleasure of having two phenomenal teachers, Stephanie Hazelwood Dees ’94 and Sue Harper. I really cannot say enough about what these girls are teaching. The faculty is amazing from their primary teachers to the very enthusiastic music teacher, Sabrina Kesee, who makes you feel like dancing and singing even on a bad day. I want my girls to grow up to be strong young women who can have every door open to them if they choose. I could go on and on; and by now, you are thinking that I sound brainwashed! Keep in touch! Elise

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Since our last notes, I’ve joined Facebook and found many classmates who have been out of touch over the years. I hope that I will be able to update you on classmates from whom we have heard little (or nothing) over the years. Erika Bruce writes: “I had baby Sarah Alexandra, June 13, 2008; she joins her brother Zachary (2). I got to visit with Julie Ann Sklaver while she was in town recently, and she is doing well in Chicago.” Kimberly Haley-Coleman writes: “Thanks to the many Hockadaisies who contributed toward the $30,000 our team gave to Race for the Cure in Dallas! And thanks to Adrian for keeping up with the class notes! We spent a month in Russia and had many terrific meals with our Hockaday book and dinner clubs. It was fantastic to see so many at the reunion.” What Kimberly did not mention is that she single-handedly put together a Race for the Cure team — Love, Libertations and Loping for construction of what looks to be the coolest ultra-modern loft space in Seattle. She and Jeff have a construction project that seems bigger than Texas.

Amy Talkington writes: “My husband, Robbie, and I are so happy to announce the birth of our first child, Clementine Savage Adams. She was born November 5, 2008, just hours after Obama was named the next president. What a day!” Meg Allen Temple recently pulled up stakes in NYC and relocated to Seattle with her husband, Chris, and daughter, Mia. It all happened very quickly, and she packed for Seattle literally overnight. Luckily, she has Annie Delia Strain to help her find her way. Becky Miller Wartell is market director at NAI Robert Lynn, a worldwide managed network of commercial real estate firms. Over the summer, she and her family visited Lake Elkhart, Wisconsin. Through Facebook, I have learned that Alexa Hughes Wilson lives in the UK with her husband and daughters and is doing well across the pond. Shana Wilcox spent the summer trying to teach her girls how to surf. She also is teaching them hula (although she stays clear of grass skirts for herself), basic Hawaiian and ukulele. She loves to keep in touch with her Hockaday friends, and she enjoys reading thought-provoking literature in a book club with several other alumns. In other news, I (Adrian Harris Forman) am now relocated to Northport, New York, on the infamous Long Island. It’s not nearly as scary as I expected: the people are nice, the schools are terrific and I am back in the saddle as a freelance book editor. I am thrilled to be less than an hour from NYC, and I hope to be able to see Courtney Nichols and other NYC Daies soon. For those of you on Facebook, I have started a group for our class called Hockaday ’88. For privacy, it’s a closed group, which means that members must be approved — simply contact me by e-mail or on Facebook if you want to join. Also, the alumnae office runs a group called Eli Hockaday, which it uses to keep up with alumns, if you are interested. Thanks to all who have contacted me with class notes. It’s always nice to hear from you, even when you have nothing “official” to report. Remember to take care of yourselves, as well as those around you; and please be in touch! Adrian

Matthew Hayes, son of Moerne Hayes ’88.

Leah – in honor of her friend with advanced breast cancer, Leah Siegel. Kimberley continues to inspire us all with her care and concern for others. To kick off my Facebook finds, here’s an update from Elizabeth “Beth” Garvish. In June 2008, the State Bar of Georgia’s Pro Bono Project and Access to Justice Committee honored Elizabeth, an attorney and director of the immigration practice group at Marchman & Krasie, LLC, with the H. Sol Clark Award. This award honors an individual lawyer who has excelled in extending legal services to the poor. Elizabeth was recognized for her extensive pro bono work in coordinating and providing legal assistance to immigrants in Georgia on the path to U.S. citizenship. Congratulations! I also found Moerne Hayes on Facebook, who lives in Oklahoma with her beautiful horses and precious son, Matthew (1). Moerne said, “This past year has been the best and worst of my life. Matthew was born December 6, 2007, and it was the greatest day. The night we brought him home from the hospital, an ice storm hit and we lost power, causing us to seek refuge at a hotel. That night our house caught on fire. We had to move into my mom’s house as we tried to get workmen to fix the house, and we didn’t go home until Christmas night. Then my mom died suddenly, January 17, 2008 (six weeks to the day after Matthew was born). In March, I had to put my 13½-year-old dog, Sage, down due to cancer, and that was quicky followed by the death of my 17-year-old cat, Arnold.” I think I can speak for all of us when I say that we hope Moerne can find joy in the days ahead with Matthew and those around her, and we send her our love and support in the face of so many devastating losses. Judy Hsu’s husband, Ray Bosita, continues to keep us updated on what they are doing. He wrote: “Judy is still the nicest, sniest Ol-Gyn in Plano. I am still a spine surgeon at Texas Back Institute. Our weekends are spent at various places around town with Ethan (3) and Carson (2). We recently took a trip to the Bay Area where Ethan and Carson ran around the underground storage facility of Casa di Amorsolo vineyard and we rode steam engine #5 on a rainy day.” Annie Delia Strain continues to bus herself with three terrific kids – Madeline, Daniel, and Jackson – a collection of animals, and the
Maggie Coleman (2½) and Haley Coleman (4½), daughters of Kimberly Haley Coleman ’88 and granddaughters of Margaret Haley ’63.

The children of Becky Miller Wartell ’88.

Amy Talkington ’88 and newborn daughter Clementine Savage Adams.

Shanna Intille Wilcox ’88 and her daughters surfing in Hawaii.

The children of Christian Anderson Love ’90 during their family vacation to San Diego.

Sophia Rose Ellis, daughter of Melinda Hartnett ’90, was born December 3, 2008.

Wendy Moore Oglesby ’89 with her family: Husband Edward, daughter Katherine and newborn son Samuel Seay Oglesby, who was born February 17, 2009.

The children of Melinda Hartnett ’90: Sienna (5), Christopher (3), Tabitha (2) and newborn Sophia.

