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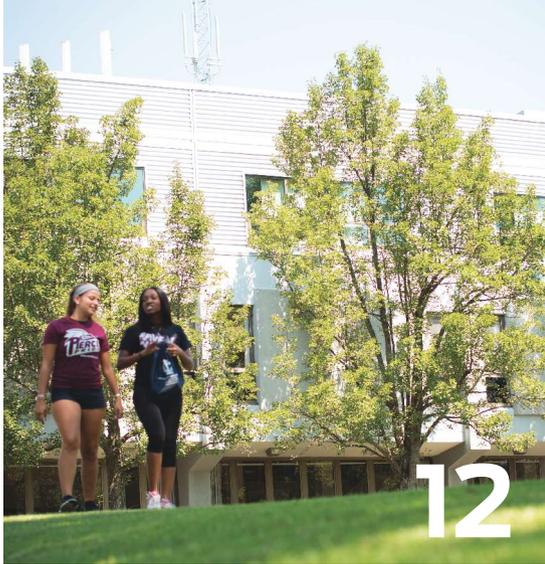
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## New Beginnings

**W**hen I started my tenure as Franklin Pierce University's sixth President this past August, it was a profound moment for me. I came to Franklin Pierce as a freshman in 1979, and our small school, with Mount Monadnock as its imposing backdrop, was a much different place. There was no Bubble. There was no Fitzwater Center. There were no graduate programs or online degrees.

Wow, how things have changed! And yet, the best of Franklin Pierce remains.

My four years at Franklin Pierce (1979-1983) transformed me. I grew in confidence, in believing in my ability to succeed, and in knowing that my university (then college) gave me a strong foundation upon which to build my career. I earned degrees in English and psychology here – taking almost every class in Marcucella Hall – and went on to earn a Ph.D. in social psychology from the University of New Hampshire. From UNH, I headed to my faculty position in northern New York at St. Lawrence University.

Like many of our classmates and fellow alumni, my commitment to Franklin Pierce has been lifelong. I served on the Alumni Board of Directors for two years and right after that on the Board of Trustees from 2001 to 2008. I stepped off the Board to serve as Interim Provost and that same year, also served as Acting President for six months. My ongoing role as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs started in 2009.

I believe in the power of the Franklin Pierce experience to transform students' lives. I believe in the

passion our professors have for their work and the education of our students. I believe in the collective and shared pride of our alumni as we reflect on our history and contribute to the shape of this University's future.

I am honored to take the helm of this institution I love, and I am excited for what lies ahead. As the first woman and first alumna to lead Franklin Pierce, I am aware of the historic nature of my appointment. Franklin Pierce is a place where students find their strengths, passions, voices, and themselves, as I did. It is a place where our faculty, staff, and students care deeply for each other and celebrate our differences and successes. It is a place that I am proud to be from – and very proud to lead.

As you read this beautiful magazine, I hope you will feel connected (or re-connected) to our wonderful main campus in Rindge or to our impressive graduate programs and centers. In the years ahead, I will continue to find ways to expand and enhance our curriculum, provide greater co-curricular and internship opportunities for our students, and build on the shared successes of the last 54 years.

We are small, but powerful in our capacity to transform futures. Franklin Pierce helped me discover not only who I was, but who I could be. I truly look forward to helping the next generation of students do the same.

**KIM MOONEY '83, PH.D.**  
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# Homecoming

It's hard to capture on the page how excited I am to be part of *Pierce* magazine as its new editor. In so many ways, it represents a homecoming for me — a chance to reconnect with the University nearly two and a half decades after I left its mountain views and close-knit community. This issue gave me the opportunity to catch up with two former classmates, Kaleo Griffith '92 [see page 17] and Jason Lassen '92 [see page 36], and perhaps most fun of all, I got to do a little role reversal. The

Franklin Pierce Fire Company feature [see page 24] is by Gregory DL Morris. Gregory is the editor who gave me my first paying freelance story assignment, way back in 2004, for a magazine that no longer exists. It was great fun to serve as editor to his writer, and the story is terrific.

I hope you enjoy the slices of University life that are captured on these pages. The Franklin Pierce community is a dynamic one with our alumni doing everything from working with the National Basketball Association [see page 18] to bringing history to life in Williamsburg [see page 10], helping the disabled to scuba dive [see page 11] and honoring each other for lifelong commitments to the school [see page 49]. Our students had the very real chance to watch democracy in action, conducting a national poll [see page 16] that shined a spotlight on our small school. Generations of Ravens shared what it means to be legacy families [see page 30], and our Alumni Association Board of Directors works tirelessly to ensure that future generations of Ravens will enjoy the support and quality education you and I have received.

We all know that Pierce is a special place. We all have vivid memories of our time here. Pierce shaped us and gave us a foundation upon which we built the rest of our grown-up lives. While we are diverse, and have scattered near and far from southwestern New Hampshire, we have one thing in common: we are Ravens.

Across coming issues, we'll share more stories about the people who make Franklin Pierce unique, and we hope you'll help us find them. An alumni magazine, by its nature, belongs to all of us. Let us hear your stories: send in a class note, write and tell us who has an interesting career or reached a milestone we shouldn't ignore, drop a line and tell us how we're doing.

I am so looking forward to being part of the great team that publishes *Pierce* twice each year. I hope that it will become something you look forward to seeing in your mailbox.

Pierce Pride!



**Pierce shaped us and gave us a foundation upon which we built the rest of our grown-up lives. While we are diverse, and have scattered near and far from southwestern New Hampshire, we have one thing in common: we are Ravens.**

*Holly*

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# RAVENINGS

Taking the Lead

## An Historic Appointment

Kim Mooney '83, Ph.D. Takes the Helm at Franklin Pierce

**K**im Mooney recalls the moment when the legacy of her appointment as Franklin Pierce University's sixth President crystallized for her. In addition to being the first woman and first alumna in the role, there is another dimension with tremendous meaning.

"I was standing in the Peterson Manor reception area surrounded by portraits of the previous presidents, when it occurred to me that I knew them all in some way," she says. "I met President Frank DiPietro, knew Walter Peterson, who was President while I was a student here, and directly worked with Presidents Hagerty, Birge, and Card. In that moment, I realized, I am the last President who can make that claim. It was a profound realization for me."

Straddling past and future is core to what Mooney looks forward to as she guides the University. For her, the mission is both professional and deeply personal.

She graduated in 1983 with degrees in psychology and English, then went on to earn her Ph.D. in social psychology from the University of New Hampshire. She was a tenured faculty member and served as associate dean for faculty affairs, and later special assistant to the president for assessment, at St. Lawrence University. She served on the Franklin Pierce Board of Trustees from 2002 – 2008, and was named the University's Provost in 2008. She has also served as Interim President. She took over the top job on August 1, 2016.

"We're on the cusp of a new era at Pierce," she says. "This is a significant moment for this institution."

Mooney is excited to continue the work of her predecessors, keeping in mind the school's commitment to its students. She loves that Franklin Pierce is a place where students not only find themselves and their strengths, but do so in a

challenging and nurturing atmosphere. She's dedicated to ensuring those qualities endure.

"I sometimes see aspects of my younger self in our students," she admits. "And I love seeing our students engaged in the life of the University, whether it's in their studies or on our athletic teams or as peer or student government leaders. As an alumna, I value the deep care and commitment this University makes to every student. The relationships the students are able to develop with our faculty, staff, and with the leadership of the University, remain central to our original core mission and this is still true, 54 years later."

**I see a bright future for Pierce.**

Mooney intends to continue strengthening the University's curriculum in addition to developing new academic programs. She plans to build on the school's identity as an accessible, caring, excellent, small, private university, not only for the students on the Rindge campus, but across its graduate centers in New

Hampshire and in Arizona as well.

"Our academic programming is extensive and relevant to today's undergraduate and graduate students. Compared to when I was a student here, we offer more options to our traditional and nontraditional learners, including fully online programs. We are now a comprehensive University, and we've become that through a powerful combination of vision, resilience, and commitment to this place we all love."

Look for those qualities – vision, tenacity, commitment and love of Pierce – to be hallmarks of Mooney's presidency.

"We have a lot of work left to do," she says. "And I see a bright future for Pierce."

Look for a more-detailed feature on Kim Mooney '83, Ph.D. in our Spring 2017 issue.

— Holly Beretto '93

A portrait of Kim Mooney, a woman with short blonde hair, wearing a light pink cardigan over a matching top. She is looking slightly to the right with a thoughtful expression. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with green foliage and a building. A black box with a red triangle at the top right contains a quote and her name and degree.

"I value the deep care and commitment this University makes to every student."  
Kim Mooney,  
Ph.D. '83



The Past is Present

## BRINGING HISTORY TO LIFE

**W**hen Alexa Wallace '16 (History)

graduated in May, she nailed her dream job: interpreter for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. She spends her days dressed in 18th century costume, speaking to people about what life was like in the colony. She is also one of the few staff members living at the museum, in a space on Duke of Gloucester Street, Colonial Williamsburg's main drag.

"In books, history is black and white," says Wallace, who is also a 2016 recipient of a Gilder Lehrman Scholar Award, one of only 15 students around the country to receive the prestigious prize. The awards are given annually to outstanding juniors and seniors by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, which is dedicated to improving history education. "But in reality, it's really gray. There are mixed emotions, there's law and there's ethics. There's tension. I love being able to bring history alive and make it more relevant to people."

Wallace minored in Public History and Political Science at Pierce, and she's worked as an interpreter at Old Sturbridge Village as well. She founded the University's History Club, and was its first president, as well as being a tutor, and attending numerous history conferences during her time at Pierce.



"I'm really a nerd," she laughs. "And I love talking to people about history, which is why I founded the club. I figured other people would like that, too." She and fellow History Club member Gabriel Norwood '19, were part of multiple Civil War reenactments; Norwood was a corporal on the battlefield and Wallace interpreted domestic life in camp, cooking and tending to wounded soldiers.

The Gilder Lehrman Award allowed her to spend a week in New York City this summer, participating in presentations and meeting with eminent history scholars. Wallace is hoping to go to graduate school and pursue a career continuing as a museum interpreter or as a public historian.

— Holly Beretto '93

**Scholars Award**

# VALEDICTORIAN PENS FIRST MANUSCRIPT

For Rindge valedictorian Sam Bureau '16 (Psychology) the brain was always on her mind, whether on the field or on the ice as an undergrad. The dual track & field and women's ice hockey athlete's passion also lies in the field of neuroscience. "The brain is absolutely fascinating. It controls everything, yet we know relatively nothing about it compared to our other major organs," she says.

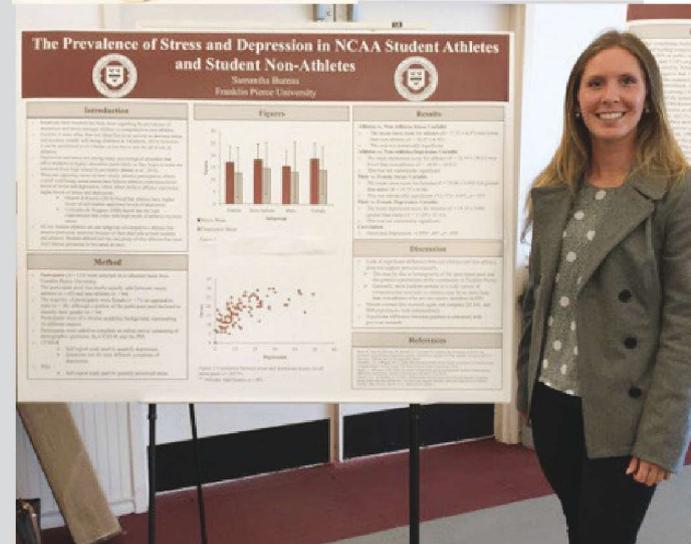
When she took the Evolutionary Psychology lab class with Dr. Jennie Brown, Sam explored how the evolutionary concepts of mating dating. She was drawn to the study because trying to find a mate "is something that everyone experiences at some point in life," she says.

Her research landed her first manuscript in *Alethia*, the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society's publication. Her senior thesis on the prevalence of stress and depression in athletes and non-athletes on college campuses is already in its advanced manuscript stages.

Bureau was selected by the New England Psychological Association to receive an Honorary Undergraduate Scholars Award for the 2016-2017 year, which was presented to her in October at Assumption College in Worcester, Massachusetts in October.

Bureau is now a research assistant at Boston University School of Medicine in the Alzheimer's and CTE Center working on research studies of the neurodegeneration of the brain. This fall, she will be part of one of the largest CTW observational studies to be conducted.

Once the study is complete, she intends to work in the U.S. until she heads back home to Ottawa, Ontario, Canada to attend medical school. — Alyssa Borelli '15



**Breaking Free**

# DOCUMENTING LIFE AND SHOWCASING STRENGTHS

Jeffrey Salgo '74 is a card. The Creative and Performing Arts – Drama alumnus advises budding journalists to get a "gimmick" and "schmooze," implores them to major in something besides communications, and encourages them to leave the classroom and make connections because those who try to build careers all on their own are "idiots" and "fools." He also says they should grow a thick skin.

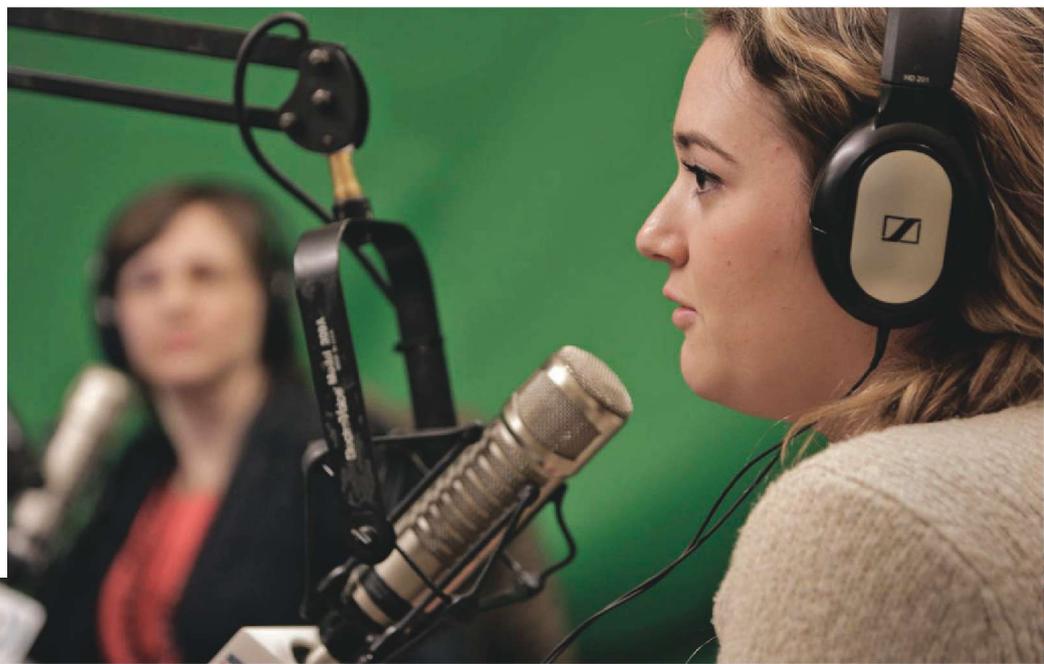
Salgo should know. He spent 35 years as an associate director and producer for CBS News. Today, Salgo is a retiree who keeps himself occupied as a nature photographer and videographer, manager of his website *Lens View* ([lensview.info](http://lensview.info)), and a triathlon participant. The native New Yorker is also a professional speaker, lecturer, and the founder and president of Aqua Rock Productions, which produced his 2006 documentary *Breaking Free*.

During its filming, he befriended Jon Luc LeCamp, a precocious ten-year-old living with cerebral palsy. The production follows LeCamp as he conquers his fear of the ocean with his Handicapped Scuba Association (HSA) instructors Doug Hayes, a war veteran with paraplegia, and Stew Snyder. LeCamp emerges as a tough kid who manages a movement disorder with composure and maturity beyond his years. (The video is available on YouTube.)

*Breaking Free*, which was shown at the National Cerebral Palsy Conference some years ago, made Salgo more aware and appreciative of organizations like the HSA, which teaches recreational diving to people with disabilities. "It's amazing how free they are under the water," he says. — Katricia Lang



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Milestones

# THE FITZ@15

**F**itz@15 marks Franklin Pierce’s year-long celebration of the Marlin Fitzwater Center for Communication’s 15th anniversary. Multiple programs will showcase the Center’s importance to the campus community and its impact on the region and the nation.

It all began with a capital fundraising campaign in 1998. Within a few years, funds exceeded \$6.8 million, well above the planned \$4.5 million. The 12,000-square-foot attachment to the library opened in May 2002 and ever since, has been laced with milestones.

In 1999, the University’s first polling center gave opportunities for students to get involved in the presidential primary process. In 2008, the University partnered with pollster R. Kelly Myers and WBZ-TV, and then in 2016, with the *Boston Herald*.

The Center’s impact reached the national stage last year when the Franklin Pierce/*Boston Herald* Poll showed Bernie Sanders beating Hillary Clinton in the New Hampshire primary race for the Democratic presidential nomination (See page 16). The Associated Press Media Editors recognized the University partnership with the *Boston Herald* with an honorable mention for community engagement.

This year, the seasoned political reporting unit PoliticsFitzU attended the Iowa caucus, marking a first in the Center’s history. PoliticsFitzU members also attended the 2016 Republican and Demo-

cratic National Conventions. The Center welcomed a number of presidential candidates. Republicans included Texas senator Ted Cruz, South Carolina senator Lindsey Graham, Ohio governor John Kasich, Kentucky senator Rand Paul, Former HP CEO Carly Fiorina, and former Florida governor Jeb Bush. The Fitz also hosted two Democratic candidates, Vermont senator Bernie Sanders, and Maryland governor Martin O’Malley.

A grant from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation allowed the Center to host teams of students from five N.H. high schools to the Presidency and the Press program, where C-SPAN taped several segments for its American History TV programming, including one with *New*

*Hampshire Union Leader* Executive Editor Trent Spiner ‘07 interviewing Marlin Fitzwater, press secretary to Presidents Reagan and George H.W. Bush, for whom the center is named.

**FITZ@15 EVENTS**

**October 2016**  
**Fitzwater Forum: Civility in Presidential Discourse**  
*At the Newseum in Washington, D.C., on the Rindge campus, and via live webcast*

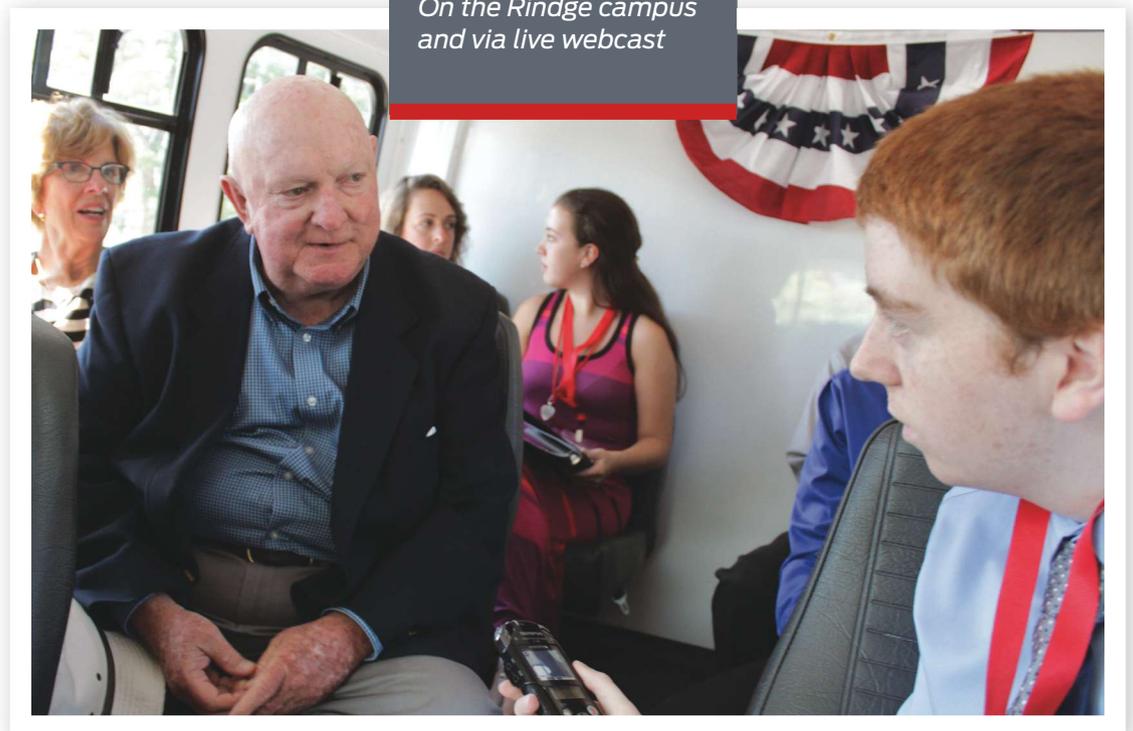
**March 2017**  
**The Medallion Lecture**  
*On the Rindge Campus and via live webcast*

**April 27, 2017**  
**The Fitzwater Honors**  
*On the Rindge campus and via live webcast*

“One thing that I always found so special about Franklin Pierce was the amount of freedom that students have to get involved,” said Fitzwater. “I’ve been here several years, and every time I come, there’s a different person behind the camera, and I love that, that they’re involved and taking initiative.”

Co-chairs of the Fitz@15, Trent Spiner ‘07 and Frank Blais ‘05, MBA ‘07, encourage alumni to continue celebrating the Fitzwater Center’s success. Ways to get involved include attending events, reaching out to current students with internships, extending contacts, and offering to speak on campus or participating with a gift at [franklinpierce.edu/fitzfund](http://franklinpierce.edu/fitzfund).