Hockaday’s 1st grade class (Class of 2020) during their group birthday party. Alum children Peggy Thompson (daughter of Shannon Saalfield Thompson ’89) and Alice Roberts (daughter of Katherine Rogers Roberts ’89) are in this picture.
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Emily Herndon has recently caught up with some of our former classmates – like Carrie Shepherd Stevens, Ashli Stonecipher, Stacy Young, Susan Reames and other former Hockadaisies via Facebook. Her job is going well; she is busy at UT Southwestern in neuroophthalmology. Michelle Harvey traveled to France this summer with her boyfriend. They stayed at a 14th century chateau owned by a friend where Caesar lost his battle with the Gauls. They also saw the Tour de France and went paragliding off a dormant volcano. Michelle still loves working at Children’s Medical Center. Paula Steinhberg Gremann and her family spent Thanksgiving in Chicago where Will’s hockey team, the Scots, were participating in a tournament. Clare is playing Duffy in a production of Annie. Paula had a great time coaching Jack’s kindergarten soccer team in the fall. Christian Anderson Love and her family traveled to San Diego last summer. LegoLand was a highlight! Jennifer Childs and her family, including Ellie (4) and Nate (2), welcomed baby sister, Chelsea Jaden Kugler, on August 13, 2008. Mom and dad are doing great and trying to manage the household with three children around. Jessica Setnick Schoen and her family, including husband Greg, and stepchildren Peyton and Derek, took a family vacation to Bethany Beach, Delaware. I (Melinda Hartnett) had our fourth baby, Sophia Rose Ellis, on December 3. Sienna (5), Christopher (3) and Tabitha (2) have a new baby brother, Liam Robert, August 11, 2008. Maya Mehnert Pitlakington welcomed her second little one, a baby boy, Liam Robert, August 11, 2008. Maya and her family recently relocated to Frederick, Maryland, where her husband is working for the National Cancer Institute at Fort Detrick. Ashley Holweg married Steve Watson, October 4, 2008, in her parents’ garden. Lynde Jones Schoeckopf was her matron of honor and Dory Hawn Sjoren was a bridesmaid. It was a magical evening surrounded by dear friends and family. She and Steve live in Dallas. She is a psychologist working as a VP in her father’s firm, conducting psychological assessments on executives for both selection and development. Lexi Hart has changed careers completely and started graduate school at SMU, where she is studying TV and film and works part-time for Apple teaching computer lessons. Heather Lawrence Hopper met up with Tracy Masserano this summer and spent time with Tracy’s daughter, Aya. Heather is piloting a new math program at Lakehill and teaches yoga at the JCC. She is working on a new Web site for her private and corporate yoga clients. She enjoys seeing Anna Barnett Wolf at carpool and drop-off at school where Ana’s daughter, Sophie, is in kindergarten. Ana has been married 10 years and has two daughters, Sophie and Tatum. She works at Exhale Spa teaching core fusion, an awesome class combining yoga, strength training and Pilates and has been yoga-certified for eight years. Yony Lee Kim has been busy with her husband’s new dental office in Colleyville, Signature Dental Arts, and they bought their first house in Grapevine. Tracey Chia recently came to stay with them from Singapore to attend Gretchen Head’s wedding. Susan Werner Stratton and Allison Rose were also in attendance. Allison Rose works full-time as an art director at a publishing company in Chicago. She also teaches screen-printing in the textile department part-time at Lillstreet Arts Center and, on the side, has a business called Blue Thimble and a studio at the Galaxie Performing Arts building where she makes her arts and crafts. View her work on www.bluethimble.etsy.com. Emily Loeb Love and her husband have been keeping busy with their two boys, Colin and Wilson; and she writes that they have joined together in a collective effort to guarantee that neither of them sleeps alone. While she has two boys, she points out that her sister, Elisabeth “Giggy” Loeb Jacobson ’89, has three little girls and will hopefully be able to carry on the Hockaday tradition. Lisa Bobbitt Georgalis reconnected with many of us and lives in Dallas with her husband of 12 years, Elia “Tom” Georgalis; and they have three children, Anastasia (Ana), Athan and Ava. She is a “career mom,” who helps out at her husband’s car dealerships, Empire Suzuki of Dallas and Plano, with the media and PR when needed. Kristine Maniago Sollami is moving to Austin and hopes to continue work on her wine importing company. Michael and Jackie Lokey Kelley just finished chairing a ball to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and spent five days in San Miguel de Allende at a Mexican wedding that lasted three days. Ashley Hick has spent her career working at advertising agencies and just made the jump over to client-side. She is now DVP of brand marketing at GameStop, the world’s largest video game and entertainment software retailer. Christina Zimmerman is in Florence, Italy, and has survived her first entirely Italian production! She reports that stage productions in Italian can be just as chaotic as in English! After spending the summer in Dallas, she traveled back to Europe just in time to sing “La Suora Zelatrice” in Suor Angelica by Puccini. Sarah Fry Close’s children are all healthy and doing well, and she still works part-time in marketing writing. She is in her second year as head of her neighborhood book club, is a homeroom mom for her daughter Emma’s class, chairs the new social committee for her, and has joined the Southlake Women’s Club. And, she ran her first half-marathon at the Rock ‘n’ Roll in San Antonio. Bettina Hein helped organize both her German high school reunion as well as the alumni conference for her Swiss alma mater in Washington, DC, in September. She also launched her new company, www. pixability.com, where they edit home videos for families. Wilson and Lynde Jones Schoekopf spent two weeks in Mozambique, staying at an eco-lodge in the Quirimbas Archipelago in the Indian Ocean. They also stayed at Lugenda Wilderness Camp. As for me (Julie Flamant Hamilton), my daughter, Sophie, just turned one.

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Brittany Windsor Harrell and her husband, Robert Harrell, welcomed their second baby girl, August 2, 2008. Mackenzie Lauren Harrell weighed 7 lbs 5 oz and was 20½ inches long. Big sister Madison (6) loves her sister and is quite the helper. Madison and Mackenzie recently got a Maltese puppy named Cotton to further expand the family. Cara Vestch Fierro writes: “Alfonso, William, Caroline and I are all doing well in San Diego. William (3½) is in his first year of pre-school three days a week, and Caroline Clare (18 months) is having lots of fun!” Cara and Alfonso recently traveled to Argentina and Uruguay, which she says was fantastic. Kate Bucchoin McDonald and her family love living in Austin. She has two growing children, Luke (5) and Megan (3). They had a wonderful time on a cruise and Disney vacation this summer with Aline Hui Loch and her family. Kate started a new job in August, working for a division of ADP. Lytte John Rebach writes: “(On November 3) I gave birth to our eleventh miracle.” Ransom Wimces Rebach was born three weeks early! He weighed 8 lbs 9 oz, and his nickname is ‘Handsome Ransom.’ He joins Daly Kay (13), Rylie (12), Bliss (10), Kemper (8), Glory Grace (6), Trinity (4), Courson (3), Liberty (2), Judson (1%) and Shepherd (1%). The older children have been extremely helpful, and everyone is doing well.” Finally, I (Anne Zimmermann Reich) also have happy news: Paul and I welcomed Olivia Brazton Rebach, July 5, 2008. She joined the world at 7 lbs 15 oz and is an absolute delight!

Stay tuned, Anne
The family of Lyette Johnson Reback ’91.

Lyette Johnson Reback’s ’91 newborn son, Ransom Witness Reback.


Jed and Margaret King Morse ’93 welcomed son, Samuel King Morse, February 20, 2009.

Cara Veatch Fiero ’91 and her one-year-old daughter, Caroline Clare.

Brittany Windsor Harrell’s ’91 daughters, Madison (6) and Mackenzie (3 months).

Olivia Braxton Reich, daughter of Anne Zimmerman Reich ’91.
I have been lucky to have many visitors to the DC area and have been able to catch up with Laurie Jones ’91 and Leigh Dealey DeMarco. Leigh and her family stayed over for a weekend; and I enjoyed spending time with her adorable two children, Benjamin and Celia. And, of course, I get to see Maggie Klancnik on a very regular basis; and we spent election night watching the returns together. As always, I enjoy hearing from everyone. In the last few months, many of us have reconnected on Facebook as well with old and new friends. If you are interested and do sign up, please look up either me or Sarah Fry Close and we will make sure that you are connected to our Class of ’92 page.

Julie

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From Georgia Armstrong Niles: “In January, I accepted a position with Impetus Trust, a ‘venture philanthropy’ charity that supports other charities in the UK by providing a combination of grants and professional expertise from a team of ‘pro bono experts’ (consultants, lawyers, and accountants who volunteer their time to build the capacity of nonprofit organizations). The new job combined with my volunteer work – I have served on the board of the Junior League of London for the past two years and have recently been selected to be the president-elect for next year – and a lovely 20-month-old, son, William (who is a true delight) will keep me very busy; but we’re still having a great time in London. Please look us up if you’re ever in town!”

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Yvette Pabiona Bhutani and her family moved to Houston in August, where her husband joined an allergy practice. They are building a house in the museum district, and Yvette is enjoying her time with her now 7-month-old daughter and taking her time to rejoin the workforce. She said it has been absolutely priceless to be able to watch her grow and develop. Natalie Hayden Kennedy is heading to Singapore for a few years. She said that while life may not lead her back to Texas, it seems that she is destined to spend at least a bit more of it in the Texas heat. Nakia Gray Scott said that she and her husband, Steven, are enjoying watching their son Colton’s wonderful personality develop. Nakia still enjoys her specialty of child psychiatry but is grateful that she is able to work part-time. Steven continues to work at Dell. Monice Cullum Appleton reports that Boone Yeager Appleton (born December 4, 2007 in Burlington, Vermont) is every bit as happy and energetic as his big brother, Jack (3).

Michelle Midyette is enjoying life in Dallas and travels frequently to New York and Los Angeles for her jewelry design business. Congratulations to Kathryn Balink Fernandez, who had a baby girl, Mary Adele Fernandez, October 31, 2008. Jennifer Parks married Michael Elliot Barth August 31, 2008, in Val, Colorado. It was a beautiful ceremony and a wonderful weekend for friends and family in the mountains. Daley Haggar is living in Los Angeles and writing for the show The Big Bang Theory. After 10 years in Washington, DC, Annie Whitworth Downing and her family moved to Austin. They are happy to be back in Texas and are really enjoying it . . . shortly after the move, they had a baby boy, Frederick Williamson Downing, born July 7. As for me, I (Susannah Moore) am still in Dallas and enjoying my job at Highside Capital Management. I look forward to seeing you in April for our 15th reunion!

Susannah

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Congratulations to Courtney Griffiths, who married Jason Davis, May 31, 2008, in Dallas! Sister Charlsie Griffiths ’98 served as Courtney’s attendant, and Adrienne Wilson Wagner was a lector. They live in Boston while Courtney finishes her last year of residency at Boston Children’s Hospital. Karin Brown Shoffner and her husband, Mark, are proud parents to daughter Reese (2). Karin works as legal counsel for the family business and recently obtained her real estate license. In addition, they recently traveled to New York to see Karin’s sister, Christine Brown Klayman ’96, and husband Gregg. Another busy working mom is Elizabeth Hooper O’Mahony. Not only are she and her husband happily raising daughter Ava Clare, born March 30, 2008, but Elizabeth also finds time to be a part-owner of V.O.D., a women’s boutique in Victory Park (www.vodboutique.com) and recently attended Fashion Week in NYC. She encourages you all to visit the boutique and spread the word!

Michelle Meyers Cohen lives in LA with her husband, Darren; daughter, Molly; and new addition, Emma Lily Cohen, born June 15, 2008. Michelle reports that “we are truly enjoying our little Emma and Molly, who is now in preschool, adores being a big sister! Erin Sitton lives in Colorado, with her husband Kevin. They welcomed their first child, Liam James Roarty, March 25, 2008. Molly Stewart Polacheck settled into a new house in New Canaan, Connecticut. She and her husband Jerry are the proud parents of a baby girl, Allison “Allie” Claire, born August 28, 2008. Allie joins big sisters Katie (4) and Kelly (3). Kelly Christensen Olson and her husband, Drew, relocated to Dallas after living in Kansas City for two years. Kelly is an account director.
Molly Cohen plays with little sister Emma Lily Cohen (born June 15, 2008). They are the children of Michelle Meyers Cohen ’95.

Colton Scott is the son of Steven and Nakia Gray Scott ’94.

Katie (4), Kelly (3) and newborn Allison “Allie” Claire (born August 28, 2008) are the children of Jerry and Molly Stewart Polacek ’95.

Grayson David Rozzell is the son of Anne Marie McDonald Rozzell ’95.

Katie Blaz Aheran ’95 with her husband Mike and daughter Madeline.


William Peter Myers is the son of Sarah Cox Myers ’94, born January 17, 2009.

Elizabeth Hooper O’Mahoney ’95 with her husband and daughter Ava Clare, born March 30, 2008.
with Barkley, a marketing/advertising firm based in Kansas City. She manages the national March of Dimes account and will continue working for Barkley remotely from Dallas. Laura Lewis is quite the globe trotter, having visited Germany, the British Virgin Islands, Japan, Napa Valley and Italy – all while pursuing an M.B.A. at Harvard! Marchenka White McCall is busy as the mother of two boys, Rhys (7) and Cyrus (4). She and her husband recently purchased a house in Virginia, and Marchenka teaches at the Montessori School of Charlottesville. She still enjoys photography and her “own brand of distinct eccentricity” (as if we would expect anything different!). In San Francisco, Danielle Lazier recently adopted a new Pomeranian, Mr. Mouse, who joins Pomeranian Frances. In addition, Danielle continues to help buyers and sellers of residential real estate and encourages everyone to read her blog at www.SFhotlist.com. Sarah Price Brown is in LA and enjoys taking care of her son, Noah. She frequently hits the parks and libraries with Joanna Clack Longo and her son, Tommy. Jennifer Gerard is also in LA and works for an ad agency on some amazing film and television projects. She spent the summer helping her boyfriend, Billy, recover from major head trauma after a motorcycle accident. Jennifer writes, “He is doing spectacularly well – kind of a miracle. He’s about to start slowly going back to work as a chef at Craft LA. Thanks to all the Hockadayis who sent thoughts and prayers throughout the tough days!” Carol Nakamoto is in NYC and works with her sister at their store, SugarHead Quarters. The sisters also run a marketing/consulting company and work with clients in both Japan and New York. Check out the store’s blog at www.sugarheadquarters.com and visit if you’re in New York! Also in NYC is Merrie Nell Speno who recently starred as the lead role of Sylvia in a reading of Tom Sime’s play Klutz Theory at the Bleeker Street Playhouse. Check out her other projects at www.merrieiellspenoe.com. Jaime Glick enjoyed the gorgeous fall colors and changes in season in her new hometown of Ithaca; however, she would like suggestions about coping with this winter season! Jaime is a financial representative with Allstate Financial and is learning the differences between practicing as a financial representative with Allstate Financial and changes in season in her new hometown.