— Alyssa Borelli ’15



**In the Wild**

**ADEE MAKES HISTORY**

**R**ecent Franklin Pierce graduate Mandi Adee '16 made her mark in the world of professional baseball this spring when she was hired as general manager of the New Hampshire Wild, a professional baseball team in the newly formed Empire League. With the hiring, Adee became only the fifth female general manager in the history of professional baseball, and at the age of 22, the Kinderhook, New York native is the youngest general manager in professional sports.

The first female GM was Lanny Moss of the independent minor league Portland Mavericks, hired back in 1974. The independent Atlantic League has had two female GMs: Lindsay Rosenberg of the Camden Riversharks and Kristen Simon of the Lancaster Barnstormers. In the ranks of affiliated minor-league baseball, Shari Massengill served as the general manager of the Kinston Indians, a member of the Class-A Advanced Carolina League from 2005-2010.

Adee, who is in the process of completing her MBA in Leadership from Franklin Pierce University, was a stand-out softball player as an undergraduate. She ranks 11th in all-time wins (11), 11th in total appearances (51), 11th in all-time strikeouts (111), and 7th in complete games (14) in her career at Pierce. Additionally, she received the Scholar Athlete



Award every year from 2012 to 2015, was on the Dean's List all four years of her college career, and became a member of the Sigma Beta Delta Honor Society in 2014.

**Victories**

**Raven Round Up**

**F**ranklin Pierce student athletes continued to demonstrate a commitment to both academic and athletic excellence. This past spring, 233 student-athletes were named to the 2016 spring semester Athletic Department Honor Roll by posting grade-point averages of 3.3 or higher. Twelve student-athletes garnered perfect 4.0 grade-point averages while 16 of the University's 25 varsity squads eclipsed the 3.0 mark.

On April 21, the Department of Athletics named Jeanette Wedo as the 14th head coach in the history of the women's basketball program. Wedo has spent the previous six seasons as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Sacred Heart (2010-13) and William & Mary (2013-16). While at William & Mary, Wedo helped guide the Tribe to a Women's Basketball Invitational appearance in 2014-15, the program's first-ever postseason tournament appearance.

On May 1, the Department of Athletics held its annual Hall of Fame Induction. Inductees were Karissa Hookstadt-Atwood '09 (volleyball), Craig Stewart '05 (volleyball), The Grimshaw-Gudewicz Foundation (contributor), Jennifer Leedham '09 (women's basketball), and Johannah Leedham '10 (women's basketball).

For the second consecutive year, the baseball program returned to the Number 1 national ranking in the American Baseball Coaches Association's national poll, as the Ravens put together a 44-4 regular season. The team went on to host the NCAA Championship East Regional where they won the program's seventh NCAA Regional title and a trip to the Division II College World Series in Cary, North Carolina. The Ravens saw its season end at the hands of Central Missouri on the third day of the NCAA Championship National Finals.

Ravens track & field, now in its fourth season, had a banner campaign both indoors and outdoors in 2015-16. The Ravens combined for 27 All-Northeast-10 selections and 32 All-East Region selections across the indoor and outdoor seasons. Individually, Dage Minors '17 was named East Region Track Athlete of the Year by the United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA), while both Minors and Alyssa Lambert '15 earned All-America honors from the USTFCCCA. Lambert is the first member of Franklin Pierce's women's team to collect All-America honors for the outdoor season, after being the first to do the same during the indoor campaign.

**Franklin Pierce student athletes continued to demonstrate a commitment to both academic and athletic excellence.**



## End of an Era

# FAREWELL COACH KING

**T**his past summer, seven-time NCAA regional champion and six-time ABCA/Rawlings Region Coach of the Year Jayson King resigned as Head Coach of the Franklin Pierce University baseball team to pursue an opportunity as the associate head coach at the United States Military Academy in West Point, N.Y.

Coach King will be remembered as the architect of New England's premier Division II baseball program, as well as one of the region's most-decorated programs, regardless of division. Inheriting a team that went 8-21 in 1998, King spent 18 seasons building a regional powerhouse and perennial national title contender at the foot of Mount Monadnock.

Under his watch, the Ravens have captured seven NCAA Regional titles (2003, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2013, 2016), been an NCAA semifinalist on three occasions (2003, 2006, 2010), collected five Northeast-10 Conference titles (2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2015) and taken home nine Northeast-10 regular season titles (2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016). King leaves Rindge after having posted a record of 650-291-3 (.690 winning percentage) in 944 games over 18 seasons.

During his time at Franklin Pierce, King has mentored 31 All-America selections, 87 All-Region honorees, and 128 All-Conference

players, including 125 since joining the Northeast-10 in 2001. Nine different players have earned Conference Pitcher of the Year honors while playing for King, while seven have been named Northeast-10 Player of the Year and three have collected Northeast-10 Rookie of the Year accolades.

Just as impressive as the collegiate accolades has been King's ability to produce players who eventually move into professional baseball. Since the program's first draftee in 2001, the Ravens have produced 28 players who have been selected in the Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft over the last 15 years. The number ranks third among all schools in New England in the timeframe, regardless of division, trailing only Division I members Boston College (44 draft picks) and Connecticut (44).

In King's final season in Rindge, the Ravens (48-9) captured the seventh NCAA Regional title in program history on May 23, with a 6-3 win over Southern New Hampshire. The Ravens also claimed their fifth straight Northeast-10 Conference Northeast Division title during the 2016 campaign. Over 109 games since the start of the 2015 season, Franklin Pierce owns a 96-13 record (.881), which is the best winning percentage in the nation in that timeframe.

**Just as impressive as the collegiate accolades has been King's ability to produce players who eventually move into professional baseball.**

**Making an Impression**

**TRUMPED UP**

**E**ric Jackman is a funny guy. Just ask Donald Trump. By day, Jackman works in the customer service department of a Keene car dealership. By night, he's an entertainer, co-hosting a podcast and sometimes performing in comedy clubs.

"I've been doing comedy and impressions most of my life," he says.

He graduated from Pierce in 2009 with a Political Science degree. As he watched this year's wild presidential race develop, Jackman had an inspiration.

"I put a wig on," he recalls. "I put bronzer on. I put on the navy suit with the red tie and I dressed up like Trump."

Now he's parlayed his interest in politics and comedy into a blossoming career as a Donald Trump impersonator, imitating the Republican presidential nominee's distinctive voice and bombastic personality in videos and public appearances that have won him international exposure.

"Yep, I got his bodily motions down," Jackman brags. "I've got him pretty good. A lot of people are really blown away by it."

Still, he didn't expect what happened when he took his act to a Trump rally in Manchester the night before the New Hampshire primary. As he wandered around the arena taking pictures with laughing spectators, the candidate himself spotted Jackman and called him out from the podium.

"Oh no!" Trump yelled, pointing at Jackman in his blond wig. "Tell me this isn't Trump! Look at this guy! Melania, would you have married this guy?"

Jackman's impersonation has popped up on Comedy Central, numerous newspaper articles, and even on a German television network.

"My goal is to get on the *Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon*," Jackman says. "Jimmy Fallon does a Trump impersonation, but as Trump would say, 'It's very low energy and it's very disgusting!' So I want to go on there and upstage him in front of the whole world."

Someday, Jackman hopes he'll have to decide whether to give up his day job and make a full-time living in comedy.

"It's been a great response from people and I've gotten some great media coverage," he says. "I'm just trying to keep it going."

— Doug Miller



Surveying the Scene

**Ravens Polling Grabs National Spotlight**

**A**t the outset of this wild election cycle, one thing seemed all but certain.

Hillary Clinton was widely considered a shoo-in to become the Democratic Party's chosen candidate for the presidency. Sure, Bernie Sanders was mounting a grassroots campaign that gained traction with liberal Democrats, but plenty of people in politics figured that nobody had a chance of blocking Clinton's path to the nomination.

"Let's not forget that Hillary Clinton coming into the New Hampshire primary was up by 45 points," says Trent Spiner '07, executive editor of the *New Hampshire Union Leader*.

And then, in August 2015, Franklin Pierce University's Marlin Fitzwater Center for Communication released the surprising results of a poll: Sanders had gained so much momentum that he was leading Clinton by 7 percentage points among likely Democratic primary voters in New Hampshire.

The news rocketed around the world. At first, some people in politics didn't want to believe it. But less than six months later, Sanders trounced Clinton by more than 20 percent in the nation's first presidential primary, a result foreshadowed by the Franklin Pierce poll.

"It got serious national traction, including on all the national networks," said Spiner, a Mass Communication/Political Science alumnus. "And it ended up being right. It was the first poll to have the ultimate outcome correct. So good for Franklin Pierce."

Score another round of headlines for Franklin Pierce University's polling operation. Launched in 1999 by Fitzwater Center faculty and students, it has conducted surveys on candidates and issues not only within the state but also across the nation.

**From Small Beginnings...**

What is now a lauded polling enterprise based in a key presidential campaign state started out small, with Fitzwater Center students and faculty running a rudimentary phone bank and recording responses on primitive paper questionnaires.

## FINDING HIS VOICE

**K**aleo Griffith '92 always knew he wanted to be a performer. From his days in starring roles on the Ravencroft stage, the Theatre alumnus went on to a career that spans television, stage, film, and commercial roles. But he's entirely unseen in the stuff that's getting serious attention now.

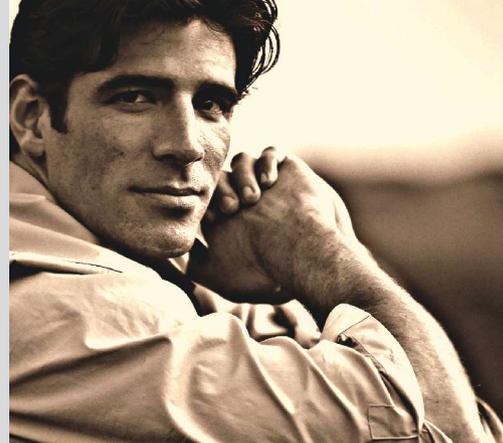
2016 saw two big projects for Griffith. He was part of a cast that voiced the audio book of L. Ron Hubbard's *Battlefield Earth*, which rocketed to number one on multiple audio book best seller lists last summer.

"That was a gigantic book, years in the making," says Griffith, who voices seven

different characters. "There were about 40 actors who worked on the audio book, and it incorporates music and sound effects in a way you don't normally hear on audio books."

The other huge project was being selected for the audio book of Donald Trump's *The Art of the Deal*. The Republican presidential nominee's bestseller was recorded by Penguin Random House, with whom Griffith had done a lot of voice work in the past. He approached the project more like an actor than an impersonator.

"Trump has such energy," says Griffith. "So people expect to hear that on an audio book, that sort of in-your-face delivery. So I tried to give the reading that kind of punch, to capture his essence, without doing an outright impersonation."



Griffith says a typical audio book takes about three days to record. He also finds it to be steady work, and usually fits in around his stage and television schedule.

"I love it!" he says of the work. "There are so many wonderful stories, and it's a great way to stretch the imagination and explore different ways of acting."

— Holly Beretto '93

"This was not done with computers," explained Dr. Kristen Nevious, the Fitzwater Center's Director. "It was all the old fashioned way."

Even though it was old fashioned, it quickly made an impression. The poll vaulted to national prominence as it tracked Senator John McCain's upset campaign over then-Governor George W. Bush in the 2000 New Hampshire primary.

"Franklin Pierce is the school that called it in 2000," says Nevious. "People still talk about that with pride."

Among those who remembered that prediction is McCain himself. When he later spoke on campus, Nevious says, the senator autographed a copy of the release that announced the results.

"So it was a great success, a huge point of pride," Nevious says. "Students cherished the experience."

Last year, the Center struck a partnership with the *Boston Herald* and political analyst R. Kelly Myers, who has surveyed voters through five New Hampshire presidential primary seasons. The collaboration is producing a series of polls chronicling the seemingly unpredictable 2016 presidential election. The results have been published and broadcast periodically since last March.

At the same time, the polling operation has provided an invaluable learning experience for students involved in conducting and analyzing the surveys. Dr. Nevious even structured a course around the poll. Spinner, who served as editor of the *Pierce Arrow* when he was a student, remembers spending nights working the phones at the polling center.

"It was an incredible experience," he recalls. "It was very formative. And it was the best paying work-study job on campus, so I had extra money for my French fries."

Student involvement may be one of the reasons that Franklin Pierce has such an impressive track record predicting New Hampshire primaries. One of the biggest problems pollsters face is simply convincing voters to stay on the phone and share their opinions with strangers calling them at home. Spinner believes that New Hampshire voters respond more readily – and maybe more honestly – to local

students working their way through college than to national pollsters. "I think that there's a home field advantage," he says.

### Solid Research, Accurate Numbers

Solid and reliable polling data is coveted by people in politics, not only because it indicates who's winning and losing, but also because it indicates which issues are resonating with voters. Political operatives pick apart the internal numbers for signs of their candidates' strengths and their opponents' weaknesses.

Campaigns that can afford their own polls generally don't release the results – no point giving away valuable intelligence – so independent surveys like Franklin Pierce's are usually the only source of voter opinion data available to the public. That's why journalists jump onto stories about newly released polls, providing the institutions that sponsor them with a bonanza of prestigious publicity.

The invaluable exposure that the *Boston Herald* partnership brings to Franklin Pierce began long before the first poll was conducted. On the day the alliance was announced, the newspaper splashed the school's logo across the top of its front page next to a photograph of the University's then-president Andrew Card.

Indeed, the polls have been cited as one of the main reasons that Franklin Pierce now enjoys a heightened public profile.

"The University's surge in name value over the past year is largely attributable to Card's decision to pour resources into the political polling operation," said an editorial in *The Keene Sentinel*, which described the survey as "among the most widely referenced polls during this year's highly publicized election."

Given the poll's track record, it's a safe bet Pierce students and faculty will continue keeping their fingers on the pulse of election cycles for years to come.

— Doug Miller

### Franklin Pierce is the school that called it in 2000.

(The survey results are available on the Fitzwater Center's website: <https://www.franklinpierce.edu/institutes/mfcc/polling.htm>)

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**FROM  
PLAYING  
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HOOPSTERS**

Michael Chatman '79  
has been guarding  
professional basketball  
superstars like Kevin Durant  
and Russell Westbrook  
for the past eight years.  
But he's never hit a  
three-point shot or  
grabbed a rebound  
in a game.

**BY JOHN SHAW  
PHOTOGRAPHS BY KENNETH RUGGIANO**



That's because the criminal justice alumnus plays behind the scenes, as director of security for the National Basketball Association's Oklahoma City Thunder. That's a long way for a kid from Pittsburgh who arrived to play hoops for the Franklin Pierce Ravens men's basketball team.

"I had made a list of all the things I wanted to do when I got older, and they were, in this order: 1. Play in the NBA, 2. Become an FBI agent, 3. Join the Marines, 4. Become a chef," says the 59-year-old Chatman. "So I got to do one of them at least."

Which one did he achieve? More on that in a bit. But first, what's it like interacting with professional basketball players?

"Everyone on the team, from the stars to the bench players, are very caring people. They don't come off like big shots even with all the money they're making," he says. "Like Kevin Durant [who recently left to sign with the

Golden State Warriors], what you see with him is what you get. He's just a good guy. They all are."

It's no small task for Chatman and his team of five to coordinate all the security details an NBA team needs. Upon arriving for an away game, they work with city and state police, local FBI agents, and the home team's security personnel. Then there's keeping an eye on the players during the noon shoot-around, during any after-noon meet-and-greets at local malls (and coordinating with the mall's security team), when they arrive at the arena, and when they return to the bus after the game has ended. It's a similar story for home games, although it's a bit easier because he knows the layout far better.

"I've found that 99 percent of fans just want an autograph or take a picture with them, although I'm always looking for that one guy who has a backpack or has something that doesn't look exactly right," he says. "But it's not as stressful as working for the FBI."

**Below:**  
The 1978 Franklin Pierce basketball roster, and the team photo (Michael Chatman is in the back row, center.)

FRANKLIN PIERCE COLLEGE									
BASKETBALL ROSTER									
1978									
No	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	FG	FT	PF	TP
24	Jim Hourihan	C	6-5	200	Marlboro, N.J.				
3	Michael Chatman	F	6-1	175	Pittsburgh, Pa.				
21	John Putnam	G	6-1	190	Boston, Mass.				
10	Michael Feglar	G	6-0	160	Hazlet, N.J.				
13	David Hampton	G	6-0	180	Media, Pa.				
23	Forrest Andrews	F	6-2	180	Stamford, Ct.				
14	John Poulter	G	6-0	175	New Brunswick, N.J.				
20	Greg Trotman	C-F	6-5	190	Nassau, Bahamas				
11	Patrick Dean	G	5-9	150	Nassau, Bahamas				
15	Tim Proctor	F	6-4	160	Guilford, Ct.				
25	Michael Braman	F	6-1	185	Haydenville, Mass.				
5	Michael Elliott	G	5-11	150	E. Templeton, Mass.				
4	Keith Grandin	G	6-1	160	Swanzey, N.H.				
22	Andre Weber	G	5-11	140	Long Island, N.Y.				

## MEN'S BASKETBALL



(front l to r) brian glamirino, jim hourihan, bill emott, keenan holman, john putnam. (back l to r) marty laboy, david hampton, bill greatish, mike chatman, john poulter, mike feglar, fred burger.

## MURDERER FOR HIRE

It was goal Number 2, working as an FBI agent, that Chatman achieved. He spent 22 years with the agency, working deep undercover infiltrating drug dealers, breaking up gambling rings, and identifying public corruption plots. He saw the worst in a lot of people, but a few incidents really stand out. Like the guy who wanted to hire Chatman to kill his girlfriend. Chatman was working out of the New Orleans bureau in 1988, posing as a hit man. The businessman said he wanted the woman killed because she had fleeced him of \$10,000 and then split up. On a recording of the meeting, the man tells Chatman to make it look like an accident. And then came something that made Chatman's blood run cold. "He said she had a daughter, and he didn't want her hurt. But if she got in the way, it was okay to kill her too. That was the worst part."

While not one for being in the public eye, the case prompted Chatman to be interviewed on WDSU-TV in New Orleans after it concluded. The interview included excerpts from the meeting. "I wanted to make sure that people understand how people in law enforcement put their lives on the line every day, and they'll never even know what they've done to make things safe," he says.

Another time, while gathering evidence about a Colombian drug cartel smuggling ring, one of the group's leaders decided he wanted to test Chatman's loyalty. "He walked up to me and put a gun to my head," Chatman recalls. "I managed to talk myself out of it, and there were FBI agents in the next room so it probably wouldn't have gotten out of hand. Still, I think about that often, how I could have easily been killed."

In the late 1980s while working in the agency's Boston bureau, Chatman ran into fellow agent John Connolly, who handled the notorious James "Whitey" Bulger



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## Challenging Students to Think Differently About Race

Franklin Pierce's Criminal Justice Major Tackles Real-Life Issues

While events in the country in recent months have prompted serious discussions about race relations, students in Franklin Pierce's Criminal Justice program have been talking about the subject in class for years.

Electives such as "Gender, Race and Crime" and courses such as "Race and Ethnic Relations" (which all Pierce students take) make the topic front and center, according to Associate Professor of Criminal Justice Jean Dawson, the division chair



of the Department of Sociology and Behavioral Sciences, which houses the Criminal Justice program.

"You can't talk about police work and law enforcement without discussing race," says Dawson, who has been teaching in the program since 2008. "We really challenge our students to think about race, to get them to recognize the social dynamics regarding diverse cultures and societies, and to have a better understanding of other people's perceptions."

The Criminal Justice concentration, launched by Professor Forbes Farmer, is celebrating its 20th anniversary this fall. It has become the University's third most popular major, trailing

business and health-related fields. Over the years, offerings have grown to include minors such as intelligence and security studies that deal with what Dawson calls the underpinnings of terrorism. The earlier classes were comprised of men, but Dawson says about 40 percent of today's students are women, and the school continues to recruit more students of color.

Dawson and her colleagues urge students to think about other cultures from a broader perspective. Bringing students to jails to talk with inmates and into the courts to meet judges and experience trials provide real-life examples of what it is like to be a police officer, operate within the judicial system, or work at a prison.

"Students generally aren't exposed to issues on race in high school, so we start talking with them when they first arrive on campus and give them the history of race relations," she says, noting that she uses statistics to dispel perceptions that crime is high and that most criminals are black.

Dawson says a strong networking connection between students and graduates has been established, often leading to internships and eventually jobs as an inspector general in a forensics lab, a Navy Judge Advocate General (JAG), and with the Secret Service, Homeland Security, and CIA. It's not unusual for an alumnus to speak on campus, like Michael Chatman '79 did this past April, when he discussed his former career as an FBI agent and his current role as director of security for the NBA's Oklahoma City Thunder.

— John Shaw

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before Connolly was eventually convicted of tipping off the South Boston gangster, effectively allowing Bulger to run the city's underworld for years. Connolly put his arm around the young agent's shoulder and said, "I know Boston quite well, so if there's anything you need, just let me know." The gesture didn't sit right with Chatman. "I didn't know anything about what he was doing, but I didn't want anything to do with him," he recalls. "There was just something about him that didn't seem right."

## A JUDICIOUS DECISION

It all started when he landed a part-time job as a campus security guard in his senior year at Pierce. It meant quitting the basketball team, where the 6'1" small forward was a co-captain as a junior. Chatman enjoyed the camaraderie and competition of being on the team, but he realized he would never have a shot at the NBA coming from a then-Division III school. So he decided to focus on his studies, and after graduating, Chatman landed a job working security at the former King's Department Store in Keene. The three-year stint gave him enough experience to be hired as a state police officer in his native Pennsylvania. He held that job for five years before being recruited by the FBI.

J. Forbes Farmer, professor of sociology, social work and counseling, says he knew early on that Chatman was not your average student. Farmer tells the story about when Chatman—in the middle of a final, no less—told him that a lot of the questions were unfair. "Not a lot of students would have that kind of courage and conviction to do that," Farmer says, adding that he switched some of the test's questions because he realized Chatman was right. "You could see then that he was going to make a name for himself."