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In her new position in government affairs with Barkley remotely from Dallas, Laura Lewis is quite the globe trotter, having visited Germany, the British Virgin Islands, Japan, Napa Valley and Italy – all while pursuing an M.B.A. at Harvard! Marchenka White McCall is busy as the mother of two boys, Rhys (7) and Cyrus (4). She and her husband recently purchased a house in Virginia, and Marchenka teaches at the Montessori School of Charlottesville. She still enjoys photography and her “own brand of distinct eccentricity” (as if we would expect anything different!). In San Francisco, Danielle Lazier recently adopted a new Pomeranian, Mr. Mouse, who joins Pomeranian Frances. In addition, Danielle continues to help buyers and sellers of residential real estate and encourages everyone to read her blog at www.SFhotlist.com. Sarah Price Brown is in LA and enjoys taking care of her son, Noah. She frequently hits the parks and libraries with Joanna Clack Longo and her son, Tommy. Jennifer Gerard is also in LA and works for an ad agency on some amazing film and television projects. She spent the summer helping her boyfriend, Billy, recover from major head trauma after a motorcycle accident. Jennifer writes, “He is doing spectacularly well – kind of a miracle. He’s about to start slowly going back to work as a chef at Craft LA. Thanks to all the Hockadayis who sent thoughts and prayers throughout the tough days!” Carol Nakamoto is in NYC and works with her sister at their store, SugarHead Quarters. The sisters also run a marketing/consulting company and work with clients in both Japan and New York. Check out the store’s blog at www.sugarheadquarters.com and visit if you’re in New York! Also in NYC is Merrie Nell Speno who recently starred as the lead role of Sylvia in a reading of Tom Sime’s play Klutz Theory at the Bleeker Street Playhouse. Check out her other projects at www.merrieiellspenoe.com. Jaime Glick enjoyed the gorgeous fall colors and changes in season in her new hometown of Ithaca; however, she would like suggestions about coping with this winter season! Jaime is a financial representative with Allstate Financial and is learning the differences between practicing as a financial representative with Allstate Financial and changes in season in her new hometown.
Charlie Middleton, daughter of Kelly Johnston Middleton ’96.

Brooke Temple Hernandez ’96 with her family.

Nicha Chowpakham ’96 with her son, Paul Perrin Fung.

Morgan McKenna Burnham ’97 and her son Jack.

Worth Ann Stites Herrell ’97 with her son, Mack.

Leslie Parker Hinton’s ’97 daughter, Audrey Adele.

Chancy Burnett Canon ’96 with her daughter, Catherine.

Peyton Olivia Johnson is the daughter of Courtney Jones Johnson ’97.

Charlie Middleton, daughter of Kelly Johnston Middleton ’96.

Kim Muncy Edwards ’95 with her son, Jake and daughter, Megan, and Kim’s sister, Jennifer Muncy ’01 and Jennifer’s son, Patrick.
and has been promoted to dean of students for next year at the Upward School at St. Andrew’s. Congratulations, Ed! Susan Dean writes, “My sister Natalie Dean ’04 and Becca Marcus came to Miami to visit for Art Basel. I starred in an indie film called Never Winter in December and have been cast in a few commercials/infomercials this spring. I also enjoyed the Food Network’s Miami Food & Wine Festival 2009!” Melissa Gaman writes, “This past year I bought a house with my boyfriend in Jersey City (the ‘next’ borough if you ask me) and am on staff in the test kitchens at Woman’s World magazine. I’ve reconnected with several classmates on Facebook and it’s been great seeing what everyone is doing.” Brooke Temple Hernandez is doing great in Mexico and writes, “I was married in May of 2005 to Francisco Hernandez and we had our first child, Benjamin James Hernandez, on February 22, 2008. We currently live in Comonfort, Guanajuato, but we should be moving back to the states in mid-2010, upon my husband’s Green Card approval. We hope to start a catering company once back in Dallas. In Mexico, we have a ranch where we grow alfalfa, corn, birdseed, beans and raise bulls. We also run the only thermal water pools off our land, which happen to be the only public pools in our town. I am trying to embrace my life in Mexico as one heck of a life experience. I miss you ask me) and am on staff in the test kitchens at Woman’s World magazine. I’ve reconnected with several classmates on Facebook and it’s been great seeing what everyone is doing.”

Many Hockadasies were bridesmaids: Margaret’s sister, Michelle Morgan Lockhart ’97, was the matron of honor and Brad’s sister, Daria Hirsch ’93, was a bridesmaid along with Paige Hunt Gialanella and Courtney Jones Johnson. Between old and new sisters and friends of more than 20 years, clearly, Hockaday girls are always there for each other! Margaret and Brad live in Dallas where Margaret is an attorney at K&L Gates LLP, and Brad is a third-year resident in general internal medicine at UT Southwestern. Nikki Gossen Green and Ed Green (SM ’97) got married, May 10, 2008, in Santa Barbara, California, and took an awesome honeymoon to Thailand for three weeks. They live in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where Ed is attending grad school at the University of Michigan. Nikki lives in Denver and skiing all the time! She is currently working as a staff attorney at Legal Aid outside of Detroit and really enjoys the nonprofit work. She was able to hang out with Stephanie Callausad, Lindsay Shaw Valente, Courtney Swayze and Nicole Latore at their wedding! Dena Fayad Guggenheim married David Guggenheim, August 9, 2008 in NYC (where they live). Leigh Bailey and Sarah Houldie were bridesmaids. Keep in touch Daisies!

The Class of 1997 has been busy the past six months changing careers, graduating from school, moving across the country, getting married, and having babies. It amazes me how much can change in 11 years. Marissa Downs graduated from Northwestern Law School in May 2008 and passed the Illinois Bar. She plans to work for Latham & Watkins’ Chicago office in the fall of 2009 but is taking a year off to clerk for the Alaska Supreme Court. She will be in Anchorage until September 2009 if anyone wants to visit! Dallas Duncan moved to Atlanta after four years of living in California. She is currently working for the Atlanta Opera as their in-house graphic designer. The Class of 1997 welcomed four new babies. Lyle Foster Scovell is having fun in Lubbock with her husband, Field, and son, John Field Scovell IV, who was born in September 2008. Morgan McKenna Burnham and her husband are in Austin and have a one-year-old little boy named Jack who is the light of their lives. Worth Anne Stites Herrell and her husband welcomed their son, Mack Thomas Herrell, October 5, 2008. They are adjusting to life with a newborn and loving every minute of it. Leslie Parker Hinton and her husband, Wes, are in Houston and welcomed their daughter, Audrey Adele, March 5, 2008. Leslie went back to work in September at ExxonMobil in the Baytown Chemical Plant as an engineering supervisor.

Carl Lentzsch Parcelles lives in Leslie Hinton’s neighborhood and recently joined a local practice as a pediatrician this summer when she completed her residency. She recently saw Lisa Robin Hartman and her husband when they were in Houston visiting. They are in the Dallas area this year before they move to San Diego for Lisa to begin her fellowship in pediatric hematology and oncology. Two Hockadasies decided to move back to Big D. Sarah Houldie is practicing law at a firm in North Dallas. Courtney Jones Johnson, husband Brian and daughter Peyton Olivia returned to Dallas in May 2008 and are happy to be back. Congratulations to our newlyweds!