Chatman's interest in sports played out during the latter half of his FBI career. He was chosen to work at big-time events such as the Super Bowl, the NCAA Final Four, and the Sugar Bowl as the FBI's point person, coordinating security efforts with stadium officials, and local and state law enforcement. But it was working the 2007 NBA All-Star game in New Orleans that proved to be a game changer, where he heard through a friend that the Seattle Supersonics, which were moving to Oklahoma City the following year, were looking for someone to lead their security team.

Now, after more than two decades fighting the bad guys, Chatman relishes the chance to be in a less stressful environment. "It's a great job, the best of both worlds," he says. For a lifelong basketball aficionado, it doesn't get better than that. **P**

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ALL-VOLUNTEER  
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# BURNING WITH AMBITION

BY GREGORY DL MORRIS





**F**ranklin Pierce is one of very few universities in the country to have its own student-staffed volunteer fire company. It gives undergraduates a strong sense of capability and service. It also provides a strong collaborative bond between the school and the surrounding communities, and graduates say the experience stays with them for their whole lives.

Tyler Desautels '17, wants to be a police officer and is studying Criminal Justice. The senior is a lieutenant in

a GPA of 2.0; for officers it's 2.5. Officers are upperclass students who get extra training in how to drive and operate the engine, also administration." As a paying job, he works on the campus grounds crew.

Oral tradition is a big part of firefighting, and the campus company is no different. "We heard all about the pickup truck that was the original unit in the early '70s," says Desautels, "and after that the 1937 America LaFrance engine they had until the '80s, I think. Now we have a 1995 Freightliner with a 1,250-gallon-per-minute pump, a 1,000-gallon booster tank, all the tools, ladders up to 32 feet, and a deck gun. Everyone loves the deck gun."

It does not get used very often. Going into his fourth year, Desautels says he has yet to fight a real structure fire. But he has trained for them. "The training starts the moment you sign-up. You get your gear and you are in. The first training is how to dress. Then scheduling, then a walk-through and orientation on all the equipment."

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the Franklin Pierce Fire Company (FPFC) and a firefighter with Rindge Fire Department (RFD). He is now leaning toward combining the two passions, possibly in a career in arson investigation.

"The training has been extensive, not just fighting fires and rescue, but CPR, hazardous materials, and wildlands," says Desautels. "The academic requirements are no less important. Members have to maintain

### COLLABORATING WITH THE COMMUNITY

**T**he campus company works closely with campus EMTs and police, and as part of RFD, has responsibilities with the surrounding communities. People in the area know that when they call Rindge for mutual aid they could be getting a

PREVIOUS SPREAD: SHUTTERSTOCK (LEFT); KATHLEEN DOOHER (RIGHT)



truck full of students,” says Desautels. “They are cool with that. They know we know what we’re doing.”

Because FPPC is part of RFD, the bunker gear, equipment, and training are identical. The only difference is the shield on the helmet that says Franklin Pierce Fire Company.

“We serve 30 residential buildings and 1,500 people on campus,” says Desautels with pride. According to the National Fire Protection Association, there are only three other institutions that use student firefighters: the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, St. Michael’s College in Colchester, Vermont, and the University of Maryland.

“I came to the University from the outside, and thought it was pretty cool that the campus had its own fire company,” says Maureen Sturgis, Director of Campus Safety. She has line responsibility for the fire company, and collaborates closely with FPPC’s upperclass officers as well as with Rick Donovan, Rindge fire chief.

There are usually three or four students on duty per shift: a captain or lieutenant, a driver (officially called an engineer or operator, but affectionately known in most fire services as chauffer), and one or two other firefighters. The students go out of service for summer vacation and school breaks, but because the company is part of RFD, the equipment can be used by town firefighters if needed.

## AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE CAMPUS IDENTITY

“The fire company fits in well at Franklin Pierce,” says Sturgis. “Traditionally, we are a liberal arts school, but there is an increasing focus on education and health science. There is a strong resonance to taking care of yourself and others.”

Sturgis recalls one vivid example several years ago. “The EMS vehicle was housed in a bay in a residence hall and the vehicle caught fire. Any vehicle fire is dangerous, but the EMS unit had tanks of oxygen and gasoline. It could have been a major issue. But because the fire company was on campus, their quick response confined the fire essentially to the vehicle bay. The vehicle was destroyed, and there was some heat and smoke damage to the floor above, but that was it. No one was hurt. They did a great job.”

She emphasizes that the students are volunteers. “They don’t get paid for their time in service or in training. They are only issued gear. Their level of dedication is unbelievable. They are so dependable.”

According to Rick Donovan, Rindge fire chief, the University’s private department operated until 1999 when the fire marshal ruled that the Town of Rindge actually had responsibility because the University is a ‘resident’ of the town. So the brigade on campus became a company of the RFD. It had the same state certifications as all other departments in the New Hampshire,

**Previous spread, left to right:**  
Caitlin Perry '18,  
Allison Klipp '16,  
Alexia DaSilva '18

**Facing page, top:**  
Three consecutive years of FPU fire dept officers: former Captain Chris Harrington '15, former 1st Lieutenant Joseph Beauregard '16, and current Lieutenant Tyler Desautels at a live-burn training  
**Middle top:** MVA demonstration  
**Middle bottom:** Annual September 11th ceremony  
**Right:** Tyler Desautels at a live-burn training.

**This page:**  
Allie Klipp's dog, Hudson, on the scene; Allie Klipp at the overhaul process of a 4th-alarm structure





**This page, left:** Allie Klipp '16 at the Firefighter I certification course  
**Middle top:** The Midnight Madness trip at Crotched Mountain  
**Middle bottom:** Allie Klipp '16 on the Grand Monadnock hike  
**Right:** a water supply training

**Facing page, left:** Removing a windshield at a motor vehicle demonstration  
**Middle top:** Dale Smith (Rindge Fire), Benjamin Regis '16, Deb Douglas (Rindge Fire), Joseph Beaugard '16, Cassey Burrage (Rindge Fire), at the 2016 Graduation  
**Middle bottom:** department photo  
**Right:** Allie Klipp '16 and Corey Duren at a training session

but still operated on its own. Some student firefighters also joined as part-timers with RFD.

That worked mostly well until 2007. “Questions arose over direction, structure, and operations,” says Donovan. “The campus wanted the company to continue and there was never intent to do away with it. So under the direction of the state fire marshal, we developed an agreement under which it would stay as the third company of Rindge Fire.”

That also solved the chronic problem of second-hand apparatus, especially after the incumbent unit was incapacitated in the big ice storm of 2008. RFD put one of its engines on campus.

**MUTUAL BENEFITS**

**D**onovan stresses the mutual benefits of having a firefighting company on campus. “Because of the high [degree of] hazards, 200-plus students in each building, we always struggled to get two units up there. Having the company on campus means quicker response. It also saves fuel and wear and tear on the town equipment. It helps with the town budget and with the University’s insurance. The students are so enthusiastic; there is a great relationship with the rest of the department. And I get calls from surrounding areas complimenting

the students for their work on mutual assistance calls; also from towns where students have gone. They are very impressed with them. The program is working extremely well.”

The initial attraction of joining for Brian Freedman '87, administrator, Brush Hill Care Center in Milton, Massachusetts, was having friends in the company. “Also, the engine was in the building below my dorm room, so I was awake every time there was a call anyway.”

Training was rigorous and exciting. “In training to fight flammable liquids, there was a pit, about the area of a swimming pool, but only about eight inches deep. It would be filled with kerosene, set on fire, and we would put it out. Then it was re-lighted and we would put it out. Over and over. You can’t do that these days because of the pollution.”

Freedman also recalls the “burn house,” which was a training structure. “We would fill it with old furniture, pallets, and bales of hay, set it on fire, and put it out. The training was very realistic and very effective.”

That effectiveness showed in the only significant fire during his service. “There was a fire in the Granite [Hall] residence in 1985,” Freedman relates. “The fire was started by an extension cord under a rug. The cord was frayed, there was a chair on it, and it was plugged into a television, which had been left





on. It was a two-alarm fire, with mutual aid from Meadowood, Fitzwilliam, Jaffrey, and Winchendon, Massachusetts.

“We were rolling with the modified pickup truck still in those days, and it only had a 250-gallon booster tank, but we attacked the fire with the 100-gallon-per-minute charged standpipe system on campus that is connected to the million-gallon water tower. I think we used most of it. We kept the fire to just the dorm room and the hallway outside it, but we flooded the floors below and some of the campus outside.”

Allie Klipp '16, was recruited for Pierce's new women's ice hockey team, but “discovered the fire department and turned down the hockey opportunity to pursue my firefighting career.”

The best part about being a firefighter, she says, “was being able to make a difference in people's lives. Every call was different, but at every call, we were helping people in need, and there is nothing more rewarding than being able to dedicate your hard work for the benefit of others.”

The most notable call she remembers was in May 2015. “I responded with other members of the company to a four-alarm structure fire in Massachusetts. We could see the smoke from campus and were among the first engines on-scene. This was my first structure fire and

I was thankful for the extensive training and skills that we practiced every week.”

The mindset remains after graduation, Klipp adds. “The feeling does not go away. You always have the training and the passion. That stays with you.”

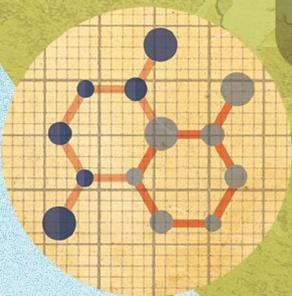
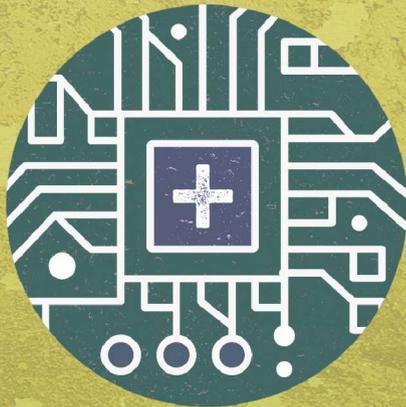
Rindge Chief Donovan recalls one response a few years ago, a fully involved structure fire, a house and a barn, to which RFD, including FPFC responded with the Keene Fire Department. “Keene is the only

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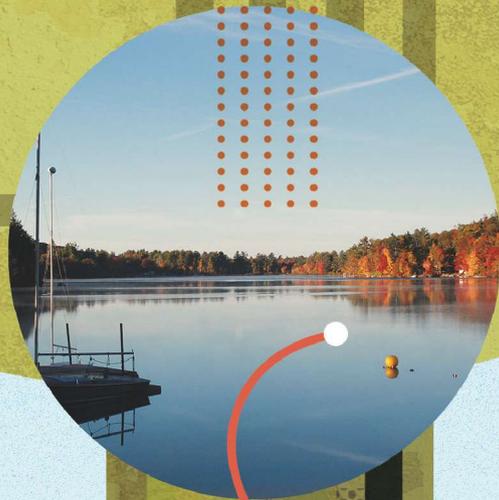
big city in southwestern New Hampshire,” he says.

“I had Keene members tell me how good a job the students did. How solid their training was. They told me ‘Franklin Pierce can come fight fires with us anytime.’” **P**

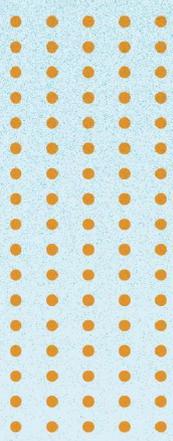




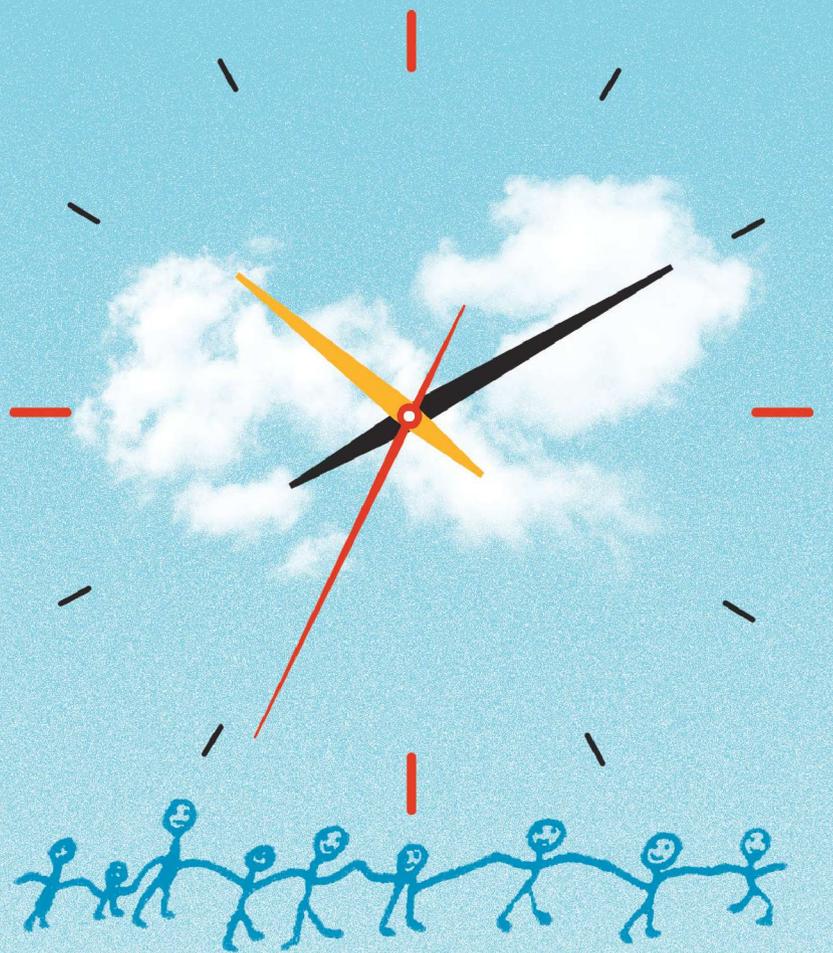
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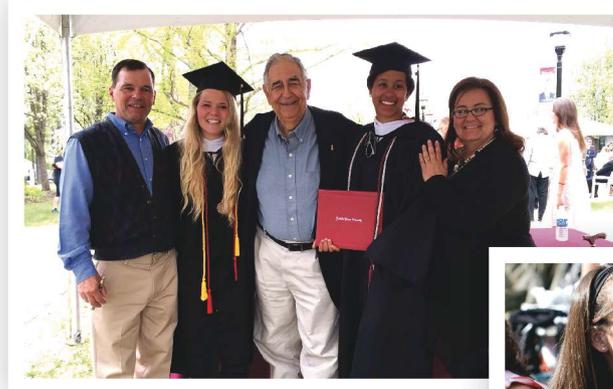
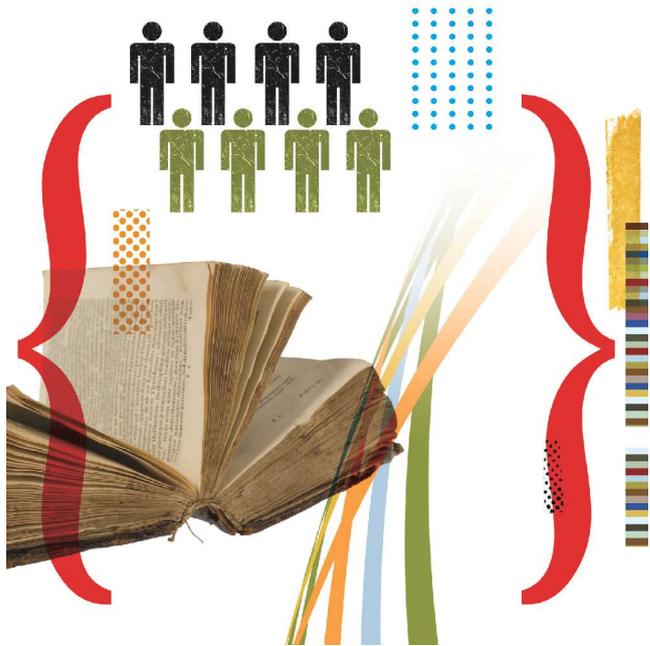


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# FAMILY TIES

BY IAN ALDRICH  
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JUDY (RAPOSA) LEACH '82 fell in love with Franklin Pierce almost from the moment she first stepped onto its rural campus. Her early visits had come during high school when the Tiverton, Rhode Island native traveled with her family to see her sister, Eleanor (Raposa) Byrne '80. For Judy, the college's tight-knit community and rural setting offered the same comfort as her hometown, an abundance of hiking trails, and waterways. So when it came time to apply to schools, there was only one real choice.



**Clockwise from top left:** Mike Raposa, daughter Megan Raposa '15, father Frank Raposa, Chelsea Leach '15, Judith Raposa Leach '82; Katie Peterson Fornaci '04; Emerson Mayville and Katie Raposa.

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—LINDSEY LEACH '13

“I was shy and apprehensive about leaving home,” says Judy, now a teacher who lives in Hamden, Connecticut. “I’d come to Franklin Pierce and thought it’s so beautiful here. So peaceful.”

She studied English literature and elementary education, joined the Outing Club, played field hockey, and wrote for the *Pierce Arrow* newspaper. She also appreciated the interpersonal connections she made with her professors, many of whom would often invite their students to their homes for dinner to continue the conversations they’d started in the classroom.

“I never felt like a number,” says Judy. “They were looking out for me. I came in as a business major and in an economics class I did a presentation on the Food and Drug Administration. Afterwards my professor came up to me and said, ‘I want to introduce you to the head of the education department because I think you’d make an incredible teacher.’ He was right.”

It was also at Pierce that Judy met her future husband, Larry Leach '82, and over the last three decades, they have furthered a family connection to the school unlike any other. Eleven members of the Leach family have graduated from Pierce, and 15 in all have attended.

“I swear by that school,” says Larry who, after a long career in the sports apparel business, was hired at Pierce and now serves as the Special Assistant to the



President. “I know if people give it a chance what it will do for them.”

He didn’t always feel that way. Like his future wife, Larry Leach had visited Rindge in the fall of 1977. Unlike her, however, he didn’t plan to

attend. The Roosevelt, New York, native was there out of obligation. On the advice of a family friend, his mother had pushed him to enroll. But Larry, a highly touted high school basketball player, had dreams of attending a bigger, higher profile school. He was so reluctant to attend Pierce he rebuked his mother and left home to make a living moving furniture for a company in Virginia. He lasted just two months.

“Lifting bureaus, appliances, and pianos got old,” says Larry. “I decided college was a better alternative and so I called up my mom and said, okay, bring me to that school.”

An adjustment to a new life in rural New Hampshire soon gave way to an embrace of the school and what it offered him. Like Judy, he liked the warmth of the community, the way professors and school officials looked out for him. Over the next four years, Larry thrived in the classroom and helped put the school’s basketball team on the map as the program’s most-decorated player in its history. In 2009 he was inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame.

When Larry graduated, his connection with the school

## Fresh Starts

continued. He'd grown close to Pierce's then-president, Walter Peterson, who offered him a job as the school's first full-time assistant coach for the men's basketball team. Larry's bond continued even after he left Pierce in '84 to begin a long career in the sports apparel business. He served as a board member of the Alumni Association in the early 1990s, and later on the Board of Trustees. Alumni weekends and visits to see old professors were a regular part of family life. For the couple's two girls, Lindsey '13 and Chelsea '15, the school's campus became about as familiar as their own backyard.

Lindsey jokes now that she didn't understand just how well she knew Pierce until she landed there as a student and oriented other new arrivals on where to go. "They'd get lost and I'd say, 'No, it's right there,' or, 'you have to go this way.'"

That kind of familiarity extended to other members of Judy and Larry's family. Four of their nieces, Catherine Peterson Fornici '04, Patricia Stilphen '04, Katie (Raposa) Mayville '04, and Megan Raposa '15, all attended the school. Two of them, Stilphen and Mayville, also met their spouses at the University, Mike Stilphen '04 and Brandon Mayville '04. In addition, two nephews, Danny and Francis Byrne, and two more nieces, Alison Raposa and Amber Alvarez, were undergraduates at the school for a time.

For Lindsey, this kind of common connection has strengthened the relationship between cousins and siblings. "When we have family get together, you can tell we're a little bit closer," she says. "We have inside jokes about Pierce. Just being able to share those stories, even though there are ten years between some of us, the experiences and the joy that place brought us are still the same."

In the spring of 1965, Lloyd Astmann '69 found himself scrambling to find a new college to attend. For the 19-year-old from River Edge, New Jersey, the last several months had been a struggle at his original school, Fairleigh Dickinson University. His grades reflected his poor class attendance and Astmann dropped out partly into his second semester.

"I just wasn't ready and when the school thought I wasn't college material, my mom panicked because of the Vietnam War," says Astmann. "Then she saw an ad in the back of the *Sunday New York Times Magazine* for Franklin Pierce."

A few months later, Astmann landed in Rindge to find a rural school that felt about as far away from his former life as the moon. But then, a funny thing happened. By his second year, Astmann had grown to love his school. The very things that had felt like hindrances—Pierce's small size, its country setting—felt vital. They fostered community and helped Astmann, who later co-founded the school's Alumni Association and served on

its Board of Trustees, find his voice.

Deeper social connections were made, too. A year after his arrival at Pierce, Astmann met another fresh-faced transfer, Helen Ament '69, whom he married in 1969. His younger brother, Mark Astmann '72 enrolled, and a generation later so did his daughter, Jill Astmann Karol '95.

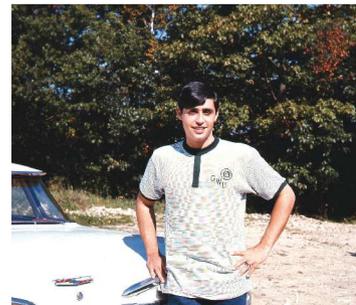
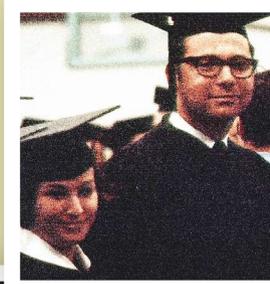
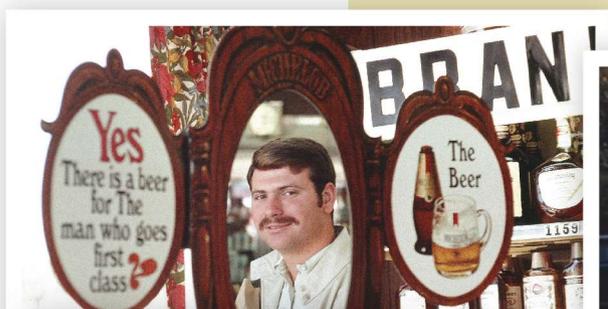
Similar to her parents, Pierce wasn't the first college Karol attended. And like her parents, she found her footing and more of herself at the school after she transferred in as a sophomore. Karol studied theater arts and within the first week at the university she was presented with opportunities that never came her way at her old college.

"It was extremely accessible," says Karol, who works as a makeup artist in film and television in New York City. "I recognize what Pierce did for all three of us. My parents and myself came there and needed a hand at that point in our lives and Pierce was there to help us."

— Ian Aldrich

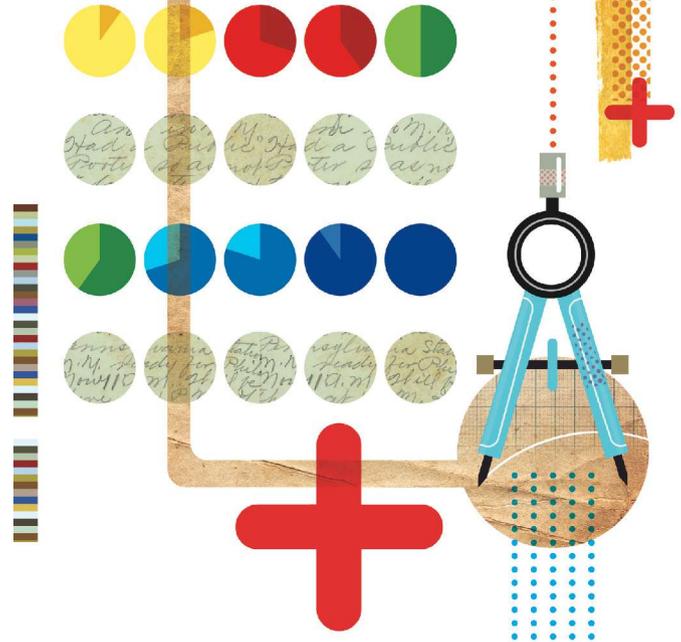
### Clockwise from top left:

Lloyd Astmann at the New Hampshire State Liquor Store; Helen Ament Astmann '69; Helen and Lloyd at their commencement in 1969; 1969 Commencement speakers; (from left) Dr. Joyce Brothers, F. Lee Bailey, Franklin Pierce president and founder, Frank S. DiPietro, cartoonist Al Capp, Governor Walter Peterson and Franklin Pierce V.P. and Academic Dean, Clifford Coles; Victor Spar '70; (from left) Robert Patterson '69, Margaret Alessi, Lloyd and Helen; (from left) Lloyd, Richard Green '69, Alfred Marulli, Jr. '69 and Joseph C. Alessi, Jr. '69.





**Front row:** Diane (Copeland) Albonizio '66 and Nick Albonizio '67  
**Back row:** Carleen (Albonizio) Farrell '71 (left), Marietta Stone Anastas '75 (right)



### A Small Community Builds Tight Bonds

Pierce's founding in the fall of 1963, when 97 students along with nine faculty and administrators populated its campus, was predicated on Frank DiPietro's vision that "only the small college can provide the intimate relationships between those who learn and those who teach."

For many, Pierce offered an opportunity to reboot their college careers. For others, like Carleen (Albonizio) Farrell '71, it offered a chance to take the kind of chances she felt too timid to try at her large Connecticut high school, where she was one of 535 students in her graduating class.

"There were all these things I felt afraid to do in high school because it felt so overwhelming to me," says Farrell. "I didn't feel those fears when I got to Franklin Pierce."

The college also felt familiar. Her older brother, Nick Albonizio '67 had been one of the 97 undergraduates who opened the school's doors in September 1963. Carleen and Nick's parents were self-made people. They'd both dropped out of high school early and gone on to build a successful dry cleaning and tailoring business in Old Greenwich, Connecticut. But they wanted more for all three of their children and that meant college. Ultimately, that meant Franklin Pierce. Nick's younger sister, Marietta Stone Anastas '75, enrolled the fall after Carleen graduated. For the first twelve years of Pierce's existence, Albonizios were a part of the college's undergraduate student body.

"My father met Frank DiPietro and the two had an almost immediate bond," says Nick, who also met his wife, Diane Copeland '66 at the college. "A part of it was their shared Italian heritage, but they also spoke on the same level. My dad became convinced that Frank's dream would bear fruit and that I'd be in good hands."

So would his two younger sisters. Carleen, espe-

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cially, has maintained a deep bond with the school. She was an instrumental early member of the Alumni Association and in 1981 became the first female member of the University's Board of Trustees, a post she held for three years. She was reelected in 2010.

Like many others, too, she developed a cadre of lifelong friends at the school. "We used to joke that when we all got old we'd move to a commune and live together," says Farrell, who recently retired from Harvard Business School following a long career in higher education administration. She laughs. "Now we all have condos in Florida about a mile from one another. I always say that friends are a gift you give yourself and I gave myself my best friends when I was at Pierce."

### Building for the Future

Will there be future generations of Abonizios and Leaches enrolling at Pierce in the years to come? That's uncertain. What's not is that Pierce's bond with its legacy families is as strong as ever.

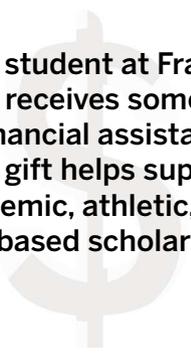
This year the school experienced an overwhelming increase in inquiries and applications for the current academic year. The lineup of first year students includes 13 newly enrolled legacy freshmen. Even as the school has changed and evolved, the same things that drew a student's mother, father, sister, brother, aunt, even a grandparent, continues to resonate with future Pierce graduates.

"It's its own community," says Judy Leach of the Pierce atmosphere. "And that becomes its appeal. It is self-contained; it's its own village. And that breeds tight-knit relationships." ■

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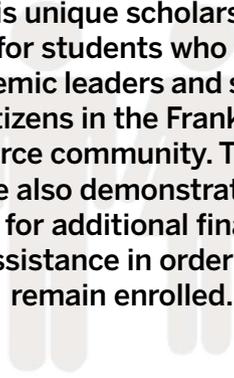


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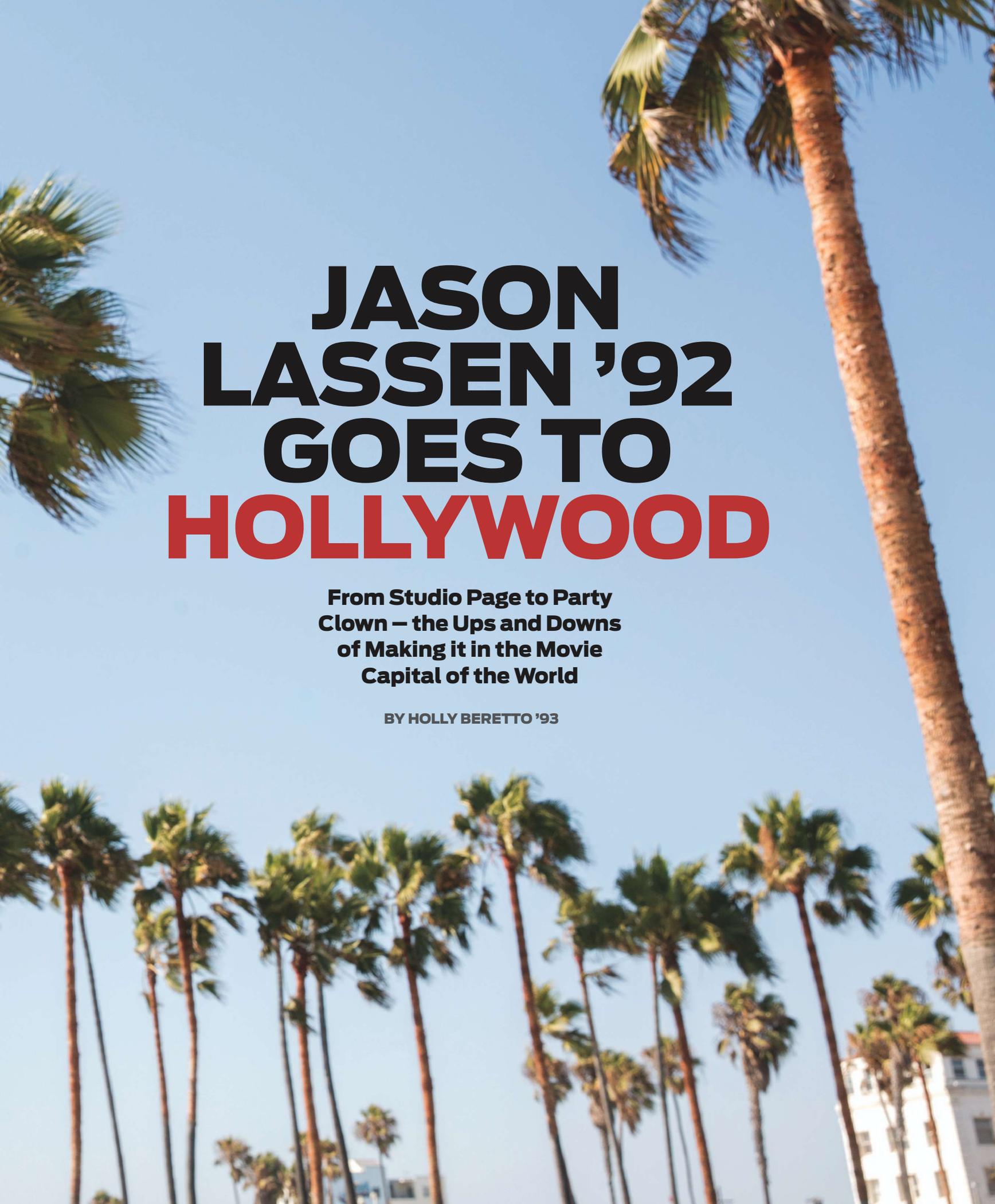
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# **JASON LASSEN '92 GOES TO HOLLYWOOD**

**From Studio Page to Party  
Clown – the Ups and Downs  
of Making it in the Movie  
Capital of the World**

**BY HOLLY BERETTO '93**

# It's

2,929 miles from Rindge to Los Angeles, nearly 3,000 miles of highway that runs from the graceful Mount Monadnock, through remnants of the Rust Belt, on across the high plains, and finally, to the palm tree-laden, sunlight-strewn streets of Tinseltown. Twenty-four years ago, Jason Lassen set out on that journey. He's never looked back.

"I was so excited!" says Lassen '92 of his westward trek. "It was almost this delusional sense of optimism. It's gonna be so easy. We're going to take Hollywood by storm!"

Lassen and fellow Franklin Pierce alumnus John Perry '92, who majored in Mass Communication along with Lassen, had interviewed for jobs as pages at Paramount right after graduation. In June, they got word that they had been hired.

"I think that call came on a Friday," says Lassen. "By Monday, we were in the car."

It should have been a trip that took a week or more, perhaps with a little bit of sightseeing.

"Then, on maybe the first or second day of this drive, we heard a DJ talking about how they were

having tryouts that weekend in Los Angeles for *In Living Color*," recalls Perry, who is now the senior supervising producer at *The Dr. Phil Show*. "Jason put the pedal to the metal and we saw the sun come up over the Grand Canyon."

"We rolled into L.A. at 9 a.m. and stayed at my uncle's house in El Monte," elaborates Lassen, who minored in Theatre. "I was in line at nine o'clock the next morning."

Perry remembers Lassen standing in line outside the Fox Theatre to audition, and that he locked the keys in the car while waiting for his pal to return.

"We were so young," he says, laughing.

Lassen says that at about noon that day, someone came out to send a bunch of people after a certain point in the endless line to go home. He was one of them. Jim Carey would get the *In Living Color* part. Lassen and Perry? They had their gigs as pages. They moved in with other Pierce alumni, shared a car, and picked up as many extra shifts as they could. So what if Hollywood was – and is – a tough place to make a living? Optimism and work ethic go a long way.

## A Little Ambition Makes A Big Difference

"I wanted to do every job I could at a studio," says Lassen, who loved acting as much – if not more – than he loved being behind the scenes. "So when I heard there was a job in the mailroom, I went after it."

Lassen had a vague idea that he might make that Hollywood cliché of starting out in the mailroom and ending up on the big screen come true. Instead, what he discovered was something more valuable: "When you work in the mailroom, you know what's going on all over the lot. You meet people. You learn how things work."

Lassen's affability and ability to network allowed him to take on any number of positions in Los Angeles. His resume boasts acting in commercials and films, modeling for ads and

serving as a production assistant for programs such as *Ellen*, *Temptation Island*, and *Joe Millionaire*, among others. He was the post-production coordinator for *Robot Chicken*'s season one DVD release, and served as an associate producer and production coordinator for the 1994 World Cup. And then there was that gig as a birthday party clown, which, it turned out, changed Lassen's life.

## Clowning Around

"I guess it was 1995," he remembers. "All these things happened over a span of a few months. I was a page at CBS and I got another mailroom job. My three-and-a-half-year-old nephew died, my roommate killed himself. I was tired of the seasons not changing. I felt like this wasn't what I signed up for. I wanted to go home."

When he talked to his mother about packing it in, she expressed her support and told him she and Lassen's father would certainly love to have him home, but she said to him, "This is called life. And you belong there."

Lassen knew he couldn't continue to be sad and that he had to keep working toward his dream of making a life in Hollywood, whatever that would turn out to be. A friend of his had been working with a party company, and said Lassen would be a great fit. He taught Lassen how to make balloon animals, how to paint faces, and some simple party games.

"After that first birthday party, I got a piece of cake and a \$20 tip," says Lassen. "And I was hooked. I could make \$50 for an hour's worth of work, and have time to do other things."

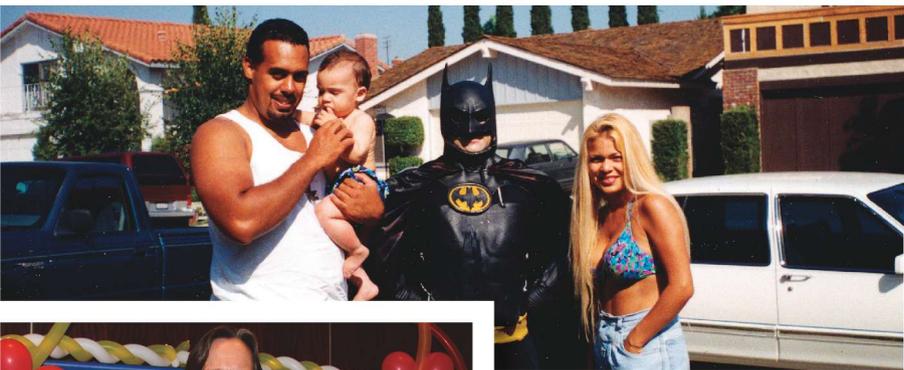
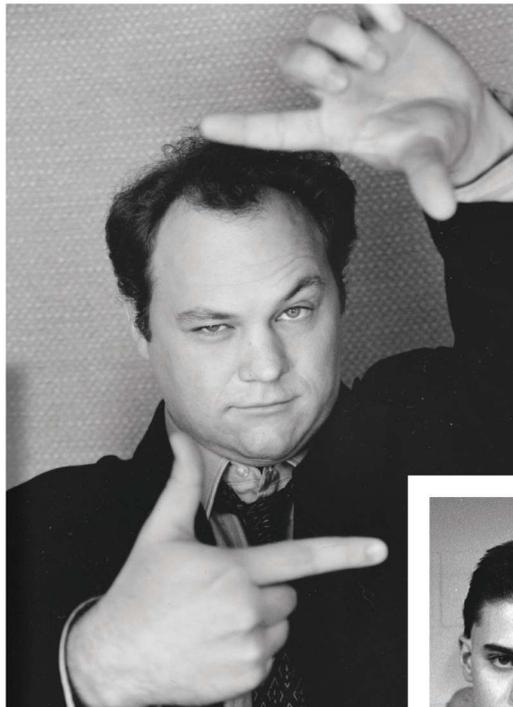
Lassen signed on with Celebration Entertainment to do birthday and holiday parties. Freely admitting he just fell into the work, he also realized it was a fun way to put his performing skills to use. The fact that he was mostly working weekends left him free to audition or take on other production jobs during the week. He turned those experiences into a book, *Hollywood Clown*, published in 2013,

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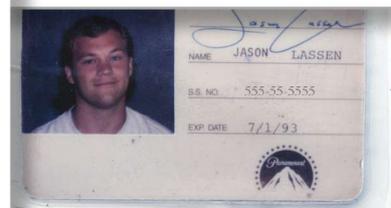
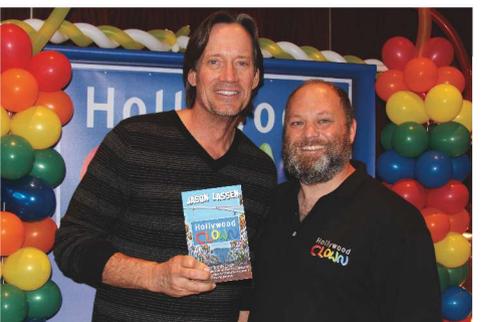




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which won the Grand Prize at the 2014 Hollywood Book Festival and Southern California Book Festival, as well as accolades from festivals in London, the Pacific Rim, Amsterdam, Florida, and San Francisco. He and a friend are currently working on a pilot episode for a sitcom based on the book.

“We’ll be shooting what’s called a ‘sizzle reel,’” says Lassen. “It’s a three to five minute commercial to give potential buyers a look and feel of our idea of the show.”

“Jason is a talented, funny performer,” says Perry. “I’ve only ever known him to be successful at whatever he’s chosen to do.”

### Doing it His Way

Lassen knows that his career trajectory isn’t typical. But he also knows that he’s a survivor in a town notorious for chewing people up and spitting them out. Over nearly

a quarter-century, he’s been doing what he loves, on his own terms.

Certainly a key to his success has been his own never-quit, find-another-way attitude. Lassen also credits Franklin Pierce with giving him space to grow and a place to experiment.

“Phyllis [Zrzavy, Professor of Communication] gave us [Lassen and Perry] independent study credit for a movie we did at Pierce. We spent our spring break on campus one year working on it. Franklin Pierce really allowed students to be their own boss, and to never be afraid to try something different, or ask someone for help.”

The first in his family to go to college, Lassen’s educational experience at Pierce was a lot of making things up as he went along, following ideas and inspirations to their natural conclusions. One of the things he loved about the Mass Communication program at Pierce was that he could take an active role in creating TV shows or working on programming from his first day on campus, a contrast to some other Northeast colleges’ more established media curricula, which reserved production spots for upperclassmen. He performed in college plays, deejayed at WFPR and made two movies.

“Jason was always friendly, always upbeat,” recalls Zrzavy, who says that she was impressed with the degree of detail Lassen and Perry had

in their movie production schedules, right down to locations for shooting and what equipment was needed. “Everybody who worked with him liked him. And he was creative, that’s really who he was.”

That creativity has served Lassen well through his Hollywood odyssey. He realizes it’s not what he started out thinking it would be, because he is well aware that he has had a number of opportunities and experiences most people only dream of. He’s overcome more than his share of adversity, too, notably breaking his neck five years ago, the result of taking on construction side projects, and having to undergo nearly two years of rehabilitation. The accident meant that he couldn’t audition for roles; he was a liability on the set until he was medically cleared.

Today, in addition to working on the *Hollywood Clown* pilot, Lassen finished editing *Odious*, a film directed by Robert Sparks, about an uncle searching for his kidnapped nephew and running up against child sex trafficking in L.A. Lassen is co-executive producer on the film, which they are hoping to submit to the Sundance Film Festival. He’s been married to his wife Annette for 16 years, and his freelancing work allows him to have an active role in raising their two children.

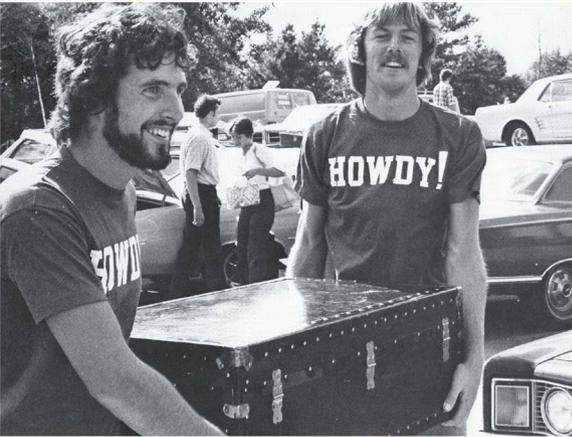
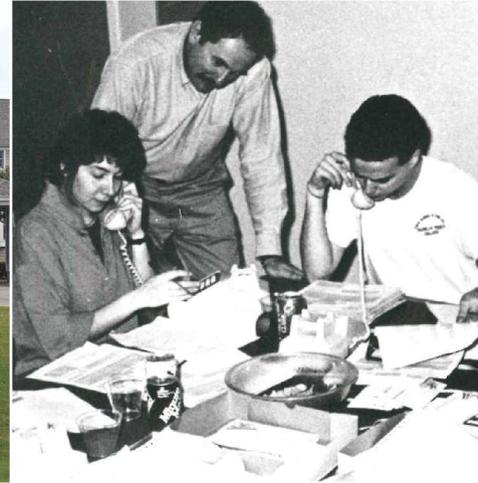
“I’ll get the kids off to school and have five or six hours of editing or working on projects,” he says. “*Odious* should be out this fall, and I’ve got some special effects work lined up as well.”