Leslie Wexler was married in May of 2005 to Brad Hirsch (SM ’97) October 25, 2008, in a courtyard-garden ceremony at Dallas’ Temple Emanu-El. Many Hockadasies were bridesmaids: Margaret’s sister, Michelle Morgan Lockhart ’97, was the matron of honor and Brad’s sister, Daria Hirsch ’93, was a bridesmaid along with Paige Hunt Gialanella and Courtney Jones Johnson. Between old and new sisters and friends of more than 20 years, clearly, Hockaday girls are always there for each other! Margaret and Brad live in Dallas where Margaret is an attorney at K&L Gates LLP, and Brad is a third-year resident in general internal medicine at UT Southwestern. Nikki Gossen Green and Ed Green (SM ’97) got married, May 10, 2008, in Santa Barbara, California, and took an awesome honeymoon to Thailand for three weeks. They live in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where Ed is attending grad school at the University of Michigan. Nikki lives in Denver and skiing all the time! She is currently working as a staff attorney at Legal Aid outside of Detroit and really enjoys the nonprofit work. She was able to hang out with Stephanie Callausad, Lindsay Shaw Valente, Courtney Swayze and Nicole Latore at their wedding! Dena Fayad Guggenheim married David Guggenheim, August 9, 2008 in NYC (where they live). Leigh Bailey and Sarah Houldie were bridesmaids. Keep in touch Daisies!

Courtney

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Hello, Class of 1999. We hope you are doing well. If you have lost touch with Hockaday, please contact the alumnae office or e-mail Hockaday99@gmail.com to update your information. Our 10-year reunion is coming up, and we want everyone to be there! A few updates from our class: Srdi Seeram is working as a mixed animal practitioner in Moses Lake, Washington. She recently met up with Kate Jeffrey Williamson and Melissa Corley while they were in Washington State. Becca Nycum Elder is living in London and working in sales for Google. She recently saw Ellen McCullough, Mia Bongiovanni and Victoria Montgomery Cullum at the Stanford University five-year reunion. Robyn Schwartz Siegel is still living in Los Angeles. Last summer she had dinner with Kristen Tucker, Juliana McCarthy and Ashley Pittman. She is currently working in art advisement with her mother. Meredith Russell Francis and Sara Franklin Gail both graduated from SMU’s Dedman School of Law in May. Meredith and her husband, Tyler, just moved to Snowmass, Colorado. Sara is practicing law in Dallas at Haynes and Boone, LLP. Christel Fulton, Devonie Johnstone Coble, Robyn Schwartz Siegel, Meredith Stites and Erin Smith recently took a girls’ trip to Sante Fe. Ceylan Yukler moved to Amsterdam to work on the Adidas account for TBWA advertising agency as global network manager. She saw Lilly Albritton and Anne-Sophie Lamp in last year in Paris. Kathleen Stetson recently received her master’s in architectural acoustics and is working as an acoustical engineer at Arup in NYC. We also heard from Elizabeth Boysen, whom we haven’t heard from in a long time! Since graduating college, she has received a master in liberal arts and married Bret Hoffman. She ran a few marathons and is lives in Austin. Nithya Swamy completed medical school at the University of Chicago and has moved back to Dallas to start her residency in internal medicine. Finally, Kelly Brantly Little, Victoria Montgomery Cullum and Katia Bougeava Lee attended the wedding of Kate Williams Dicker in Oxford, England, on August 3, 2008. Kelly and her husband, Mitch, spent a few days in London before meeting everyone in Oxford for a weekend of wedding festivities! She writes, “The wedding was absolutely amazing!” We look forward to seeing everyone in April! Sara, Kate, Meredith, Charlotte and Anne are planning on seeing everyone in April!

Many congratulations are in order for our classmates this fall! Congratulations to Laura Tobolowsky who was married earlier this year! Congratulations also to Leila Parvizian who was married in December 2008. And, I (Sonya Mirbagheri) recently spoke to Fiona Murphy who also had exciting news: she married Roman Mazurenko, a Ukrainian she met while serving as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Ukraine, earlier this year. Fiona is currently a second year master’s of public affairs student at the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin and will graduate in May 2009. Tara Lynn Neubrand and her husband, Tracey, are recovering from Hurricane Ike outside of Galveston. Tara is travelling around the country interviewing for pediatric residency programs which she’ll start after med school graduation in May. Barbara Lawson Heli graduated from medical school (UTMB) in May 2008 and is now a doctor at Johns Hopkins Hospital, doing her residency in internal medicine. She and her husband just bought a house in Baltimore. Keep in touch!

Sonya
a second year law student at Texas Tech School of Law. This past summer, she worked as a legal intern at the Supreme Court of Texas and for Buckner International, a nonprofit in Dallas. Julia Reed lives in Chicago and will finish her master’s degree in library science at the University of Illinois. She works also at the Newberry Library in Chicago. Katie Ackerman Rhamey and husband Patrick, (along with their dogs Dagny and Hank) moved to Tucson, Arizona, for school. Patrick received his master’s in political science from the University of Georgia and is now pursuing his Ph.D. at the University of Arizona. Katie is attending the James E. Rogers College of Law at the University of Arizona. Katie Ruggeri is at SMU working towards her master’s in early childhood education and will graduate next year.

Caroline Stevenson will be graduating from Duke Law School in May and has accepted a job at a law firm in Boston. She is the managing editor of one of the law journals at Duke and works in a legal clinic that provides free legal services to people with HIV. Emily Tang has been working in Palm Springs and San Francisco for the past two years but plans to move back to NYC soon.

Meghan Titzer works for BCG. She recently returned from several months of working in the Munich and Dubai offices. While in Mumbai, she also played classical violin for her company’s rock band.

Keep in touch, Daues! Margaret

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Sarah Stuart lives in San Francisco and works for the Northern California Institute for Research and Education (SF Veterans Affairs Medical Center) doing research on non-melanoma skin cancer. Jaime Crowley is at UT Southwestern Medical School to earn her Ph.D in clinical psychology. Maria Caulder is at Texas A&M for a master’s in international affairs with a focus in national security and received a fellowship for both years of study last summer, she interned with the Department of Defense where she worked on counterterrorism issues facing Afghanistan. She hopes to return to DC to work as a defense planner or military analyst. Stephanie Swingle works in Houston but travels most of the time for Accenture’s strategy practice. Izabella Dennis works in NYC as a furniture merchant for West Elm. Amy Brousard graduated from University of Texas at Arlington with a master’s in social work. Emily McDowell is earning a master’s in geology at the University of Texas at Austin. Amber Webb is a second year law student at Texas Tech. She is on the Administrative Law Journal, a civil procedure tutor, and president of the Black Law Students Association. She will be clerking this summer at Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP in Dallas. Coincidentally, her first interview at the firm was with Jennifer Keener Judge ’01.

Whitney Anderson works in finance for Rolls-Royce and just finished a six-month placement in Singapore. Her new role is in England. Tina Lalangas returned to Dallas from Chicago and is in her first year at Baylor College of Dentistry. Jesslyn Apple is in her second year of Teach for America in NYC. Tess Garton received her M.A. in psychology from Stanford. Anita Carleo is in her second year of optometry school in Houston at the University of Houston – College of Optometry. Eunice Yi lives in NYC and works for Fortress Investment Group in their private equity group. Sarah Chung returned from teaching overseas as a physics teacher. She was part of Campaign Corps in DC and worked as a finance assistant for a gubernatorial candidate in Indiana who won the Democratic Primary. She currently works at Baker Botts, LLP in Dallas and is applying to law school. Mary Durbin is in her first year of law school at Wash U and recently participated in Amate House, a volunteer program in Chicago, at an NGO that provides legal services to immigrants. Joanne Hong and Katy Rogers are currently students at UT Southwestern. Katy is in her second year of medical school, and Joanne just started clinicals in her second year of PA school. Julia Ford works at a marketing research firm in Los Angeles and graduated from USC last year. Erin Lin spent the past year living in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, doing public health research with USAID on a Fulbright Scholarship. She is now at Princeton as a politics Ph.D. student. Kim Tuthill lives in Nashville and is a first-year student at Vanderbilt Law School. Allie Potolin lives in Salt Lake City doing marketing for the Sundance Film Festival. Elizabeth Dreyfuss graduated from SMU in May. She lives in Dallas and works for E2M Partners.