Lassen says the takeaway from his experience has been to never give up.

“I’ve used all of my skill sets in my career – acting, production, writing, even Photoshop,” he laughs. “And I know coming out here was one of the best things I’ve ever done in my life. My wife asked me recently where I thought I’d be if I’d never left production at the studios. I’m not sure. But I know that I’m happy. And I’ll take happiness any day.”



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# Forging Bonds and Celebrating Success

**I'M DELIGHTED TO OFFER YOU** an update and greetings from your Alumni Association Board of Directors (AABOD). As President of the Franklin Pierce University Alumni Association, it's my pleasure to lead the board committees in support of our ongoing mission: "to engage and foster strong lifelong bonds between the University and its alumni body."

As I prepare this update, I look back quite proudly on our accomplishments. We've had a year of successes, with increased alumni and student engagement, scholarship and alumni financial support, and a home run Alumni Reunion Weekend. Alumni pride is as high as ever! Our goal for the coming academic year is to sustain what we've accomplished, while driving new success stories. This is our University!

Our AABOD members represent Pierce well and you can be proud of their commitment to represent you. We have outstanding support from our Alumni & Parent Relations office, staff, faculty, and administration across the University, and we very much look forward to working closely with President Kim Mooney '83.

Your AABOD and volunteer committee members work to further Franklin Pierce's reputation and success. We respect and honor Pierce history, but we must also be open and flexible in recognizing the changing needs of the University and our alumni. Over the past year, we've shared with you many ways that alumni involvement and support can help drive success.

The Alumni Association Board of Directors tackles a wide area of need and value. So how

can you help? The answers are easier than you might think. Be champions of Franklin Pierce and direct students here that you know will thrive (family, friends, neighbors, etc.). Share your success stories. Alumni excitement and presence on campus carries significant value to our students, and we are invited "home" as often as possible. Your involvement increases the prestige of our University. Alumni support celebrates our history and ensures the future, so Franklin Pierce can continue to help a new generation of students succeed.



as your weekly coffee money can make a difference to ensure that Franklin Pierce has a more solid foundation for its future. The step you take to write a check to the University within your means of giving has immediate benefit and value. There's absolutely a ripple effect with alumni support, involvement, and stewardship. Let's make this a banner year for alumni engagement, and support President Mooney's efforts to ensure Franklin Pierce's strong presence now and into the future.

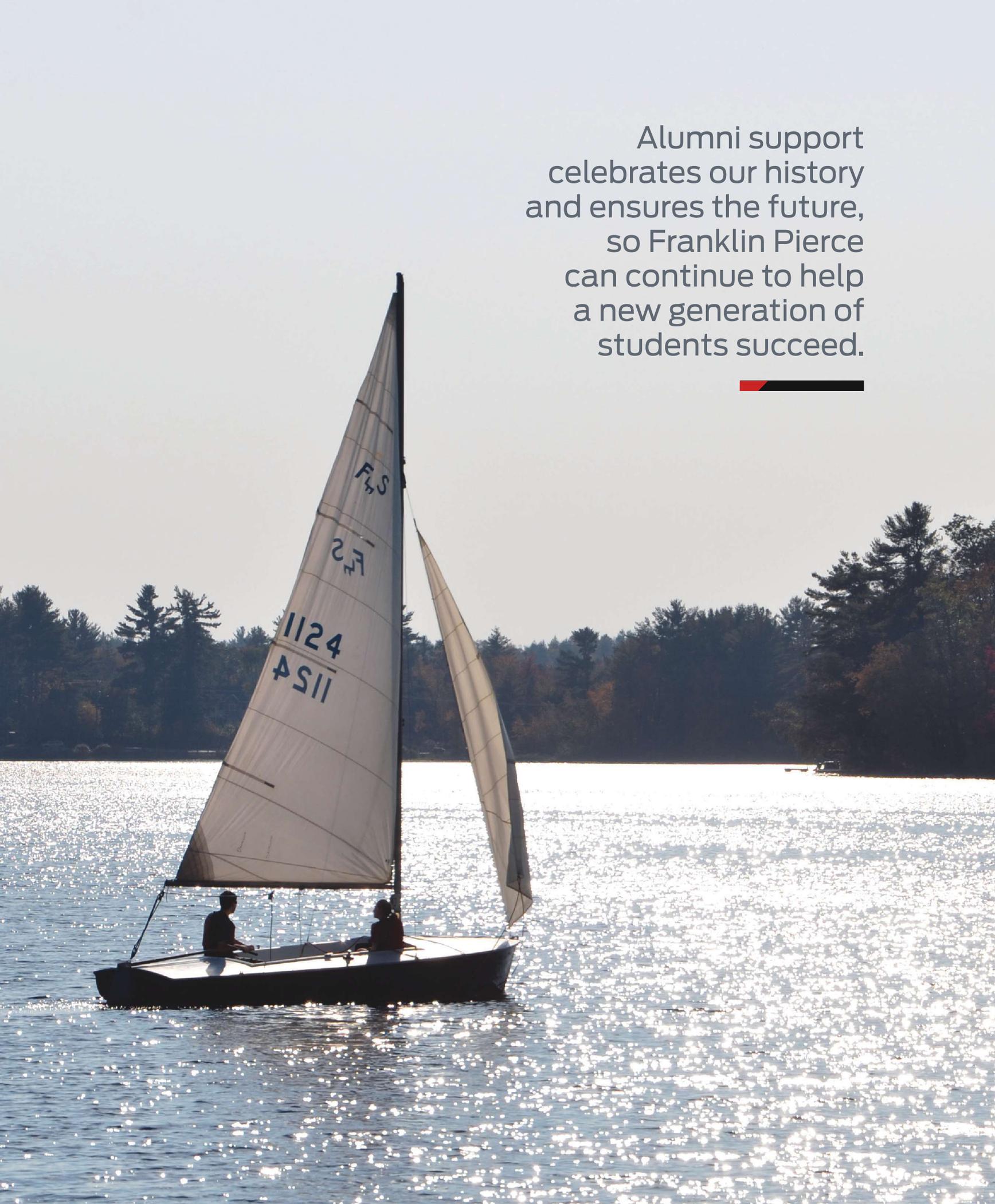
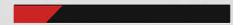
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**BOB RILEY '82**  
PRESIDENT,  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Lastly, your financial support is critical as the challenges for our small, private New England University remain real. Every dollar raised helps the University meet its priority needs: operational, capital fundraising, and endowment support. Financial support in an amount as small

Left: Alumni Board members, Josh Sigsworth '07, DPT '10, Dave Masse '83, Rocky, Bob Riley '82 and Henry Ellis '69. Spread: Pearly Pond.

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The Franklin Pierce Alumni Association Board of Directors (AABOD) oversees efforts to advance, support, and foster lifelong bonds between alumni, students, and the University. These volunteers demonstrate service, leadership, and Pierce Pride, along with a strong understanding of the mission of the Alumni Association and the University.

The AABOD is essential in helping to plan and coordinate Alumni Reunion Weekend and multiple events held across Pierce's five campuses around the country. These dedicated volunteers also oversee the Alumni Scholarship Programs and Alumni Service Awards, and support current students with career mentoring and providing networking opportunities.

Here, in a show of Pierce Pride, they share some of their favorite things about our University.



**Bob Riley '82**

**PRESIDENT, ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 10 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** Favorite Pierce memory: I met my wife, Kim Lewis '83, in 1979. It was love at first sight – we've been married for 37 years thus far! My most recent favorite memory was having the privilege of speaking at the 2016 Commencement as the AABOD president.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** Julie Zahn, Director of Alumni and Parent Relations. We have a great working relationship and friendship. I appreciate her counsel and support.



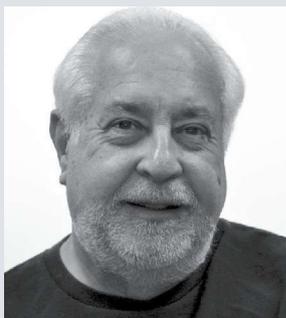
**Dave Masse '83**

**VICE PRESIDENT,  
ACADEMIC RELATIONS**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 4 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** My favorite memories are from being on the baseball team.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** The business department faculty for assisting us in designing the cutting-edge Computer Science/Management major.



**Henry Ellis '69**

**VICE PRESIDENT,  
BY-LAWS, & ELECTIONS**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 12 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** It would definitely be Winter Carnival '69, when Janis Joplin performed at Pierce. [See story in Pierce Magazine, Winter 2015] It's my favorite because it was something no one thought would happen, but it did.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** Dr. Clifford Coles. He believed in students and gave us the freedom to learn who we are and what we are capable of.



**Kim (Cook) Neher '89**

**VICE PRESIDENT,  
EXTERNAL RELATIONS**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 4 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** There are so many memories, I can't pick just one! When I think of Pierce, I remember so many great moments spent with great friends!

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** President Walter R. Peterson because he was a great leader who brought people together.



**Marcy (Pollock) Fink '73**

**VICE PRESIDENT,  
REUNION WEEKEND**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 10 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** Bruce Springsteen jamming in the 21 Club.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** My drama professor, Ray Barron, who instilled in all of us that we could be anything if we put our minds to it.



**Dan Becker '70**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 5+ years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** As I grew and matured as an adult, I found the people around me grew as well, and they became both a help and inspiration to reach my goals. Students, faculty, and staff made me feel important, and a part of something – our future.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** Dr. Ian Sinclair, professor of Chemistry and former dean of FPC, was the most influential faculty member I had. He inspired, guided, trusted, and mentored me.



**Scott Babitts '73**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 9 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** My favorite memory is going to all the concerts that we had, that featured really big time entertainers, right on campus, like B.B. King, Paul Butterfield Blues Band, and Santana.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** My favorite teacher was history professor Dr. Frank Moriarty. He was a fabulous lecturer and motivated me like no other teacher ever could!



**Jason McCormack '95, MBA '13**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 17 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** “Chairing” on the manor lawn. Friends and I took our dorm room desk chairs (the chair feet were actually steel rails) out to the Manor lawn and raced each other down the hill on them.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** Marabeth Farmer was the Community Outreach Coordinator. She taught me to value the life I had and how to help others who may be less fortunate. I'll be forever grateful.



**Tara Wilkinson '97**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 5 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** Looking out my window from Northwoods G4 and seeing that “The Bubble” had collapsed. North Fields Activity Center was erected while I was a student, so it was a big deal to see it not sustain the New England weather.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** The student affairs team prepared me for my career in higher education, the Social Work faculty prepared me for my master's degree. The Community Curriculum Team opened my eyes to a variety of topics and allowed me engage with faculty outside my degree, which was an important life lesson.



**Nikki Torday '98**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 10 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** Sledding down “Roach Hill”

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** One of the most influential staff members was Marabeth Farmer because she helped to grow my love of volunteering.



**Sarah Probst '98**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 1st year.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** Walking back to Monadnock Hall just before dawn after an all-night session. The campus was covered in a thick blanket of snow. The night was surprisingly warm and the moon gave the entire campus a soft blue glow. There was no sound, no movement. I could have been the only person in the world. I stood in the courtyard in front of the library for the longest time, feeling like if I moved the magic would end.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** My archaeology professor, Dr. Howard Hecker. I will never forget him.



**Chris Holman '99**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 6 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** When I was in high school, I used to sneak out of my family's house and drive to campus and hang out with Pierce students. While I was 'coming out' in high school, students I had met from FPC became my support network. I'm still good friends with many of them.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** My college advisor, Dr. Robin Marra (Political Science), and his wife, Jill Wixom (Library), because of the long-lasting roles we have played in each others' lives.



**Grace Ames '12**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 1st year.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** I have a Top 10 List (and probably a Top 50, too), but I would have to say the whole summer I spent at Franklin Pierce between junior and senior years working at the waterfront. I didn't even take classes; I just had such a fun junior year, I couldn't let it end! Doug Carty '06 probably wouldn't pick me as his hardest working employee that summer, but I had a blast.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** I had so many amazing professors over the years, but I have to pick airframe specialist "Jeano" St. Pierre. Four years out of college, we're still keeping in touch and it feels like old times.



**Josh Sigsworth '07, DPT '10**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 2 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** Overlooking Pearly Pond wearing my doctoral gown and tam, reminiscing about the struggles, successes, failures, friends made, and friends lost. I remember feeling so happy and thankful.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** Dr. Mark Caulkins for his guidance when I asked him, "What's the most important concept when practicing in the medical field?" He replied, "The most dangerous person that you can know is the person that thinks they know everything. Now, don't be dangerous." That one simple quote has stuck with me throughout my practice as a physical therapist.



**Merrill Vaughan '12**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 2 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** Cyndie Martin, Follett Bookstore Manager, and her welcoming manner to me when I purchased my first textbooks and the friendliness of the students.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** Professor Bill Parsons showed me how to think outside the box.



**Pam Sanderson '98, M.Ed. '08**

**Number of years volunteering at Pierce:** 8 years.

**Favorite Pierce memory:** During my graduate seminar in 1998, I was part of a randomly selected group assigned to do a multimedia presentation. Professor Gary Baker called our project "the Cadillac of presentations" and awarded each of us an A+++++. It was magical.

**Favorite faculty or staff member and why:** Professor Gary Baker. He taught in Concord for quite a while. His name was among those read at the dedication of the memorial stone this June, as he passed away this past year. He was a great teacher.

## DIRECTOR ALUMNI & PARENT RELATIONS

**Julie Zahn**

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As the Director of Alumni & Parent Relations, Julie is excited about the opportunity to engage and connect with alumni, parents, and friends of the University. She is committed to the mission of the Alumni Association and honors Pierce's past while building lifelong relationships for the future.

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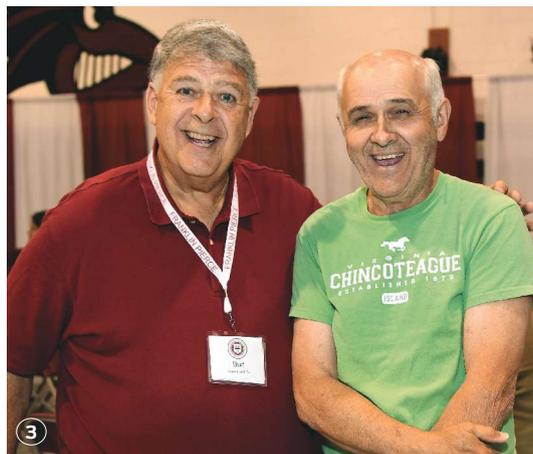
## ALUMNI REUNION WEEKEND 2016

More than 300 alumni, parents, faculty, staff, and friends headed back to campus June 24-26, 2016, for our annual Alumni Reunion Weekend. We marked a milestone this year, as the Class of 1966 celebrated their 50th Class Reunion!

Friday evening kicked off the festivities with both a special tribute to the Class of 1966 and the dedication of a beautiful new deck overlooking Pearly Pond, generously donated by Dan and Carleen (Albonizio) '71 Farrell. A Pioneer Reception, honoring those in the classes of 1966-1971 was held at the Lakeside Educational Center.

At the Alumni Awards Luncheon, held in the Fieldhouse on Saturday, we presented awards to Ravens who have contributed so much to the University. Award winners are:

- **Bob St. Jean**  
Outstanding Service Award
- **David Shooster '69**  
Dr. Frank S. DiPietro  
Entrepreneurship Award
- **Henry Ellis '69**  
Leader of Conscience Award
- **John Borino '69**  
Rick Falconi '69 Alumni  
Participation Award
- **Dr. Mark Goodman '71**  
Power of the Raven Award



## THE CLASS OF 1966 WAS INDUCTED INTO THE HALF CENTURY CLUB.

We salute those Reunion Chair members who worked tirelessly to raise dollars for their individual classes.

- ① Ravens taking a break on a beautiful Saturday afternoon.
- ② Dr. Mark Goodman '71
- ③ Brant "Bud" Elkind '71 and James "Jim" Hendsey '70
- ④ This group of alumni were Pierce Proud and excited to be back on campus with their Pierce Pals!
- ⑤ Robin Picard '82, Judy (Raposa) Leach '82, Jeff Smith '81, Josh Steele, Dorian "Dody" (Stigers) Froelich '81, and Ed Mastriano '81
- ⑥ Bob Riley '82 and John Borino '69
- ⑦ David Schutzman '81 with Cindy (Murray) Schutzman '81, Karen "Aruba" Harms '81, and Caryn (Robotti) Marshall '80.
- ⑧ Carmine Giangreco '66 chatting with David Wilson '77.



The afternoon left plenty of time to relax and enjoy the company of old friends and new, many beating the heat in the cool waters of Pearly Pond. Mike and Ant's Ice Cream truck rolled through campus, providing cold treats for Ravens of all ages.

- ❶ Vicki Doyle '12 and her grandchildren enjoying ice cream on a hot New England day.
- ❷ Paula Slowe '12, Emily Joyce-Brady '12, Jamie Delorey '12, and Robert Fields '12.
- ❸ Alumni enjoying a sailboat ride on Pearly Pond.
- ❹ Diane "Dinny" Parvin '69 leaving her mark on Franklin Pierce by carving her name into the wooden countertops of the Adventure Recreation Lounge.
- ❺ Young alumni enjoying a sunny day on Pearly Pond.



Members of the Alumni Association with the family of the late Richard "Rick" Falconi '69.

## A LASTING TRIBUTE FOR SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

The dedication and tireless efforts of Franklin Pierce alumni are vital to the continued success of the University. This year, the Franklin Pierce University Alumni Association unveiled a granite memorial recognizing an alumni volunteer for his long-term, extraordinary service to the University.

Dedicated during Alumni Reunion Weekend 2016 in June, the memorial honors Rick Falconi '69 for his efforts and enthusiasm. Rick passed away in September 2015, following a battle with cancer. Fellow '69 classmates, Ray Schank and John Borino, spearheaded the effort to honor his legacy to the school, creating the Alumni Association Memorial in Recognition of Extraordinary Service to Franklin Pierce. Rick's name is now engraved on the beautiful granite stone as the first recipient.

Rick exemplified volunteer support and set the bar high for service to Franklin Pierce. His loss spawned the idea to memorialize alumni who've given long-term volunteer service.

Peterborough Marble & Granite, a local stone vendor, was selected for the project, and a two-ton stone was moved from the Silver Ranch in Jaffrey to Peterborough, engraved, and delivered to Franklin Pierce. The impressive granite stone, carved with an outline that resembles Mount Monadnock, now sits at the entrance of Marcucella Hall as a permanent tribute to special alumni volunteers. The Alumni Board is completing criteria for future alumni recipients, and details will be published soon on the alumni website. The benchmark is high, as this recognition is intended as one of the highest honors we can bestow on deceased alumni. We consider this a lifetime achievement award for alumni volunteers.

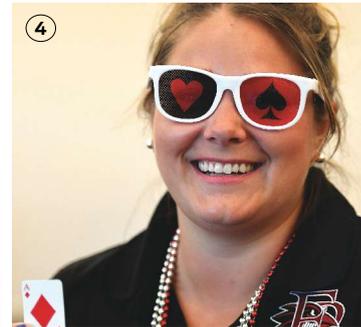


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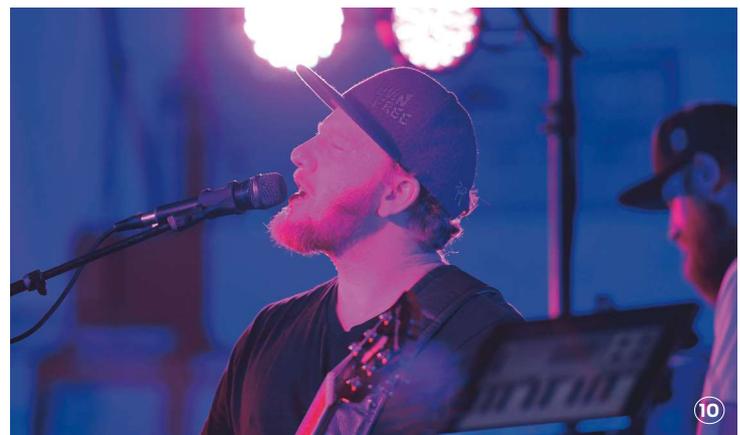
## ALUMNI REUNION WEEKEND CONT.

That evening, Spagnuolo Hall was transformed for Casino Night. Students, staff, and Alumni Association Board Members volunteered as dealers, and guests tried their luck at the felt tables. Some winners even went home with gorgeous gift baskets, donated by Katie and Scott '73 Babitts, and Marcy '73 and Art '72 Fink.

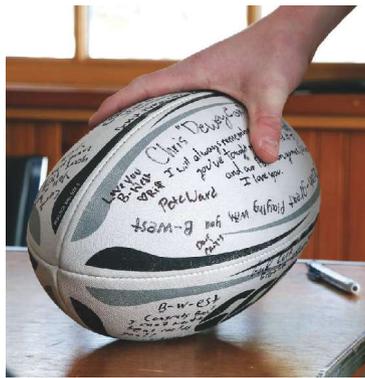
- 1 Danny Becker '70 testing his luck at Casino Night!
- 2 Art Fink '72 serving as dealer for these eager alumni hoping to win big.
- 3 Christine Giampietro '07
- 4 Michelle Bourassa
- 5 Cody Butler '12 and Mary Kate Stille '12
- 6 Cody Butler '12, David Pierce '12, Robert Greggerson '12, and Adam Roderiques '12.
- 7 & 8 Alumni from all decades enjoyed a photo booth from Tap Snap!
- 9 Abby Gordan-Tolan '91, Kim (Cook) Neher '89, Gayle (Hamilton) Tirpok '90.
- 10 Brett Wilson, lead singer of Roots of Creation



Alumni Reunion Weekend isn't Alumni Reunion Weekend without fireworks! Stephen Pelkey of Atlas Fireworks donated the show in memory of Richard "Rick" Falconi '69, and his spectacular artistry lit up the sky as guests watched from Manor Lawn and Pearly Pond.