Hayden Eberhart is earning her master’s in vocal arts at USC. She is preparing for both her master’s recital and the USC spring opera, Don Giovanni, where she will be playing the role of Zerlina. (Casey Potter) is working the fall in San Luis Obispo, California, working with the new Chi Omega chapter at Cal Poly. Last summer, I visited former classmate, Maxi Sherman, in Ann Arbor, where she is getting her master’s at University of Michigan. I will finish my two years as a consultant for Chi Omega in May and will begin law school at the University of Chicago in September. Thanks to everyone who submitted updates!

Miss you all! Casey

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Lauren C. Smith’s ’04 thesis, “Re-evaluating Poverty Alleviation Strategies: The Impact of Microfinance on Child Labor in Bangladesh,” was accepted and published by the Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP). CGAP is an affiliate of the World Bank, which is a consortium of governmental, intergovernmental and private development agencies working together to provide access to financial services for the poor in developing countries. CGAP serves development agencies, financial institutions, government policymakers, regulators, auditors and rating agencies. Lauren earned a B.A. cum laude in International Relations from Claremont McKenna College in 2008 which included sequence studies of the Holocaust, genocide and human rights. Congratulations, Lauren!

2005

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Carson Glasscock graduates in May with a double major in biomedical engineering and art history. On the engineering side, she began a group project to design and build a wheelchair for women and started a project to design an electrical circuit that can detect pH levels in a person’s body. She chaired the Chi O fashion show benefitting Make–A–Wish Foundation and raised over $10,000!

Hong Virrell left Tisch School of the Arts and is taking time off before finishing at Gallatin, NYU’s School for Individualized Study, concentrating in spiritual healing journeys. Nicole Keller is majoring in art history, minoring in creative writing and graduating in May. She works at the campus’ art museum doing research. She plans on staying in NYC next year and hopes to work with a children’s museum. Carrin Nicole Pittman will graduate with a B.S. in international business and is applying to various law schools. Alex Baker will graduate with a double major in art history and journalism. She is social chair for Phi Mu and Panhellicnlelde for the Student Government Association. Allison Richie is majoring in art history with a minor in Spanish. She studied in Granada, Spain, and is back finishing her last year at Fordham. She is VP of Student Life for the United Student Government and works at Ram Village (the inter-campus transportation system). She interned for a local start-up called WAT-AAH!, bottled water for kids, and also works once a week for artist Ruth Klugman, former partner to Jackson Pollock and Willem de Kooning. Rachelle Alpern is at Yale, majoring in political science with a concentration in international public health. She interned as a research assistant for a professor at the Yale School of Public Health and last summer lived in Monrovia, Liberia, working for the Clinton Foundation. She plans to return to Africa post-graduation for a few years. Erika Hoops will graduate from Georgetown with a marketing and international business joint degree. She plans to move to NYC to work as an assistant buyer for Bloomingdale’s. Oshuma Garg is finishing her degree in biomechanical engineering at Stanford. Last spring, she took time off to start a company called Anapatu, and now she works part-time and goes to school part-time. The company helps job recruiters and diversity-focused student groups at colleges around the U.S. connect with each other.
Bunshah hopes to manage Anapata after college.

Jasmine Aineteian is in her final year at Johns Hopkins School of Public Policy where she is working four jobs: two with public health research studies and two with Kaplan Test Prep. This year, she takes classes at the public health school with grad students as part of her major in public health studies and is in her second year as the student director of a tutorial project at Johns Hopkins. Christina Collins graduated from USC with a B.A. in political science and minor in communications in the entertainment industry. She is applying for law school and hopefully will be back in Texas or close by! Sarah Lorenzen, at USC, spent the summer in LA taking a class and working in a neuroscience lab on her own research project, which has been the “most amazing experience of [her] life.” Now she is applying to graduate programs in neuroscience.