Capping off the Weekend's festivities, Roots of Creation, with members Brett Wilson '04 (lead vocals/guitar), Tal Pearson '04 (keyboard/organ/synthesizer), Mike Chadinha '04 (drums), Nick Minicucci (bass), and Andrew Riordan (saxophone), recently named Number 1 on the Billboard Reggae charts, took the stage for an Alumni Reunion Weekend finale concert. Wilson kicked off the first set with some Janis Joplin, an homage to when that music legend performed on campus in 1969.



## ALUMNI SPORTS GAMES

Our Ravens sports teams routinely host alumni games throughout the year here in Rindge. It's a chance for alumni to show their Raven Nation pride and cheer on our excellent student-athletes to victory. Check out these photos from our recent Men's and Women's Rugby Alumni games and Men's Soccer Alumni game!



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## RAVENS ON THE CAPE

Members of Raven Nation took in summer sunshine and a laid-back afternoon on Cape Cod, with nearly 20 members enjoying each other's company and an old-fashioned cookout. President Kim Mooney '83 presented Diane "Dinny" Parvin '69 with a framed photo of the boathouse and Pearly Pond.

- ❶ President Kim Mooney '83, Ph.D. with Diane "Dinny" Parvin '69.
- ❷ The Shucking Brothers serving up delicious oysters.
- ❸ Dinny enjoying herself with Franklin Pierce friends and neighbors.
- ❹ President Kim Mooney '83, Ph.D. presenting Dinny with a gift.
- ❺ President Kim Mooney '83, Ph.D. with Sandra "Sandy" Sicotte '81.
- ❻ Dinny with longtime LA Kings Scout, Bob Crocker.



## MICHAEL CHATMAN TALK

Michael Chatman '79 came to campus this spring to talk to students, faculty, staff, and friends about his career. Read his story on page 18.

- ❶ Michael Chatman '79 enjoyed lunch with members of the Franklin Pierce community.
- ❷ Michael Chatman '79



## ALUMNI VISITS

Alumni are always welcome to come back to Franklin Pierce, whether it is to serve on a career panel, assist with Admissions Open Houses, or just to stop in and say “hello!”, our Ravens are always welcome to “come home” for a visit anytime.

- ❶ These DPT alumni attended a Dry Needling Course at Franklin Pierce in Goodyear, Arizona, on May 6, 2016. Pictured are Shawn Gorsline DPT '13, Russell Linville DPT '14, Michelle Evers DPT '13, Cameron Moore DPT '12, and Jonathan Yaden DPT '15.
- ❷ Melissa Dymek '11 with Murielle Errie '10
- ❸ Alyssa Dandrea '11 and Maribeth Cote '11.
- ❹ Erika Bashaw MBA '13, Matt Fedorka '10, MBA '12, and Jennifer (Cotnoir) Christy '13.
- ❺ Dave Groder '66, Charlie Berry '66, and John Burke '66.

## NY REUNION

Members of the Class of 1981 are the perfect example of the beautiful, lifelong friendships that Franklin Pierce creates. Glade Cook '81 suffers from ALS, and since he couldn't make it to Alumni Reunion Weekend, his classmates brought the reunion to him! Glade '81 and Jean Cook graciously opened up their home for a small reunion in Marcy, NY, and Franklin Pierce University staff member, Susannah Batchelder '13, MBA '14, brought them a “Franklin Pierce College” cake that said “Howdy!”

- ❶ Ed Mastriano '81, Sharon Konspore '81, Jeff Smith '81, Glade Cook '81, Lora (Potter) Sullivan '81, and Becky (Jorn) Decker '81.
- ❷ Glade Cook '81.
- ❸ Jeff Smith '81, Sharon Konspore '81, and Ed Mastriano '81.
- ❹ Jeff Smith '81, Ed Mastriano '81, Sharon Konspore '81, Becky (Jorn) Decker '81, and Lora (Potter) Sullivan '81.
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Join us for an upcoming event!  
Please check the website often for updates and details:  
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### FEBRUARY 2017

- Alumni Hockey Game
- DPT Hooding/Commencement (Arizona)

### MARCH 2017

- Alumni Association Board Meetings

### APRIL 2017

- Commencement Fair

### MAY 2017

- Senior Panel and Reception
- CGPS Awards Reception
- Athletic Hall of Fame
- Convocation
- Baccalaureate
- Commencement

### JUNE 2017

- STEP DAY
- Reunion Weekend & AABOD Meetings

### JULY 2017

- STEP DAY

# CLASS NOTES

## 1966

**Ronald "Ron" Savarese '66** reports, "I visited our classmate and 1966 class president, Bill Wittenburg '66, in Hockessin, DE, while traveling to FPU for the 50th anniversary. Bill was unable to attend Reunion, but sent good wishes to all his classmates." [Editor's Note: Bill Wittenburg passed away on September 11, 2016. We send our sympathies to his classmates, friends, and family.]

## 1968

**Dane Hahn '68** writes, "Wow, graduation in 1968 seems like a long time ago, and yet life goes on. Back then, I thought that only old folks lived in Florida, but about 12 years ago my wife, Sandra, and I moved from Exeter, New Hampshire, where we lived for 25 years, to Florida's southwest coast. In NH, we owned a real estate company. I continue to sell real estate in FL, a career which allows me to have both free time and a source of income, plus I have found volunteering to be more rewarding than I ever thought. I joined the Coast Guard Auxiliary about 15 years ago and now serve as Flotilla Commander. With my oil painting, cooking at the local church, plus boating year round, the days fly past. This year we completed a number of items from our bucket list. In the last year, we have been to Peru, Russia, Germany, and by the time you read this, we will have been to Australia and New Zealand on a six week cruise (lots of visas in the passport). Plus, I am working on a third book which I hope to complete by year's end. This one is on the Spanish-American War. More travels for next year may include China and Scandinavia. Greetings to all. Still another year before our 50th, but God willing, I plan to be there. dane.hahn@comcast.net"

**Holly O'Neill '68**, who received her degree from Caldwell University (college), writes, "I just wanted to

let you all know that Lorna (Haas) Tebow '69 and myself were at Franklin Pierce University together and have kept in touch for 50 years. Lorna now lives in Pascoag, RI, and has two granddaughters. Both girls are doing really well in school. We keep in touch by phone for all the special occasions such as birthdays and holidays. We still have fond memories of our years at FPC and all the fun we had while living on campus. I do not know how many of both of our classes are still alive, but we do remember most of them and talk about them when we get on the phone."

## 1969

**Tom Cafone '69** is having too much fun to consider retiring as an internationally known professional speaker on the topics of more effective communication, leadership, & team-building, as well as helping people "find their boss" and become entrepreneurs. He lives in San Diego and still gets back to NJ, NYC, and New England a couple of times a year. [www.TomCafone.com](http://www.TomCafone.com)

**Ronald "Ron" Wallerstein '69** reports, "I'm semi-retired living near my oldest daughter, Kelly, and grandchildren in Middleborough, Massachusetts. Kelly is a teacher, and our son, Max, is an accountant in Hartford, Connecticut. Our younger daughter, Juliette, is a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Still enjoying life! Go Ravens!"

**Leslie "Les" Weitzman '69** reports, "I've been married to Andrea for 44 years and live in Bryn Mawr, PA. I'm executive vice president of Park America. I have three grown children and seven grandchildren. It's hard to believe it's been over 47 years since graduation."

## 1970

**Andrew W. Campbell '70** reports, "I am the editor-in-chief for two



**Carleen (Albonizio) Farrell '71** reports that a few of her New Jersey friends and classmates were able to meet up this past summer in New Jersey. Dan and Carleen Farrell '71, Maryanne '71 & Skip '70 Vallorano, and Jane & Russ Perry '71 traveled to Ocean Grove, New Jersey, to meet up with Carole (Langer) Greenfield '71 and her husband Steve, who were visiting all the way from Bixby, Oklahoma. The photo shows the following: Carleen Farrell '71, Jane Perry '71, Maryanne Vallorano '71, and Carole (Langer) Greenfield '71.

medical journals and a medical advisor to several companies that produce pharmaceutical supplements. I am married with two boys and two girls, have four grandchildren, and live in Tampa, FL."

**Edward Turowski '70** writes, "After many years of living in New Jersey, my wife, Ronnie McDevitt, who also went to FPC from 1965 to 1970, and I are now living in Williamsburg, Virginia. All of our children and grandchildren (a total of four) live in Virginia so we have moved closer and are enjoying our grandchildren! A big hello to Earl, Rick (Stinky), Dinny, Ellen, and Cookie! Gay, if you're still getting info from FPC, let me know where you are!"

## 1971

**Philip "Kip" Charbonneau '71** and his wife, Marjie, are dividing their

time between Webster, Massachusetts, and Bradenton, Florida. "Looking for info on locating my roommate, Mike Gold."

An article about the UYCP, which is coordinated and managed by **Gerald W. "Jerry" Scott '71**, has been published.

**Stephen "Steve" Segal '71** writes, "Hi everybody. I had a great time at Alumni Weekend. If you're in the San Francisco Bay area, call me."

**Sharon (Bornstein) Stein '71** writes, "It is with great pride that I say hi to all Franklin Pierce students, staff, administrators, and of course alumni! I have been the Franklin Pierce University California Alumni Chapter Leader for many years and say hi to the California

Alumni! I am now teaching nurse candidates at West Coast University as an adjunct professor, but still performing on stage, in interactive theatre (AKAshows.com), and recently appeared in "The Wedding Pact," a Matt Berman film. Thanks to my husband, Stan, for all the support he has shown as well!

## 1972

**Jere Colman '72** reports, "My artist wife, Alexandra Colman (née Palmer) and I live two and a half hours west of Seattle on the North Olympic Peninsula across the Salish Sea from Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. Planning on retiring this year and doing some traveling in the good old U.S.A. We have no children, but we have had many rescue dogs (and one cat) to keep us on our toes. Once in this area (to accept a Seattle job offer), it was hard to return to the East Coast. Since then, efforts have included two years of safety equipment sales (125 lines of equipment for power line and logging industries), nine years of high climbing/rigging (with a personal climbing record height of 275 feet), seven years of art sales (based in Montecito, California), and juried art show sponsorship (throughout the West Coast and the Southwest), and last, but not least, twenty+ years as president of my own kitchen design corporation with sales on Washington's North Olympic Peninsula, Seattle, and Anchorage. What a life. I have fond memories of fellow students, Howard Sargent (Anthropology), Mr. Dion (Math), and all the awesome concerts we were privy to at FPC (now FPU) in the late '60s and early '70s. I am truly blessed. Hello to D.H. Dodge and M. Cunningham."

On August 19, 2016, **Charlie Mann '72**, executive director of Celestial Manna, will be honored by receiving a trophy and reward for serving the Latino community of the metropolitan Washington, D.C. area. Check it out: Recuerde #premiosLatinCommunity ya muy pronto compra tus boletos en [www.premioslatincommunity.com](http://www.premioslatincommunity.com).

**Glenn Rubin '72** writes, "I still keep in contact with my two original housemates after 44 years - my two amigos: Leon 'Billy' Flesdrager '72 and Bruce 'Pa' Barrett '71."

## 1973

**Steve Iglehart '73** writes, "Alison and I live just north of Charlotte, North Carolina. She is a financial advisor for RW Baird and hoping to retire in the next few years. Our daughter, Laura, works in the fashion industry. I am retired from full-time teaching, but tutoring in Spanish and ESL online and one-to-one. I'm also volunteering for Habitat and in a Hispanic outreach initiative locally. Best wishes to all my classmates!"

**Daniel O'Donnell '73** is wondering, "Where's Tim Ouellette '73? Originally from Peabody, Massachusetts. Name may be misspelled. Any info please send to [odonnee@metrocast.net](mailto:odonnee@metrocast.net). Thanks."

**Richard E. Schwartz '73** reports, "No different than last time. I've been a retired radiological technologist for twenty-nine years from Maimonides Medical Center, Brooklyn, New York. I got married 1/15/72 and have two daughters."

## 1974

**Frederic "Fred" Levy '74** writes, "I'm living in Port Washington, New York, and have been married for 35 years. My daughter is finishing up her Ph.D. in Psychology. She is engaged to be married summer 2017. I merged my insurance broker business with another firm in 2014."

## 1975

**Richard "Rick" Haskell '75** writes, "I'm director of fiscal services at Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill, Massachusetts. My son graduated from Franklin Pierce in 2010. I just got back from Niagara Falls, Ontario, vacation with wife Noreen, and grandson, Jacob. I have attended several alumni Red Sox games in past years, a fun time."

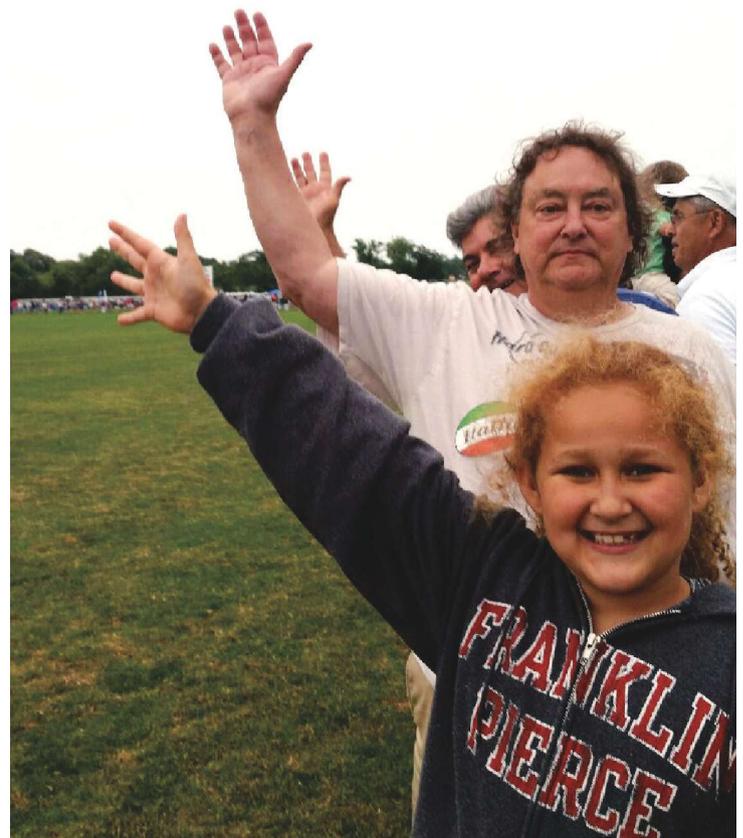
## 1976

**John Tepe '76** writes, "I am the North America service introduction and infrastructure change control



**James "Jimmy" McDonald III '75** writes, "I am retired and am now a Maine Fishing Guide. I recently had a fellow '75 classmate, Neal Clay, out for a two day charter on Rangeley Lake. Plenty of good times and fish!!"

**Joseph "Joe" Piccardi '79** writes, "I am enjoying, as I always do, living in Rhode Island, especially in the summer. I played golf Friday on the island of Jamestown and then again on Saturday morning. Later in the day we went with my granddaughter to Polo, U.S.A vs. Italy, great match; great tailgating, spent Monday evening in Newport, R.I., to hear the Vienna Piano Trio make their American debut. I hope all of my friends from my class and those in the classes around me are also having a great summer. I turned sixty-five this summer; I don't know where the time went. In this photo, my granddaughter and I are waiting to high five the players after the polo match."





**Robert "Bobby" Kuhsel '79** writes, "On my way to Sturgis, South Dakota, I stopped in to see Julie (Jorgensen) Dreebin '79 in Illinois."



**Anthony "Tony" Savageau '86** and **Karen (Rose) Savageau '85** write, "We had a great time during Reunion Weekend and would like to encourage our classmates to join us next year! You won't regret it!!"

manager for Coretech, a WPP company. I am married to my wonderful wife, Concetta. We have two children: Melissa, Stonehill College (2010), and Justin, Boston University BA (2015) and Master of Public Health (2016). We live in Cortlandt Manor, New York.

### 1977

**Susan (Coffin) Babb '77** writes, "I have been the library director of the G.A.R. Memorial Library in West Newbury, Massachusetts, for almost three years. I have just moved to West Newbury as well!"

**Peter Weber '77** is one of the new owners of Tresca Restaurant in the North End in Boston along with Bruins legend Ray Bourque. "I want to invite all FPU alumni that travel into Boston to come visit Tresca!"

**Mary Ann "Maggie" Zadorozny '77** writes, "I celebrated 30 years with the National Park Service in March. Look me up in Rock Creek Park in Washington, D.C., before I retire sometime in 2017. Carpe diem..."

### 1978

**Gregg Woolston '78** writes, "I am happy to report that I married the lovely Pamela Macrini in Yorktown Heights, New York, on May 22. Cooper was best dog. We traveled to France for our honeymoon with stops in Paris, Beaune, La Rochelle, and Bordeaux plus an extended stay in Biarritz, where we traveled to all parts of the beautiful Basque Region, with several day trips into Spain. We love living in the Hudson Valley. I'm still selling wine and playing baseball! Pamela loves to cook and ride horses. Feel free to drop me a line: gwool08@gmail.com. Cheers."

### 1979

**Arthur Casey '79** writes, "I have retired from my job as a supervisor with the DTA, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, after 36 years."

### 1980

**Gregory "Greg" Franks '80** writes, "It has been 36 years now since graduating hard to believe. I have spent thirty-three years on Wall Street, which took me around the

world having lived in New Orleans, Houston, Washington, D.C., Baltimore, London, Dubai, and New York. After 29 years with one firm, we now have our own company, Snowden Lane Partners, based in N.Y.C, where I am president and managing partner. I met my wife overseas, and we have three children, two of whom are now in college. If anyone is ever in the city, let's get together for a drink and catch up on our times at Franklin Pierce!"

**Stephen "Steve" Rodio '80** writes, "I'm living and practicing law in Rhode Island. I have two lovely daughters, Yamila (16) and Isabella (12). Took an exciting trip to China last month, where I married my lovely wife, ChunMei, in her hometown of Fuling, in Sichuan Provence, China. Hello to all my long-lost Franklin Pierce classmates and friends!"

### 1981

**Bev (Rocho) Moore '81** has retired from teaching middle school students. She and husband, Marv, and basset hound, Penelope, have retired to their Florida home on the Gulf. She now spends her time playing cards and Mah Jong with friends, yoga at the beach, and long walks with friends and dogs. She is actively involved with a life-long learners group and has decided to spend any remaining free time reading. Her goal is to read a biography of every president in chronological order. "Hello to everyone, and you're welcome to visit anytime you're in the Gulf of Mexico area. We're between Sarasota and Ft. Meyers."

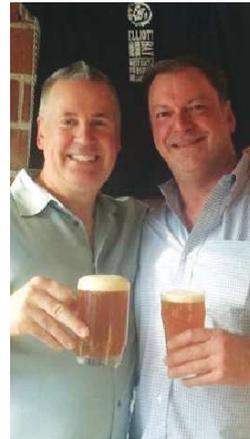
### 1983

**Waverly (Clingman) Knize '83** writes, "I'm a nurse in a health and rehab center. Other than that, I remain an avid outdoorswoman. I work hard/play hard, and life has been full of surprises and rewards."

**A'Lisa (Underwood) Tello '83** reports, "I recently relocated to beautiful Colorado Springs! I absolutely love the area and seeing the mountains every day. In February 2016, I joined Special



After 20 winters in Minnesota, **Ami (Miesner) Anderson '89** and her family moved to Dallas, Texas. She is now the senior director of advertising & media for Chuck E. Cheese's. Nepotism is alive and well, as she has already cast her daughter in a few of her commercials. Look for Tess enjoying pizza in the restaurant next time you see one of their commercials. (Tess Anderson is the blonde on the right.)



**Chris "Rize" Reisner '89** had a mini FPC reunion in Seattle with Charlie Church '86.



**John Kloepper '89** writes, "After selling our home and business in New Mexico almost two years ago, my fiancée (Andrea) and I have been traveling around the country in an RV visiting with family and friends."

Olympics Colorado as their senior vice-president, training & program innovations. I will be overseeing all of the state competitions, planning new programs to enhance the experience for all stakeholders, as well as developing a wide range of training programs for athletes, coaches, volunteers, families, staff, and board members."

**1984**

**Stephen Parker '84** is proud to announce that his daughter Sarah was accepted into a graduate program in genetics at Clark University and son Kevin will be teaching engineering at Concord Academy. Steve lives with his wife of 27 years, Maureen, and is an operations manager at Tetra Tech Inc. "Best to all of the Class of 1984."

**1985**

**Al Zilinsky '85** lives in Boca Raton, Florida, with his wife, Gabriela, and their two cats, Hunter and Lovey. Al is an independent research analyst for Woodside Capital Partners based in Palo Alto, California, and consults on cloud computing solutions and enterprise storage trends. He still plays guitar and is in a popular Grateful Dead tribute band, Unlimited Devotion, which performs regularly throughout Florida and the Southeast.

**1986**

**Kenneth "Ken" Butler '86** is the executive director of the MMAS Black Box Theater and Morini Gallery, an organization that he founded in 1993. The Theater will begin its 16th season and is embarking on a \$2 million capital campaign to build a new arts center for the southeastern Massachusetts region.

**Linda (Petocz) Mauriello '86** writes, "I relocated from Atlanta back to New Jersey to accept a new position as transition coordinator for special education for Boonton Public Schools. Looking forward to connecting with my New Jersey friends!"

**Dolores Moran-Colby '86** is currently living in Winter Harbor, Maine. She is teaching/coaching as a vice principal in a PreK to 8th grade school in Sullivan, Maine.

**1987**

**Robert "Rob" Taylor '87** lives in Leominster, Massachusetts, and works as the accounting supervisor for Seatrade International.

**1989**

**Ronald "Ron" Biron '89, DA '12** writes, "Greetings from the

Sunshine State!! In October 2015, my wife and I, with our lab, Webster, relocated to West Palm Beach, Florida, for good; no more winters for us. I still maintain an active teaching schedule for FPU's graduate MBA program and am the dean of academic affairs and operations for South University in West Palm Beach. My best to all alumni!"

**Nicholas "Nick" Raisz '89** writes, "Hello FPC! If you like rock and roll, please take a listen to my band at [www.crazymary.com](http://www.crazymary.com). Cheers and hope to see you all soon."

**Fernando Rodrigues '89** reports, "After 25 years in the software world and with a 10 -year stint at Microsoft, I launched my own company, Guruescape.com, a

travel comparison site. The goal of the site is to assist travelers who don't know where they want to go on vacation. The site will ask brief questions like, Do you want to lounge on the beach or would you like to visit museums? Do you prefer theater over nightclubs? Rural vs. urban? Indoor or outdoor based activities? Then, I provide them with a recommendation. We are beating Kayak three out of five times on hotel rates. Before you book, go to Guruescape.com."

**1991**

**Frank N. Roth '91, MBA '16** received his M.B.A in Health Administration from Franklin Pierce University this past May. Now he has a B.S. from Franklin Pierce College (1991) and an M.B.A from Franklin Pierce

**Michelle (Lackey) Maselli '92 and Mark "Turtle" Poinelli '92**

along with their families vacationed together in Old Lyme, Connecticut.



## CLASS NOTES

University (2016) - degrees in two centuries and two millennia!

### 1992

**Joel Gallihue '92** is joining Montgomery County Public School System of Rockville, Maryland, as director of long range planning.

### 1994

**Barry Roos '94** is the president of RooSites Web Development, LLC. The company, located just south of Boston, has just added two new

offices in Charlotte, North Carolina, and Tampa, Florida. RooSites designs, develops, and manages websites for companies throughout the U.S..

### 1995

**Steve Jackson '95** was hired by Franklin Pierce University as its new emerging media faculty member.

### 1996

**Damon Peter Rallis '96** recently completed his 15th year as a

municipal employee for the Town of Southold, New York and celebrated his second year of sobriety. In November 2015, he ran for Southold Town supervisor and secured 37 percent of the popular vote. He was appointed co-president of the Southold Town Democratic Club in January 2016 and plans to run for office again in the near future. He and his wife Joanna bought their first home in June 2016, in Southold, where they live with their children, Luca Owen Rallis (12) and Destin Elijah Rallis (8).



**Tracy Morin '97** writes, "After graduation I jumped right into work in the field and haven't stopped since. I am currently enrolled at Southern New Hampshire University for a master's degree in clinical mental health counseling. I have also been working for Day One as its program coordinator for the last two years. I supervise other clinical staff, facilitate treatment groups, manage a small case load amongst other supervisory things in one of their residential settings. I have discovered a passion for self-care and have utilized yoga, hiking, jogging, snowshoeing, and kayaking as some of my outlets. I am going to be hiking Mt. Washington in a few weeks! Here is a recent picture of me at the top of Tumbledown Mountain."



**Donna (Smith) Hill '92** writes, "I have worked in the business environment since graduating from Franklin Pierce with a bachelor's degree in business management. In 2015, I graduated from Antioch University of New England with a master's degree in natural resource management and conservation. I own and am currently managing 106 acres, which includes a field conversion, woodlots, gardens, and conservation, with plans for a food system built within a permaculture using my farm animals. I have two daughters. In May 2016, my older daughter graduated from Franklin Pierce University in Health Sciences. She is attending Auburn University in the fall of 2016, where she will build upon her health science studies as she pursues a doctor of veterinary medicine degree. My younger daughter graduated high school in June 2016 and is currently working and studying in rescue and rehabilitation of animals."

### 1997

**Kristen Jaccodine '97** reports, "Hello, Pierce friends! I was recently reminded that the Class of 1997 20th reunion is just around the mountain. Can you believe that June 2016 marked my 12th year as a school counselor at High Point Regional High School in New Jersey? The work continues to be challenging and frustrating, but also rewarding in many ways. I continue to write regularly and hope to have my second children's book self published this fall. I spend my summers in Maine with my sister and her family."

**Tara Wilkinson '97** continues to enjoy living in Alabama. She will celebrate eight years of calling it home in January. Her twelve years with Capstone On-Campus Management has afforded her the opportunity to visit 39 states and make friends nationwide. As vice president of administration, she now travels less for work and more for pleasure. Some of the trips she has enjoyed include cheering on friends (like Stacey Jackson Miller '98) in marathons and Ironmans. Tara is excited for her 20th class reunion in June 2017 and encourages her classmates to plan ahead for an adult only weekend or bring along the family.

### 1998

**Jonathan Pessant '98** is attending the University of Southern Maine. He is majoring in English and creative writing in collaboration with his new career as an author.

### 1999

**Wendy Bergeron '99** will be presenting a workshop in April at the National Council of History Education annual conference called "From Colonist to Citizen: Crossing the Rubicon in 1775." She will also be the teacher liaison for Fort Ticonderoga's annual Colonial Conference for Educators and the War College of the Seven Year's War in May. This summer she will attend the NEH Landmarks Institute on the Rochester Reform Trail as well as other teacher institutes.

**Kelly E. Buchta '99** lives in Mahwah, New Jersey, and teaches English at a local high school, as well as being an adjunct staff member at Ramapo College. She is the president of the Catskill Fly Fishing Center and Museum,

Livingston Manor, NY, and holds an officer position in NJ State Council Trout Unlimited, as well as other fishing organizations in NJ. She divides her time between the classroom, the stream, and her family, and friends in Connecticut, New York, and New Jersey.

**Marisa Giannone '99** reports, "After a 16-year hiatus from teaching, I have left over a decade of retail jobs and three years in the mortgage industry to return to the classroom! On Monday, August 8, 2016, I will begin to complete my 7-12 social studies certification down here in the Lone Star State (Texas), where everything literally is bigger! August 22, 2016, will be my first day back in a classroom teaching 10th grade world history at a school that is home to 3,200 students in only three grades. I'm excited my previous nomad lifestyle has lead me to Houston, where I have really found a home and place to "land" and my new/old career."

**Keith Harrington '99** won the 12th annual Pickman Park Chili Cookoff in Salem, Massachusetts. He was able to knock off nine other competitors with his trademark "Category 5 Hurricane Chili." He is now setting his sights on the West Newton Fantastic Flapjack Fiesta in November.

## 2000

**Keith Czajka '00** reports, "I bought my second house in 2016 and had a kidney and pancreas transplant in 2014! Both new organs are doing fantastic."

**Scott A. Spencer '00** was elected to the Massachusetts Democratic Party's State Committee on March 1, 2016. Scott will represent the Massachusetts' Second Essex Senate district for a four year term.

## 2003

**Ali (Farsun) Dembishack '03** was recently presented with a "40 Under 40" award by the Fairfield County Business Journal. For the 12th year, the journal selected 40 leading professionals under the age



**Christopher Cookinham '02** writes, "I am happy to share about my family's newest venture. As a business student at FPC/FPU, I have always wanted to take what I have learned and invest in my future. My wife, Kara, is a lifelong student of dance and movement and when an opportunity to purchase some commercial real estate in our town came up, we thought it was an amazing opportunity to couple my business acumen with her talents. Making our dreams a reality has been hard work, but we finally opened a new dance studio on New Hampshire's seacoast at the start of this past summer 2016. KB's Center of Dance and Movement is located in Hampton Falls and caters to both adults and children. We also feature specialty classes for those who wish to free themselves with movement, but have a physical or mental disability. Our offerings include yoga, zumba, modern, jazz, contemporary, ballet, tap, and much more. KB's Center of Dance and Movement: Where movement frees you! [www.kbdance.net](http://www.kbdance.net)"



**Tracy (Goguen) Johnson '06** writes, "In 2016, my husband and I welcomed our second child into the world, Greyson Vincent Johnson, born 1/24/16. He joins big sister, Harper Michelle, who is now three years old. Pierce Pride surely runs in their blood!"



**Melissa (Hebert) Gendreau '00** writes, "I moved into my husband's home in Nashua, New Hampshire. We got married in 2011. We had a baby boy named Vincent on 1/1/12--New Year's Day baby! I have two wonderful stepchildren, Emma and Jaxon. I've been working at PC Connection for the past 11 years, and for six of those years I was also doing part-time work at Bath & Body Works. We just went on a family vacation to Disney in April."



**Mindy (Lariviere) Ruddock '01** bought a house in Upton, Massachusetts, last year with her husband, Steve, and two sons Daniel (10) and Kevin (8). She is also the proud momma to an English Mastiff who weighs more than she does. Mindy is a licensed massage therapist, esthetician, and spa educator in Franklin, MA.



**Rebecca (Robitaille) Bagtaz '05** writes, "**Michael Bagtaz '05** and I had our second baby in December. Rachel Elizabeth joined us on 12/23/15, almost eight weeks earlier than we were expecting her! She is now six months old and thriving! Her big brother, Joshua, loves her to pieces! In September, I will be going back to Hollis-Brookline High School to start my 4th year as a special education case manager."



**Laura (King) Murphy '05, MBA '07** writes, "I am married to my husband, Patrick (November 2010). We have two boys Declan (3.5) and Connor (1) and live in Bridgewater, Massachusetts. I played soccer at FPC (will always be FPC to me). I have remained close to my teammates and friends throughout the years and get together as often as possible. We have unforgettable memories that we continue to reminisce about. Looking forward to coming back to visit soon."

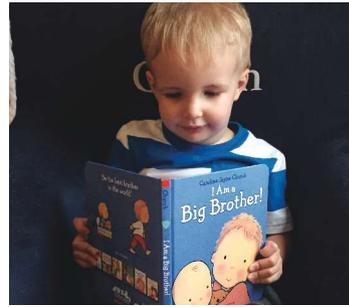
## CLASS NOTES



**Emily Bergeron '04** writes, "This year I adopted a beautiful kitten named Winnie Cooper."



**Diana (Millett) White '04** and her husband, Jason, welcomed a baby boy, Charlie, on February 20, 2016. Diana works in marketing and lives in Foxboro, Massachusetts.



**Patrick '06** and **Melissa (Dunn) Petrella '05** will celebrate five years of marriage this November and are expecting their second child in early March. Their son, Cullen, is very excited to become a big brother!



**Patricia "Patty" (Goodwin) Duncan '05** writes, "Big things happening here! I got married to Craig Duncan on August 1, 2015. We welcomed our daughter Anastasia Grace Elizabeth on May 5, 2016. Woo hoooo!"

of 40 to honor for their work in Fairfield County. The journal received more than 100 nominations. Dembushack is an account supervisor at Catapult Marketing in Westport, CT. She is married to John Dembushack '04 and the couple is expecting their first child in November.

### 2004

**Kellie (Beaudoin) Cannon '04** recently moved back to Massachusetts with her husband and two boys (4 and 1) after ten years of living North Carolina. She is happy to back in New England!

### 2005

"We are excited to announce that we added a future Franklin Pierce alumnus to our family. Andreas and

**Regina (Bonito) Sonyi '05** welcomed their first child, Sebastian Kristof Sonyi, on May 13, 2016."

### 2007

**Jennifer (DePaul) Hemmerdinger '07** and her husband, Jonathan Hemmerdinger, moved from Arlington, Virginia to Boston in May. Jennifer started a new job working in communications for Ernst & Young in its Boston office. They are both thrilled to relocate back to New England to be closer to their family and friends. They also adopted a kitten named Harmony.

**Julie (Gordon) Planera '07** is currently in her 10th year of teaching ELA in inner-city Boston and is a newlywed!

### 2008

**Barbara Fairweather '08** reports, "I got engaged to Robert L. Sullivan III, and our wedding date will be October 2017. Also, we bought our first home this summer in Ayer, Massachusetts."

### 2011

**Benjamin "Ben" Rosenfeld MBA '11** writes, "My wife, Rachel, and I got married this past November. I started a new position just over a year ago in June 2015 at American International College in Springfield, Mass., as its associate athletic director for internal operations."

### 2012

**Anthony Chighisola '12, MBA '14** and **Christina Didino '13** recently

became engaged. They both now live in Newton, MA.

**Danielle "Dee" Dolan '12** reports, "I completed my master's degree in counselor education and will be starting my first job with Naugatuck Valley Community College in Waterbury, Connecticut, with the GEAR UP program! Also, I am new head field hockey coach at Brookfield High School in Brookfield, Connecticut (I'm a former player and captain of FPU's team 2008-2011). Pierce Pride for life!"

**Deborah "Debbie" Lynch M.Ed '12** reports, "I have some exciting news. I got a new job! I am so excited to be starting in my first self contained classroom job. I start in September as a 5th grade teacher in the

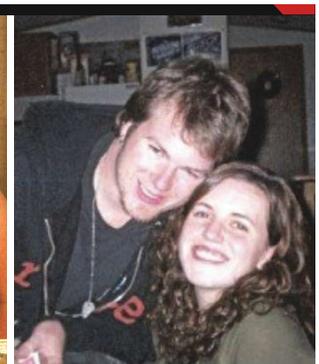


On July 10, 2016, **Jason A. Archambeault '08, MBA '10** celebrated four years as being co-owner of Granite Air Center, located at the Lebanon Municipal Airport in West Lebanon, New Hampshire. Granite Air Center is an aviation services company, providing fueling, hangar storage, de-icing,

maintenance, and all concierge services for both commercial and private aircraft. Purchasing this business would not have been possible without the education gained from Franklin Pierce University. Jason hopes to soon be able to teach some undergraduate courses either online or at the Lebanon campus so that he can share his real work experiences with other students. In the photo, Jason is the one on the right.



**Casey Bolduc '08** and **Meghan Eileen Farrell '07** are engaged to be wed on August 27, 2016, in East Durham, New York. The happy and Pierce Proud couple currently resides in Atkinson, New Hampshire, and would like to thank all their classmates for the support and great memories over the years! Photos: one from their time at school and one more recent.



Winnisquam School District! I am so excited! "

## 2013

**Amelia Walters '13** writes, "Hello Franklin Pierce! I've just finished up my second term with AmeriCorps, at Social Capital, Incorporated. It's a great organization in Massachusetts that supports volunteerism, community engagement, and youth development. It was another life-changing year spent with AmeriCorps! I'm still working at my host site, the Hockomock Area YMCA with Health Innovation. One of the main projects I worked on was recruiting volunteers for the summer lunch program, that gives free lunches to youth all summer in Milford! I am so glad to be a part of it. The Hockomock YMCA is an awesome organization that does amazing things for their communities. I even got to meet two FPU alumni. That's it for now. Until next time, fellow Ravens."

## 2014

**Evan Bannister '14** writes, "Since graduating in 2014 with a bio degree and four years playing lacrosse, I have been conducting research at University of Pennsylvania in the departments of Orthopaedic Trauma and Sports Medicine. I also conducted a pilot study for the Penn Anesthesia Department that received an NIH R01 grant worth \$12 million to expand the study to over 35 hospitals in three counties. I am applying to medical school this summer."

**Brett Bosley '14** just received a promotion to assistant director of athletic communications at Virginia Commonwealth University. Along with his success at VCU, he enjoys his free time with **Susannah Batchelder '13, MBA '14**.

**Rachel Moon '14** was promoted to community residence manager at Fellowship Housing Opportunities.

## 2015

**Dr. Sharon "Sherry" Anderson DA '15** teaches at Husson University in Bangor, Maine as an adjunct sociology instructor. She received her fourth personal invitation and



**Kimberly "Kim" Ruth '09** and fellow Ravens were able to attend the wedding of Shannon Force '09 at the Crystal Plaza in New Jersey to her high school sweetheart, Ryan McGowan.



**Nicole Kedaroe '08**, (arts management) is now living in Marietta, Georgia. Nicole is the centre programs manager for the renowned Atlanta Ballet and the Atlanta Ballet Centre for Dance Education in Atlanta. She spends her days using her Arts Management degree from FP to work on choreography projects and teach dance classes She celebrates her new engagement to Shawn Adams Jr., graduate of Morehouse College, 2009. Nicole and Shawn plan to have a fall 2017 wedding in their Boston hometown.



**Randy Bernosky '09** started his bucket list long before graduation. He worked in Alaska on the Bering Straits fishing with The Most Dangerous Catch for two years. It was grueling and certainly dangerous! After his adventure, he surfed the coast of California, achieved his dream to night cave dive, and hysterically outran a Texas longhorn trying to cow tip! He is now a mortgage officer with Wells Fargo and is the proud uncle of nephew Sam and niece Esme. We think he has only used about five of his nine lives, so we'll wait to see what is on his horizon! The only thing we are sure of is that grass does not grow under his feet.



**Zachary Hayden Cary M.Ed. '08** reports, "This past year was my eighth year teaching third grade! I am so thankful to have such a rewarding career, and a beautiful wife and son supporting me the entire way."

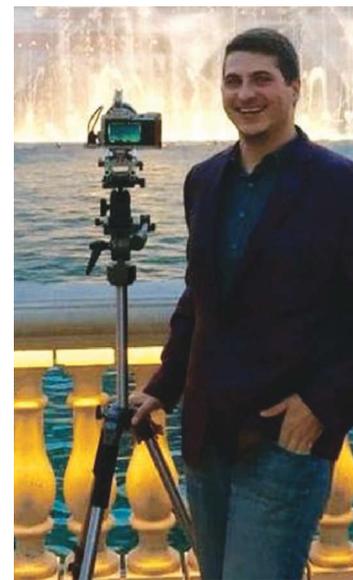


After graduating from Franklin Pierce with an English degree, **Renee (Beauregard) Lute '09** received her MFA in creative writing from Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota. Her writing has appeared in a number of literary journals, magazines, and anthologies, including *Bellevue Literary Review*, *ROAR Magazine*, *Mamalode*, and two *Chicken Soup for the Soul* collections. Her illustrated children's chapter book, *Bat*, was published by Red Bird Chapbooks in 2015. In 2016, Renee signed with an agent at Thompson Literary. Renee lives in a suburb of Seattle with her husband and three young children.

## CLASS NOTES



**Ricki (Thompson) '10** and **Joe Lefebvre '10** were married in Philadelphia on July 16, 2016. They started dating at Franklin Pierce in 2008 and have since moved to North Carolina to pursue their professional careers. Alumni in attendance at the wedding include roommates and friends Alisha (Astephen) Almeida '09, Tristan McCarthy '10, and groomsman Brian St. Pierre '10. Alisha's daughter, Ava (4), was the sweetest flower girl."



In early 2011, **Adam Saada '10** moved to Los Angeles, California, to pursue a career in the entertainment industry. Today, he is the studio manager and engineer of the Beverly Hills Studios.



**Elizabeth "Liz" (Renda) Woods '10** got married to Joshua Woods on May 15, 2016, in Hermann, MO.



**Merrill Vaughan '12** writes, "I was elected to the position of First Vice Commander for our local American Legion Post. I also keep the position of Chaplain. I also hold the positions of Americanism and POW/MIA chair for the Post. We have a new commander that has great ideas for the upcoming years."

A poem for all to enjoy; written by Merrill Vaughan '12:

#### **Names on the Wall**

*For those on The Wall, may you finally Rest in Peace  
On a long black wall called the Vietnam Memorial  
Are fifty-eight thousand plus names etched into the black granite  
Each name is a person who once was alive and well  
With names like Adam and Zachary, Alicia and Yolanda  
Sometimes it is called the Healing Wall  
Hundreds come per day to look, to pray, to cry  
To find a name they knew that answered our nation's call  
Or find a father by a young adult he never saw  
Visitors are quiet as they look at the names on the wall  
Some have tears as they try to hold back an expression of grief  
For each Nam vet sees a name they knew well, a hooch mate maybe  
Each name is special to a relative or a buddy who held him as he died  
A piece of paper and a pencil so they can rub a name they see  
American flags lean against the panels to honor these fallen Americans  
Photos in frames show a loved one with an unsent letter against the wall  
Red and yellow roses and an old pair of jungle boots sit among these tributes  
A young woman with a child in her arms looks for one name  
She stops and sees that she found who she has looked for  
Lightly touching the name, tears in her eyes  
She says, "You can rest now daddy, your baby daughter has finally found you"  
Fragments of bone, a faded ID card may change status  
Based on DNA, a symbol is placed next to a name from MIA to KIA  
Each name is an individual, a friend, a loved one, a buddy  
Yes, each name on the wall is special*

© Merrill A. Vaughan August 15, 2003.

**Lauren (Sullivan) Justice '12** writes, "Hey there, Frankie P peeps! It's been an awesome year for Adam Justice '12 and me! This past July, Adam and I got married, right on Manor Lawn, back at our much-loved alma mater! On our special day, we were surrounded by our families, friends, and of course, many of the finest Franklin Pierce alumni. Adam and I are loving married life in East Andover, New Hampshire. Adam works as the assistant manager of the ski hill at Proctor Academy, and has found a new passion in his woodturning business, Justice Woodcraft. I work as an adjunct professor and research consultant at Colby-Sawyer College. Life is good, folks!"

attended the United States Global Leadership Coalition (USGLC) in Washington, D.C. June 13 & 14, 2016. June 13th consisted of attending intense workshops in preparation of lobbying Capitol Hill on June 14th. Dr. Anderson and her fellow USGLC state leaders met with their senators and congressional representatives to lobby not to reduce foreign aid. Additionally, Dr. Anderson lobbied in favor her of her personal mission, "Women and Children's Betterment and Personal Safety Stateside as well as Globally."

**Danielle Hare '15** "Taking the experience I gained from Professor Jason Little's Small Business Advisory Group, I have begun a career with Jarden Home Brands. I am now working as a packaging and new product development associate. I intend on continuing my education and will soon begin

working on an MS in innovation from Northeastern University"

**Jacqueline "Jacqui" Hart '15** reports, "I'm currently working for Boston Community Capital as a closing coordinator. It's a nonprofit organization that helps families out of foreclosure and helps keep them in their homes."