Whitney Mason is at USC finishing her degree in psychology with a minor in nutrition. She is the historian for Alpha Phi and a member of its executive board. Whitney interned this summer for Fluid Music Networks in marketing and A&R and now is interning at Interscope Records in digital/mobile marketing. Kathryn Lookadoo is at Trinity in San Antonio and is a double major in communication and Spanish with a minor in communication management. She is a camera operator for a weekly talk show on her school’s TV station, spirit chair of her local sorority, member of the Greek Council Judicial Board, the leadership team for InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, and president of her school’s chapter of Mortar Board. Abby Hook is currently the director of campus events for SMU’s Panhellenic Association, the student senate scholarship chair, and the collegiate member of the Capital Campaign for Delta Gamma. She spent this past summer interning for Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison in DC, and she hopes to return there next year for law school. Alden Katz, a senior at SMU, spent the summer in Dallas interning at The Richards Group as a PR intern where she is continuing to intern this fall. She also went to Minneapolis/St. Paul in September and interned with CNN during the Republican National Convention. Phoebe Slocum worked with an AEA Shakespeare festival in Hudson Valley. She is in her final year at Sarah Lawrence, finishing her concentrations in theater and nonfiction writing. Phoebe is currently stage managing Chekov’s The Seagull and the musical Urinetown. She also teaches theater classes to teenagers at a foster home/school. Kristen Kang graduates from UNC with a B.S.B.A. from the Kenan-Flagler Business School and a minor in Spanish. She is treasurer of UNCs women’s club tennis team and secretary of the outreach division of student government. This summer, she lived with Abby Ryan in Houston and interned as a financial analyst in Goldman Sachs’ private wealth management division, where she will be returning to work after graduation. Abby is at Rice, planning to graduate soon with a degree in mechanical engineering. She is currently the president of her residential college and captain of her powder-puff team. This past summer was “awesome” living with Kristen and working as an intern in NASA’s emergency systems division turning moon dirt into oxygen. Ashley Walker is on track to graduate from Olin in May 2009 with a degree in electrical and computer engineering. It looks like she will be heading into the aerospace industry after graduation. She also spent this summer with NASA at the Ames Research Center working on a small satellite prototyping project, COTSAT, which is set to launch in March 2009 if all goes well. Stephanie Kiehnle is in her final year at UT Austin as a mathematics actuarial science major. This past summer, she was an actuarial intern for Towers Perrin in their retirement department and she passed her first actuarial exam (four to go!), the SOA Exam FM. She is president of Texas Splash, the official spirit group for Texas Swimming and Diving (if you watched the Olympics, you saw some of the present swimmers, plus Kristy Coventry is an unofficial assistant coach for the women’s team). Hannah Flory is at UT where she is finishing her government major. Hannah interned this summer at an allergy and asthma clinic in Austin, helping with procedures and reconciling insurance problems. Brielee Payne spent this summer as a camp counselor at Blue Mountain Ranch in Colorado and applying to medical school. She is at UT and will graduate in with a degree in Spanish and biology. Brielee is still a sexual health peer educator with University Health Services where she teaches classes about birth control and sexual health trivia. Dianne Goode is in a five-year program at UT, working on her architecture degree. Kathleen Campbell is in her fourth year at Wash U in St. Louis and will graduate with a degree in architecture. Last semester, she was abroad in Florence studying art history and 20th century architecture. This past summer, she worked for Wilson Associates, an architecture firm in Dallas. Jordan Ler is a senior at Ohio State and spent the summer in NYC interning at Gen Art. The company was fantastic, and she was offered a job but isn’t sure if she can handle the big city “for real” after graduating. Hannah Miller clerked at her dad’s law office, and in between the small town he-said-she-stole-my-cow cases, she got a lot of practice doing legal writing/research and is looking forward to maybe going to law school next year. She is still toying with the idea of joining the Peace Corps or Teach for America. She plans on graduating from Sewanee with a major in European history and a minor in Spanish. Morgan Manser is also at Sewanee and has a position for next summer in Nashville at Creative Artists Agency; she writes of “big dreams to be Hockaday’s own Ari Gold [like on HBO’s Entourage].” Michelle Fox is graduating from Vanderbilt with a double major in human and organizational development and Spanish. She interned for DeBeers in NYC, it was “really great,” but she’s not sure if she wants to go back there post-graduation. She is also interning in marketing with a magazine called Nashville Lifestyles. Audrey Orchard will also graduate from Vanderbilt, with a major in Spanish and a minor in sociology. She has decided to go the nursing route so is currently loading up on nursing school prerequisites. After graduation she plans to spend the summer working at a dude ranch either in Wyoming or Colorado, before returning to Dallas to apply to nursing schools. Margreta Wikert, also at Vanderbilt, is working towards a corporate strategy major and sociology minor and wants to move to Austin, Southern California or DC to do marketing/advertising/PR after graduating. Last summer she enjoyed working in NYC for Chiopair and living with Stephanie Bulger, Amy Rus, Summer Billingsley and Morgan Manser. Britanni Carter-Durant will graduate from Mizzou with a degree in communication and a minor in business. She is still an active member of the Intercollege Communication of Mizzou as the secretary, and recently joined Lambda Pi Eta, the communication honors fraternity. Additionally, Britanni is working at MU’s News Bureau, which does all of the PR for the university. Another Mizzou Tiger, Laura Petersen, is back in the U.S. after being abroad for a majority of 2008, studying photojournalism and psychology. She spent a wonderful five months studying in Cordoba, Argentina, where she ran into Melissa Saldaña on a trip in the Andes! Immediately after Argentina, she flew over to Beijing for two months to work with the Olympic News Service. Laura was specifically working at the tennis venue and saw many of the grand slam stars! Melissa Saldaña will be graduating in May with a double major in Clinical science and Hispanic studies from Columbia. She spent a semester in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and plans on law school after taking a year off to work post-graduation. Currently, she works for the New York State Attorney General and does research for a graduate school professor. Also at Columbia, Sasha Stewart is finishing her degree in film studies and has to take some time off because she was unfortunately diagnosed with a rare kidney disease called Medullary Cystic Kidney Disease for which she will require a kidney transplant. The good news is that she is well on way to finding a donor, though, which is great! She spent the summer studying 3D animation in France and after the surgery, will be looking for a job in TV/film production, post-production or development back in NYC while she gets this whole “comedy career” thing off the ground. Tori See studied abroad in Barcelona, taking Spanish classes and interning with a small publishing firm. She is a senior at Carnegie Mellon and is applying for jobs in graphic design or advertising. Also at CMU, Ellen Cluba spent her summer in NYC working as a policy aide at the Drug Policy Alliance. She would like to pursue a master’s of public health. Krystin Meidel is in her fourth year at Carnegie Mellon. She spent the summer in Pittsburgh taking classes and is probably going to stay at CMU for a master’s of engineering and public policy. Jessica Duby is at Harvard, studying psychology. She’s currently in the medical school application process for schools in the U.S. and Canada (yet is also toying with the idea of deferring and taking some time off to teach). Louiza Martinez is scheduled to graduate
from Harvard in 2010 after taking a year off to work and study in Dallas. She is a social anthropology major and studied at the Universidad de las Americas Puebla in Mexico during fall of her junior year. There, she took courses in anthropology, physics and Náhuatl, one of the indigenous languages of the region. Elizabeth Good will graduate from Penn with a degree in finance and international relations. After graduation, Elizabeth will return to London (where she was this summer) to work for JP Morgan as an investment banking financial analyst, most likely with the financial institutions group. Shuchi Talati spent her summer in DC interning in the senate with Barack Obama. She is finishing her degree at Northwestern in environmental engineering and is applying to graduate schools in environmental policy. Caroline Keener is at Trinity in San Antonio finishing her last year of volleyball after quite a prolific career throughout high school and college. Trinity just won its conference for the 15th time. She will graduate with a B.S. in business. She is involved with intramurals and is coaching with a local club. Ally Squires is graduating from Rhodes College with a major in political science and a minor in Spanish. She is working for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and hopes to move to Washington, DC, after graduation. Katy LaJone graduates from Emory with a double major in international studies and viola performance. She hopes to pursue a master’s in applied science and then attend veterinan school the following year. In February, she played a concert in NYC’s Lincoln Center! Colleen Downs is finishing her double major in chemistry and Spanish at Wake Forest. She has applied to the Texas med school system and is waiting to hear back. Also at Wake Forest, Kelsey Swingle is serving this year as recruitment chair for Delta Delta Delta sorority. She graduates with a finance degree and will be working at JP Morgan in Dallas next year. Jennifer Morris graduated from Boston University in ’08 (one year early) with a degree in business administration. She then participated in the semester intensive at the Kripalu Center for Yoga and Health, a life-changing and revolutionary approach to education. It’s experientially oriented and rooted in yogic philosophy. Unfortunately, the program was cancelled; but she is staying there for a while, working with the professional trainings office which oversees the professional schools of Ayurveda, yoga and massage. As for myself (Molly Bierman), I am at Duke studying mechanical engineering and math. I am president of Campus Council, Duke’s residential student government. About 85 percent of students reside on-campus, so this role keeps me very busy. I also play club field hockey and am in Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. I got to see Jennifer Bierman at the Duke/Wake football game. Thank you to all who submitted updates, please continue to keep in touch! Molly Bierman

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Erin Harris, along with 20 Austin-based students, traveled to Argentina through Texas Hillel and the Joint Distribution Center for an alternative spring break. She participated in various community service projects to help Argentinean Jews whose community was devastated by the economic crisis of 2001. Crystal Jackson will be graduating this May with a degree in communication studies and a minor in Spanish. After graduating, she hopes to spend the summer studying Latin American culture in Argentina. Jennifer Zavaleta is interning for the Instituto de Invertir to study development policy in Lima, Peru this summer. Rachel Spradley is spending the spring semester at an abroad program in Buenos Aires, Argentina studying Spanish and Latin American art and literature. Christy Yip went to the University of Hong Kong this spring to study the economic system of Hong Kong. Farrell Rafkin is planning to spend the summer in New York City where she will be interning with clothing designer, Lela Rose. Elizabeth Baker was elected president of the Alpha Delta Pi sorority at Furman University. Prior to this, she was the director of social enrichment. Her tenure as president started in January of 2009 and will continue until January of 2010. Natalie and Jennifer