#### **2016**

**Joel Torres '16** writes, "I received a job offer during the last month of my senior year and moved out to the DMV (D.C., Maryland, Virginia) area to begin work immediately after graduation! I now live in Virginia and work in Maryland for an awesome company called 2U! I'm proud to be an alumnus and hope to help out future Pierce students in the future. Also, my nephew is officially going to be a Raven this fall! Very proud and excited for him!"



Alumni from the class of **2012** went away for an annual mini-reunion in New Hampshire this past summer. Pictured are **Laura Kotusky, Brittany Wheeler, Scott Spolidoro, Nick Vitukevich, Alex Terrill, Kevin Baca, Mathew Overdeput, Mike Davies, and Kelly Driscoll.**

**Michael "Mike" Davies '12** writes, "A lot has happened since we graduated from FPU in 2012. I am working as a cameraman at WHDH in Boston, and Kelly Driscoll '12 will be attending Simmons College in the fall to pursue a degree in nursing. We recently attended Lauren and Adam Justice's wedding on campus (see picture), and it brought back so many amazing memories! Go Ravens!"



**Michelle Barbeau '11, MBA '13** writes, "The first picture is of a trip on Memorial Day weekend to Washington, DC. From left to right Robert Young '11, Nicole Heavey '11, Michelle Barbeau '11, MBA '13, Elizabeth Squire '12, and Brianna Geagan '11. Nicole and Robert had the trip planned to go visit Elizabeth, who moved to DC, and Brianna and Michelle surprised them and planned the trip too. They were really shocked when we showed up, as they had no idea we were coming. The second picture is from a wedding I attended in Hermann, Missouri, for fellow alumna Elizabeth (Renda) '10. Next to me are Bailey Gaffney '10, Aleka Chouramanis '10, DPT '13, and Stephanie Simon '10.



**Brianna Somers '15** writes, "**Brendan O'Rourke '15** and I would like to announce our engagement. We met in Fred Rogers' science lecture class our sophomore year at Pierce and couldn't be more excited to start our lives together. Brendan moved from Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, after graduation to be with me in our apartment in Nutley, NJ. Brendan proposed to me on our three year anniversary at Pleasant Bay Beach in Harwich, Massachusetts. Attached is a photo from that day where Brendan's cousin was hiding in the bushes to capture this moment."



"**Ryan Johnson '14** and myself, **Alexandra Marella '15**, bought our first home together in November 2015. We met my first day of freshman year. Ryan being a CA moved me into my dorm, and from there we went our separate ways. Little did we know, over the course of my freshman year, we would become friends. My sophomore year (his junior) we began dating. Now, four years later, we own our first home together!"



**Katie Jackson '14** writes, "Within the past year, I bought my first home in Denver and got promoted to software engineer at Pearson Inc. I was able to come back to Boston in June to see some of my best friends, and attend one's wedding, all whom I met at Franklin Pierce!" Photo with **Hayley Kelly '14**.



**Megan Heaney '16** writes, "I moved to Buffalo, New York, after graduating in May and started a job as a laboratory technician in the Read Lab at the University at Buffalo. The research in the Read Lab focuses on a small parasite called *Trypanosoma brucei*. I bike to work everyday and I enjoy hiking trails along Niagara Falls. In June, I helped to rescue and adopt a tiny kitten! I'm adjusting well to life in western New York, and I'm excited for whatever the future holds next!"

## “WE REMEMBER WELL”

The names listed are those in the Pierce Community we lost from June 23, 2015 – September 11, 2016.

- William Wittenberg '66**
- Robert Van Dyke '72**
- Donald J. Austrian, '75**
- James C. Grant, '82**  
(Honorary Degree)
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*The “We Remember Well” section is compiled from national listing and notices from family members and friends of alumni. It includes only the deaths reported to us since the following Reunion Weekend. Please send information to: Alumni Office, Franklin Pierce University, 40 University Drive, Rindge, NH 03461 or alumni@franklinpierce.edu.*

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It is with a deep sense of gratitude that I report on Franklin Pierce's philanthropy results for the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

On behalf of Franklin Pierce University, I want to thank you, the 1,744 donors who made a gift to the University during our Fiscal Year (June 1, 2015-May 31, 2016). It is due to the support of caring alumni, parents, and friends that Franklin Pierce is able to provide our students the opportunity to live and learn in a diverse community that supports their strength as good citizens and leaders in their chosen fields. I am pleased to report that Pierce raised \$1,687,144 for the year, which was a 12.4% increase over the previous year! Thank you for your continued generosity and most of all, thank you for strengthening the future of Franklin Pierce.

With Pierce Pride,



Nathaniel Peirce, Ph.D.  
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Royce L. Vehslage  
Gregg Woolston

## 1979

Eleanor (Raposa) Byrne  
Michael Chatman  
Cynthia (Danboise) Franke  
Stephen Howe  
Robert H. Kuhsel  
Judson S. Lee  
David W. McGraw  
Barbara M. Silva  
Willard H. Whitcomb

## 1980

Dennis J. Callahan  
Elizabeth (Piper) Conrad  
Richard J. Conrad  
Brenton E. Creelman

Alexander P. Felson  
Amy I. Gardner-Hadachek  
Michael A. Gladle  
Allen M. Johnson  
Eric S. Marcus  
Caryn A. (Robotti) Marshall  
John L. Moody  
Kerry D. Stein

## 1981

Elaine M. Begley  
James F. Clouse, Jr.  
Rebecca L. (Jorn) Decker  
Karen "Aruba" Harms  
Gary J. Kroeber  
Bruce C. Laine  
Matthew C. Lemieux  
Stephen B. MacCrea  
Edward A. Mastriano  
Robert F. Miller  
Robert J. Nosenchuk  
Nannette (Gentile) Oberhelman  
Nancy (Correll) Pataky  
Edmond L. Pereira  
Clinton W. Pierce  
Roberta (Coolidge) Platz  
Donald Pyke  
Jane (Carabello) Richter  
Cory S. Richter  
Cynthia T. (Murray) Schutzman  
Andrew G. Schwartz  
Jeffrey K. Smith  
Claudia L. (Cole) Tufo  
Kevin J. Yager

## 1982

Ali Reza Bagheri  
Patricia A. Beyland  
Nancy C. Coles-Nye  
Joseph M. Delancy  
John M. DePledge  
Ralph E. Heald  
Timothy M. Keating  
Michael Kicinski  
Judith (Raposa) Leach  
Lawrence Leach  
Therese Ledwith Fay  
Alison M. Moore  
Mary P. Parker  
Matthew S. Reiss  
Robert F. Riley  
Rachel (Rauch) Schwartz

## 1983

Catherine R. Baratta  
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David G. Caron  
James Conklin  
Thomas V. Farrell

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David J. Kronoff  
Susan LaFrance  
David P. Masse  
Kim M. Mooney  
Kimberley (Lewis) Riley  
David A. Schutzman  
Randall F. Shaw  
Jeffrey W. Titus  
John F. Washington, Jr.  
Elizabeth D. Zinn

## 1984

Laurie A. Bienefeld  
Lawrence S. Cooper  
Karen (Gregory) Coyle  
Phillip A. Croteau  
Ann M. Harrington  
Janet D. (DiDio) Licciardi  
Debra (Ormezzano) Paskowski  
William S. Paskowski  
Virginia E. (Heyl) Pettit  
Kathleen A. (Brown) Washington  
Janice F. (Paranto) Wilson

## 1985

Andre D. Adams  
Anonymous  
Denise Christodoulopoulos  
Kevin J. Coyle  
Frederick C. Forsgard II  
Steven C. Hayes  
Tony J. Jones  
Sean D. Jowell  
William H. Karkheck  
Paul J. LaBarge  
Jean T. Proulx  
Thomas M. Roque  
Brenda (Doherty) Sansom  
Karen (Rose) Savageau  
Nancy J. (Atkins) Wray  
Alan I. Zilinsky

## 1986

Pamela S. (Slingerland) Bradstreet  
Dawn Brennan  
Kenneth Butler  
Melissa (Szeliga) Campbell  
Gene R. Davidson  
James J. DiMarino  
Diana L. (Holmgren) Horsman  
Marcus K. Hudson  
Jennifer Jacobus  
Paula J. Kennedy  
Thomas B. King-McMahon  
Dawn (Phinney) Kipperman  
Deirdre M. (Malley) Milewski

Carlton P. Miner  
Sara J. Moccio  
Dolores R. Moran-Colby  
Timothy G. Nawn  
Keith J. Orzechowski  
Karen E. Parker  
Jayne (Formalarie) Roque  
Anthony T. Savageau  
Scott E. Schachter  
Joseph T. Spendley  
Stephen M. Woods  
Thomas E. Zaluki  
Kristine C. Zavorotny

## 1987

Monroe A. Brand, Jr.  
Daniel T. Campbell  
Daniel B. Clark  
Richard J. Dastous  
William C. Davis  
James C. Fitzsimmons  
Charles Hand  
Michelle M. (St. Jean) Lawson  
Wanda Lukehart  
Joseph T. Scungio, Jr.  
Philip C. Unger

## 1988

Nancy R. Adams Lentz  
Scott A. Addison  
Labon T. Bumphus  
John A. Downing  
John C. Guregian  
Bruce D. Harrington  
Philip Krajewski  
Nan McCarthy  
Sandra McIntire  
Amy (Brigham) Melvin  
Michael Melvin  
Sandra D.W. (Wohr) Messina  
Alphonso Promutico

## 1989

Salvatore J. Baratta  
Daniel G. Beaulieu  
Tracey R. Bergstrand  
Carl E. Brassell  
William S. Dow  
Vincent J. Flynn, Jr.  
Zachary J. Gianaris  
John F. Gordon  
Gary A. Heald  
James J. Kelley  
Gary J. Lochhead  
William G. Naser  
Kimberly (Cook) Neher  
Joseph C. Obidiegwu  
David G. Salvat

William J. Warren  
Melissa (Petrocelli) Weinbaum  
Michael J. Weinbaum

## 1990

Lisa M. (Tringo) Arena  
Beth (Bannister) Bailey  
Scott W. Beausoleil  
Danielle M. Caputo  
Kimberly A. (Morris) Derby  
Kristine (Lee) Dow  
Raymond L. Eaton  
Anmarie (Linskey) Gaalaas  
Stephanie L. (Duers) Harrington  
Claudia Jacobs  
Lee Ann (Scyoc) Jenner  
Michael T. Lamoretti  
Nancy S. (Freedman) Manning  
Judith (Schlosser) Meghnagi  
Alex G. Randow  
Heidi (Grayson) Rochow  
Kenneth Smith  
Gayle (Hamilton) Tirpok  
Amy E. (Fales) Walsh  
Deloris A. (Short) White  
Michael F. Zurcher

## 1991

Anonymous  
Ford Beattie  
Rachel D. (Tucker) Boudrow  
Marc W. Bragin  
Edmund E. Correa  
Debra L. (Bergeron) Dill  
Daniel C. Dunn  
Miles L. Eason  
William R. Elliott  
Charles J. Fertitta  
Franklin O. Goforth  
Abby S. Gordon-Tolan  
Paul G. Jenner, Jr.  
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Adam S. Lewis  
Robin M. (Beaumont) L'Homme  
Bethany L. (Webber) Lyons  
Sandra (Ouellette) MacMillan  
John F. MacMillan  
Dominick T. Miciotta, Jr.  
Ericka K. Monteiro  
Ronald J. Pervere  
Patricia Riley  
William S. Rothseid  
Stephen J. Schwartz  
Karen (Kreusch) Zurcher

## 1992

Lorrie A. Berger  
David G. Carr  
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Gregory M. Doody  
Kathleen L. Howell  
James F. Kulacz  
Michelle D. (Lackey) Maselli  
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Sheila D. Pierson-Roy  
Christopher N. Schmidt  
Jonathan L. Slavin  
Ellen (Mayo) Smith  
Nancy I. Tynning  
Patricia J. Woodcome

## 1993

Jeffrey R. Bailey  
Anne M. Cerami  
Jennifer L. (Lotane) Flemming  
David J. Girouard  
John R. Harper  
Ernest R. Hudziec  
Nina M. Nilsson  
Colleen M. (Dunleavy) Rawlings

## 1994

Heather M. Barry  
Pamela M. (Parks) Breuer  
Christopher M. Chase  
Roberta N. DeGrandis  
Joanne G. (Gulliford) Hoban  
Genevieve M. McGillicuddy  
Andrew K. Morse  
Paul J. Powers  
Paul M. Read  
Maurice A. Richard, Jr.  
Brian J. Schulz  
Albert C. Thompson II  
Zenovia T. Thompson  
Geneva S. West

## 1995

Erik A. Barone  
Louise F. (Lafreniere) Caswell  
Jill A. (Astmann) Karol  
Jason E. McCormack  
Jill C. Meister  
Marian A. Mucci  
Michele R. Penna  
Wendy K. Slate Berman

## 1996

Andre T. Aho  
Colleen L. (Evans) Chase  
William R. Currier  
Kenneth M. Ervin  
Tracey A. (Camire) Goode  
Richard L. Goode  
Lisa M. (Mikkalsen) Jaskolka  
Eva B. (Bergsten) Meredith  
Victor M. Ng  
Lynne A. Westaway

## 1997

William R. Currier  
Seamus P. Donnelly  
Heather J. (March) Hurley  
William E. Hurley  
Kristen R. Jaccodine  
Jennifer D. Miller  
Sheila D. Pierson-Roy  
Tracy L. (Langlois) Rader  
Jennifer J. Sim  
Tara M. Wilkinson

## 1998

Scott W. Beausoleil  
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Melissa A. Conway  
Elizabeth A. (Nelson) Ervin  
Liana G. (Roskosky) Geraghty  
Christopher R. Lucas  
Sherry L. Mobley  
Michele R. Penna  
Sarah E. Probst  
Jamie J. Rankin  
Libby M. Richardson  
Pamela A. Sanderson  
Nicole A. Torday

## 1999

Lynne E. Currier  
Ezra H. Headrick  
Christopher J. Holman  
Matthew D. LaBarge  
Shari A. LaPierre  
Paul J. Powers  
Ian I. Shiff  
Deborah A. (Stiles) Simmons  
Amy K. Spencer  
Erica J. (Fois) Vosburgh

## 2000

Sebastian Flint  
Kristin L. Guiffra  
Stephen M. Hall  
Tomia M. Hodge  
Michael W. Hughes  
Zebadiah Kellogg-Roe  
James M. Nicholson  
Jodi N. (Derby) Panzino  
Stephanie K. (Peck) Sutterlin  
Christopher J. Trolla  
Christopher E. Turieo

## 2001

Daniel P. Anderson  
Shanendon E. Cartwright  
Anthony E. Costa  
Lisa M. (Miskiewicz) da Silva  
Peter V. DeMinico  
Darren M. Geraghty

Brian K. Kuscher  
Christopher R. Lucas  
Martin A. Michaud  
Kevin J. Shirvell  
Tim L. Simmons  
Jonathan W. Venskus

## 2002

Ahmad Boura  
Eric J. Burney  
Quinton Carr  
John A. Casamassima  
Jennifer L. Facey  
Ronald J. Harbour  
Danielle M. (Rivard) Hilstro  
Albert E. Lawrence III  
John R. Learson  
Madonna J. McKenzie  
Jack Mobley  
Victoria Rank  
Brian G. Rekos  
Emily J. (Liskow) Verbeck

## 2003

Michael P. Callahan  
Kristy R. (Birch) Corey  
Kenneth M. Ervin  
Alexandra Farsun  
Linnea M. Fraser  
Evan P. McGee  
Tara S. (Demeyer) Smith  
George A. Yameen

## 2004

George A. Bucci  
John T. Dembshack  
Jennifer M. (Scott) Forry  
Remi M. Francoeur  
Lynda M. Hunt  
Joshua P. Jacobs  
Rebecca J. (Hamlet) Kapple  
Shari A. LaPierre  
Jennifer L. (Melnyk) Partyka  
Derek R. Rodgeron  
Hannah J. (Goodwin) Sarat  
Tara K. (Pietraszuk) Shollenberger

## 2005

Ryan J. Bell  
Frank Blais  
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Susan A. Casey  
William G. Costa  
Arthur A. Hembrough  
Kathleen L. Howell  
Kevin S. Liu  
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Matthew J. Naffah  
Kyle R. Provost

Victoria Rank  
Derek M. Scalia  
Devin M. Sheehan  
Terrell L. Boston Smith  
Regina M. (Bonito) Sonyi  
Jane E. Tebeau

## 2006

Douglas J. Carty  
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David S. Curran  
Gerene L. (Selmer) Ellis  
Eric M. Ellis  
Mark Gibbons  
David J. Nawrocki  
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Craig S. Weeks

## 2007

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Jennifer L. Ferreira  
Patrick R. Gaffney  
LeRoy P. Graham  
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Collette M. Nadeau  
Jason L. Potterton  
Joshua C. Sigsworth  
Stephanie D. (Kalivas) Sipala  
Timothy A. Viveiros

## 2008

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Susan A. Casey  
Charles Handy  
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Timothy R. Koster  
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Nathan P. Vassill  
Kenneth D. Wells

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Matthew O. Anderson  
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Nicole C. Buchholz  
Frederick J. Cole  
Charlotte A. Farber  
Anna M. Kot  
Thomas J. Leahy  
Erika M. McGowan  
Matthew M. Relyea  
Diana A. Rudha  
Celine (Rainville) Thouin

## 2010

Gina A. (Lanni) Bishop  
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Matthew J. Dee  
Sarah E. Downing  
Darlene K. (Ingamell) Evans  
Heather F. Modjesky  
Andrew S. Othot  
Adam C. Saada  
Joshua C. Sigsworth  
Brent M. Steinberg  
Justin B. Sultzbach  
Brandon T. Weiner

## 2011

Jesse D. Allain  
Jordan L. Baillargeon  
Michelle A. Barbeau  
Jillian T. Benn  
Daniel Blair  
Michael J. Buswell  
Catherine A. Collins  
Melissa A. Conway  
Melissa B. Dymek  
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Kevin M. Rivers  
John D. Scanlan, Jr.  
Elizabeth A. Sheridan  
Adam E. Stahl  
Misty D. Start  
Cara N. Tamiso  
Robert K. Young

## 2012

Grace B. Ames  
Michael A. Andersen  
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Mariama S. Bonetti  
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Michael C. Davies  
Stefanie A. Dilendick  
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## 2013

Taylor H. Abo-Hamzy  
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## 2014

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Caitlin N. Hopkins  
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Cody R. MacLellan  
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Leslie P. Rodgers  
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Ryen B. Vilmont  
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Brennan P. Whalen  
Christine E. Zerillo

## 2016

Amanda M. Adee  
Denise A. Allen  
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Natalie M. Bastian  
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Doria J. Brown  
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Bailee J. Desforges  
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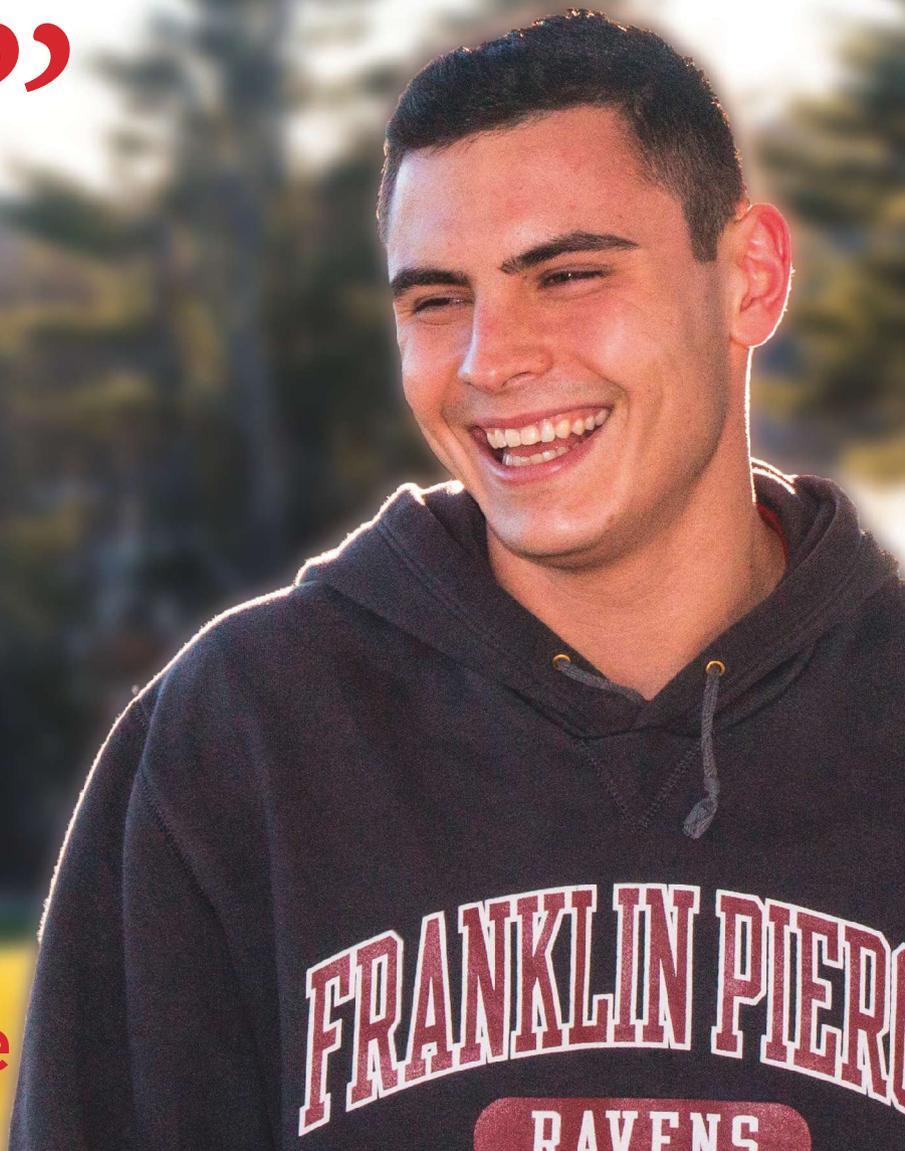
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