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MARRIAGES
1980  Sheila Spratt to William Fix, August 2008
1982  Claire McCracken to Steve Albert Galetti, September 26, 2008
1983  Caroline Haynes to Mario Lopez, August 16, 2008
1986  Adrienne Gruben to Jason Free, March 21, 2009
1986  Lisa Leeb to Roey Hershkovitz, January 31, 2009
1992  Ashley Hollweg to Steve Watson, October 4, 2008
1994  Kathryn Balink to Ron Fernandez, May 12, 2007
1994  Courtney Elliott Itson to William James Itson, January 6, 2009
1994  Sarah Cox Myers to William Peter Myers, January 17, 2008
1995  Michelle Meyers Cohen to Emma Lily Cohen, June 15, 2008
1995  Elizabeth Hooper O’Mahoney to Ava Clare, March 20, 2008
1995  Molly Stewart Polacek to Allison “Allie” Clare, August 28, 2008
1995  Anne Marie McDonald Rozzell to Grayson David Rozzell, April 2008
1996  Tracy Ruff Bakshi to Maya Bakshi, February 19, 2008
1996  Cathy Fay Moss to Connor King and Phoebe Catherine, August 20, 2008
1997  Margaret Johansen to Brad Hirsch, October 25, 2008
1997  Niki Gossen to Ed Green, May 10, 2008
1997  Dena Fayad to David Guggenheim, August 9, 2008
1997  Margaret King Morse to Samuel King Morse, March 14, 2008
1997  Monece Cullum Appleton to Boone Yeager Appleton, December 4, 2007
1999  Wendy Moore Oglesby to Samuel Seay Oglesby, February 17, 2009
1999  Jennifer Childs to Chelsea Jaden Kugler, August 13, 2008
2001  Katrina Cardenas to Eric Williams, October 4, 2008

BIRTHS
1985  Margaret Flanagan Solomon to Gretchen “Greta” Neuhoff Solomon, October 27, 2008
1988  Erica Bruce to Sarah Alexandra, June 13, 2008
1988  Moerne Hayes, Matthew Hayes, December 6, 2007
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1991  Brittany Windsor Harrell to Mackenzie Lauren Harrell, August 2, 2008
1991  Romy Cohen Kirwin to Emma Claire, December 31, 2008
1991  Anne Zimmerman Reich to Oliva Braxton Reich, July 5, 2008
1992  Tracy Ruff Bakshi, Maya Bakshi, February 19, 2008
1992  Cathy Fay Moss, Connor King and Phoebe Catherine, August 20, 2008
1992  Maya Metni Pilkington to Liam Robert, August 11, 2008
1993  Margaret King Morse to Samuel King Morse, March 14, 2008
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1994  Annie Whitworth Downing to Frederick Williamson Downing, July 7, 2008
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1997  Leslie Parker Hinton to Audrey Adele, March 5, 2008
1997  Lyle Foster Scovell to John Field Scovell IV, September 4, 2008

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1935  Laura Louise White McClung to Laura McClung ’87
1937JC  Jean Stokes Howell, February 4, 2009
1937JC  Dorothy Hardy Seals to Jan Hardy Hickey ’66
1939  Jane Phillips Lunan to Jan Hardy Hickey ’66
1940  Loise Henderson Wessendorf to Jan Hardy Hickey ’66
1940  Barbara Ann Bidwell Winn to Jan Hardy Hickey ’66
1942JC  Dixie Seidel Potter to Jan Hardy Hickey ’66
1943  Mary Stuart Buchanan to Jan Hardy Hickey ’66
1943JC Janet Whitcomb Logsdon, March 2, 2008  
sister of Clare Whitcomb Bianchi ’44
1943JC Gay Powell Miller, January 25, 2008
1944JC Jane Ashby Wiggans, December 26, 2008
1947JC Bettie Blalock Williams, March 15, 2008  
cousin of Jody Blalock Brelsford ’45JC

1948 Eleanor Worth Lawhon White, August 27, 2008  
sister of Polly Lawhon Harper ’51, sister-in-law of  
Gene White Boland ’41 and grandmother of  
Worth Anne Stites Herrell ’97 and  
Meredith Lee Stites ’99
1949 Jane Holland Browning, April 7, 2009, mother of  
Kathryn Browning Cook ’72, Averille Browning Dawson ’73 and  
Fallon Browning Vaughn ’77, and grandmother of  
Carrie Dawson ’01 and Browning Vaughn ’08
1952JC Betto Griffin, February 10, 2009  
mother of Jami Thomas Rabon ’74
1955 Marcia Murray Beveridge, February 19, 2009  
sister of Galen Murray Bacuhman ’61 and mother of  
Alex Beveridge Davis ’67
1955 Martha Mossman McBride, March 28, 2009
1960 Mildred Adger Glassell, February 26, 2009
1960 Lousanne Wise Yandell, October 29, 2008
1965 Anne Washburne Hiller, January 18, 2009  
sister of Caroline “Jinx” Washburne Heyer ’66, sister-in-law of  
Leslie Maclay Washburne ’74, aunt of Sarah Washburne ’01  
and grandmother of Britton Barcus (Class of 2021)
1966 Lucile Lacy Taylor, March 19, 2009  
cousin of Ann Lacy Brown ’71
1967 Diane Turner Bowes, January 5, 2009  
mother of Ashley Bowes Cash ’90

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Paula Ackerman Menendez ’87 and Samantha Ackerman Simons ’01 and  
great-grandmother of Emma Mechtilda Simons (Class of 2021),  
February 17, 2009
Bob Cottingham, husband of Anne Tooie Cottingham ’48,  
October 19, 2008
Joseph Davley, husband of Gloria “Gigi” Gobble Dawley ’56,  
September 15, 2008
Zelma Draper, mother of Marilyn Draper Brown ’48 and Lee Draper Elder ’58  
and stepmother to Myra Jo Draper Perley ’45, September 28, 2008
Thelma Quillian Goodrich, mother of Thelma Goodrich ’58 and  
Lucy Goodrich Papillon ’59, December 20, 2008
Elizabeth Holloway, former Hockaday faculty member,  
December 31, 2008
Lewis F Jaggi, husband of Robbye Oram Jaggi ’43 and father of  
Gay Jaggi Anderson ’71, April 2009
Mary Lila Galloway McMillan, former Hockaday faculty member,  
February 25, 2009
Mother of Moerne Hayes ’88, January 17, 2008
Mother of Denise Smith Thompson ’80, August 14, 2008
Pauline Nusser, former Hockaday faculty member, February 26, 2009
Manuel Reyes, 20-year member of the Hockaday maintenance staff,  
April 2, 2009
David Sands, son of Caroline Rose Hunt ’39 and father of  
Lydia Sands ’99 and Julia Sands ’05, April 6, 2009
Wilma F Shields, mother of Janet Shields Maloney ’73 and  
grandmother of Alileen Maloney Allen ’02 and Lisa Ann Maloney ’06,  
April 14, 2008
Joseph Irion Worsham, husband of Harriet Lang Worsham ’32,  
father of Alice Worsham Bass ’56 and Raguet Worsham Hall ’65,  
grandfather of Ann Aston Ratelle ’80 and great-grandfather of  
Augusta Aston (Class of 2014), Alexandra Aston (Class of 2014) and  
Catherine Ratelle (Class of 2009), October 14, 2008
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